

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021 AT 7:00 PM VIA ZOOM.

Present at Town Hall:

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| Dolph Semenza | Councilman (Deputy Supervisor) |
| David Kukle | Councilman |
| Raymond Legg | Councilman |
| Sean Mahoney | Councilman |
| Lara Hamrah-Poladian | Secretary to the Supervisor |
| Sgt. Robert Haines | Hunter Police Department |
| Marc Czermerys | IT, Planning |

Present via Zoom:

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| Corina Pascucci | Town Clerk |
| John Farrell | Supt. Of Highways |
| B. Bates, E. Reale, S. Nash-Webber, M. Mathis, J. Nihan | |

Absent:

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

ABSTRACT

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

General Fund (TW) Voucher #12 through #51 in the amount of \$109,792.13
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1002 through #1004 in the amount of \$1,941.40
SF2 Voucher #2001 through #2002 in the amount of \$53,492.00
SF3 Voucher #2003 in the amount of \$71,291.00
SF4 Voucher #2004 in the amount of \$90,000.00
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #16 in the amount of \$30,264.10
Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #1 through #8 in the amount of \$13,252.16

MINUTES - Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to approve reg. & year end mtg. 12/29/20, Organizational 1/4/21, & reg. mtg. 1/12/21. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

AMBULANCE -Monthly report acknowledged.

HUNTER AREA AMBULANCE

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BOARD MEETING REPORT

53 Calls in January– 2021

Hunter Mountain – 25
 Haines Falls– 6
 Elka Park – 4
 Dr. Schneider’s –

Tannersville - 5
 Hunter – 9
 Lanesville- 2

Catskill-
 Windham- 2
 Ashland-

CMH– 12
 Albany Med- 7
 VA–
 RMA– 4
 Helicopter– 1

CPR Death: No Transport- 1
 Unattended-
 No Patient Found- 6

Kingston– 14
 St Peters-
 Canceled- 5
 Stand By– 3
 ALS- 16

Erika – 16
 Barbara - 9
 Venessa- 7
 Jim- 6
 Melissa- 9
 Scott- 16

Ariel- 4
 Aaron- 21
 Ciaran- 10
 Allison-
 Kristin-

Dean- 3
 Sidney- 6
 Nichole-
 Brandon-

Mileage 84-1: 62,469

Mileage 84-2: 56,119

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PAST EMPLOYEE LELAN MEIGS

POLICE-Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)

POLICE REFORM acknowledged draft resolution

Sgt. Haines has questions regarding Quarantine pay, vaccinated employee travel and rules for work or no work if exhibiting symptoms from vaccine.

Town Board to get clarification from the Greene County Board of Health.

Passport – Sgt. Haines states that they need a logo from the Town and bank account information.

Court to set up a separate checking account for this service.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize the Court Clerk to open account with the Bank of Greene County to transfer funds from Passport. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Supervisor Legg)

ASSESSOR -Monthly report acknowledged.

BUILDING/Code Enforcement - Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)

REVISED fee schedule-discuss (LG)

L. Gardner has the current law showing the fee schedules for the Town Board to revise, Zoom meeting to be scheduled with Code Enf. Officer.

WORKSHOP MEETING 2/23/21

Town Board wishes to invite Grant & Lyons to discuss Solar and Air B & Bs. Councilman Legg states that the Town Board needs to finish the employee handbook as well.

PLANNING-Monthly report acknowledged.

**Town of Hunter Planning Board
Monthly Report
FEBRUARY 2021**

The February 2nd, 2021 Monthly meeting was cancelled due to the weather.
The next meeting is on Tuesday March 2nd, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.
All deadlines were extended through to the March meeting.

This includes the Cortina Mtn. Estates Major Subdivision Conditional Final approval, which has been extended every 90 days since January 2nd, 2015. The Site Plan approval which was granted with conditions in July of 2015 expired in 2017 with the applicants acknowledging that a new purchaser could change the plan. A request from the applicant's legal counsel from Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna (WOH) has been made to automatically approve the same site plan from 2015. I question the legality of this and have requested the Town Attorney review the information and hope to resolve the matter prior to the March meeting so the Board can advise the applicants how to proceed. I have attached the letter from WOH.

REQUESTED MOTION for Alternate Planning Board Member: The Planning Board would like the Town Board to consider and appoint Mrs. Penny Spring of Hunter as an Alternate member to the Planning Board for the 1-year term. Penny has Zoomed in on several meetings since October and has shown an enthusiastic interest in being a member of the Board and learning more about the Planning process. Attached is a letter of interest from Penny. Thank you for your consideration.

GREENE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD: The Town of Hunter is still without a sitting member / representative for the Greene County Planning Board. Until further notice all monthly meetings are via Zoom and are the 3rd Wednesday of the month. If we are unable to provide a representative, I would like to open the seat to a Town resident so that we may have someone to fill this important role.

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank Marc Czermerys for all his help setting up and navigating the meetings via Zoom. It is difficult for all of us and Planning looks (and feels) very different when trying to have remote presentations from engineers, surveyors, applicants

and conducting public hearings. Through all of that navigating, Marc still can be involved in the review of the applications, discussions with members and all along maintains his composure and I am so very grateful for all his efforts. **THANK YOU!!**

Be well.

REVISED fee schedule-discuss (LG) – see above under Building.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to appoint Penny Spring-Alternate member for 2021 eff 2/9/21-1/31/2022. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Supervisor Legg)

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

LANDFILL

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to auth. Supervisor to sign DEC conditional exclusion certification for permit. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Supervisor Legg)

Acknowledged receipt of Post Closure Monitoring report for 2020 fm Barton & Logudice

SOLAR ENERGY -New date for Solar Law workshop set for 2/23/21 at 5:30 PM

RAIL TRAIL

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to auth. signature: engineering proposal for pedestrian bridge-Creighton Manning. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Supervisor Legg)

MOUNTAIN TOP SUPERVISORS/MAYORS

Acknowledged receipt of draft of Bylaws and November meeting notes

GREENE COUNTY

Acknowledged receipt Launch of COVID vaccine notification request form on website greenegovernment.com

CELL TOWER- Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to auth sign DEC sect 401 Water Quality Cert form. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Supervisor Legg)

Discussion on possibly using Swiftreach to get Covid vaccine information out to the Senior Citizens in town when information becomes available. Town Board to contact Greene County to find out how Seniors get registered with them if they do not have a computer.

CWC – Acknowledged receipt of request for maintenance report for Brine tanks B) Ackn. rec'd resolutions 3982-3999

CWT – Acknowledged receipt of minutes of November's meeting and Local Flood Analysis update

GRANTS- Acknowledged receipt of Monitoring report from NYS CDBG project-30-day response required
Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to adopt policy from manual for NYSCDBG project 562HR34T15.
Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

TOWN HALL – Discussion on changing workshop meetings to 6PM

WORKSHOP MEETINGS – Town Board Workshop Meetings currently held on the 4th Tuesday of each month will now begin at 6:00 PM.

MILEAGE RATE

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to revise mileage reimbursement rate for employees to IRS amt of .56 cents/mile. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

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

DISCUSS: 1)bereavement accruals 2)Paid leave for Covid-19 vaccinations – To be discussed during Executive Session.

HELP WANTED

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to advertise for a Part Time Office Assistant in the Town Clerk and Supervisor's office. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Acknowledged received from US Census Boundary and Annexation Survey request
Acknowledged receipt of letter from G.Ared re: Solar zoning

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS/TRANSFERS

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to approve the attached Budget Modifications and Transfers effective 12/31/20. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

CONTRACTS

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize MT TOP FISH AND GAME annual. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

TAX CERTIORI

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize signing of Stipulation of Settlement for SBL 164.15-5-1.210 as approved by Assessor. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:00 PM to discuss personnel. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

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

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session (time unknown). Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

Town Board states that the motion made to advertise for a Part Time Office Assistant will be placed on hold until there is a full board to discuss further.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to adjourn (time unknown). Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter