

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
PREWORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 06, 2021
5:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor's Comments

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Noise Ordinance
2. Political Signage
3. Community Choice Aggregate
4. Comcast Contract – Roaring Brook

Immediately Following:

PREWORK SESSION AGENDA

1. Resolved to grant exemptions pursuant to the Real Property Tax Law Sections 459-c and 467 Star Program.
2. Authorize Supervisor to sign Coastal Clock and Chime 2021 Maintenance Agreement for Town Clock
3. Authorize Director of Finance to go to bid for BAN renewal, Glenmar Gardens
4. Building Department Civil Penalty
5. Parks and Recreation Personnel.
6. Audit of Monthly Bills

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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.

NOISE ORDINANCE LAW

POLITICAL SIGNAGE LAW

COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATE LAW

COMCAST CONTRACT FOR ROARING BROOK

Supervisor Oliverio said welcome to our Town Board Pre-work Session. He added that we were supposed to have four (4) Public Hearings tonight and apologizes but with circumstances happening in Washington DC tonight and the fact that the laws were not posted on our website long enough - we are going to reschedule the Public Hearings until our meeting on January 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM on zoom. There was not enough time to study the laws and some people thought 5:00 PM was too early for those people who could not make it in time to speak. Please send us your comments by email and they will be entered into the minutes by the Town Clerk. They can't all be read because the meeting would go on forever. We want everything to be just and right and fair.

Resident Patty Villanova asked if the meeting on the 20th could be live and in person. Supervisor Oliverio said no, we are going to use zoom because the virus is bad and there is the new strain that is more contagious and spreading. It is perfectly legal to do meetings by zoom – no one should be at risk. The Governor will allow a live Public Hearing – but it is not encouraged.

Councilman Luongo said if you want to send an email please send it to all of us so we can read them. Supervisor Oliverio said the emails should be sent to the Town Clerk. Her email address is showard@putnamvalley.com – please send your emails to all of us as well.

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**RESOLVED TO GRANT EXEMPTIONS PURSUANT TO THE REAL PROPERTY TAX
LAW SECTIONS 459-C AND 467 STAR PROGRAM**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLVED that pursuant to Executive Order 202.83, the Assessor is hereby directed to grant exemptions pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Sections 459-c and 467 on the 2021 assessment roll to all property owners who received that exemption on the 2020 assessment roll, thereby dispensing with the need for renewal applications from such persons, and further dispensing with the requirement for assessors to mail renewal applications to such persons.

Provided however, that the Assessor may require a renewal application to be filed when she has reason to believe that an owner who qualified for the exemption on the 2020 assessment roll may have since changed his or her primary residence, added another owner to the deed, transferred the property to a new owner, or died;

Supervisor Oliverio said this Resolution is no longer needed and will be removed as the Governor already granted this. It means anyone with the specialized senior citizen exemption does not have to apply for it this year due to COVID. We don't have to pass this we only have to announce it. The only thing we need to know from our senior citizens is if they have had a significant increase or decrease in their finances.

**AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN COASTAL CLOCK AND CHIME 2021
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR TOWN CLOCK**

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R21-01

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to sign Coastal Clock and Chime 2021 Maintenance Agreement for Town Clock from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. One (1) visit totals \$775.00.

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLUTION #R21-02

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

6A – Resolve to appoint Janine Rivera as temporary help from 1/5/2021 to 1/31/2021.

6B – Resolve to appoint Janine Rivera to the position of Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor.

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried

**AUTHORIZE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO GO TO BID FOR BAN RENEWAL,
GLENMAR GARDENS**

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R21-03

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Director of Finance to go out to bid for a BAN Renewal (original amount \$45,000.00) for the Glenmar Gardens water system repairs made in January 2020.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

Supervisor Oliverio said this was for major work done on their water systems – otherwise they would have had no water.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT – CIVIL PENALTY

Presented by Councilwoman Whetsel

Councilwoman Whetsel read the letter from the Building Department as to the Stop Work Order violation issued on June 19, 2020 to a Putnam Valley homeowner. Supervisor Oliverio asked if the homeowner was on the zoom call so they could speak on their behalf. They were not - so Supervisor Oliverio asked the Town Board to hold this over until the next meeting so they could attend in order to explain the circumstances. He will send them an email to remind them to come to the next meeting.

RESOLUTION # see below

RESOLVED that the Town Board assess a civil penalty in an amount to be determined by the Town Board for a violation of a stop work order.

RESOLUTION #21- 04

Resolved that the Town Board hold this Resolution over until the January 13, 2021 meeting in order that the Resident Homeowner involved be able to attend and explain the situation as he/she understands it before the Town Board makes a decision on the penalty amount.

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried

Town Attorney Lusardi said these are only allegations – that's all they are.

PARKS AND RECREATION – PERSONNEL CHANGES

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R21-05

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to move Parks and Recreation Clerk, Theresa Orlando, to Senior Clerk effective January 1, 2021 at the yearly salary of \$48,666.00 which would be Step 3 of the CSEA contract for senior clerk.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

APPOINT JANINE RIVERA AS TEMPORARY HELP FROM 1/5/2021 TO 1/31/2021

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R21-06

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize Janine Rivera as temporary help from 1/5/2021 to 1/31/2021 at a salary of \$13.00 per hour with no benefits.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

APPOINT JANINE RIVERA TO THE POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERVISOR AS OF 2/1/2021

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R21-07

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to appoint Janine Rivera to the position of Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor at an annual salary of \$41,766.00 with benefits.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

AUDIT OF MONTHLY BILLS

Presented by Councilwoman Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R21-08

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

VOUCHER NUMBERS

AMOUNTS

N/A

N/A

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

Supervisor Oliverio moved to close the meeting at 5:17 PM.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted



Sherry Howard
Town Clerk
01-08-2021

