

SYRACUSE TOWN COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Via Zoom Meeting

February 16, 2021 @7:00 P.M.

Town Council President Larry Siegel called the Regular Meeting of the Syracuse Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Council members present were Tom Hoover and Larry Martindale, both Paul Stoelting and Bill Musser were absent. Town Manager Mike Noe, Attorney Vern Landis, Commonwealth Jeremy Harding, and Attorney Steve Snyder.

The minutes of the January 19, 2021 regular meeting were presented for approval. Tom Hoover moved to approve the minutes; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Claims #'s 127-260 for \$903,867.90 were presented for payment. Tom Hoover moved to approve the claims; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Confirmatory Resolution 2021-02 for Travel Star, asking for the tax abatement to be approved. Steve Snyder informed the Council, real estate is owned by HGT07 LLC, structure is \$600,000.00, new employee count will be 10, and salary approx. \$450,000.00. Tom Hoover moved to approve the Confirmatory Resolution 2021-02; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Purchase Rebate for Travel Star of \$77,033.10. Tom Hoover moved to approve the Purchase Agreement and have the Clerk write the check for \$77,033.10; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Declaratory Resolution 2021-03 for Aluminum Insights LLC needs to be approved. Steve Snyder informed the Council, that it does match what the council's criteria is for tax abatement. Steve will make some adjustments to the Confirmatory Resolution 2021-04 for the next meeting in March. Tom Hoover moved to approve the Declaratory Resolution 2021-03; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Petition for Judicial Review – Polywood Zoning, Steve Snyder informed the Council that this is for building 8. Obtain two variances from the Board of Zoning Appeals, one to allow parking on the street side and one to allow loading docks on the street side. The Board of Zoning required the east side loading dock have a siding gate installed. Hours be between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Steve Snyder said the gate would be 138 feet in length, does not believe there is a gate with that length. Does not feel its practical to have that gate. Steve is asking for the Council to talk to the Board of Zoning to remove the requirement for the gate. Tom Hoover made the motion to approve; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against.

TOWN MANAGER / PUBLIC WORKS

Mike Noe reported on the Town Managers Report. Requested the Town Council reappoint Diana Clark to the Syracuse Library Board. Tom Hoover made the motion to approve; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against.

Mike asked for approval for Commonwealth and the Town Manager to review the bid from Phend & Brown on the Brooklyn Street Project. Bid total was \$484,861.69 which is the lowest bid. Tom Hoover made the motion to approve the bid from Phend & Brown; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against.

POLICE

Police Chief Jim Layne went over his year-end report. No ADA complaints.

Vern developed an Ordinance 2021-1, Traffic and Parking Regulations of the Town Code. Remove 2-hour parking uptown and keep no parking between 4-6 a.m. Allowing the parking lots open for 24-hour parking. Tom Hoover made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-1; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against.

PARK

Park Superintendent, Chad Jonsson, received maps from the tree planting grant that the Town is working with St. Joseph Basin. This map shows where the water run-off is and where we can plant trees. If anybody would like to see the maps, they are at the community center.

Meeting weekly with Larry Martindale, Town Manager, and the Engineer on the new ballfield. Hoping to have some plans for the next Council meeting.

FIRE TERRITORY

Fire Territory, Mickey Scott, asked for approval to purchase 23 new regulators and other equipment for \$40,000.00. Tom Hoover made the motion to approve the purchase; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against.

Mickey asked residents to make sure their fire hydrants are in a place easily found; this will better assist the fire department.

CLERK

Nothing to report.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Nothing to report.

DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

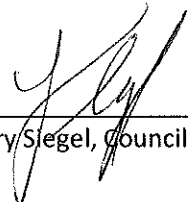
Larry Siegel asked Mike about the annexation on the new ball field. Mike informed Larry Siegel he will follow up with Bose McKinney. Larry Siegel stated we are 6 months into the project and thinks we should have a contract with Bose McKinney.

Larry Siegel asked what is the status on Brooke Point? Mike informed the Council that as far as he knows, Ben Plikerd is looking into the annexation.

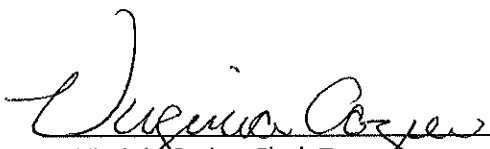
NEW BUSINESS

Tom Hoover complimented the Street Department on a job well done on the plowing. The Town looks good.

The Syracuse Town Council adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

ATTEST: 

Larry Siegel, Council President



Virginia Cazier, Clerk-Treasurer