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TOWN OF CICERO

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The Cicero Town Board held a Special Town Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. at the Cicero Town Hall, 8236 Brewerton Road, Cicero, NY 13039.

Present: Jessica Zambrano, Supervisor
Mike Becallo, Councilor
C. Vernon Conway, Councilor (arrived during executive session)
Dick Cushman, Councilor (appointed that evening)
Mark Venesky, Councilor

Others Present: Joseph Snell, Police Chief
Robert Germain, Germain & Germain, Town Attorney
Stephen Snell, O'Brien & Gere, Town Engineer
Shirlie Stuart, Comptroller
Jody Roger, Director of Parks & Recreation
Tracy M. Cosilmon, Town Clerk

Absent: Christopher Woznica, Highway

Supervisor Zambrano opened the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

Supervisor Zambrano said there would be no public input and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Venesky requested a moment of silence to honor our men and women in uniform who are not able to be with us here today, or with their family.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANT TOWN COUNCILOR POSITION:

Supervisor Zambrano said everyone knew about the resignation of Tim Burtis because he was happily appointed to the County Legislature to fill the vacancy left by Jim Corl when he resigned to take a job in the county justice system so congratulations to both Tim and to Jim Corl. Because we have this vacancy, we do have a candidate who she thinks is very well qualified to represent the Board, Dick Cushman.

Councilor Venesky made a motion to fill the open Town Board seat that was vacated by Tim Burtis with Dick Cushman, to fill out his term. Supervisor Zambrano stated the term goes through the end of this year, December 31, 2015, and seconded the motion.

Ayes - 3 and Noes- 0. Motion carried. *Councilor Conway was not present for the vote*

Tracy Cosilmon, Town Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Dick Cushman.

Supervisor Zambrano invited Councilor Cushman to join the Town Board on the dais and welcomed him.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Supervisor Zambrano moved the adoption of a resolution that the Town Board enter into executive session to discuss the Department of Labor Compliance Report, as presented by Kathy Barany, who has served as our Human Resources Consultant and invited Shirlie Stuart, Comptroller and acting Human Resources Director, to join them.

Councilor Becallo asked Supervisor Zambrano if the board would be making any decisions in the first executive session that evening.

Supervisor Zambrano said potentially, yes.

Councilor Becallo asked Supervisor Zambrano if they could then have the Town Clerk, Tracy Cosilmon go into the executive session and record it; to take the minutes.

Supervisor Zambrano said no. All they needed to do was make a resolution; whatever resolution they were going to make they would announce it at the dais, so they didn't need Tracy to take the minutes.

Councilor Venesky seconded the motion.

Ayes - 4 and Noes- 0. Motion carried. *Councilor Conway was not present.*

Supervisor Zambrano said there was a strong possibility that the Board would be coming back with a resolution. She said in any event, they would be coming back out because they had two work sessions; one to talk about changes to the town's fee schedule, and the other to talk about proposed changes to the Code on signs for the town.

The meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 4:47 p.m.

Councilor Becallo exited out of executive session shortly after it began and reentered into the executive session with the presence of Chief Joseph Snell.

(Councilor Conway arrived and went into the executive session)

Supervisor Zambrano said the executive session was terminated at 6:03 p.m. by her motion, and that motion had been seconded by Councilor Cushman.

Ayes - 5 and Noes- 0. *Motion carried.*

Supervisor Zambrano said we do have a report that affects policies and procedures of the town having to do with labor compliance.

Councilor Cushman made a motion to accept the Compliance Review Report and take the necessary steps to correct what they have outlined in need of correcting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Venesky.

Ayes - 5 and Noes- 0. *Motion carried.*

WORK SESSION:

To address the permit fees and discussion regarding possible changes to sign ordinances

Supervisor Zambrano said the Board was short on time for the two work sessions that were scheduled.

Councilor Venesky said they had ran over (time wise) on the compliance audit review and he didn't think they had enough time to do justice to either the sign (all the work that Councilor Becallo did on the Sign Ordinance), or on all the fees that they were going to review, so he wanted to table them.

Supervisor Zambrano agreed to it.

Reschedule work sessions:

After a brief discussion the Board agreed that a work session regarding signs would be held on February 25th, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. and a work session regarding permit fees would be held on March 11th, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS BY THE SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Zambrano read the following list:

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LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS by the SUPERVISOR
Dick Cushman: Comptroller, Planning Board (share with Vern), Safety Committee, Anti-Harassment Committee, Collective Bargaining (share with Mark Venesky)
Vern Conway: Will stay the same with: Highway Department, Codes Office, Planning Board, Town Clerk
Mike Becallo: Will stay the same with: Youth Bureau, Parks and Rec, Drainage, Zoning Board of Appeals, Employee Handbook
Mark Venesky: Will stay the same with: Brewerton Revitalization, Economic Development, Police, Justice, Collective Bargaining, Board of Ethics
Jessica Zambrano: Will the same with Assessor, Board of Assessment Review, Senior Advocacy (including the Senior Center), North Syracuse School District, and *new addition: Fire Departments*

ADJOURN:

Supervisor Zambrano moved the adoption of a resolution to adjourn the Town Board meeting.

Motion was seconded by Councilor Venesky.

Ayes - 5 and Noes- 0. *Motion carried.*

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Tracy M. Cosilmon
Town Clerk