

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER FOR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS, BUDGET WORKSHOP AND WORKSHOP MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 BEGINNING AT 5:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.

Present:	Daryl Legg(arriv. 5:45PM) David Kukle Sean Mahoney Dolph Semenza  Corina Pascucci	Supervisor Councilman Councilman Councilman  Town Clerk
Others Present:	Lara Hamrah-Poladian  Larry Gardner Sgt. Robert Haines Kimberly Prince Walsh Plus, all names on attached listing.	Secretary to the Supervisor Budget Officer Town Attorney Hunter Police Department Town Justice
Absent:	Raymond Legg	Councilman

**PUBLIC HEARING** – Fire Protection Districts 2 & 3 contract amounts for the 2022 budget.

Councilman Semenza calls the Public Hearing to order at 5:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to close the Public Hearing at 5:15 PM. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

Ayes -3-                      Noes -0-                      Absent -2- (Legg, Legg)

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to open the Budget Workshop at 5:15 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -3-                      Noes -0-                      Absent -2- (Legg, Legg)

Pay increases are to be 3% across the board.

Historical Society, People of Haines Falls, Stone Carving, Greene Room Players, Fish & Game, Renovations, Land Development, Scenic Byway and Golden Agers keep the same.

Budget \$10,000 for a new line item for Fire District Consolidation expenses.

Court - Discussion on clerk’s salary and request for an assistant. K. Prince Walsh states that other departments have recently hired assistants and the court has a lot of paper traffic in the

office with over 3,000 new cases open since the beginning of the year and 1700 pieces of mail to date. She is requesting an assistant at \$15.00 per hour for 12 hours per week.

Councilman Kukle states that the Court Clerk is still working in the Town of Jewett during Town of Hunter business hours and adds that she was told directly to cease and desist as it is hard to give someone a raise who is not following a directive.

K. Prince Walsh feels that the board is belittling the work that the Court Clerk does, and this is only brought up once a year during budget time and then never brought up again, so it has never been addressed appropriately.

Councilman Kukle states that this conversation should resume during an Executive Session at the next meeting with a full board.

Court revenues are to remain at \$47,000 and pay increase will be 3% across the board.

Town Clerk - The Town Clerk questions if the salary for Administrative Assistant hired is shared or all in her budget.

Budget Officer states it is all funded by the Town Clerk budget.

Payroll - Payroll costs will be approximately \$10,000 more per year.

Police- Sgt. Haines is budgeting to purchase firearms for the officers next year.

Code Enforcement -Keep revenues at \$20,000 for now.

Contractuals -All contractuals as submitted.

Next budget workshop tentatively scheduled for 10/12/21 at 5:00 PM.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to close the Budget Workshop at 6:10 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

### **TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to open the Town Board Workshop at 6:11 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session to meet with counsel at 6:12 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 7:20 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

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

**HAINES FALLS AUTO** – Scrap Processor License

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to extend the Scrap Processor License for Haines Falls Auto until 10/12/21. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 7:26 PM to discuss technology needs. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 7:30 PM. Seconded by Councilman Mahoney.

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

No action taken.

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to adjourn at 7:31 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

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

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Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC  
Town of Hunter