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TOWN 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 January 2021

**PRESENT** Gilbert J. Piaquadio, Supervisor  
(Present from 7:00 to 7:10 p.m.)  
Elizabeth J. Greene, Councilwoman  
Joseph P. Pedi, Town Clerk

**PRESENT** Scott M. Manley, Deputy Supervisor  
**REMOTELY** Paul R. Ruggiero, Councilman  
Anthony LoBiondo, Councilman  
Mark C. Taylor, Attorney for the Town

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MR. PEDI: It is still now 7 p.m. on Monday, the 25th day of January 2021. This is a regularly scheduled workshop meeting.

The first order of business is roll call. Mrs. Greene.

MS. GREENE: Here.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero.

MR. RUGGIERO: Present.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley.

MR. MANLEY: Here.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo.

MR. LOBIONDO: Here.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Here.

MR. PEDI: Everybody rise for the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

(Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.)

MR. PEDI: Mr. Supervisor, any changes to the agenda?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes. Under item 15, D, E and F will be coming off.

MR. PEDI: Very good. Any other changes?

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MR. MANLEY: I have none.

MS. GREENE: I have none.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 5,  
approval of the audit.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: I'm looking for  
a motion to approve this audit in the amount of  
\$2,815,057.40. Would someone make that motion?

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll make the motion.

MS. GREENE: I'll second your motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 6 for  
the Engineering Department. First item A,  
Roseton Sewer District improvements, phase 2.

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SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Okay. On this one, these are additions or improvements to the Roseton Hills Sewer District to which we have a grant. But what we want to do here, McGoey, Hauser & Edsall, in their proposal we have a lump sum of \$7,500 and then a fee of \$17,550 to actually oversee the work of the improvements at that station. So it's a combination of the two figures.

Does someone want to make that motion?

MR. MANLEY: I'll make the motion.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

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MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item B under Engineering, approval to hire principal clerk.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: All right. So this one is Debbie Deegan, the principal clerk, which is a full-time position, she's shared between Engineering and Sewer and Water, with an hourly rate of \$20.8870 which is a 35-hour work week, the fund appropriation is 1440.5100, with a start date of February 1, 2021. Everything has been done because she's been a part timer for quite some time.

Does someone want to make that motion?

MS. GREENE: So moved.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll second the motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

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MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 7 for the Police Department, start process to hire school crossing guard.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: All right. Police Chief Campbell is suggesting he start the process for a crossing guard -- start the hiring process as we had a crossing guard leave.

Does someone want to make that motion?

MR. MANLEY: I'll make the motion.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

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SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 8 for Animal Control, a T-94 withdrawal. The first one is A for Newburgh Veterinary Hospital.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Cheryl Cunningham, our Animal Control Officer, is suggesting that we pay \$295.45 to Newburgh Veterinary Hospital. That T-94 account is a donation account, not taxpayer money.

Does someone want to make that motion?

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll make the motion.

MR. PEDI: Councilman LoBiondo made that motion. Do I have a second, please?

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

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MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next item B, a T-94 withdrawal for Flannery Animal Hospital.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Once again, Cheryl Cunningham, a withdrawal of \$21 from the T-94 donation account.

If someone wants to make that motion.

MS. GREENE: So moved.

MR. MANLEY: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 9 for the Assessor for a tax settlement. The first



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item A is Newburgh Mall Realty.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: All right. So on this one, this is a settlement with the Newburgh Mall, and it's been in front of the Catherine Bartlett, the Judge out in Goshen. It seems all have agreed on this settlement. Kathy Drobny has recommended it as well. So I don't know if we have to discuss it further or just make a motion to approve this as presented.

MS. GREENE: I'll make a motion. I've gone through all the papers and read everything that Kathy has presented, so I'll make the motion.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Thank you.

MR. LOBIONDO: Anthony LoBiondo. I also have read through everything, and there's been numerous discussions regarding this. I think that Ms. Drobny's counsel on this matter is appropriate, and I'll second the motion.

MR. PEDI: Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

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MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next on item number 9 we go to item B for Roseton CCI.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Okay. So on this one, this is the Roseton Power Plant, and again it's another settlement. The school has been involved, the Marlborough School District, on this one also.

I am myself in favor of this settlement. If we all are, or most are, we should make a motion to approve this settlement as presented.

MR. MANLEY: I'll make the motion.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll second the motion.

MR. PEDI: Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

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MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 10 for the Code Compliance Department, approval to purchase copier.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: All right. So this is a large copier for large prints, and the one we currently have will not work with the Windows 10 anymore. The software isn't capable. So we got one on State bid here.

Let me read the motion. Looking for a motion to purchase a Toshiba HP Design Jet T2600 DR for Code Compliance. It's on State bid for \$10,336.63, and that includes a five-year warrantee or care package with next day service and support. That is from Code Compliance account 3620.5200.

Does someone want to make that motion?

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MR. RUGGIERO: I'll make that motion.

MS. GREENE: I'll second your motion.

MR. PEDI: Councilman Ruggiero, did you  
make that motion, sir?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes, I did, sir.

MR. PEDI: Thank you. Any further  
discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Next we go on to item 11 for  
the Zoning Board of Appeals, Monarch Woods.

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Okay. I don't  
think it's so much Zoning Board of Appeals but  
just zoning, Joe.

Monarch Woods is a senior complex

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2 that's been proposed on the corner of Monarch and  
3 Route 52. There's been an informational meeting  
4 which was pretty well presented. A lot of the  
5 Board Members had gone to it to see what the  
6 neighbors felt.

