

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018 AT 7PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED AT RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.**

Present:	Daryl Legg	Supervisor
	David Kukle	Councilman
	Sean Mahoney	Councilman
	Dolph Semenza	Councilman
	Corina Pascucci	Town Clerk
Others Present:	Lara Hamrah-Poladian	Secretary to Supervisor
	Sgt. Robert Haines	Hunter Police Department
	Erika Bain	Ambulance Administrator
	John Farrell	Superintendent of Highways
Absent:	Raymond Legg	Councilman
	Larry Gardner	Town Attorney

**6:45 PM PUBLIC HEARING:**

Senior Citizen & Owners by Disabilities/Limited Incomes 2018 Tax Exemption

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to open the Public Hearing on Senior Citizens & Disabilities/Limited incomes tax exemption limits at 6:45 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

No speakers.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to close the Public Hearing at 7:02 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

Discussion regarding three town combination of ambulance services.

Supervisor Legg opens the regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:02 PM.

**AUDIT**

The following vouchers were audited and approved for payment by the Town Board:

General Fund (TW) Voucher #431 through #463 in the amount of \$7,530.36

General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1064 through #1066 in the amount of \$337.06

Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #213 through #233 in the amount of \$17,190.41

Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1085 through #1089 in the amount of \$5,162.00

General Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #12 in the amount of \$16,440.06

General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1001 through #1002 in the amount of \$3,292.33

General Fund (SF1) Voucher #2001 in the amount of \$41,936.00

Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #1 through #10 in the amount of \$11,480.56

**RESOLUTIONS**

Supervisor Legg offers RESOLUTION #1 of 2018 authorizing the maximum limit for Senior Citizen's Tax Exemption for Town Tax purposes for the year 2018 and RESOLUTION #2 Exemption of Real Property Owners by Disabilities and Limited Incomes. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

**MINUTES**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to approve minutes of Regular/Year End Meeting of 12/28/2017 and Organization Meeting held on January 2, 2018. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

**POLICE** Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Police Department

**Monthly Report****December 2017**

Calls for service:	92
Arrests made:	1
Criminal charges levied:	1
Criminal complaints:	9
Non-criminal complaints:	56
Assists to other agencies:	13
Uniform traffic tickets:	10
Parking tickets:	0
Accidents investigated:	13
Report requests:	1 = \$10.00

**ASSESSOR** -Monthly report acknowledged(no electronic copy provided)

**GRIEVANCE BOARD**

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to appoint Clifford Bertrand and Edward Legg to the Grievance Board. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

**AMBULANCE** -Monthly report acknowledged (no electronic copy provided)

E. Bain states that the \$150.00 fee for RMA's (Refusal of Medical Attention) are now in effect. She adds that there are 18 employees on the roster and 15 of them will all be EMT's by the end of March.

She requests permission from the board to have someone cover her shift on the third Tuesday of each month from 12-6 so that she can attend the EMS Council meetings.

Supervisor Legg approves this change and he will send a letter informing the Council of the change in representation from the Town, naming her.

E. Bain informs the board that she will be replacing the epi pens which cost approximately \$600 each with vials at an approximate cost of \$85 each.

She will be working with Councilman Mahoney on adding an ambulance newsletter to the town's website and webinar training for ambulance staff.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT** -Monthly report acknowledged.

December Report was included in Regular and Year End meeting minutes of 12/28/17.

PLANNING -Monthly report acknowledged.

**Town of Hunter Planning Board  
Monthly MEETING Report  
JANUARY 2018**

-----**AGENDA**-----

**Meeting: Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Regular meeting at 7:00PM - 30 people in attendance**

S. Killourhy - Chairperson  
M. Czermerys –Deputy Chairman  
S. Friedman – absent  
J. Michaud–absent  
C. Knopp  
A. Dale  
R. Haines  
D. Senterman (alt)  
B. Welch (alt) absent

-- Not official minutes; report prepared for Town Board--

**MEETING: 7:00 PM**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: Twilight Park Wastewater Collection & Disposal Site plan -CLOSED  
Fenmore Site Plan Review (former Villa Maria) - CLOSED  
Haines Falls Auto Site Plan -CLOSED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1) Twilight Park Cell Tower Site Plan Review:** Haines Falls – Joshua Silver Esq. /  
SEQR – Type 1 action- **PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 7PM Town Hall**  
-Ackn rcv'd 11/20/17 Notarized copy of notice to 8 surrounding Towns.  
-Ackn rcv'd 11/29/17 DEC and Delaware response 12/29/17  
-Ackn rcv'd revised Full EAF on 12/19/17

**2) Absolute Towing and Barns Site Plan review:** Haines Falls – W. VanValkenburgh  
SEQR – UNLISTED action –**PLAN. BD. Seeking LEAD AGENCY – PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 6, 2018 7PM Town Hall**  
-Ackn rcv'd amended Site plan maps & proposed changes

**3) Twilight Park Wastewater Collection & Disposal Site plan:** Haines Falls – Delaware Engineering  
SEQR – Type 1 action - **REVIEW CONTINUES; WAITING for REVISED ENGINEERING REPORT**  
-Ackn rcv'd letter from Twilight Cottager president Susan Dunn  
Ackn rcv'd letters from neighbors  
-Ackn rcv'd amended Full EAF  
-Ackn rcv'd amended Site plan, WWTP alternative summary, outfall layout, odor control narrative.

**4) Fenmore Site Plan Review (former Villa Maria):** Haines Falls –S. Killough- Dhar & P. Prendergast PE presenting.  
SEQR – Unlisted Action – **FOR FEB MTG, UPDATED SITE PLAN/ SEQR DETERMINATION**

**5) Hunter Mtn Ski Trail Expansion Site Plan Review:** Hunter – Delaware Engineering  
SEQR – Type I action; **PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED WITH JEWETT PLAN BD. WED. JAN. 17, 2018 at 7PM Town Hall ( snow date Wed. Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Town Hall)**  
**After hearing TOH Plan Bd will review PART 2/3 of SEQR FULL EAF; Make Determination of significance**  
- Ackn rcv'd ltr from DEC 12/18/17 & Delaware response 12/29/17  
- Ackn rcv'd amended Full EAF and ltrs from Delaware Engineering

Continued **6)Haines Falls Auto Site Plan:** Haines Falls

SEQR – Type I action - Public hearing closed. **NEXT SUBMIT DATE IS 1/26/17 to maintain the agreed timeline for Mr. France to have Site Plan approval before the Junkyard and Scrap Facility 2 year renewal.**

- Ackn rcv'd ltr from R. France to DEC Kristy Primeau re: HFA withdraw C & D application -Ackn rcv'd email from DEC, Kristy Primeau accepting withdraw of C & D application
- Ackn rcv'd DOT ltr to Pln. Bd. via D. Rider PE & R. France/ Rcvd via email from DOT 1/2/18
- Board discussion and review of emails from R. France to Pln Bd.

*~The next Regular Planning Board meeting will be Tuesday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7PM at the Town Hall. ~*

Saratoga County Planning conference: 3 Planning Board members will be attending!

**HAINES FALLS AUTO**

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to renew the scrap and Junk licenses through the February Regular Town Board Meeting (2/20/18). Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

Discussion regarding escrow .

Supervisor Legg states that the escrow account has a balance of approximately \$300.00 with \$500.00 in Rodenhausen bills to be paid from it.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to have the applicant, Haines Falls Auto replenish the escrow account within ten business days in the amount of \$1,700.00. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

**HIGHWAY**

Supervisor Legg offers RESOLUTION #3 of 2018 that updates our 2017 Local Highway Inventory for NYSDOT, as written by the Town Attorney. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

LANDFILL/SOLAR Acknowledged memo of project status: utility study.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Mary Ellen Cariseo asks if the recently adopted animal companion law could be posted on the website along with wording reminding people to not leave pets out during extreme weather.

C. Pascucci states that she was awaiting authorization from the Town Attorney and Town Board before placing her written notice request on the website.

Supervisor Legg states that the board will revisit this when Attorney Gardner arrives.

**HAINES FALLS AUTO**

R. France asks the board what the escrow funds are being used for.

Supervisor Legg states the bills are for Rodenhausen and engineering costs to review the project.

R. France asks if this is for the garage location.

Supervisor Legg states yes.

R. France states that the C&D application has been pulled so asks if the escrow is still needed.

Supervisor Legg states yes.

R. France adds that he sent a letter to the Town Board asking them not to spend the escrow money and feels that there is no need for escrow.

Supervisor Legg states that there are outstanding bills that the current escrow won't cover.

R. France asks if those bills are for Rodenhausen or engineering.  
Supervisor Legg states they are from Rodenhausen.

#### YOUTH COMMISSION

Councilman Mahoney states that he has spoken to Nate Jones regarding the Town of Hunter Youth Commission and asks the Town Board if an advertisement for the first meeting scheduled for 1/25/18 at the Mountain Top Library can be placed on the Town's website.

Town Board members okay with this being advertised on website as long as the wording for the meeting is provided for the website.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to advertise this meeting in the Town's official newspaper at the town's cost as well as on the Town's website. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

C. Pascucci informs the board that she would like to have the wording in the morning as the newspaper has strict deadlines.

GREENE COUNTY: Town Board acknowledged;

Receipt of memo Resolution 61-10 Assist Towns, Villages costs incurred under local unsafe building laws.  
Receipt of Motion to adopt LL#3 of 2017 amending LL#1 of 2004 – Exemption of RP taxes for persons with disability., Resolution #390-17 Increasing amount of income for Senior Citizen tax exemption, #395-17 Authorizing contract GC with GC-EMS, #425-17 Authorizing chargeback of assessment roll services FY 2017-18, #427-17 Authorizing delinq. water and sewer added to roll, #430-17 Town Levies, #431-17 Authorizing relevy of unpaid school tax for year 2017

#### GRANTS

CDBG –WESTERN CATSKILLS: Town Board acknowledged;

Receipt of Annual performance report, signed & returned

Receipt of information from M. Johnson Re: Grant work done on property

Supervisor Legg states that he has forwarded the file from the above to Code Enforcement Officer James Boyle.

