

Bedford Hills, New York
February 25, 2014

The second meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bedford for the month of February was held on February 25, 2014, at the Town Offices, 321 Bedford Road, Bedford Hills, New York. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Supervisor Burdick.

Present: Chris Burdick : Supervisor
Francis T. Corcoran : Councilman
Mary Beth Kass : Councilwoman
David Gabrielson : Councilman

Lisbeth Fumagalli : Town Clerk
Joel H. Sachs : Town Attorney
William Hayes : Chief of Police
Edward Ritter : Town Comptroller
Amy Pectol : Receiver of Taxes
William Heidepriem : Superintendent of Recreation and Parks
Jeff Osterman : Director of Planning
Kevin Winn : Commissioner of Public Works

And ten (10) residents/observers.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Mrs. Kass, seconded by Mr. Corcoran, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby approve the following resolutions:

1. Approval of Abstract Claims and Paid Prior Bills.

RESOLVED, that the following claims for 2013 and 2014 be allowed for payment from their respective funds,

	2013
Paid Prior to Audit	\$ 58,284.06
General Fund	9,595.92
Highway Fund	465.00
Consolidated Water District	14,108.76
Energy	359.88
Capital Projects	<u>2,400.00</u>
	\$ 85,213.62

	2014
Paid Prior to Audit	\$ 218,569.63
General Fund	83,052.38
Highway Fund	92,240.81
Consolidated Water District	22,110.07
Cedar Downs Water District	40.20
Energy	26,343.96
Special Districts:	
Bedford Village Memorial Park	2,571.13
Bedford Hills Memorial Park	2,294.27
Katonah Memorial Park	3,801.52
Capital Projects	<u>12,811.34</u>
	\$ 245,265.68

2. Monthly Reports to the Town Board, which are available for review during business hours in the offices of the Town Clerk and Supervisor.

3. Approval to sign Keane & Bean's waiver of conflict for the TV Shared Services Agreement between the Town of Bedford and Bedford Central School District.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor to sign the waiver of potential conflict of interest regarding Keane & Beane and its representation of both the Town of Bedford and Bedford Central School District in regard to the School District providing video production services and public access of Town related events.

4. Approval for Martin Swartz to purchase Chichester Cemetery plot.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby grant approval for Martin Swartz to purchase a plot in the Chichester Cemetery in the Town of Bedford.

5. Approval to award RFP for Taxi inspections to Reliable Auto and Truck Repair.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby award the RFP for taxi inspections to the lowest most responsible bidder, Reliable Auto and Truck Repair, having garages in both Bedford Hills and Mount Kisco, at a cost of \$20/inspection, said fee to be paid by the taxi company.

6. ALS Fundraising request for cyclists to travel through Bedford on Sunday, July 29th.

7. Approve Proclamation honoring Rhoda Gushue.

WHEREAS, in 1960, Rhoda Gushue moved with her family to Bedford Hills, where she has now resided for nearly 54 years; and

WHEREAS, Rhoda became involved with the Bedford Hills Free Library soon after moving to the hamlet, joining the Friends of the Bedford Hills Free Library, which sponsored patron programs and raised funds for library operations; and

WHEREAS, Rhoda was hired as a librarian by then-director Mary Hyatt in 1970, eventually becoming named Director in February of 1977; and

WHEREAS, Rhoda has, over her 44 years as an employee and 37 years as Director, firmly established the Bedford Hills Free Library as the heart of the Bedford Hills community, fostering a warm and welcoming atmosphere focused on quality service and attention to the needs of each and every patron; and

WHEREAS, Rhoda has ensured a high-quality and sought-after book and media collection, overseen the development of acclaimed children's programming and guided the Library through many changes in the publishing, media and information technology industries; and

WHEREAS, throughout her years in Bedford Hills, Rhoda has selflessly volunteered with a number of community organizations, including the Bedford Hills Elementary School PTA, the Bedford Hills Chamber of Commerce; the Bedford Hills Historical Museum, the Town of Bedford's Blue Mountain Housing Development Corporation, and has held positions of leadership with many of these groups; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bedford wishes to express its gratitude to Rhoda Gushue for her many years of leadership at the Bedford Hills Free Library and within the Bedford Hills community at large and for her industrious nature, good humor, humility and charitable spirit in service to the Town of Bedford; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THURSDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2014, IS PROCLAIMED RHODA GUSHUE DAY IN ALL THE LAND.

8. Appoint Francis R. Zipp to Cleaner Position in Building/Maintenance Department.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby appoint Francis R. Zipp to the position of Cleaner in the Building/ Maintenance Department, effective February 26, 2014 at an annual

salary of \$59,096.00, as per the memorandum dated February 14, 2014 from Joan Gallagher, Director of Personnel.

9. Resignation notification of School Crossing Guard Louise Russo Kane.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby accept the resignation of Louise Russo Kane from the position of School Crossing Guard in the Town of Bedford Police Department, effective February 4, 2014, as per the memorandum dated February 7, 2014 from Joan Gallagher, Director of Personnel.

