

**VESTAL TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2013**

In Attendance: Supervisor Schaffer, Board Members Fitzgerald and Majewski  
Absent: Councilmen Milkovich and Marnicki

Also Attending: Town Attorney David Berger, Human Resource Officer Nancy Olmstead and Town Clerk Emil Bielecki

**WORK SESSION** - Supervisor Schaffer convened the meeting at 6:04 PM.

**COMMITTEES**

**7.1 PUBLIC WORKS**

1. Request from Brock Leonard, Highway Superintendent to pay out of title pay for  
Richard Martin \$204.96 84 hours (Nov. 1 - Dec.4, 2013)  
John Angelo \$552.05 215.5 hours (Sept – Nov. 30, 2013)

**OK**-This item will be placed on the Agenda for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

**7.2 FINANCE**

1. **Warrants** - 2013-50, 50E

**OK** - This item will be placed on the Agenda as a Receive and File item at the next Regular Meeting.

**Authorization for the Vestal Museum to apply for grants**

In a memo dated 1/16/13, Vestal Museum Director Virginia Wood is requesting authorization to submit grants towards the Museum's 2014 budget related to the following:

- Additional funding for the 2014 labor line to support exhibits, programs and events (Chenango Arts Council/NYSCA-Dec/Hoyt)
- Provide materials related to those exhibits, programs, and events (Broome County Arts Council-United Cultural Fund)

At this time, the amount to be requested had not been determined. The grants are due January 8, 2014.

**OK**-This item will be placed on the Agenda for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

**Advertise for a Public Hearing on Local Law to amend sewer rents**

In a memo dated 1/16/13, Comptroller Laura McKane notes that the City of Binghamton comptroller hopes to have the figures for our estimated 2014 sewer bill before Christmas. She is asking the Board to authorize advertising for a public hearing to be held on January 8, 2014 for a Local Law to increase the sewer rents. In addition, she will be talking to the Town Attorney about adding language for a capital charge to a proposed rate.

The Board members agreed to vote at the next Regular Meeting to authorize the Town Attorney to draw a Local Law amending the sewer rents and to advertise on December 25, 2013, for a Public Hearing on January 8, 2014.

**OK**-This item will be placed on the Agenda for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

**7.3 PERSONNEL** – no items were addressed

**7.4 PLANNING & ZONING** – no items were addressed

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**7.5    PUBLIC SAFETY**

1. Request from Fire Chief Patrick McPherson to approve Vestal Fire Department Membership and Auxiliary of Station #4 to hold a Brooks Barbeque Fundraiser on January 4, 2014 at Station 4 on Vestal Parkway

**OK**-This item will be placed on the Agenda for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

2. Request from Police Chief John Butler to grant an unpaid internship for the month of January 2014 to David Goetz. He would start on January 6, 2014 and end on January 31, 2014.

**OK**-This item will be placed on the Agenda for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

3. Request from Fire Chief Patrick McPherson to move \$12,225.11 of the Fire District Insurance reimbursement to the Station #1 account (for losses during the 2011 flood); the amount of \$20,000 to be re-encumbered for use in 2014, with the remaining being put into the Fire District General Fund, this will close out the flood insurance balance.

Supervisor Schaffer stated that this item will not be considered at this time because the Town Attorney and the Comptroller need to do additional research on this request.

**7.6    ADMINISTRATION** – no items were addressed

**SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Winter Parking Hours** – December 1st - March 31st - 2:00 AM to 6:00 AM

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion of Councilwoman Fitzgerald, seconded by Councilman Majewski, the following was

**ADOPTED**    Ayes    3            Majewski, Fitzgerald, Schaffer  
                  Nays    0            Absent 2    Milkovich, Marnicki

Resolved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with the Operating Engineers and potential litigation concerning a Water District bid. The time was 6:16 PM.

On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Fitzgerald, the following was

**ADOPTED**    Ayes    3            Majewski, Fitzgerald, Schaffer  
                  Nays    0            Absent 2    Milkovich, Marnicki

Resolved the Board leave the Executive Session and adjourn the Work Session. The time was 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Emil Bielecki, Town Clerk