

**TOWN OF WESTERLO
REGULAR TOWN BOARD
MEETING OF
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020**

The Town of Westerlo Town Board held a regular Town Board meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020 via ZOOM # 93051000713. Supervisor Bichteman opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Attending via Zoom were: Supervisor William Bichteman Jr.
Councilwoman Amie L. Burnside
Councilman Richard Filkins
Councilman Matthew Kryzak
Councilman Joseph J. Boone

Other zoom attendees: ZBA Chairman Sefcik and approximately three interested residents.

SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT (OCTOBER), INVESTMENT REPORT (OCTOBER), TOWN CLERK MONTHLY REPORT (OCTOBER)

Supervisor Bichteman advised there was no investment report this month. Only interest accumulated is from BOGC and the rate went down to ½%.

Councilman Kryzak made a motion to approve the Supervisor & Town Clerk's monthly report for October. Councilwoman Burnside seconded, Councilman Filkins abstained, motion carried.

TOWN BOARD MINUTES

Councilman Boone made a motion to approve the Town Board minutes of Oct. 20th & Nov. 4th. Councilman Filkins seconded, all in favor motion carried. Councilman Kryzak thanked the Town Clerk for the amount of detail in the minutes.

PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS (NOVEMBER)

Supervisor Bichteman made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: the monthly bills have been audited by the town board, be it hereby
RESOLVED: that the following November 2020 invoices be paid Voucher # 506 through Voucher # 550 in the amount of \$230,444.03.

Councilman Boone seconded the motion, a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Burnside, Councilman Filkins, Councilman Boone,
Councilman Kryzak, Supervisor Bichteman

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION # 75 -2020 was duly adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

TOWN PARK SECURITY SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilman Kryzak spoke with Imperial Security Systems who provides motion sensors, window alarms and cameras. He indicated it is the company he uses and costs roughly \$45/mo. He will get two additional quotes from potentially ADT and General Security. In order to get pricing, the

companies will need to come out and look at the building. Supervisor Bichteman suggested contacting Fire, Security & Sound Systems, Inc. who already provides the fire alarm system at the Town Hall.

FUTURE WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS

Supervisor Bichteman mentioned that there are a few items that will need to be discussed at the upcoming workshop meeting such as how the Town Board plans to compensate the Planning and Zoning Boards going forward, definition of responsibilities and salaries for clerks and others involved and Organizational appointments rate of pay.

NEW BUSINESS

MOHAWK & HUDSON RIVER HUMANE SOCIETY CONTRACT

Supervisor Bichteman asked for authorization to enter into an agreement with Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society. The contract is more detailed than last year. Last year the charge was \$70 per dog day and the town added on an additional \$50. This year, the shelter is charging \$100 for the first day and \$70 per dog day thereafter which is an increase of \$30. The contract will be reviewed by the Town Attorney. Councilman Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: the Town of Westerlo has received the proposed 2021 Mohawk & Hudson Humane Society Contract, be it hereby

RESOLVED: The Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into agreement with Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society 2021 contract pending approval from the Town Attorney, be it further

RESOLVED: The fee schedule be updated from \$400 to \$430.00 for up to 5 days.

Councilwoman Burnside seconded the motion, a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Burnside, Councilman Filkins, Councilman Boone,
Councilman Kryzak, Supervisor Bichteman

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION # 76-2020 was duly adopted.

SCHEDULING OF YEAR END MEETING

Supervisor Bichteman introduced a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: The Town Board needs to schedule an End of Year meeting to pay bills, be it hereby

RESOLVED: The Town Board schedules the End of Year meeting on Wed., December 30th at 6pm for the purpose of paying bills.

Councilman Filkins seconded the motion, a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Burnside, Councilman Filkins, Councilman Boone,
Councilman Kryzak, Supervisor Bichteman

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION # 77 -2020 was duly adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ZBA Chairman Sefcik thanked the Town Clerk for the detailed minutes indicating it is helpful during the zoom meetings.

A resident read on behalf of Dorothy Verch a tribute in memory of Anita Marrone who was a resident of the Town of Westerlo.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Councilman Kryzak made a motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting. Councilman Filkins seconded, all in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karla J. Weaver