

## **Town of Grand Island – Regular Meeting #3**

A regular meeting of the Town Board of Grand Island, New York was held at the Town Hall, 2255 Baseline Rd., Grand Island, NY at 8:00p.m. on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2022.

Present:	John C. Whitney	Supervisor
	Michael H. Madigan	Councilman
	Peter J. Marston	Councilman
	Thomas A. Digati	Councilman
	Christian J. Bahleda	Councilman
	Patricia A. Frentzel	Town Clerk
	Peter C. Godfrey	Town Attorney

Supervisor John C. Whitney called the meeting to order at 8:00p.m.  
Pastor Calvin VanderMey from Bible Fellowship Center gave the Invocation.  
Councilman Christian J. Bahleda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Meeting was conducted via ZOOM and streamed live on the Town's website – [www.grandislandny.us](http://www.grandislandny.us)

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

This is an opportunity for residents to comment on any matter regarding the meeting agenda items only.

*Speakers:* None

### **MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Madigan to approve Minutes of Workshop Meeting #2, January 12, 2022, Minutes of Workshop Meeting #3, January 18, 2022, Minutes of Regular Meeting #2, January 18, 2022, Minutes of Workshop Meeting #4, January 26, 2022, and Minutes of Workshop Meeting #5, January 31, 2022.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Meeting Minutes – Historic Preservation Advisory Board – August 20, September 17, October 15, and December 10, 2021, January 21, 2022
2. Meeting Minutes – Grand Island Memorial Library – November 4, 2021
3. Building Permits Issued – January 2022

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to approve the consent agenda as distributed.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **COMMUNICATIONS – OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS:**

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### **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – RICHARD W. CRAWFORD:**

#### **NYS Highway Law – Section 284 Agreement – 2022**

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Madigan to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law in the amount of \$407,190.00.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

#### **Vacation Carryover**

A motion was made by Councilman Madigan, seconded by Councilman Marston to approve the request to carry over 4 days of vacation for Cheryl Zito.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & WATER RESOURCES – ROBERT H. WESTFALL:**

#### **Panepinto Minor Subdivision (Subdivision #115), Whitehaven Road, West of Alvin Road – Preliminary Plat/3 Lot Subdivision – Set Public Hearing**

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to set a Public Hearing for Monday, March 7, 2022, at 8:00p.m. for the purpose of hearing anyone who wants to comment on Panepinto Minor Subdivision (Subdivision #115), Whitehaven Road, West of Alvin Road – Preliminary Plat/3 Lot Subdivision.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

#### **Sandywood Circle Subdivision (Subdivision #116), Huth Road, East of Autumnwood Drive – Preliminary Plat/17 Lot Subdivision – Set Public Hearing**

A motion was made by Councilman Madigan, seconded by Councilman Digati to set a Public Hearing for Monday, March 7, 2022, at 8:00p.m. for the purpose of hearing anyone who wants to comment on Sandywood Circle Subdivision (Subdivision #116), Huth Road, East of Autumnwood Drive – Preliminary Plat/17 Lot Subdivision.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

#### **Grand Island Sunrise LLC, 871 Whitehaven Road – Resolution Declaring Intent to be Lead Agency (SEQR) – Proposed Solar Array**

A motion was made by Councilman Madigan, seconded by Councilman Marston to adopt the following resolution that the proposed Grand Island Community Solar Farm to be located at 871 Whitehaven Road is subject to SEQRA and classifying consideration of the proposed action as a Type 1 action under SEQRA:

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2021, Grand Island Sunrise, LLC filed applications for a Special Use Permit and Site Plan Approval of the “Grand Island Community Solar Farm” to be located at 871 Whitehaven Road in the Town of Grand Island (the “proposed action”), and

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WHEREAS, the proposed action would involve disturbance of approximately 4.5 acres of land on a property adjacent to public parkland, and

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Grand Island hereby declares itself lead agency for purposes of SEQRA review.

AND THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Grand Island finds that the proposed action would qualify as a Type I action under SEQRA because it would involve activities, other than the construction of residential facilities, involving the physical alteration of more than 2.5 acres of land on property contiguous to publicly owned or operated parkland under 6 NYCRR 617.4(b)(6)(i) and 6 NYCRR 617.4(b)(10).

AND THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Grand Island further resolves that the proposed action is classified as a Type I Action under SEQRA.

AND THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Grand Island will review any relevant submissions and comments related to the proposed action in order to make a determination of environmental significance under SEQRA.

AND THEREFORE, the Town Clerk of the Town of Grand Island is hereby directed to enter this resolution into the minutes of this meeting.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE:**

#### **Angiolina Passucci, 2797 Grand Island Boulevard LLC – Exception to Subdivision**

#### **Regulations, Request to Split Parcel – SBL #23.00-2-9, 2769 Grand Island Boulevard**

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to approve the request for an exception to subdivision regulations for the request to split a parcel – SBL #23.00-2-9, 2769 Grand Island Boulevard, subject to the payment of recreation fees as permitted by law and filing of the necessary paperwork with the Erie County Clerk's office.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **RECREATION SUPERVISOR – SENIOR CITIZENS – JENNIFER MENTER:**

#### **Part-time Hire**

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Madigan to approve hiring of Cathy Moore, Part-time Recreation Attendant, effective February 8, 2022, Grade 1, Step A \$15.23/hr., subject to the completion of the necessary pre-employment paperwork.

APPROVED    Ayes    5            Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
                     Noes    0

### **REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE:**

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A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to pay

Vouchers #137274- #137458

General	\$125,864.93
Highway	\$ 71,734.86
Sewer	\$488,731.97
Water	\$ 18,150.76
Capital	\$ 79,832.07
Garbage	<u>\$141,928.62</u>
Total	\$926,243.21

APPROVED Ayes 5 Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
Noes 0

### **SUSPEND THE RULES:**

#### **Appointment – ZBA Chairman**

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to Suspend the Rules to consider an appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
Noes 0

A motion was made by Councilman Madigan, seconded by Councilman Digati to appoint Robert Mesmer as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals through December 31, 2022.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
Noes 0

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

This is an opportunity for residents to comment on any matter regarding Town government on any subject.

Speakers: Nancy Killian

### **FROM THE BOARD:**

- Meeting Regrading Board of Supervisors Creation
- Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner – April 25<sup>th</sup>

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Digati to adjourn the meeting at 8:20p.m.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Madigan, Marston, Digati, Bahleda, Whitney  
Noes 0

A moment of silence was observed in memory of the following:

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Sybil Kennedy

Ronald Stanke

Mary Quinn

Richard Mata

Beth Parrish

Frank Pyzynski

Jacqueline Nowakowski

Richard Johnson

James Fire, Jr.

Vincenette Marcantonio

Judith Prior

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Anderson Frentzel

Town Clerk