

TOWN OF ULSTER TOWN BOARD MEETING (18)  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

**MEETING HELD IN PERSON and VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM  
BROADCAST VIA FACEBOOK LIVE**

**CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR QUIGLEY, at 7:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL by Town Clerk, Suzanne Reavy:**

TOWN COUNCILMAN CLAYTON VAN KLEECK  
TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO  
TOWN COUNCILMAN ERIC KITCHEN  
TOWN COUNCILWOMAN ANNA HAYNER  
SUPERVISOR JAMES E. QUIGLEY 3<sup>rd</sup>

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

1. Warren Tutt, Building Inspector
2. Kyle Berardi, Police Chief
3. Jason Kovacs, Town Attorney
4. Vincent Maggiore, Wastewater Superintendent
5. Bill Kemble, Daily Freeman
6. One virtual attendee (Crispin Kott, Hudson Valley One)
7. Four attendees

**ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA – None**

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS –**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> (2022-M-245)**

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

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**COMMUNICATIONS –**

Two letters read in appreciation of how nice Robert Post Park looks.

One letter from Lynn Corcoran-Johnston, town of Esopus. One letter from Linda and Art Nelson, town residents.

**ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS**

*Presented by Councilman Van Kleeck*

September, 2022 (2022-M-246)

Prepaid Bills:	\$	305,271.71
Abstract Bills:	\$	242,551.73
Escrow Bills:	\$	3,862.50
Reserve:	\$	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>551,685.94</b>

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SECOND: Councilwoman Hayner

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**New Business:**

**Presentation and Acceptance of the Town Clerk's Monthly Report for the month of August 2022 (2022-M-247)**

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck  
SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

*CARRIED*

**Presentation and Acceptance of the Supervisor's Monthly Report for the month of August 2022 (2022-M-248)**

MOTION: Councilwoman Hayner  
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

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**Motion to accept the resignation of Dispatcher Mathiasen (2022-M-249)**

*Councilman Secreto*: Effective 10/1/2022

*Town Board*: With regret

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilwoman Hayner

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

*CARRIED*

**Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign Engineering Service Agreement with Creighton Manning for Route 28 Crosswalk Design – Rupco Project, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (2022-M-250)**

*Supervisor*: Referral from Town of Ulster planning board, contained a discussion about a crosswalk across Route 28 at that intersection. The proposed Time table is 90 days.

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

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**Motion to declare surplus equipment in the Highway Department (2022-M-251)**

*Supervisor:* Truck unit #6 plow truck to be declared surplus so that it may be disposed of. Conversation with town of Saugerties that they may be interested in acquiring this truck in the near future.

Two years ago, town of Ulster ordered a truck scheduled for delivery soon.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilwoman Hayner

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Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

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**Old Business:**

**Resolution awarding the bid for the Ultraviolet Disinfection System at the Ulster Wastewater Treatment Facility (2022-R-252)**

*Bid opening this morning at 9:00 am*

*Maggiore:* Bid received and luckily it was the only equipment that would fit the exact footprint. Will save energy and do a much better job.

*Councilman Van Kleeck:* Asks about use and time frame.

*Maggiore:* The new unit is flow-paced and has an automated cleaning system that is timed. Reduces manpower. Delivery date is in January of in a few weeks we will have this up and running. Most work will be done inhouse. Bid covered startup and installation assistance.

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**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION**  
**Town of Ulster, Ulster County, New York**

**Whereas,** the Town Board has previously authorized the advertisement of bids for the Ultra Violet Disinfection System at the Ulster Wastewater Treatment Facility; and

**Whereas,** one bid was received by the Town on Thursday, September 15, at 9:00 AM; and

**Whereas,** the lowest responsible bidder was Koester Associates, Inc. of 3101 Seneca Turnpike, Canastota, New York in the amount of \$315,000.00;

**Whereas,** the bids have been reviewed by the project engineers, Brinnier and Larios, P.C., and they have recommended award of this contract.

**Therefore Be It Resolved** that furnishing the Ultra Violet Disinfection System at the Ulster WWTF for the Ulster Sewer District be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Koester Associates, Inc. of 3101 Seneca Turnpike, Canastota, New York in the amount of \$315,000.00; and that the Town Supervisor be authorized to enter into a contract with Koester Associates, Inc. on behalf of the Town of Ulster.

By Order of the Town Board, Town of Ulster, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto  
SECOND: Councilwoman Hayner

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**Discussion on Town of Ulster Burn Ban**

*Supervisor:* Town board instituted state of emergency due to lack of rainfall and wildfires. Now drought may be coming to an end, and current ban ends on 9/18. Receiving frequent phone calls from fire chiefs regarding the status of the ban and requests from residents for burn permits. Has a resolution to offer tonight. *(Reads resolution)*

*Councilwoman Hayner:* We should wait the last three days for current ban to expire.

*Councilman Van Kleeck:* Motion to lift the ban.

**Resolution to Lift the Burn Ban in Town of Ulster, Effective Immediately**  
(2022-R-253)

**WHEREAS**, Town Supervisor James E. Quigley 3<sup>rd</sup> issued a proclamation on August 19, 2022, declaring a State of Emergency in the Town of Ulster due to severe drought conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, since August 19, 2022, there has been several rainstorms which has helped to alleviate the drought conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, a severe drought condition no longer exists in the Town of Ulster; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Ulster hereby finds that the facts set forth in the recital paragraphs of this resolution support and justify ending the declaration of a State of Emergency in the Town of Ulster by rescinding the proclamation dated August 19, 2022; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Town Supervisor James E. Quigley 3<sup>rd</sup> is hereby authorized to sign the Rescission of the State of Emergency as attached to this resolution as Exhibit "A."

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**Local State of Emergency Rescinded**

TO ALL CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE TOWN OF ULSTER, AND TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWN OF ULSTER

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WHEREAS, the state of emergency declaration issued on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022, pursuant to the powers vested under§ 24 of the New York State Executive Law and§ 20- 2 of the Ulster Town Code, is NO longer necessary,

THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH the aforesaid laws, I do hereby declare that the state of emergency NO longer exists and RESCIND the aforesaid proclamation.

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilwoman Van Kleeck

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Phil Cosme, City of Kingston

Cosme discusses his recent car accident on Morton Blvd and Ulster Ave.  
Some of his initial questions to police chief and supervisor were not answered.  
Cites the law from a driver manual; discusses manner of the accident, and that he is partially blamed for the accident, per the accident and insurance reports.  
States officers need to be trained further.  
Asking assistance from police commission and police dept to modify the police report.

*Supervisor:* Clarifying if the purpose of modifying the report would result in a higher settlement for Cosme?

*Cosme:* Yes

*Supervisor:* This is in the hands of Chief Berardi.

**MOTION to adjourn (7:26 pm) (2022-M-254)**

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SECOND: Councilman Secreto

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Respectfully Submitted by Suzanne Reavy  
Ulster Town Clerk