

**TOWN OF KIRKWOOD
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

August 6, 2019

A regular meeting of the Kirkwood Town Board was held on August 6, 2019 at 7:07 PM at the Joseph A. Griffin Town Hall with Supervisor Gordon Kniffen presiding.

Present: Supervisor Gordon Kniffen
Councilman Robert Weingartner
Councilman Lewis Grubham
Councilman William Diffendorf, Jr.
Councilwoman Linda Yonchuk

Also Present: Robert McKertich, Attorney
Gayle Diffendorf, Town Clerk
John A. Finch Jr., Commissioner of Public Works
Marchie Diffendorf, Planning Bd. Chairman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 9, 2019 Town Board Meeting

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Larry Holt provided an update on the progress of drainage remediation on lower Trim Street, County Rt. 32. He thanked Supervisor Kniffen for contacting the County and said they were up there on July 17, 18, 19 and 22 and worked on the ditches and found three other catch basins that were buried; two on the south side and one on the north side, as well as two pipes that were buried. The State did their job and I got them to clean that ditch. They put the grate back over the catch basin and cleaned the ditches out. They did not go up to where the pipe crosses the road where the Clines live, they didn't do anything there, and I guess the sucker pump is still broke. I was told that they don't think it's plugged but we'll see with the next hard rain. Hopefully it's going to cure some of it but they have to get after that pipe. Mr. Finch said they called the UFPO in for that pipe to make sure there are no underground facilities but there's a wait time on that. Mr. Holt said I appreciate your help.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Yonchuk moved to adopt resolution to establish the annual salary for the Town of Kirkwood Assessor for a term beginning on October 1, 2019 at \$29,000.00 per year with no benefits. Councilman Diffendorf seconded.

121-19
Assessor
Salary

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilman Grubham - yes
Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to provide notice to the City of Binghamton terminating the Intermunicipal Agreement between the City of Binghamton and the Town of Kirkwood for the shared services of an Assessor, effective September 30, 2019. Councilman Grubham seconded.

122-19
Terminate
Agreement w/
Binghamton –
Assessor

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilman Grubham - yes
Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

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123-19
Sched PH
Amend Zoning
LL

Councilman Grubham moved to adopt resolution scheduling a Public Hearing on September 3, 2019 at 6 PM for Local Law 2 of 2019 Amending the Town of Kirkwood Zoning Law. Councilman Weingartner seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilman Grubham - yes
 Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

124-19
Amend
Benefits
Cancer
Screenings

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution amending the Rules and Regulations Governing Attendance and Benefits for Town of Kirkwood Employees regarding paid time off for cancer screenings, in accordance with the attached Rules and Regulations.

Councilwoman Yonchuk seconded.

Discussion: Councilwoman Yonchuk said I would like it if we could put something in the resolution to bring it in line with State Law so that it would be clear that's what we are doing. Councilman Weingartner amended his motion to add, "as required by State Law".

Councilwoman Yonchuk amended her second.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilman Grubham - yes
 Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

125-19
Approve
Days Reported
Retirement
C. French

Councilwoman Yonchuk moved to adopt resolution approving the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials for Cynthia French as Dog Control Officer and Zoning Board of Appeals Member, in accordance with the attached resolution. Councilman Diffendorf seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilman Grubham - yes
 Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

126-19
Hire M. Latini
Rec Supvr PT

Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution hiring Marc Latini as Recreation Supervisor PT Provisional, effective August 12, 2019 at a salary of \$8,000 pro-rated for the remainder of 2019. Councilman Grubham seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilman Grubham - yes
 Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

127-19
Waiver
Woody's
Tavern –
Liquor License
Application

Councilman Grubham moved to adopt resolution approving the request from Woody's Tavern, LLC for a waiver from the Town of Kirkwood from the 30 day waiting period regarding their liquor license application. Councilman Weingartner seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilman Grubham - yes
 Councilwoman Yonchuk - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Supervisor Kniffen - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

AUDIT AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

128-19
Audit/Pay

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution authorizing the audit and payment of the following claims: General and Highway Funds, Special Districts (Fire, Light, Water and Sewer Districts), Professional Services, Capital Projects and Reserve Funds claims # 19002952 through # 19003121 in the total amount of \$ 354,159.03, which includes prepaid

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claims as authorized by resolution adopted January 2, 2019. Councilwoman Yonchuk seconded.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Weingartner	- yes
	Councilman Grubham	- yes
	Councilwoman Yonchuk	- yes
	Councilman Diffendorf	- yes
	Supervisor Kniffen	- yes

MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution to adjourn the meeting.

Councilwoman Yonchuk seconded. All voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle M. Diffendorf
Town Clerk