WRIGHT ROAD: Town Board acknowledged;

Receipt of fully executed contract for grant funds from Cornell Coop. (AWSMP)

Invoice sent for funds

#### GREENE COUNTY SOIL & WATER

Town Board acknowledged receipt of comments on Streamside Assist. Program (SAP) and request for comments

NYC DEP : Town Board acknowledged;

Receipt of Neg. dec. for NYC's Long-term Watershed Prot. Prog. & FAD renewal

Received from United State Environmental Protection Agency – FAD appreciation letter

MOUNTAIN CLOVES SCENIC BYWAY: Town Board acknowledged;

Receipt of Commemorative certificate and pen for Bill approved by Assembly, Senate and Governor for adding MCSB into State Byway System

Receipt of letter to NYS Senate Re: Catskill Park tourism in Town of Hunter

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION that that property be turned over to the Mountain Top Historical Society to be preserved by them and displayed by them however they see fit. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

COALITION OF WATERSHED TOWNS: Town Board acknowledged;  
 Receipt of letter from Chairman & invoice for dues \$1,000  
 Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to pay invoice for dues \$1,000. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)  
 Receipt of draft comments on SAP acknowledged.

JUSTICE COURT - Monthly report-Dec rec'd  
 Discussion on hourly rate for Court Clerk.  
 Supervisor Legg states that Lisa Hommel is now the Full Time Court Clerk.  
 Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to raise the hourly rate for Lisa Hommel by \$2.00 per hour retroactive to January 1, 2018 with a review to be held in six months. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

#### ANNUAL REPORTS

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to acknowledge receipt of annual reports for Police, Code Enforcement, Town Clerk, Planning, Court. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

#### BOOKKEEPING

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to sign engagement letter for 2017 AUD with STAC. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS: Town Board acknowledged;  
 Information read at first 2018 Town Board Meeting  
 S. Mahoney as delegate, TB may also appoint alternate by motion.  
 Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to name Councilman Sean Mahoney as the Town's delegate to the Association of Towns. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)  
 No alternate chosen.

#### TOWN HALL

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to appoint L.Hamrah Poladian with effective term date 1/1/18 – 12/31/19 to run concurrently with the term of the Supervisor. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.  
 Ayes-4-                      Noes-0-                      Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

CORRESPONDENCE: Town Board acknowledged;  
 Received from NYMIR –info on online university  
 Received from Catskill Center notice of February 6<sup>th</sup> Catskill Park Day 2018 make voice heard.  
 DEC releases news release on Devil's Tombstone Campground unit management plan for 2018  
 Received from NYS Homeland Security Re: Info on Cyber Security and contact staff member

#### TRANSFERS/BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to approve the following Transfers and Budget Modifications effective 12/31/17  
 a)Transf. \$11,407.94 from DB2770 to DB9060.8 to cover health ins. early renewal to MVP  
 b)Transf.\$1,585.49 from DA9030.8 to DA9060.8 to cover health ins. early renewal to MVP



- c)Transf. \$1,005.00 frm A1410.11 to A1410.1 for p/r 7/2 & \$1,005.00 from A1410.11 to A1410.1 for p/r 9/25
- d)Transf. .16C frm A1010.11 to A1010.1 to cover Town Board p/r
- e)Transf. \$189.91 frm A1110.11 to A1110.4 to cover Court contractals
- f)Transf. \$175.40 frm A1355.11 to A1355.1 to adjust BAR p/r from Assessor
- g)Transf. .16C frm A1420.4 to A1420.1 to cover Attorney p/r
- h)Transf. \$147.12 frm A1620.4 to 1620.1 to cover T'hall p/r
- i)Transf. \$1,995.71 frm A4540.4 to A4540.1 to cover Amb. p/r
- j)Transf. \$1,474.49 frm A1310.1 to A5010.1 to adj p/r 22/43
- k)Transf. .o4C frm A7510.4 to A7510.1 to cover Historian p/r
- l)Bud Mod Transf. \$7,638.36 from A9060.8 to A8160.4 to cover landfill monthly billing
- m)Transf. .28C frm B1990.9 to B4010.1 to cover Board of health p/r
- n)Transf. \$63.12 frm B1990.9 to B9030.8 to cover Social Security expenses

Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

#### RETIREES

Supervisor Legg states that the retiree insurance is normally a 50/50 split, adding that if the cost is \$500.00 per month, then the town would cover \$250.00 of that. He would like to be able to give the retirees the same \$250.00 but allow them to shop around for less expensive health insurance, adding that if they found insurance for \$400.00 per month, they would only have to pay \$150.00 out of pocket instead of \$250.00. He states that the retirees were given a choice between two plans this year. He adds that the town would not be giving the retiree a check for anything left over as this would not be a buyout. Town Board to revisit this in February.

#### TOWN BOARD

Supervisor Legg welcomes Councilman Sean Mahoney to the Town Board with congratulations.

#### PLANNING CONFERENCE

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to authorize Councilman David Kukle to attend the Planning Conference.

Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

#### ADJOURN

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to adjourn at 7:49 PM. Seconded by Supervisor Legg.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Councilman Legg)

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Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC  
Town of Hunter