

**TOWN OF URBANA  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING/2014 Budget Public Hearing  
October 29, 2013**

The Urbana Town Board held its Special Meeting Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, New York.

PRESENT:      John Webster            Supervisor  
                  John Jensen            Councilman  
                  Jim Presley            Councilman  
                  Mary Farmer          Town Clerk  
                  Sally Burleson        Bookkeeper

ABSENT:       Christine Kolo          Councilwoman  
                  Tom Chadwick        Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT: Edward P. Stull

Supervisor Webster opened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

**Public Hearing – 2014 Budget**

No comments

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, both Board members voted Aye to close the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

**Old Business**

**Inter-Municipal Agreements with the Village**

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley, both Board members voted Aye to accept the Village Trustees request of a 3% increase for the 2014 salaries for the Building and Zoning Officers.

**Jean O’Connell – Grant Administrator**

Jean O’Connell had originally submitted a proposal of \$20,000 to provide grant administration for the Water District 2 Extension. The committee was able to negotiate the amount down to \$18,000.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, both Board members voted Aye to approve J. O’Connell & Associates for grant administration pending attorney approval.

**Charlie Egresi – Accept Resignation**

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, both Board members voted Aye to accept Charlie Egresi’s resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**Health Insurance**

The current health insurance policy will no longer be available as of January 1<sup>st</sup> due to the Affordable Care Act. The Town staff of 14 voted on one of two options and chose Simply Blue Plus Platinum 2.

**Pleasant Valley Cemetery**

The cemetery is going through some changes and is looking for temporary storage space for some files.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, both Board members

voted Aye to allow the cemetery to store records in the basement of the Town Hall.

**2014 Budget Vote**

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, both Board members voted Aye to approve the 2014 Town of Urbana Budget.

**Public Input**

Ed Stull asked the Supervisor why the Town Clerk's salary and Deputy Clerks hourly pay rate have not been reviewed and adjusted accordingly. Supervisor Webster told him that's how the budget came out. Mr. Webster also said that he knows the Clerk's salary needed to be addressed. He also said the Deputy, Zoning and Planning secretary and the Bookkeeper are all at the same hourly rate of \$9.75 per hour. The Clerk noted there was no comparing the positions because the Bookkeeper is salaried with benefits, vacation pay and holiday pay. Though the Clerk understands the Bookkeeper deserved a pay increase, the Clerk asked why the Bookkeeper has received a 42% increase in two years compared to 5.8% over two years for all other employees. There was no answer.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Carried by both Councilmen present.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Farmer  
Town Clerk