

August 4, 2015

The regular Meeting of the Newfield Town Board was held at the Town Hall Board Room August 4, 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, Councilperson Christine Laughlin and Councilperson Casey Powers. Also present: 11 attendees.

Supervisor Hart explained originally a Public Hearing introducing the Environmental Assessment Long Form review was postponed at the request of the Town Attorney.

Supervisor Hart requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation after the public portion of the Board Meeting.

Agenda Items: Discussion of hiring an interim Code Enforcement Officer
Court Clerk Pay

Discussion of hiring an interim Code Enforcement Officer:

Supervisor Hart stated Code Enforcement Officer Butch Wright had expectantly passed Friday, July 31st. Supervisor Hart asked to propose that an interim person be appointed as a part time position through the end of the year. During this period, the Board will review the hours worked and the job description for the Code Enforcement Officer position. Then post the opening for permanent hire and do a full candidate review. It may be determined that in the future, the Code Enforcement Officer may become a part time position. Supervisor Hart commented that he had received applications.

The Board discussed an interim wage range to be \$16.00-\$20.00/hour. It was also decided the Code Enforcement, Environmental Officer and Storm Water Management Officer would remain as one position. Councilperson Trask suggested that a decision be made to appoint a certified person or seek assistance from another township until the end of the year. During this time the Board will review the Code Enforcement and Environmental Officer and Storm water Management Officer Job descriptions and assess the needs for the Town of Newfield. Supervisor Hart will inquire how long the Town can have an interim Code Officer and if the position were to become part time would it still remain a civil service position with the Tompkins County Personnel Office. The Supervisor suggested to the Board the hours worked not to exceed 30 hours/week. Motion was made by Councilperson James to authorize the Supervisor to hire a qualified candidate for the Code Enforcement Officer interim position with the hourly salary and weekly hours worked as discussed, seconded by Councilperson Trask.

Vote AYES 5 Hart, Trask, James, Laughlin and Powers
 NAY 0

Carried

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Justice Becker asked that her clerk's pay be brought up to equal the other clerk. There were no objections from the Board.

Supervisor Hart stated he will be away the first week of September and Deputy Supervisor Trask will be available.

At 7:38 Supervisor Hart asked for a motion to move to an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Motion was made by Councilperson James to move to Executive Session, seconded by Councilperson Trask.

Vote	AYES	5	Hart, Trask, James, Laughlin and Powers
	NAY	0	

Carried

At 8:06, the Meeting was called back to the Regular Meeting of the Newfield Town Board, moving to adjournment at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

August 13, 2015

Karen Miller Kenerson
Newfield Town Clerk