

February 8, 2022

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Southport held at the Southport Town Hall, 1139 Pennsylvania Avenue on February 8, 2022.

Members Present: Supervisor Joseph Roman, Council Members Glenn Gunderman, Daniel Hurley, Timothy Steed, Daniel Williams

Others Present: Code Enforcement Officer Peter Rocchi, Deputy Supervisor Kathleen Szerszen, Town Clerk Carolyn Renko and Craig Davis from LaBella Associates

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Roman at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Moment of Silence – Supervisor Roman

Under Discussion was HVAC upgrades at Town Hall and generator installation at Town Hall and Highway Garage.

Regarding HVAC upgrades at Town Hall, Deputy Supervisor Szerszen gave a history of the project. Council Members Tim Steed and Dan Williams are concerned with the cost. They both agree that the equipment needs updating but wants to explore options to reduce the cost.

Craig Davis from LaBella Associates stated he feels the bid from Frey & Campbell (lowest bidder) can't be honored at this point because between October 2021 and the present units have gone up 15-20% in cost. He also stated the market has changed and availability of supplies is six months out.

Council Member Williams suggested reconditioning it for now and revisiting at a later time, stating he feels the demand will greatly reduce.

Council Member Steed stated whatever is decided the project needs to meet code and suggested taking the design and see if the project can be completed with modifications to reduce the cost.

Supervisor Roman suggested inquiring with Frey & Campbell regarding the bid and the changes that were discussed.

Regarding the installation of generators at Town Hall and the Highway Garage. It was noted that there is one estimate for the generator at the Highway Garage. Council Member Steed stated there is a grant opportunity through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) through the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) and he volunteered to apply for this for the generator at Town Hall.

Council Member Gunderman made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Williams seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn A. Renko, Town Clerk