

December 30, 2020

Annual Meeting

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Southport held at the Southport Town Hall, 1139 Pennsylvania Avenue on December 30, 2020.

Members Present: Supervisor Kathleen Szerszen, Council Members Glenn Gunderman and Timothy Steed

Members Absent: Council Members Daniel Hurley and Joseph Roman

Others Present: Town Clerk Carolyn Renko

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

Moment of Silence – Kathleen Szerszen

Under Taxpayer's Comments, agenda items only to include Resolutions & Discussion, no one wished to speak.

RESOLUTION NO. 188-2020

ACCEPTING SCHOOL TRAFFIC OFFICERS AGREEMENT

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Steed

WHEREAS, this Town Board has met with the School Traffic Officers of the Town of Southport and in doing so negotiated the terms of a public employee's agreement for the School Traffic Officers of the Town of Southport for the fiscal year 2021, and

WHEREAS, the members of this Town Board and a majority of the School Traffic Officers of this Town have agreed upon the provisions to be contained in said employee's agreement for such year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Traffic Officers Agreement containing the signatures of the members of this Town Board and the majority of the School Traffic Officers of the Town of Southport be and the same hereby is ratified in each and every aspect as contained therein, and the same is referred to as if set forth at length in this resolution; such agreement to be subject to the review and approval of the Attorney for the Town.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 189-2020

ACCEPTING HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE CONTRACT

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Steed

WHEREAS, this Town Board has met with the employees of the Highway Department of the Town of Southport and in doing so negotiated the terms of a public employee's contract for employees of the Highway Department of the Town of Southport for the fiscal year 2021, and

WHEREAS, the members of this Town Board and a majority of the employees of the Highway Department of this Town have agreed upon the provisions to be contained in said employee's contract for such year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highway Employee's Contract containing the signatures of the members of this Town Board and the majority of the employees of the Highway Department of the Town of Southport be and the same hereby is ratified in each and every aspect as contained therein, and the same is referred to as if set forth at length in this resolution, such contract to be subject to the review and approval of the Attorney for the Town.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 190-2020

INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR ASSESSOR SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWN OF CHEMUNG AND
THE TOWN OF SOUTHPORT EXTENDING THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS
AS SET FORTH IN THE 2020 AGREEMENT

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Steed

WHEREAS, the Towns recognize a need to share services with Chemung County to more efficiently utilize the tax dollars of our residents, and

WHEREAS, the participating Towns are in need of Assessor services, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chemung has in its employ personnel qualified in Assessor Services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Chemung and the Town of Southport will enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement for Assessor Services, effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 extending the same terms and conditions as set forth in the 2020 agreement.

RESOLVED, that the Assessor will be available to the participating Towns on an as needed basis as determined by the Town and the Assessor.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 191-2020

AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CHEMUNG TO
PROVIDE A RESIDENT SHERIFF'S DEPUTY FOR THE TOWN

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Steed

WHEREAS, the Chemung County Sheriff's Office has proposed that the Town of Southport enter into a one-year agreement with the County of Chemung effective January 1, 2021 and shall expire on December 31, 2021 to provide a full-time resident Sheriff's Deputy to the Town of Southport for the sum of SIXTY-THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$60,000.00) per year.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Deputy be an employee of the Chemung County Sheriff's Office but will be available at dates and times determined by the Town of Southport, and

WHEREAS, the Chemung County Sheriff's Office will supply all uniforms and equipment required for the Resident Deputy.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Southport in regular session duly convened, authorize the Town Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with the County of Chemung to provide one full-time resident Sheriff's Deputy to the Town of Southport for a period of one year effective January 1, 2021 and shall expire on December 31, 2021 for an amount not to exceed SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$60,000.00) per year, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Agreement is contingent upon approval by the Chemung County Legislature.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 192-2020

ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF SAYLES AND EVANS TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE
TOWN OF SOUTHPORT

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Steed

WHEREAS, the Town Board reviewed a proposal by Sayles & Evans for providing legal services to the Town of Southport, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to engage the law firm Sayles & Evans to provide legal services, extending the same terms and conditions set forth in the 2020 proposal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby appoints Sayles & Evans as General Counsel for the Town of Southport for the year 2021 pursuant to terms previously set forth in the proposal from 2020, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute all documents and take any action necessary to effectuate the engagement of Sayles & Evans.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

Under Taxpayer's Comments, Michael Smith from 786 Cedar Street and Chemung County Legislator, spoke regarding Christian Hollow Road Traffic Study and City of Elmira Agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 193-2020

SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

Resolution by: Steed
Seconded by: Gunderman

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Southport, County of Chemung, New York, will hold a public hearing on January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as it can be heard, at the Town Hall, 1139 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elmira, New York, regarding proposed amendment to Zoning Law Section 525-50 Consultant Review Fees.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Szerszen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hurley, Roman
CARRIED.

Council Member Gunderman made a motion, Council Member Steed seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn A. Renko, Town Clerk