7           With that, I'm going to read this  
8 motion. So I think we're all on board with this  
9 one, too. This is a motion to authorize myself,  
10 the Supervisor, to forward a letter to the  
11 Planning Board advising that the Planning Board  
12 may proceed with the review of Monarch Woods  
13 project under the gross density provisions of  
14 Section 185.48 of the Zoning Code, applicable  
15 when multi-family senior dwelling units are  
16 proposed to compromise a housing project in the B  
17 District. So that will be the motion. Let me  
18 just add this. The Board will not authorize the  
19 Planning Board to modify the provisions of the  
20 Zoning Code relative to density until the  
21 Planning Board, as lead agency, has conducted the  
22 coordinated environmental review for the project.

23           Does someone want to make that motion?

24           MR. MANLEY: I'll make the motion.

25           MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

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MS. GREENE: Paul will second it.  
Okay.

MR. PEDI: Any further discussion?  
(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio?

SUPERVISOR PIAQUADIO: Yes.

So at this point what I'm going to do  
is recuse myself from the rest of the meeting.  
I'm going to ask Deputy Supervisor Scott Manley  
to run the meeting from this point until the end.  
So thank you.

MR. MANLEY: Thank you.

(Whereupon, Supervisor Piaquadio left  
the meeting. Time noted: 7:10 p.m.)

MR. PEDI: We go on to item 12 for the  
Justice Court, removal of obsolete equipment.

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MR. MANLEY: I have a letter from Judge Clarino, and basically they have in storage a long list of obsolete equipment. I just need a motion that we put this into surplus. It's a pretty long list here.

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes. I'll make the motion.

MR. RUGGIERO: And I'll second that motion.

I also did check it. We went through a lot of that equipment. It is definitely surplus. Some of it is from the late `80s.

MR. MANLEY: Very obsolete.

MR. PEDI: Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

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Next we go on to item 13 for Buildings and Grounds, approval to hire full-time custodian.

MR. MANLEY: I got a letter here from Charlene Black from Personnel requesting the hiring of Gilbert Piaquadio Junior as a full-time custodian. Interviews were done and he was the best one with the experience.

Can I get a motion to hire him?

MR. LOBIONDO: I will make the motion.

MS. GREENE: And I'll second your motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

Next we go on to item 14 for the



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Recreation Department. Item A, approval to select vendor for 2021 Chadwick Lake grounds maintenance.

MR. MANLEY: I've got a letter from Jim Presutti, Parks Commissioner, in regards to Chadwick Lake grounds maintenance. We did three year bids, and for 2021 the low bid is Lynn Warren Landscaping. So we're looking for a motion to go ahead and have Lynn take care of that this year.

MS. GREENE: So moved.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

Now we go on to item 14-B for the

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Recreation Department, approval to solicit bids for Community Day fireworks display.

MR. MANLEY: Hope we can do them this year.

Anyway, Jim Presutti, Commissioner, is looking to go ahead and solicit bids, sealed bids, for the 2021 Community Day fireworks. I just need a motion to go ahead and start that.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll make that motion.

MS. GREENE: And I'll second your motion.

MR. PEDI: Councilman LoBiondo, did you make that motion, sir?

MR. LOBIONDO: I did, Joe. Thank you.

MR. PEDI: Thank you. Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

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MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

Next we go on to item 15 for the Water and Sewer Department. Item A, approval to award bid for 2021 alum sludge removal and disposal.

MR. MANLEY: I got a letter from Jeff Guido, Water and Sewer Department Manager, requesting we go with H.I. Stone and Son based on bids for alum sludge removal and disposal from the water treatment plant.

So I'm looking for a motion to go ahead and go with H.I. Stone and Son.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll make the motion.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll second the motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

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MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

Now we go on to item 15-B, approval to award bid for 2021 water chemicals for water filtration plant.

MR. MANLEY: I've got a letter here from Jeff Guido, Water Department Supervisor or Department Manager. Also on December 30th sealed bids were opened for water treatment chemicals. I got a whole list of thirteen items. I'm looking for a motion to accept all these bids as presented.

MS. GREENE: So moved.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll second the motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

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Then we have item 15-C, agreement to lend equipment to New Windsor.

MR. MANLEY: This is just a letter we want to authorize to go ahead for the Town Supervisor to sign. Basically it's an intermunicipal loan of equipment, our valve exercise and turning equipment with an operator, to allow New Windsor to use it for their water department for mutually agreed upon dates and times. I'm just looking for a motion to go ahead and have this signed.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll make the motion.

MS. GREENE: I'll second your motion.

MR. PEDI: Any discussion?

(No response.)

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.

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Last we have adjournment.

MR. MANLEY: I'm looking for a motion  
to adjourn.

MR. LOBIONDO: I'll make the motion.

MR. RUGGIERO: I'll second it.

MR. PEDI: Motion made and seconded to  
adjourn at 7:16 p.m.

MR. PEDI: Mrs. Greene?

MS. GREENE: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Ruggiero?

MR. RUGGIERO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. Manley?

MR. MANLEY: Yes.

MR. PEDI: Mr. LoBiondo?

MR. LOBIONDO: Yes.

MR. PEDI: And Mr. Piaquadio is absent.  
Meeting adjourned.

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C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public  
for and within the State of New York, do hereby  
certify:

That hereinbefore set forth is a  
true record of the proceedings.

I further certify that I am not  
related to any of the parties to this proceeding by  
blood or by marriage and that I am in no way  
interested in the outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
set my hand this 29th day of January 2021.

*Michelle Conero*

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