

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON JANUARY 14, 2020 AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK**

Present:	Daryl Legg	Supervisor
	David Kukle	Councilman
	Raymond Legg	Councilman
	Sean Mahoney	Councilman
	Dolph Semenza	Councilman
	Corina Pascucci	Town Clerk
Others Present:	Lara Hamrah-Poladian	Secretary to the Supervisor
	John Farrell	Superintendent of Highways
	Sgt. Robert Haines	Hunter Police Department
	Plus, all names on attached listing.	

Supervisor Legg calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

General Fund (TW) Voucher #513 through #539 in the amount of \$8,217.75  
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1046 through #1053 in the amount of \$720.00  
General Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #12 in the amount of \$17,038.05  
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1001 in the amount of \$573.00  
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #161 through #175 in the amount of \$15,967.75  
Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1096 through #1098 in the amount of \$319.34  
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #5 in the amount of \$2,146.74  
Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #1 through #5 in the amount of \$6,857.17

**MINUTES**

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to approve minutes of Regular and Year End Meeting 12/30/19.

Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

**GREENE COUNTY**

Acknowledged receipt of letter Re: Installation of Emergency 911 tower – Shaun Groden presenting S. Groden speaks about the County’s desire to install an emergency 911 tower on the Town Hall property. The proposal is for a 100 ft. pole which would meet 911 requirements. Discussion on possibility of making taller to add vertical real estate. He adds this pole would not require any flashing lights and would be a relay tower also known as a micro hop.

The pole would have a generator which would be serviced by the County as well as a fence. The project would be County expended and maintained. He adds that the Town could add whatever apparatus they would need.

Discussion on placement of the pole on town property and viewshed.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to allow Greene County to proceed forward and they will come back to the Town board with a final determination. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

**POLICE**- Monthly and Annual report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Police Department

**Monthly Report**

**December 2019**

Calls for service:	104
Arrests made:	7
Criminal charges levied:	10
Criminal complaints:	8
Non-criminal complaints:	65
Assists to other agencies:	23
Uniform traffic tickets:	66
Parking tickets:	0
Accidents investigated:	7
Report requests:	2 = \$20.00
Property checks:	25

Town of Hunter Police Department

**Yearly Report**

**2019**

Calls for service:	1329
Arrests made:	43
Criminal charges levied:	65
Criminal complaints :	101
Non-criminal complaints:	782
Assists to other agencies:	238
Uniform traffic tickets:	360
Parking tickets:	859
Accidents investigated:	63
Report requests:	29 = \$315.00
Property checks:	843

**AMBULANCE**- Monthly report acknowledged.

**HUNTER AREA AMBULANCE**

PO Box 70 / 5742 Rt. 23A Tannersville, NY 12485

518-589-4045

**BOARD MEETING REPORT**

**61 Calls in December – 2019**

Hunter Mountain – 28

Tannersville – 21

Windham- 1

Haines Falls– 3

Hunter – 5

Prattsville- 1

Elka Park – 1

Lanesville-

Dr. Schneider’s –

Catskill- 1

CMH – 12

CPR Death: No Transport-

Kingston – 15

Albany Med- 7

Unattended- 1

St Peters - 1

VA –

No Patient Found- 3

Canceled - 8

RMA – 7

Pt. Refused Care- 3

Stand By – 3

Helicopter –

Oneonta- 1

ALS- 20

Erika- 18

Rebecca- 8

Butch- 7

Derrick-

Barbara- 21

Allison-

Scott- 12

Brandon-

Melissa- 6

Kristen-

Ariel- 11

Bob-

Venessa- 9

Dean- 3

Mark-

Jim- 7

Steven-

Bruce- 12 (4 Dr. Tr. Runs)

Isabella- 7

Mileage 84-1: 47,411

Mileage 84-2: 41,965

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### BOARD MEETING REPORT

2019 Annual Report: 559 Calls

Hunter Mountain – 133

Tannersville – 122

Catskill- 10

Haines Falls– 83

Hunter – 135

Windham- 15

Elka Park – 27

Lanesville- 18

Phoenicia- 1

Dr. Schneider’s – 14

Prattsville- 1

CMH – 148

CPR Death: No Transport- 5

Kingston – 83

Oneonta- 1

Albany Med- 62

Unattended- 7

St Peters – 29

Margaretville- 2

VA – 5

No Patient Found- 37

Canceled - 56

RMA – 83

Pt. refused Care- 6

Stand By – 21

Helicopter – 10

N. Dutchess- 4

ALS- 195

Erika -222

Jenn- 48 Rebecca- 16

Mark- 19

Scott-41

Allison - 120

Melissa- 36

Butch- 75

Ariel-59

Barbara- 129

Patrick- 4 Tr. Runs

Brandon- 33

Isabella- 12

Venessa- 111

Abby- 8

Derrick- 22

Dean- 6

Jim- 86

Kristen- 6

Steven- 27

Josh- 16

Bruce-68

Mileage 84-1:

Mileage 84-2:

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

Acknowledged memo Re: Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption maximum income limits

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to adopt the income limits. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Supervisor Legg offers RESOLUTION #1 of 2020

EXEMPTION OF REAL PROPERTY OWNERS BY DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES

A resolution relating to the exemption from real property taxes of property owned by persons with disabilities and limited incomes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Hunter as follows:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Local Law is to increase the maximum income limit to \$29,000 with the sliding scale option.

The resultant exemption percentages will be as follows:

Maximum Income Limit \$29,000.00		For		50%
\$29,000.01	To	\$29,999.99	=	45%
\$30,000.00	To	\$30,999.99	=	40%
\$31,000.00	To	\$31,999.99	=	35%
\$32,000.00	To	\$32,899.99	=	30%
\$32,900.00	To	\$33,799.99	=	25%
\$33,800.00	To	\$34,699.99	=	20%
\$34,700.00	To	\$35,599.99	=	15%
\$35,600.00	To	\$36,499.99	=	10%
\$36,500.00	To	\$37,399.99	=	5%

Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-5- Noes-0-

Supervisor Legg offers RESOLUTION #2 of 2020

Authorizing the maximum limit for the Senior Citizen’s Tax Exemption for Town Tax purposes for the year 2020

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Hunter has unanimously voted to adopt the provisions of Real Property Tax Law Section 467 Paragraph 1 (b) (1) and Section 459-c Paragraph 1 (b) which is known as the “sliding scale” options.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The resultant exemption percentages will be as follows:

Maximum Income Limit \$29,000.00		For		50%
\$29,000.01	To	\$29,999.99	=	45%
\$30,000.00	To	\$30,999.99	=	40%
\$31,000.00	To	\$31,999.99	=	35%

\$32,000.00	To	\$32,899.99	=	30%
\$32,900.00	To	\$33,799.99	=	25%
\$33,800.00	To	\$34,699.99	=	20%
\$34,700.00	To	\$35,599.99	=	15%
\$35,600.00	To	\$36,499.99	=	10%
\$36,500.00	To	\$37,399.99	=	5%

Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-            Noes-0-

Acknowledged Pre-Decisional Collaboration information memo rec'd from NYS Taxation & Finance

**CODE ENFORCEMENT** - Monthly report acknowledged (no electronic copy provided)  
Discussion on new laws/fees for certificate of occupancy and building permits for 2020. Councilman Legg to ask the Code Enforcement Officer for an update on the fees for the next meeting.  
Tabled to 1/28/20 meeting.

**PLANNING**- Monthly report acknowledged.

**Town of Hunter Planning Board  
Monthly MEETING Report  
JANUARY 2020**

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*Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Regular meeting at 7:00PM - people in attendance*

- S. Basagic- Chairperson
- M. Czermerys –Deputy Chairperson
- S. Friedman
- C. Knopp
- A. Dale
- R. Haines
- D. Senterman (alt)
- B. Welch (alt) ABSENT

Summary version.

