

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held at Town Hall on March 3, 2011 at 7:30PM

Present: John Burke, Supervisor  
Amidee Haviland, Carlton Levine, Frank Palermo and James Skoufis, Councilmen  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Richard Liberth, Attorney for the Town; Peter Stabile, Highway Superintendent; Robert Kwiatkowski, Police Chief; Maria Hunter and Lorraine McNeill, Village Planning Board

**I. Administrative Business:**

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Councilman Skoufis, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held February 17, 2011.

**ADOPTED** AYES 4 Burke, Haviland, Palermo, Skoufis  
ABSTAIN 1 Levine

Motion was then offered by Councilman Levine, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to accept the minutes of the worksession held February 28, 2011.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Haviland, to approve Revised Abstract 4 by voiding Voucher 20110361 (check #4228) and Voucher 20110323 (check #4272), reducing the total of the abstract to \$316,939.81.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Levine, to approve Abstract 5, Vouchers #20110476 - #20110553, totaling \$142,122.60.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

c. Approval of Budget Modification(s):

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to approve a modification to the budget of the Highway Department by increasing DB511 (Appropriated Reserves) by \$152,000, increasing DB599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$100,000 and increasing DB5120.403 (Estrada Road Bridge) by \$252,000.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Skoufis, to approve a modification to the budget of the General Fund by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$401 and increasing A1930.400 (Judgment and Claims) by \$401.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Levine, to approve a modification to the budget of the Tax Collector by decreasing A1330.444 (Schools and Dues) by \$652 and increasing A1330.430 (Transportation & Travel) by \$652.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

d. Acceptance of Resignation(s):

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to accept the resignation of Carol Zachmann from the position of Secretary for the Board of Assessment Review effective immediately.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Levine, to accept the resignation of Joseph Gianzero from the Parks Commission effective February 28, 2011.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

EXTRA ITEM – Appointment to the Beautification Commission:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Haviland, to appoint Michele Zwicker to the Beautification Commission.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

EXTRA ITEM – Schedule Special Meeting:

Motion was offered by Councilman Haviland, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to schedule a special meeting, held jointly with the Village Board, to be held at Town Hall on March 8, 2011 at 7:30PM.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

Councilman Levine stressed his concerns about the Village Board’s agenda showing this meeting as being part of their regular meeting. Councilman Skoufis stated he was designated to arrange this meeting with the Village Board. The Village Board had two meetings already scheduled for this week and asked that the discussion be held at their March 8 meeting, which all Town Board members agreed to when he asked for their opinion. As the Mayor was not present to discuss the logistics of the meeting arrangements, Clerk Potvin stated she felt it was safe to assume that when the discussion is being held, the Town and Village Board will each be seated at the dais.

## II. Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

## III. New Business:

### a. Agreement – Workers Compensation Runoff Claims:

A renewed agreement has been received from Wright Risk Management for them to perform the worker’s compensation claim runoff management services for the Town. Supervisor Burke stated the cost to the Town is \$500.00 per runoff claims for the year, of which there are three remaining. Motion was then offered by Councilman Levine, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to authorize Supervisor Burke to sign the 2011 Claims Runoff Management Agreement with Wright Risk Management.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
NOES 0

### b. Proclamation – Girl Scouts Gold Awards:

Motion was offered by Councilman Haviland, seconded by Councilman Levine, to adopt the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS**, the achievement of “GOLD AWARD” status within the Girl Scouts Organization is a pinnacle accomplishment in Girl Scouting. It requires significant effort, dedication and service to one’s

home, troop and community.

**THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Woodbury commends and recognizes the outstanding achievement of Julia Amoroso and Kelly Parness.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    5            Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
                     NOES    0

Councilman Haviland will be attending the ceremony representing the Town Board.

**IV. Public Comment:**

Councilman Haviland reminded the public that the Village Election is scheduled for March 15 and urged individuals to vote and seriously take into consideration the three propositions that are being asked.

Robin Crouse invite all to the Woodbury Historical Society's Annual Winter Social scheduled to be held on March 5 at the Senior Center at 2PM. The guest speaker is photojournalist Ken Lipston.

Maria Hunter stated the three propositions on the Village election ballot should be considered seriously. The first proposition will change the election date from March to June, which she feels will increase the voter turnout since the weather will be better. The other two propositions, which propose to increase the term lengths of the Mayor and Trustees from two to four years, will cause the election to be held biennially rather than annually. This will be a savings to the tax payers.

**V. Adjournment:**

With no further comments received or business to discuss, a motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Levine, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55PM.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    5            Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis  
                     NOES    0

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk