

SPECIAL BYRON TOWN BOARD MEETING

September 4, 2019

The Special Byron Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Roger Rouse at 7:00 p.m. with the following people present:

- Supervisor.....Roger Rouse
- Councilmen.....Sue Fuller
Fred Klycek
Jeff Thompson
- Town Clerk.....Debra Buck-Leaton
- Absent.....Councilman Thompson

Public:

- David Leaton.....Byron Road, Byron
- Pete Yasses.....Rte. 237, Byron
- Candy Hensel.....Rte. 237, Byron
- George Squires.....McElver Street, Byron
- Tom Felton.....Townline Road, Byron
- Brad Nickerson.....Cockram Road, Byron
- Tamara Walker.....Cockram Road, Byron
- Arnold Brackenbury.....Cockram Road, Byron
- Sara Stockwell.....Rte. 237, Byron
- Ben Raccuia.....Warboys Road, Byron
- John Sackett.....Townline Road, Byron
- Eric Zuber.....Tower Hill Road, Byron
- Laurel Smith.....Mill Pond Road, Byron

Invited Guests:

- Paul Boylan, Esq.....Boylan Law Office

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Supervisor Rouse led the people in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LEGAL NOTICE
SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN OF BYRON**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Byron Town Board will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Byron Town Hall, 7028 Rte. 237, Byron, New York. The purpose of the Town Board meeting will be to discuss the possibility of hiring a law firm to assist the Town Attorney with specialized legal services.

*Debra Buck-Leaton
Byron Town Clerk*

Supervisor Rouse: He contacted a couple of attorneys and one got back to him stating that he would have to check to see if he had a conflict of interest.

Paul Boylan: The Board is looking for someone to work with him to help represent the Town during the Article 10 process. Paul would be able to help negotiate the PILOT and Host Agreement for the Town. He believes the Town may be able to put some restrictions on solar, i.e. height, screening.

There was a discussion amongst the Town Board and the audience regarding the Article 10 process, amending the Zoning Ordinance, what restrictions could be put on solar, how to find out whether the residents of the Town are for or against the solar project, the Comprehensive Plan positive results regarding green energy, whether or not the Town should form a committee to help the Town Board navigate the Article 10 process, and the upcoming informational open house that Excelsior is holding next Tuesday, September 10th at the South Byron Fire Hall.

Councilwoman Fuller was dismissed from the meeting by the Town Attorney because she has signed a lease with the solar company, which he believed caused a conflict if she were to vote on anything related to the proposed solar farm.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Klycek to have Paul Boylan, Esq. represent the Town of Byron, to interview other legal firms to assist with presentations and negotiations, explore solar options and to hire another attorney to assist him in the Article 10 process.

Councilman Thompson seconded the resolution.

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

ADJOURN:

A **motion** was made by Councilman Thompson to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Byron Town Board at 8:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Klycek and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

Respectfully Submitted,



Debra M. Buck-Leaton
Byron Town Clerk