**MEMBER ROLL:** The Board recognizes that B. Welch is absent.

The Board acknowledges the resignation letter from J. Michaud. After discussion, the Planning Board unanimously requests the Town Board appoint D. Senterman a full member for a 7-year term.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Under Canvas Site Plan Review, Elka Park (open from December 3<sup>rd</sup> mtg)  
No one present to speak. **MOTION: by Chairperson S. Basagic to close the public hearing. Second by M. Czermerys. Motion carries.**

Cranberry Road Major Subdivision, Onteora Park, Tannersville. No one present to speak.  
The Board discusses with the applicants the time frames involved with closing the hearing, applicant agrees to wave the timeframes as stated in the Subdivision law.

**MOTION: by Chairperson S. Basagic to close the public hearing. Second by S. Friedman. Motion carries.**

## OLD BUSINESS:

**1) Under Canvas Site Plan Review;** Elka Park. The Board acknowledges the Public Hearing has been closed. S. Basagic reads the letter/email from C. Cullen of Under Canvas with drawing the application and closing SEQR. **MOTION: by M. Czermernys to accept the withdrawal and close the application. Second by R. Haines. Motion carries.**

**2)Cranberry Road Major Subdivision Review;** Onteora Park, Tannersville – SEQR Type I  
Presenters: N. Whittaker & Thomas Suozzo of Cedar Wood Engineering. The Board acknowledges that the applicants have submitted updated subdivision maps with noted changes and that the Board received SEQR Lead Agent responses from NYS DEC & NYS DOH.

*Project description: 18- Lot Subdivision of the 201.4-acre parcel located at the intersection of County Rte. 23C and Cranberry Road in Tannersville. The subdivision will include 15- lots that will accommodate construction of single-family homes and 3-lots will be not-buildable lots. The new roadway into the subdivision will extend 2,200 ft. from its intersection with Cranberry Road and include a cul-de-sac. Community sewer utilities are also proposed.*

The Board reviews the letters from the 2 agencies and acknowledge that SHPO & NYCDEP still need to respond with comments. **MOTION: by S. Basagic to accept Lead Agency for the SEQR review of the Cranberry Road Major (Realty) Subdivision. Second by S. Senterman. Motion carries.**

## NEW BUSINESS:

**3) Platte Clove Community Site Plan, Shelter sketch review,** Platte Clove – M. Mathis presenting. The Board acknowledges receipt of the application, sketch site plan & Short EAF.

*Project description: On the southside of County Route 16, approx. 850' from the roadway and over 150' north of the lake a proposed shelter / barn 40' x 30' and 24' high. The shelter shall be off the grid with a generator for electric, 1 bathroom with no potable water instead rainwater shall be used for wastewater.* The Board waves the Public Hearing since there are no affected neighbors. More information is needed regarding permitting as this project is outside the watershed. The applicants shall meet with S. Basagic & CEO / Bldg. Dept R. Cologero to discuss further and present to the Board at the February meeting. No 239 review is required.

*~The next Regular Planning Board Meeting will be on Tuesday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 PM~*

## Town of Hunter Planning Board Report

JANUARY 2020

### Planning Board Members:

On Jan. 1, 2020 (rcvd 7Jan2020) Josephine Michaud submitted her resignation letter from the Planning Board. The Planning Board acknowledged this letter at the meeting on January 7, 2020. The Board discussed alternate member Doug Senterman for the appointment of Full Board member with a 7-year term. The Board unanimously agreed in favor of the appointment.

**The Planning Board requests the Town Board appoint Doug Senterman Full Planning Board for a 7-year term. MOTION required.**

The Planning Board is seeking a new alternate member to the Board for the 2020 term.

### Training:

**The Saratoga County Planning & Zoning Conference** will be held on **Wed. February 5, 2020 at the Saratoga Springs City Center**. This full day of course offerings is truly a great day. Anyone that is interested in attending please let me know by FRIDAY January 17, 2020.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to appoint Doug Senterman full member eff 1/1/2020-12/31/2026.  
Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-                      Noes-0-

### **RESIGNATION – PLANNING**

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to accept resignation from Josephine Michaud. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-                      Noes-0-

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Councilman Semenza states that after six months of letters back and forth, the Spectrum service issue with the Padberg's on Clum Hill has been resolved. They have come to an agreement with Spectrum where they and their neighbor will split a cost of \$3,912.00 and Spectrum will cover the remaining \$6,000. This is the revised agreement as the cost to the Padberg's was originally \$25,000.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion on establishing a dog park.

Councilman Kukle states that dog parks are usually found in Cities or Villages where people don't have real estate.

Board discussion about a committee being needed to take care of the park.

Discussion on holiday lights on poles outside villages.

J. Farrell states that the snowflake lights no longer function, he will investigate the possibility of re-stringing them and the cost of replacing them.

### **SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to declare 2003 Chevy E3501 ton with V Plow (68,865 miles) with a minimum bid of \$3,500.00 and authorization for Highway Superintendent to place on Govdeals.com for sale.  
Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-                      Noes-0-

### **LANDFILL**

J. Farrell states the he has spoken with a representative from NYSDEC and anything on the road and North they have no problem with, and they see no problems with the plan Onteora Club has presented for logging.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION that Onteora Club be allowed to access the Landfill for logging with the supervision of the Highway Superintendent and must return the property to it's pre-existing state. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-                      Noes-0-

### **NYC DEP**

Acknowledged Local Consultation for Land Acquisitions 38 acres Borgennicht Rd. AND 50 acres near Byrne Rd



### **CWC**

Acknowledged receipt of resolutions #3672 – 3681, 3684, 3688-3689, 3692-3693

**JUSTICE COURT**-Monthly report acknowledged (no electronic copy provided)

### **GRANTS**

Acknowledged receipt of letter from NYS HCR re: CDBG deadlines; ack info sent & accepted on homeowner

Acknowledged 2 Extensions requested

HUNTER Rail Trail

Acknowledged Dept Army received application; NYC DEP Land Permit; NYS DEC joint application.

### **TOWN HALL**

Discussion of maintenance service plan for the ambulance building to be tabled.

Acknowledged receipt of Main-Care Energy maintenance service plan.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to sign up for a maintenance agreement with Main Care for the Highway garage. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

### **INTERNET TECHNOLOGIES**

Discussion proposals for IT support services

Board felt Business Automation Services proposal was high.

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize Glen Koopman to come to the Town Hall to do an assessment at a cost of \$125.00. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION to investigate getting proposals from other companies.

NO SECOND

### **ANNUAL REPORTS**

Acknowledged receipt of annual reports from Code Enforcement; Police; Ambulance; Dog Control Report

### **CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS**

Acknowledged receipt of Franchise payment of \$14,198.05

Acknowledged receipt of certificate of liability insurance

### **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

Councilman Legg states that Greg Thorpe will be at the Town Hall on Thursday to fix the bathroom sink and look at items in the Ambulance building.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS Acknowledged receipt of package to be read at meeting and training availability

Acknowledged received from NYSDOT letter Re: Manitou's Revenge Ultramarathon expressing no objections

CENTRAL HUDSON Acknowledged receipt of letters from J. Padberg and Central Hudson

### **BUDGET MODIFICATION**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to approve the following effective 12/30/19

a)Gen Jrl entry to debit DB5110.4 for \$18,916.56 and credit DB 9060.8 to cover health insurance

- b)Gen Jrl entry to debit DA5120.1 for \$4,505.54 and credit DA5142.1 to cover snow payroll
  - c)Gen Jrl entry to debit DA5120.4 for \$8,012.05 and credit DA5142.4 to cover snow contractals
  - d)Gen Jrl entry to debit DB2770 and credit DB200 by \$16,156.02 to move winter recovery funds
  - e)Gen Jrl entry to debit DA200 and credit DA2770 by \$16,156.02 to move winter recovery funds
  - f)Gen Jrl entry to debit DA2770 and credit DA5142.4 by \$16,156.02 to move winter recovery funds
- PLUS, ANY TRANSACTIONS NEED TO PUT ACCOUNTS IN GOOD STANDING,  
W/PRIOR APPROVAL BY SUPERVISOR

Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:12 PM to consult with Counsel. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Supervisor Legg left at 8:25 PM.

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 8:31 PM. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1- (Supervisor Legg)

### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to grant a thirty (30) day waiver waiting period for health insurance for Wayne Walley. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1- (Supervisor Legg)

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 8:32 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1- (Supervisor Legg)

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Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC  
Town of Hunter