

**TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF AUGUSTA  
February 6, 2019**

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Augusta, County of Oneida and the State of New York was held at Town Hall, 185 North Main Street, Oriskany Falls, NY on Wednesday, the 6th day of February 2019.

PRESENT:	Suzanne Collins	Supervisor
	James Dowd	Councilman
	Dean Kimball	Councilman
	Richard Ritenour	Councilman
	Travis Wright	Councilman
	Sonya Furness	Clerk

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Collins with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Collins announced that the Town of Augusta has been awarded a \$500,000.00 grant from CDBG.

Due to timelines that need to be followed, the Town Clerk asked for designated appointments of positions so that Thoma Development may proceed with their paperwork.

**Section 3 Coordinator:  
RESOLUTION 10- 2019**

Town Of Augusta  
*DESIGNATING A "SECTION 3 COORDINATOR" FOR THE TOWN*

Councilman Wright made the resolution seconded by Councilman Kimball to adopt the following;

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress passed the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u ("Section 3"), and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of "Section 3" is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by certain federal assistance, including assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Augusta is currently and anticipates it will continue in the future to be a recipient of certain HUD assistance covered by Section 3, and

**WHEREAS**, HUD and the administrative entity of HUD's Small Cities Program in the State of New York, the Housing Trust Fund Corporation, have determined that Community Development Block Grant grantees must designate a municipal employee to serve as the Section 3 Coordinator to facilitate compliance with Section 3, and

**WHEREAS**, it will be the job of the Section 3 Coordinator to prepare, implement and undertaken certain plans and procedures to facilitate compliance with Section 3 to the greatest extent feasible,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board does hereby designate Sonya M. Furness, Town Clerk , and his/her successor at such time Sonya M. Furness no longer serves in the capacity of Town Clerk as the Section 3 Coordinator.

All In Favor.		5-0
Suzanne Collins, Supervisor	Aye	
James Dowd, Councilman	Aye	
Dean Kimball, Councilman		Aye
Richard Ritenour, Councilman	Aye	
Travis Wright, Councilman		Aye

Date February 6, 2019

**Fair Housing Officer:  
RESOLUTION 11- 2019**

**FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Augusta is committed to the provision of equal access and equal housing opportunities for all its residents, and

**WHEREAS**, discrimination in the sale, rental or financing of dwellings on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap, or familial status is prohibited by the federal Fair Housing Law of Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act and the Fair Housing Amendment Act of 1988, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Augusta wishes to further Fair Housing in the Town and has designated Councilman Dean Kimball to carry out the Fair Housing activities of the Town to be determined by a Plan or local law at a later date, and to address complaints related to the issue of Fair Housing in the Town,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Augustus does hereby designate Councilman Dean Kimball to act as Fair Housing Officer for the Town.

**Authorized Signatures for request of funds:**

**RESOLUTION 12-19**

On a motion of Councilman Kimball, seconded by Councilman Dowd, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Kimball, Ritenour, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that Councilman James Dowd and Councilman Richard Ritenour be designated as authorized signors of checks for request of funds with Councilman Travis Wright being designated as an alternate in case of need.

A copy of the proposed Local Law #1 of 2019 was provided for review titled “Establishing a Fair Housing Policy”

Town Clerk is to publish a Public Notice for a Public Hearing on February 20, 2019 at 5:45PM, to adopt said Local Law.

A resignation letter was received by the Town Clerk on Friday February 1, 2019 for Judge Jacqueline Warcup.

**RESOLUTION 13- 2019**

On a motion of Councilman Ritenour, seconded by Councilman Kimball, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED**    Ayes 5       Collins, Dowd, Kimball, Ritenour, Wright  
                  Nays 0

Resolved that the resignation of Judge Jacqueline Warcup be accepted with regret effective February 1, 2019.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 6:22 PM, seconded by Councilman Kimball to enter into Executive Session to discuss the financial history of a particular person(s) or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person(s) or corporation and Proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

At 7:00, the board came out of Executive Session.

Councilman Wright made a motion to rescind the budgetary resolution made in January to lower the Justice Court Contractual. Second by Councilman Kimball, all present voted aye.

Councilman Kimball made a motion to add \$2000.00 to the line item in the budget for Grants, seconded by Councilman Ritenour, all present voted aye. This will cover Sonya's expenses and salary at \$11.00 per hour. This will come from the contingency fund.

The CAP has been reviewed and approved set to go to Office of State Comptroller. Steve has commenced the changes.

Councilman Wright will continue to work with Dick Parker on Union Contract.

Councilman Dowd will keep us updated as to Knoxboro Flooding Project.

Sonya and Sue are expected to continue the Webinars, so the grant moves along as expected.

A Motion was made by Councilman Kimball to Appoint Garry Johnson to the open spot of Town Justice, contingent upon Garry receiving the necessary training by April. The town will cover all the cost of said training, seconded by Councilman Ritenour, all present voted aye.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Wright seconded by Councilman Dowd, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted  
Sonya Furness





