**AT THE WORKSHOP 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 25th of August, 2025

 **Present** Scott Manley, Councilman

 *A*nthony R. LoBiondo, Councilman

James Politi, Councilman

 Gil Piaquadio, Town Supervisor

**Also Present**  Dawnmarie Busweiler, Deputy Town Clerk

 Dominique Rivera, Deputy Town Clerk

 Mark C. Taylor, Town Attorney

**Absent** Paul Ruggiero, Councilman

 Lisa M. Vance Ayers, Town Clerk

*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 AGENDA- Remove 5A**

**5. PUBLIC HEARING:** **“A Local Law Amending Chapter 152 Entitled “Smoking” of the Code of**

 **the Town of Newburgh”**

Supervisor Piaquadio asked if Town Clerk Vance Ayers if all postings and publication have

 been completed.

 Town Clerk Vance Ayers said the notice of this meeting was posted on the Town website and

 in Town Hall on August 6, 2025 and it was advertised in the Mid-Hudson Times on August 14,

 2025 Newspaper. This complies with all the requirements for a Public Hearing under New

 York State Law.

 **Open Meeting:**

 MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to open the Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m. Motion

 seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent; Councilman Manley –

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

 passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 Town Attorney, Mark Taylor presented a draft Resolution of adoption of the Town Board’s

 consideration “A Local Law Amending Chapter 152 Entitled “Smoking” of the Code of the

 Town of Newburgh.” The Town Board of the Town of Newburgh finds there is an increasing

 public awareness and acceptance of the dangers that smoking tobacco products, cannabis, e-

 cigarettes and other vaping products have on the health and wellbeing of the general public

 and that such activities have the potential to create a serious health hazard for the

 employees of the Town, the citizens of the Town, and those who visit and utilize Town

 property. Accordingly, in order to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare

 of the employees and citizens of the Town of Newburgh, it is necessary to restrict the acts of

 smoking and vaping tobacco, cannabis and related smoking and vaping products in and on

 Town property, including buildings, parks and playgrounds. The Town Board of the Town of

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 Newburgh further finds it is in the Town’s best interest to do all it can to protect the Town’s

 property from the danger of fire posed by discarded tobacco, cannabis, and vaping products,

 as well as the prevalence of unsightly litter caused by same. In light of the above findings, the

 Town Board has adopted this Chapter, the primary purpose of which is to prohibit all smoking

 and vaping on town owned property, except in specific designated outdoor areas.

 **Public Comments:**

 **Erin Holte-Mid Hudson Times-** Was there any push from the public or the State for the reason

 of Amending Chapter 152 Entitled “Smoking” of the Code of the Town of Newburgh?

 **Town Attorney Mark Taylor-** That chapter in the code book is outdated, it was time for an

 update.

 **Close Meeting:**

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to close the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. Motion

 seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent; Councilman Manley –

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

 passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

1. **~~Vote on Local Law~~**

The town board will discuss designated areas before they can vote on this local law.

**6.** **ACCOUNTING: Approval of the Audit**

MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the audit in the amount of $533,775.23.

 Motion seconded by Councilman Manley VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent; Councilman Manley –

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

 passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

**7. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Hiring of Two Full Time Custodial Workers**

 **A. Michael Paccione**

Gil Piaquadio, Town Supervisor is requesting approval to hire Michael Paccione for the

 Full-Time Custodial Worker in our Buildings and Grounds Department. Mr. Paccione is

 already a full- time employee in our Recreation Department so there is no need for him to

 fill out any paperwork. A proposed hire date is on or after September 1, 2025 and he has

 been pre-approved by Orange County Human Resources.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the hiring of Mr. Michael Paccione for

 Full-time Custodial Worker for Buildings and Grounds Department. Motion seconded by

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

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

 passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **B. Constantino Desousa**

Gil Piaquadio, Town Supervisor is requesting approval to hire Constantino Desousa for the

 Full-Time Custodial Worker in our Buildings and Grounds Department. Mr. Desousa is

 already a full- time employee in our Highway Department so there is no need for him to

 fill out any paperwork. A proposed hire date is on or after September 1, 2025 and he has

 been pre-approved by Orange County Human Resources.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the hiring of Mr. Constantino Desousa

 for Full-time Custodial Worker for Buildings and Grounds Department. Motion seconded

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

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

 passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

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**8. ANIMAL CONTROL: 5144 Withdrawal**

 **A.** **Flannery Animal Hospital Invoice # 1**

Tracey Carvell, Animal Control request authorization to use 5144 account to pay for

 veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital for a total of $101.90 for canine

 services.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the use of 5144 account to pay for

 Veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital the amount of $101.90 for canine

 services. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent;

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

 Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **B. Flannery Animal Hospital Invoice # 2**

Tracey Carvell, Animal Control request authorization to use 5144 account to pay for

 veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital for a total of $108.96 for feline

 services.

 MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the use of the 5144 account to pay for

 Veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital the amount of $108.96 for feline

 services. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent;

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

 Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **C. Flannery Animal Hospital Invoice # 3**

Tracey Carvell, Animal Control request authorization to use 5144 account to pay for

 veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital for a total of $84.42 for canine

 services.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the use of 5144 account to pay for

 Veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital the amount of $84.42 for canine

 services. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent;

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

 Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **D. Flannery Animal Hospital Invoice # 4**

Tracey Carvell, Animal Control request authorization to use 5144 account to pay for

 veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital for a total of $33.47 for canine

 services.

 MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the use of 5144 account to pay for

 Veterinarian services from Flannery Animal Hospital the amount of $33.47 for canine

 services. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent;

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

 Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

**9. TERRORISM INSURANCE**

 Supervisor Piaquadio is seeking a motion to approve the purchase of Terrorism Insurance

 Coverage for a prospective premium of $4,777.00 effective July 1, 2025.

 MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the purchase of Terrorism Insurance

 Coverage for a prospective premium of $4,777.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Manley.

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

 Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1

 absent.

**10. JUSTICE COURT: Hiring Court Clerk Position**

Judge Jude Martini, Town Justice is requesting approval to start the process of hiring a

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 Court Clerk position. As you know, Town Justice Jude Martini has a vacant position with the

 resignation of Christopher Slingerland. We canvased the Court Clerk list with seven (7)

 applicants being interviewed. The decision to hire Jack R. Baroch was made by the Judge.

 Mr. Baroch’s employment is pending the Town Board’s approval, paperwork to be

 completed, physical, drug/alcohol testing and fingerprinting. The rate of pay is $25.5095 per

 hour and with favorable results, start date on or after September 08, 2025.

MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to approve the hiring Christopher Slingerland for

 the Court Clerk position. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman

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

 Councilman Politi – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1

 absent.

**11. TOWN CLERK: Hiring Part Time Clerk**

Lisa M. Vance Ayers, Town Clerk is requesting approval to hire Barbara Fields as a Part Time Clerk

 for a current vacancy in her office. Ms. Fields will be hired at the rate of $20.00/hour. This

 position is currently funded in the 2025 Town Clerk Budget. The start date for the position

 will be on or after September 08, 2025.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the hiring of Barbara Fields as a Part time Clerk

 for the Town Clerk’s Office. Motion seconded by Councilman LoBiondo. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero

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

 Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

**12. ENGINEERING:**

 **A. Budget Transfer**

Patrick J. Hines, Town Engineer is requesting approval for a budget transfer in the

 amount $15,000.00.

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| From: | AccountNumber: | 4001.5497 | Amount: | $ (15,000.00) |
|  | Account Description: | Maint. Cont/Leases/Rentals |  |  |
|  |  |  | **FROM Sub Total** | $ (15,000.00) |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| To: | AccountDescription | 4001.5499 | Amount: | $ 15,000.00 |
|  | Account Description: | Telemetering/Water Filtration  |  |  |
|  |  |  | **TO Sub Total** | $ 15,000.00 |
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|  |  |  | Total | 0.0 |

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the Budget Transfer in the amount of

 $15,000.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero –

 absent; Councilman Manley – yes; Councilman LoBiondo – yes; Councilman Politi

 – yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **B. Meadow Hill Tank Demolition and Removal**

 Patrick J. Hines, Town Engineer is requesting approval for the Meadow Hill Tank

 Demolition and Removal. The Project engineers, H2M Engineers have completed the

 Design and Specifications for the project. The project involves demolition and removal of

 the (300,000 gal) Meadow Hill water storage tank. This tank has been out of service for

 many years and has been recommended for removal. We are recommending the project

 be available for Invitation to bid on 4 September 2025, with bids to be received by and

 opened 25 September 2025, 11:00 am.

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 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to approve the bid date of September 25, 2025 for

 the Meadow Hill Tank Demolition and Removal bid. Motion seconded by Councilman

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

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

 Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **C. Stormwater Maintenance Agreement- Gardner Ridge Associates, LLC**

 MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to the Stormwater Maintenance Agreement for

 Gardner Ridge Associates LLC as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Politi.

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

 yes; Councilman Politi– yes; Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0

 abstain; 1 absent.

 **D. Newburgh Recreation Center- Holt Construction Change Order #3**

Patrick J. Hines, Rep Town Engineer, is requesting approval for the Newburgh Recreation

 Center-Holt Construction Change Order #3- additional A-John charges for the restroom

 Trailers in the total amount of $25,108.64.

 - 8 toilet trailers (4 Men’s, 4 Women) was upgraded to8 individual restrooms per Jim

 Presutti direction.

 - Service was upgraded to 5x week for duration of camp

 - Sales tax- needs to be added to this change order. Since the restroom trailers are

 technically leased by Holt, and not directly by the Town of Newburgh, sales tax is

 applicable which was mistakenly not being charged or accounted for in PCO #001 and

 any of our billing through May.

 This C. O would cover all A-Johns Costs to get us to the end of September.

 MOTION made by Councilman Manley to the Newburgh Recreation Center- Holt

 Construction Change Order #3- additional A-John charges for the restroom trailers in the

 total amount of $25,108.64. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent; Councilman Manley –

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

 Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 **13. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION made by Councilman LoBiondo to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Motion

 seconded by Councilman Politi. VOTE: Councilman Ruggiero – absent; Councilman

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

 Supervisor Piaquadio – yes. Motion passed: 4 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; 1 absent.

 *Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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 Lisa M. Vance Ayers Dominique Rivera

 Town Clerk Deputy Town Clerk