

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
PREWORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 02, 2020
5:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor's Comments

1. Resolved to set the Public Hearing Date for political signage and Noise Ordinance for January 6, 2021 at 5 o'clock via zoom.
2. Resolved to set the date for the acceptance of the Community Choice Aggregate informational start-up 1/6
3. Authorize Supervisor to sign Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes for postage meter machine
4. Accept the 2020 year end Mill Pond Water District Revenue Report
5. Audit of Monthly Bills

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PRESENT: Supervisor Oliverio
Councilman Smith
Councilman Luongo
Councilwoman Annabi
Councilwoman Whetsel

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk Sherry Howard
Town Counsel Robert Lusardi

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our troops.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS

Supervisor Oliverio welcomed everyone to the Pre-Work Session meeting. He wished everyone a great holiday season. Supervisor Oliverio said the 3rd meeting in December will be our Organizational Meeting; this way everything will be all set by January 1, 2021. This meeting will begin at 6:00 PM.

RESOLVED TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR POLITICAL SIGNAGE AND NOISE ORDINANCE FOR JANUARY 6, 2021 AT 5 O'CLOCK VIA ZOOM

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R20-301

RESOLVED that the Town Board set the Public Hearing Date for Political Signage and Noise Ordinance for January 6, 2021 at 5 o'clock via zoom.

Seconded by Supervisor Oliverio for discussion.

Supervisor Oliverio said we are tightening up our signage law to require signs not to be put out prior to 45 days before any General Election including Primaries. They will not be allowed to be larger than 4x4 which is 16 square feet – they will also have to be removed five (5) days after Election Day. There will be a fine of \$100.00 per day for every day the signs remain up after the five (5) days post-Election. Councilman Luongo said we agreed upon a flat fine of \$100.00, not \$100.00 per day. Supervisor Oliverio said yes that is fair.

Supervisor Oliverio said we will see if we are going to go ahead with the Noise Ordinance. He continued, we will pass it, but we haven't gotten the final copy yet. If we can get it by next week we can pass it.

Supervisor Oliverio seconded the motion, unanimously carried.

RESOLVED TO SET THE DATE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATE INFORMATIONAL START-UP 1/6

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R20-302

RESOLVED that the Town Board set the date for the acceptance of the Community Choice Aggregate informational start-up 1/6

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

Councilman Smith said this "Enabling Law" will allow us to move forward to further investigate the Community Choice Aggregation should this pass. We would be investigating the Administrators that don't end up costing the Town anything extra or the residents anything extra. We would also be investigating these companies that take care of that, and who do lots of the community outreach to explain things, they also touch base, and go to the community, and make presentations for the residents. This is the first step to see about further investigating the Community Choice Aggregation. We have the Enabling Law which Town Attorney Lussardi molded just for our Town which only includes electric not gas or anything else. Hopefully this will let us investigate a way to get a less expensive supply of electric to the community.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLUTION #R20-303

RESOLVED that the Town Board amend the agenda to **ADD** the following:

#4A – Authorize a request for a 30 day unpaid sick leave.

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi unanimously carried

AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PITNEY BOWES FOR POSTAGE METER MACHINE

Presented by Councilwoman Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R20-304

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to sign the 60 month lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for the current postage meter machine. The current 60 month contract is expiring shortly. The lease amount is \$236.89 per month – billed quarterly at \$710.67. This lease is in the Town's 2021 Budget.

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried.

ACCEPT THE 2020 YEAR END MILL POND WATER DISTRICT REVENUE REPORT

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R20-305

RESOLVED that the Town Board accept the following 2020 year end Mill Pond Water District Revenue Report:

Water Bills 10/01/2019 – 12/31/2019: \$10,642.44

Collected: \$9760.39

Unpaid bills to be put on 2020 tax roll: \$882.35

Interest and Penalties: \$29.22

Total amount to be added to 2020 tax rolls: \$911.57

Water bills 1/1/2020– 10/1/2020 \$44,261.29

Collected: \$38,866.78

Unpaid bills to be put on 2020 tax roll - \$5,394.51

Interest and penalties to be collected - \$130.31

Total amount to be added to 2019 tax rolls: \$5,524.82

TOTAL RELEVY SENT TO PUTNAM COUNTY - \$6,436.39

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZE A REQUEST FOR A 30 DAY UNPAID SICK LEAVE

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R20-306

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to grant a 30 day unpaid sick leave for Highway Department Employee.

Seconded by Councilman Smith unanimously carried.

AUDIT OF MONTHLY BILLS

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R20-307

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following bills, after audit, being paid:

<u>VOUCHER NUMBERS</u>	<u>AMOUNTS</u>
N/A	N/A

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Whetsel mentioned the annual Tree Lighting being held in the Town Park on Friday December 6th. Supervisor Oliverio said right now unfortunately it is closed out. Due to Covid only 40 people are allowed to attend at a time. There are two (2) sessions and both are full. Next year we are hoping to have a better one (1).

Councilwoman Annabi said when the Pudding Street Bridge is finished the Town can have a hand in naming it. She asked if anyone in Town has a suggestion they can let us know. Supervisor Oliverio said he thought the DOT named the bridge. Councilwoman Annabi said we can submit suggestions to them and then they would approve it. Councilwoman Annabi said Councilman Luongo had a great suggestion – to call it the Putnam Valley Veterans Bridge. We will talk about it some more and get the information out there.

Supervisor Oliverio moved to close the meeting at 5:12 PM

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted



**Sherry Howard
Town Clerk
12-03-2020**