

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, August 29, 2017.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Robert Carges, Councilperson Robert Muesebeck, Councilperson Mary Rich and Councilperson Lori Skoog. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Town Attorney Jim Bell and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were Joan Hamlin, Chris Hamlin, William Johnson, Norm GianCursio, Susan Smith, Patricia Hayles and Kristina Gabalski from Suburban News.

*A Proclamation was read by Councilperson Muesebeck Memorializing Wayne “Jack” Mazzarella prior to the opening of the public hearing. (Proclamation recorded with the Public Hearing Minutes of August 29, 2017)

Supervisor Carges called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. after the close of the public hearing and a brief recess. Mr. Carges asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag and asked for a moment of silence in memory of Megan Dix.

Supervisor Carges asked if there were any comments from the visitors. No comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Skoog to accept the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting held on August 22, 2017. All voted in favor of the motion – three ayes. Councilperson Rich abstained due to her absence from such meeting. Motion adopted.

SUPERVISOR’S CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Carges noted a letter from Kevin G. Johnson indicating his interest in being appointed to the open board seat vacated by Danielle Windus-Cook in September of 2016. Supervisor Carges presented the following resolution for a vote:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 112 Appoint Councilperson – Kevin G. Johnson

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2016 Councilperson Danielle Windus-Cook resigned from the Sweden Town Board thereby creating a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the name of Kevin G. Johnson of Talamora Trail has been brought forward to fill the vacancy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden hereby appoints Kevin G. Johnson as a Councilperson on the Sweden Town Board for the period August 30, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

Sec. 2. That the annual salary for this position is \$7,559.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Muesebeck
Seconded by Supervisor Carges

Discussion: Councilperson Muesebeck stated that budget discussions are taking place for 2018 and Kevin G. Johnson is running for Supervisor with no opposition – term would begin January 2018. Mr. Muesebeck feels that it is important for Mr. Johnson to be involved in the budget process and that the board could benefit from Mr. Johnson’s past experience as a board member.

Supervisor Carges agreed with Councilperson Muesebeck and added that Mr. Johnson was on the board for several months (2012) and it seems inevitable that he will be elected Supervisor in the upcoming election. Mr. Carges would like to see the seat filled now.

Councilperson Skoog said she wouldn’t mind working with Mr. Johnson when he becomes Supervisor, but added that when she ran for office she came to the Town Board meetings and asked questions. She suggested that Mr. Johnson work closely with the Finance Director and the Supervisor until January.

Councilperson Rich agreed with Councilperson Skoog but stated that the board also needs to allow the election process to work. Mrs. Rich has no problem welcoming Mr. Johnson to the board if he is successful in November.

Councilperson Muesebeck added that this resolution was not a political move, but an opportunity for the board to operate and function better, particularly during the budget process.

Supervisor Carges reiterated that the resolution was not intended to be political.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Rich	<u>Nay</u>
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Nay</u>
Supervisor Carges	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – August 29, 2017

NOT Approved

REPORTS

No reports

DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Carges informed the board that the installation of the air handling units for the Town Hall is taking place this week and the SCCC will be getting new carpet and furniture for the “gathering room”.

Councilperson Rich commented on the nice job that Buildings and Grounds, Todd Dobson and Roger Evans, have done at the SCCC.

Councilperson Skoog complimented Recreation Supervisor Jill Wisnowski on the message in the current Scoreboard.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Rich moved to adjourn the August 29, 2017 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 7:53 p.m. Councilperson Skoog seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting, Town Clerk