10. Re-appoint Police Officer Patricia McGraw to Anti-Discrimination & Harassment Committee.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby reappoint Patricia McGraw as the PBA representative to the Anti-Discrimination and Harassment Committee for a five (5) year term, said term to expire March 19, 2019 as per the memorandum dated February 18, 2014 from Joan Gallagher, Director of Personnel.

11. Extend Taxi Cab Town Permits until 3-31-14.

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby extend the Taxi Cab Town Permits until March 31, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request authorization to hold Clean Up weekend May 1, 2, and 3; authorize Commissioner Winn to advertise for bids for removal of refuse; and approve rates for resident waste disposal.

On a motion by Mr. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Gabrielson, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby approve the dates of May 1-3 for the annual Town of Bedford Clean Up weekend to be held at the Crusher Road facility in Bedford Village and further authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to advertise for bids for the removal of the refuse collected and approves the following rates for 2014:

Car	\$25.00
Pickup	\$60.00
Small dump truck (less than 6 cubic yards)	\$115.00
Large dump truck (bigger than 6 cubic yards)	\$230.00

2. Approve St. Patrick's Church request for Police coverage and parking at Bedford Village Memorial Park.

On a motion by Mr. Corcoran, seconded by Mrs. Kass, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Chief of Police to assign off-duty Police officers to cover traffic posts for Tuesday, May 13 to Sunday, May 18, 2014 for the annual St. Patrick's carnival, said costs to be paid for by St. Patrick's. This approval is granted subject to the receipt of a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Bedford as an additional insured and a signed Hold Harmless agreement.

3. Approve Capital Markets Advisors, LLC proposal for Financial Advisor Services.

On a motion by Mr. Gabrielson, seconded by Mrs. Kass, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None

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Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby award the contract for Financial Advisor Services to Capital Markets LLC, 1075 Route 82, Hopewell Junction, New York, with the following fees, as per the memorandum dated February 11, 2014 from Edward Ritter, Town Comptroller with the following fees:

Bond	\$8,400.00
Refunding	\$9,500.00
Note	\$4,100.00
Continuing Disclosure	\$800.00 - \$1,200.00

4. Approve Danziger & Markoff, LLP for Actuarial Services.

On a motion by Mr. Corcoran, seconded by Mrs. Kass, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby award the contract for Actuarial Services for the Other Post-retirement Employment Benefits (OPEB) to Danziger & Markoff, LLP, 123 Main Street, White Plains, New York with the following fees, as per the memorandum dated February 11, 2014 from Edward Ritter, Town Comptroller:

Full 2014 Valuation:	\$3,600.00
Interim 2015 Valuation:	\$1,260.00
Full 2016 Valuation	\$3,725.00

5. Schedule Work Sessions.

On a motion by Mr. Burdick, seconded by Mrs. Kass resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby schedule the work sessions as follows, with all work sessions to be held at the Town House, 321 Bedford Road, Bedford Hills, New York:

March 4 – 7PM – Bedford Hills Train Station
March 18 – 7PM – Capital Budget
April 1 – 7PM – Department of Public Works and Police Capital Budget
April 15 – 7PM – Court Information Technology
May 6 – 7PM – Wrap up session
May 20 – No work session
June 3 – 7PM – Emergency Plan

6. Executive Session: review applicants for Town committees; discussion of property acquisition negotiations.

On a motion by Mr. Burdick, seconded by Mr. Gabrielson, the following resolution was ADOPTED

Ayes: Burdick, Corcoran, Gabrielson, Kass
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESOLVED that the Town Board shall review applicants for Town Committees and discuss property acquisition negotiations in an executive session to be conducted at the conclusion of the regular meeting.

There being no further discussion the Town Board adjourned to executive session at 9:15 pm.

Lisbeth Fumagalli, Town Clerk

Minutes of Executive Sessions
Town Board of the Town of Bedford
February 25, 2014

On February 25, 2014 the members of the Town Board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations. Attending the Executive Session were Supervisor Burdick and Councilpersons Kass, Gabrielson and Corcoran. Also attending were Town Attorney Joel Sachs, Town Comptroller Ed Ritter, Town Personnel Director Joan Gallagher and Deputy Town Attorney Ron Longo. At the outset of the Executive Session, Town Attorney Joel Sachs was appointed Acting Deputy Town Clerk.

There followed a discussion among the attendees as to the status of negotiations between the Town and the Police Bargaining Unit, the Blue Collar Bargaining Unit and the White Collar Bargaining Unit. No decisions were made and no votes were taken. The Executive Session recessed at approximately 7:50 p.m.

At 9:15 p.m., the Town Board voted to return to Executive Session to discuss the possible purchase of property by the Town as well as discuss certain personnel issues.

Attending the Executive Session at this time were Supervisor Burdick and Councilpersons Gabrielson, Corcoran and Kass as well as Town Attorney Sachs. There followed a discussion as to the possible lease or purchase by the Town of the Bedford Hills Train Station. There was a further discussion concerning the existing sublease between the Town and Mark's Time. It was determined by the Town Board that it would schedule a public work session at a future date to further discuss these issues.

There then followed a discussion among the four Town Board members as to filling certain vacancies on certain Town committees. No decisions were made and no votes were taken.

The Executive Session adjourned at approximately 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel H. Sachs, Acting Deputy Town Clerk