**AT THE PUBLIC MEETING**

of the Town Board of the Town of Newburgh held

at 1496 Route 300 in said township at 7:00 p.m.

on Monday the 9th of June, 2025

**Present** Paul Ruggiero, Councilman

Scott M. Manley, Councilman

Anthony R. LoBiondo, Councilman

James Politi, Councilman

**Also Present**  Lisa M. Vance Ayers, Town Clerk

Dawnmarie Busweiler, Deputy Town Clerk

**Absent** Mark C. Taylor, Town Attorney

*Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.*

**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**3. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**4. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA-Add to Recreation #6C**

**5. ACCOUNTING:**

**A. Approval of Audit**

MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the audit in the amount of $1,749,509.54.

Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley –

yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion

passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**B. Review Status Report and Budget Status Report for May 2025**

MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the Status Report and Budget Status Report for

May 2025. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman

Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes.

Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**6. RECREATION:**

**A. Hiring of Part-Time Laborer**

James Presutti, Commissioner of Parks & Recreation is requesting approval to hire William Zoutis

as a part-time Laborer. The applicant’s hiring is contingent on your approval and the completion of

his fingerprints, paperwork, drug/alcohol screening and physical. His application also needs to be

pre-approved by Orange County Human Resources. Start date of on or after June 23, 2025 is

anticipated, and a salary of $20.00 per hour.

MOTION made by Councilman Ruggiero to approve the hiring of William Zoutis as a part-time

Laborer. Motion seconded by Councilman Manley. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman

Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes.

Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**B. Holt Construction- Change Order #2**

James Presutti, Commissioner of Parks & Recreation is requesting approval for Prime Contract

Potential Change Order #002: Extension of Time for Clerk of the Work Services for Holt

Construction Corp. The Change Order is for the additional time for Holt to perform services

through project completion of the Newburgh Recreation Center. Our original agreement had Holt

providing services from 6/15/24 through 6/15/25. This change order would extend these services

through 9/26/2025 (15 additional weeks). Pricing is based on the same Staff/Time allocations as

our base contract in the total amount of $120,043.80.

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MOTION made by Councilman Ruggiero to approve the Holt Construction Change Order #5 for the

extension of Time Clerk of Work Services for 15 additional weeks. Motion seconded by Councilman

Manley. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes;

Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0

absent.

**C. Picnic Table Sealed Bid Request Request**

James Presutti, Commissioner of Parks & Recreation is requesting approval to establish a sealed

bid for the purchase of 30 eight-foot picnic tables.

MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve for Recreation to go out to bid for 30 eight-foot

picnic tables. Motion seconded by Councilman Ruggiero. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes;

Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor

Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**7. POLICE: Promotion of Detective**

Donald B. Campbell, Chief of Police is requesting approval Officer Conner Stenglein be promoted to

the rank of Detective effective June 16, 2025. Officer Stenglein will be assigned to the Identification

Division to fill a position that has become vacant due to a retirement. His salary will be in accordance

with the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Newburgh and PBA (Budget line 001-

3120-0100-0000).

MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve Officer Stenglein promotion to Detective effective

June 16, 2025. Motion seconded by Councilman LoBiondo. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes;

Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio

– yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**8. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**A. Highway Department**

Highway Superintendent, Mark A. Hall reported:

* Mowers are out
* Scheduling with Tree Company for trees beyond our capabilities.
* Had Paving Company in to measure roads for blacktop.
* 2nd round of chip seal scheduled for late August.
* Corrected a flooding issue in Meadow Hill North.
* Out T & Lining and trimming roads for chip seal.
* Spent the last two weeks battling rain storms and subsequent complaints.
* 33 signs removed off telephone poles.
* Goosetown at Highway, last stop.

