

Date March 26, 2015

The special Meeting of the Newfield Town Board was held at the Town Hall Board Room March 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jeffrey Hart and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Present were: Supervisor Jeffrey Hart, Councilperson Roy Trask, Councilperson Joanne James and Councilperson Christine Laughlin. Also present: 7 attendees.

New Business

Discussion and motion to appoint new Planning Board Member

All agreed Mr. Tidd was a very qualified candidate and felt he would make a good Planning Board Member. Motion was made by Councilperson James to appoint Leo Tidd to the Newfield Planning Board, seconded by Councilperson Laughlin.

Vote	AYES	4	Hart, Trask, James, Laughlin
	NAY	0	
	ABSENT	1	Powers

Carried

A friendly amendment was offered by Councilperson James to appoint Leo Tidd to fill Jeff Golden’s vacancy on the Newfield Planning Board with the term expiring May of 2017, seconded by Councilperson Laughlin.

Vote	AYES	4	Hart, Trask, James, Laughlin
	NAY	0	
	ABSENT	1	Powers

Carried

Old Business

Discussion what is next for the new Water Tanks

Supervisor Hart stated with the current Procurement Policy of the Town of Newfield in place there should be competitive bids for the project. Supervisor Hart has spoken to another engineering (LaBella), firm who will be submitting a bid shortly. TG Miller has been advised there will be another bid submitted. Councilperson James asked that a third firm is asked to submit a bid as well. Bids should be available at the April Board Meeting and possibly invite engineering firms to the April Special Meeting/Work Session.

Discussion on Noise Ordinance

Supervisor Hart reviewed the current noise ordinance document which has been worked on for several months. This document was based on Newark Valley NY’s law. Sections have been added to address barking dogs and special occasion permits. Councilperson Laughlin commented she had reviewed the noise law from the Town of

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Enfield. She would like to see a section of exemptions similar to theirs be added to the proposed law for Newfield. After much discussion and Enfield's sound levels were similar to what Newfield is proposing. It was agreed to introduce this Local Law at the April 9, 2015 Board meeting then hold a public hearing and vote at the May 7 meeting. Councilperson Laughlin asked about the enforcement; the Tompkins County Sheriff's Department will be contacted.

Discussion on the Procurement Policy

Supervisor Hart stated he would like to discuss this at the April Special Meeting/Work Session.

At 7:40 p.m., a motion was made to adjourn by Councilperson Laughlin, seconded by Councilperson Trask.

Respectfully Submitted,

April 9, 2015

Karen Miller Kenerson
Newfield Town Clerk