HAGUE TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING October 23, 2019

A Special Meeting of The Hague Town Board was held Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at the Hague Community Center at 3:00 pm with the following members present:

Edna Frasier, Supervisor Steve Ramant, Councilman Jack Bast, Councilman Joshua Patchett, Councilman

Absent: Martin Fitzgerald II, Councilman

Recording Secretary: Melissa Patchett, Town Clerk

Others Present: ZEO Cathy Clark, Judy Stock, Alice Patchett

The Meeting was called to order by Edna Frasier, Supervisor.

A Motion was made by J. Patchett and seconded by J. Bast to open the Meeting at 3:05 pm.

All voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Frasier declared that ZEO Clark was invited to the special meeting to help the Town Board establish an extension for sewer hook-ups. ZEO Clark discussed the statuses of the unconnected properties within the Sewer Districts.

The Board discussed what would be a fair amount of time to consider for the time extension. It was established that all property owners who have begun the appeals process should continue through the completion of their appeal. All properties who have committed to hooking up this year should continue to do so. It was decided that since an extension for compliance was already approved for Tax Map #26.18-1-4 to December 31, 2020, it would make sense to be consistent and set the same extension for the remaining properties which have not yet met compliance. ZEO Clark will contact the Town Attorney for advice on establishing a firmer commitment by accepting the extension past this year forgoing further notification from the Town.

The Town Board assigned a committee at the Town Board Meeting held 10/08/2019 of ZEO Clark, Town Attorney Silvestri, and Councilman Bast to further define the Boards process for Sewer Enforcement. The committee's report is due to be presented to the Town Board in January 2020.

RESOLUTION #108 SEWER LAW COMPLIANCE EXTENTION

Resolution introduced by S. Ramant, and seconded by J. Bast,

IT IS RESOLVED, to extend the compliance date for connections to Sewer Districts 1 & 2 from December 31, 2019 to December 31, 2020.

Duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Edna Frasier, Steve Ramant, Jack Bast, Joshua Patchett

Nays: 0 Carried 4-0 Supervisor Frasier distributed the second draft of the 2020 Tentative Budget for the Board to review.

Supervisor Frasier addressed an additional change that needed to be made to increase the budgeted amount for the new position of a Part Time Clerk A00-1220-140 to train under the Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor. Supervisor Frasier stated that this new position needs to be budgeted the same as the new position for the Part Time ZEO Clerk at \$10,816.00.

Discussion ensued regarding the creation of the new positions for a clerk in the Supervisor's office, a clerk in the ZEO's office, and the new maintenance person.

It was questioned if all of the changes from the previous budget meetings had been made. Discussion ensued regarding consistency in increases and the decrease for the Deputy Town Clerk was discussed.

A Motion was made by S. Ramant and seconded by J. Bast to proceed with the budget as written with the amendment to the part time clerk position A00-1220-140 from \$3,500.00 to \$10,816.00.

Duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Edna Frasier, Steve Ramant, Jack Bast

Nays: Joshua Patchett

Carried 3-1

A Motion was made by J. Patchett and seconded by J. Bast to change the budgeted line item for Deputy Town Clerk A00-1410-110 from \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00 as was requested.

Duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Edna Frasier, Steve Ramant, Jack Bast, Joshua Patchett

Nays: 0 Carried 4-0

Further changes can be addressed at the public hearing for the 2020 Preliminary Budget. It was decided to hold the public hearing on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

On a Motion made by S. Ramant, seconded by J. Bast, IT IS RESOLVED, to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 4:10 pm. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa L. Patchett Hague Town Clerk