

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Thompson held at the Town Hall, 4052 State Route 42, Monticello, New York on **November 12, 2019.**

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Supervisor William J. Rieber, Jr., Presiding
Councilman John A. Pavese
Councilman Peter T. Briggs
Councilman Scott S. Mace
Councilwoman Melinda S. Meddaugh

Also Present:

Marilee J. Calhoun, Town Clerk
Patrice Chester, Deputy Administrator
Michael Messenger, Water & Sewer Superintendent
Melissa DeMarmels, Town Comptroller

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING – INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN

Supervisor Rieber opened the Special Meeting at 6:10 PM for the purpose of reviewing and discussing the Infrastructure Master Plan prepared by Delaware Engineering, D.P.C. for the Town operated Water and Sewer Districts. Town Clerk Marilee J. Calhoun advised that notice of the Special Meeting was published in the Sullivan County Democrat on 11/12/2019 with the same being posted on the bulletin board at the Town Hall and on the Town Website as well as on the bulletin boards of the Sullivan County Clerk's Office and the Village of Monticello.

The Town Board met with Mary Beth Bianconi, Partner and Tracy Ledder, Senior Project Manager of Delaware Engineering D.P.C., the Engineering firm that prepared the Infrastructure Master Plan. They provided the Town Board with a complete copy of the Infrastructure Master Plan. Ms. Helen Budrock of Sullivan Renaissance was also present for the meeting.

The primary topics of discussion were rates/rate structures and district consolidations. The Dillon Farms Sewer District issue was also discussed since it is an unusual situation. Appendix C – Rents Method Analysis Summary Table and Appendix D – Rate Models were both discussed and reviewed. Summary 7.2 Summary Results were also discussed.

Ms. Bianconi explained the reason why rate schedules and structures require updating and changes. They provided recommendations/options for rate re-structuring. There was discussion held regarding the recommendations. She also discussed the State Requirements for District Consolidations. The following Sewer District Consolidation Recommendations were made: 1) Dillon, Harris & Cold Spring Sewer Districts, 2) Adelaar, Anawana, Harris Woods and Kiamesha Sewer Districts and 3) Emerald Green Lake Louise Marie, Rock Hill Sewer District. Melody Lake Sewer District and Sackett Lake Sewer District would not be consolidated.

Ms. Bianconi is recommending that the Town look at consolidations, rate re-structuring and how to bill including rate point schedule and zoning regulations.

There was discussion regarding fund balance for the individual districts that would be consolidated and State Funding for those Consolidations.

Kiamesha Artesian Spring Water Company inspection report and issues were also discussed including recommendation of offer to purchase the Water Company.

MEETING ADJOURNED

On a motion made by Councilman Mace and seconded by Supervisor Rieber the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Marilee J. Calhoun
Town Clerk