**B. Recreation Department**

James Presutti, Commissioner of Parks and Recreation reported:

* Two upcoming trips, Friday 06/12/2025 New York Botanical Garden. Bus departs Recreation Center at 8:30 am. Thursday 06/19/2025 NY Yankee vs Los Angeles Angels. Bus departs the Recreation Department at 10:00 am. Both trips are full.
* Youth Basketball League started on 06/03/2025 and is going very well except for mother nature.
* Summer concert series started on June 3rd with OC5, great crowd was in attendance. Next concert is My Cuzzin Vinny on 06/17/2025
* Youth soccer and softball league are underway when mother nature allows.
* A new divider net was put up at the Pickleball Courts.
* New building is coming along well.
* Gearing up for summer camp, starting up on 06/30/2025
* Park has been very busy with boat rentals, fishing and hikers.
* Jim will be teaching a Bonsai Class at the Alice Desmond Center on 06/23/2025, few opening still available.

**9. ANIMAL CONTROL: T-94 Withdrawal**

**A. Newburgh Veterinary Hospital**

Tracey Carvell of Animal Control is requesting approval to use the T-94 account to pay for

veterinarian services from Newburgh Veterinary Hospital in the total amount of $3,094.05 of which

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$2,475.95 were for canine services, $618.10 were for feline services.

MOTION made by Councilman Ruggiero to approve the use of T-94 account to pay for veterinarian

services from Newburgh Veterinary Hospital in the total amount of $3,094.05. Motion seconded by

Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman

LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0

abstain; 0 absent.

**B. Flannery Animal Hospital**

Tracey Carvell of Animal Control is requesting approval to use the T-94 account to pay for

veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital in the total amount of $101.90 for canine

services.

MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the use of T-94 account to pay for veterinarian

services to Flannery Animal Hospital in the total amount of $101.90. Motion seconded by

Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman

LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0

abstain; 0 absent.

**10. ENGINEERING:**

**A. Shoppes at Union Phase III- Tree Preservation Security**

Supervisor Piaquadio presented Shoppes at Union Phase III – Tree Preservation Code Security (PB

#23-16). The subjects project received conditional final approval on 21 November 2024. Condition

Number 14 required the applicant deliver tree preservation security to the Town Clerk in the

amount set by the Town Board. The project involves the construction of multiple self-storage

buildings as the final phase of the Shoppes at Union Square project. The applicants’

representatives Langan Engineering have provided a calculation of the required performance

security in accordance with Town Code. Section 172-9 Performance Guarantees C “the amount of

performance security shall be calculated as follows: 25% of the total significant and protected

tree inches showed as preserved that are located withing 15 feet of disturbance zone, multiply by

$125.00 per inch of diameter plus 100% of the total tree inches of diameter required by the

reforestation plan. The minimum performance security shall be $1,000.” The applicant’s

representatives have calculated security in the amount of $11,375. The establishment of tree

preservation security requires Town Board action.

MOTION made by Councilman Ruggiero to approve the Shoppes at Union Phase III – Tree

Preservation security in the amount of $11,375. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE:

Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman

Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 0 absent.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Councilman Ruggiero -** My daughter had a baby last night.

**Councilman Manley -** Congratulations!

**Supervisor Piaquadio –** Congratulations!

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Ericka Bauer 14 Bauer Lane-** I’m here to discuss my neighborhoods concerns about several

disturbances at 1730 RT. 300. The police have been called out to that address several times. This past

weekend they had a party where major brawl broke out, fighting, glasses being thrown, the Town

police as well as the State police arrived. This is getting out of hand, we have children, there are new

neighbors. When people move out to the country they move out there to have peace.

There are even people living in the storefront, which cannot be compliant with the town code.

I want to know what else can we do?

**Supervisor Piaquadio –** Call the police, I have not heard about this, I’m not sure if anyone was

arrested but my suggestion is to always call the police.

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**13. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION made by Councilman Ruggiero to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Motion seconded by

Councilman LoBiondo. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – yes; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman

LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 5 yes; 0 no;

abstain; 0 absent.

*Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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