

DECEMBER 14, 2020

**Via ZOOM at 7:30 P.M.**

Present: David Anderson, Supervisor; Eric Behling, Councilor; Larry Barber, Councilor; Judy Greenway, Councilor; Russell Partrick, Councilor; Elizabeth Dishaw, Town Clerk; Rebekah Prosachik, Town Attorney; Edwin Waterbury, Chairman Zoning Board; Carrie Bond, Mexico Point Park Manager; Ian Yerdon, Engineer

Absent: Ronald Marsden, Zoning Officer; Nancy Weber, Chairman Planning Board; Russell Marsden Jr, Highway Superintendent; Richard Diehl, Parks Manager

And 2 in the audience

Supervisor Anderson opened the regular Town Board meeting at 7:31

**Resolution 2020-115 Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Greenway and Partrick and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board approves the minutes from the November 9 and December 8, 2020 town board meetings.

Communications:

- Shared Services Panel
- CITI Spotlight
- 2021 Training School
- Town of Palermo Local Law #2
- Town of Parish Letter

Public Comment and Concerns:

Supervisor Anderson announced his retirement. The board members and others at the meeting congratulated him and commented on the great job he has done as supervisor.

**Reports:**

Town Clerk- A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to accept the November town clerk report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

Dog – A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Barber to accept the November report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays

Zoning Officer / Building Inspector – A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Greenway to approve the report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays. Councilor Barber asked that C/O's be put on the report.

Highway Superintendent – A motion was made by Councilor Behling and seconded by Supervisor Anderson to approve the report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

Community Park – Barber said he spoke to Diehl and they would contact a different contractor for the quote for the dugouts.

Mexico Point Park – A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Behling to approve the report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

Zoning Board – A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded Councilor Barber to approve the Zoning Boards Report. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

Water Commissioner – none

Supervisor –A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Barber to approve the supervisor's report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

#### **Resolution 2020- 116 Payrolls**

A motion was made by Councilor Behling and seconded by Councilor Partrick to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board approves the November payroll.

#### **Water Update**

Yerdon said there was not much taking place with WD#5. The restoration will continue in the spring. The funding for WD#6 was approved through RD. The total project would cost \$5.5 million. The grant is for \$1.5 million with the remained would be financed at 1 5/8% interest. There are 229 EDU with a cost per EDU at \$667 to be applies to taxes and usage cost. If the board would like to move forward C2AE would do the final map plan and reports. A public hearing would then be scheduled with the vote 95 to 120 days after that. Yerdon said Guminiak switched to Rural Development for funding because EFC had lowered the amount of funding. If the board decides to explore funding with EFC they should keep in mind that they would not know until this time next year.

#### **Resolution 2020 –117 Preparing Map Plan and Report**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board authorize C2AE to prepare the Map Plan and Report for Water District #6.

Water Report – A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to approve the water report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays

#### Solar Farm on Parish Woods Road

There was a discussion about the letter received from NEXAMP about a solar farm on Parish Woods Road. Prosachik commented that NEXAMP wanted the local law to be changed. Behling comments that a lot of time was spend to write the law as well as research with other towns. Waterbury said there was interest in a solar farm on County Route 58 where it is permitted. Greenway commented she understands that people want to make money off their land but doesn't feel the town should change laws to accommodate them. Prosachik said if the town were to change the law it would be for all of the district.

#### Clock Update

Barber said the supplies for the clock would be here next week. The clock should be running in a month. Once the construct starts it would only take one to two days to complete.

#### **Resolution 2020- 118 Local Law 1 of 2020 Override the Tax Cap**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Supervisor Anderson to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by 5 ayes; Anderson, Greenway, Behling, Barber, Partrick and 0 Nays.

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board approves Local Law #1 of 2020, Over Ride the Tax Cap.

#### **Resolution 2020-119 Schedule the Year-End Meeting**

A motion was made by Supervisor Anderson and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by 5 ayes; Anderson, Behling, Greenway, Barber, Partrick and 0 Nays.

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board schedules the year-end meeting for December 28, 2020 at 7:00. This will be a Zoom meeting. Contact the town office or the website for information.

**Resolution 2020- 120 Authorize Clerk to the Supervisor to Transfer Money**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Barber to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by 5 ayes; Anderson, Greenway, Behling, Barber, Partrick and 0 Nays.

**Resolved**, that the Town Board of the Town of Mexico hereby authorizes the Clerk to the Supervisor to transfer money with the approval of the Town Supervisor.

**Resolution 2020 –121 Record Retention Schedule**

A motion was made by Supervisor Anderson and seconded by Councilor Behling to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by 5 ayes; Anderson, Greenway, Behling, Barber, Partrick and 0 Nays.

**Resolved**, that the Town Board of the Town of Mexico that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

**Further Resolved**, that in accordance with Article 57-A: only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods.

**Discussion on Records Room**

Dishaw said the cellar flooded and the records should be moved to a drier place. Anderson suggested McAuslan Hall. Yerdon suggested C2AE look into a grant. Greenway suggested behind the stage. Barber said he would. Dishaw said they should review the blueprints for the future town offices before choosing a location at McAuslan Hall.

**Resolution 2020- 122 Authorize Clerk to the Supervisor to Transfer Money**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Barber to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by 5 ayes; Anderson, Greenway, Behling, Barber, Partrick and 0 Nays.

**Resolved**, that the Town Board of the Town of Mexico hereby authorizes the Clerk to the Supervisor to transfer money with the approval of the Town Supervisor.

**Resolution 2020- 123 Advertise for ZBA Member**

A motion made by Supervisor Anderson and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes, Anderson, Greenway, Behling, Barber, Partrick and 0 nays

**Resolved**, the Mexico Town Board authorizes Liz Dishaw, Town Clerk to advertise for a ZBA member.

Bond said she will try to keep it the drain at Casey's Cottage unclogged.

Greenway the audit of the museum should be completed by the end of January.

**Resolution 2020-124 Audit of Claims**

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick Greenway and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, that the bills for Abstract 12 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General A Fund	voucher # 250 to 272	\$ 18,317.58
General B Fund	voucher # 77 to 84	\$ 3,928.42
Highway Fund	voucher # 279 to 312	\$ 69,203.54
Water	voucher # 21 to 22	\$ 33,766.64
Special Districts	voucher #17 to 18	\$ 2,657.50
Water District #5	voucher #21	\$ 111,009.61

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Behling to recess at 9:12 pm until December 28, 2020. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 ayes Anderson, Behling, Barber, Partrick, Greenway and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Dishaw, RMC