

**MINUTES OF REGULAR/YEAR END MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29,
2022, AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN
TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.**

Present: Dolph Semenza Deputy Supervisor
David Kukle(arriv. 5:26 PM) Councilman
Raymond Legg Councilman
Ernest Reale Councilman
Corina Pascucci Town Clerk

Others Present: Lara Hamrah-Poladian Secretary to the Supervisor
Marc Czermerys Planning Board Chairman
John Farrell Superintendent of Highways
Sgt. Robert Haines Hunter Police Department
Sarah Pellizzari Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Sean Mahoney Supervisor

PLAQUE PRESENTATION: John G. Farrell

JOHN G. FARRELL
PRESENTED BY
THE TOWN OF HUNTER
TOWN BOARD
IN GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF HIS 33 YEARS
OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO
THE TOWN OF HUNTER
AS SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
1990-2022
AND HIS 26 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS LANDFILL ADMINISTRATOR
1997-2022

MINUTES

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION approve regular meeting minutes 11/22 & Workshop 12/13//22;Joint PH w/V of Hunter 12/13 for Petition for Annexation: Scribners Catskill Lodge & Whistle Tree Dev Corp. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -3- Noes -0- Absent -2- (Mahoney, Kukle)

POLICE- Monthly report acknowledged (no electronic copy provided)

AMBULANCE-Monthly report acknowledged.

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BOARD MEETING REPORT

44 Calls in November- 2022

Hunter Mountain – 1
Haines Falls– 6
Elka Park – 1
Dr. Schneider’s – 1

Tannersville - 12
Hunter – 11
Lanesville-

Catskill- 11
Windham- 1
Ashland-

CMH – 11
Albany Med- 5
VA –
RMA – 7
Helicopter – 1

CPR Death: No Transport- 1
Unattended-
No Patient Found- 4
Public Assist-

Kingston – 6
St Peters - 2
Canceled - 4
Stand By – 3
ALS- 14

Erika- 12
Venessa- 12
Scott- 9
Ciaran- 15
Jim- 13
Ariel- 2
Mileage 84-1: 83,183

Aaron- 5
Brooke- 1
Gary- 15
Thomas- 7
Marie- 3
Mileage 84-2: 81,316

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BOARD MEETING REPORT
50 Calls in December- 2022

Hunter Mountain – 18
Haines Falls– 10
Elka Park – 1
Dr. Schneider’s –

Tannersville - 13
Hunter – 4
Lanesville- 4

Catskill-
Windham-
Ashland-

CMH – 5
Albany Med- 8
VA –
RMA – 5
Helicopter – 3

CPR Death: No Transport- 2
Unattended-
No Patient Found- 1
Public Assist- 2
N. Dutchess- 1

Kingston – 14
St Peters - 1
Canceled - 7
Stand By – 1
ALS- 27

Erika- 22
Venessa- 10
Ciaran- 16
Thomas- 8
Jim- 4
Ariel-8
Mileage 84-1:

Aaron- 7
Brooke-11
Gary- 10
Marie- 5
Scott-

Mileage 84-2:

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BOARD MEETING REPORT
2022 Annual Report
508 Calls through 12/31

Hunter Mountain – 77
Haines Falls– 81
Elka Park – 18
Dr. Schneider’s – 6

Tannersville - 134
Hunter – 108
Lanesville- 29
Cairo- 2

Catskill- 40
Windham- 11
Ashland- 1
Ulster County- 1

CMH – 81
Albany Med- 51
VA – 1
RMA – 69
Helicopter – 13

CPR Death: No Transport- 4
Unattended-
No Patient Found- 32
Public Assist- 12
N. Dutchess- 23

Kingston – 132
St Peters - 25
Canceled - 67
Stand By – 19
ALS- 171

Erika- 209
Venessa- 114
Scott- 98
Ciaran- 179
Jim- 66
Ariel- 75
Mileage 84-1:

Aaron- 70
Brooke- 60
Gary- 123
Thomas- 29
Marie- 8
Allison- 2
Barb- 7
Jesse- 25
Mileage 84-2:

Acknowledged receipt of donation in memory of Elizabeth (Betty) Kornell.

ASSESSOR-Monthly report acknowledged.
MEMO TO: Supervisor and Town Board
SUBJECT: Monthly Report

FROM: The Assessor’s Office
DATE: December 1,2022

- There were 29 Parcel Transfers this month. 11 were Arm’s length (ALS), Sales listed below.
- 0 Parcels Combinations.
- 1 Subdivisions.
- 0 Lot Line Adjustments.
- 6 Grid Changes.
- 8 Parcel Revisions.
- Data collection for the 2023 Assessment Roll has been started.
- Update photos are being taken at this time.

- Information for the new STAR requirements is available in my office.

1. 166.14-1-15.1
2. 166.17-2-46 ALS
3. 166.20-1-17
4. 164.73-13-2 ALS
5. 209.04-1-7 ALS
6. 182.07-4-6
7. 182.07-4-7
8. 164.72-4-4 ALS
9. 167.00-2-18
10. 167.00-2-23
11. 216.01-6-1
12. 181.07-4-16
13. 164.72-5-3 ALS
14. 164.09-9-5
15. 164.00-2-16
16. 164.09-9-9
17. 164.10-2-24 ALS
18. 163.08-1-31 ALS
19. 164.10-2-25
20. 164.14-1-8.301 ALS
21. 164.05-1-29 ALS
22. 164.05-1-19
23. 164.05-1-24
24. 163.08-1-30

BUILDING/Code Enforcement-Monthly report acknowledged.

Financial Report Building Department

3 Fire Inspections: \$225

1 Sign Renewal: \$25

4 Building Permits: \$740

Total: \$990

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve S. Pellizzari's sign recommendation.

Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -3-

Noes -0-

Absent -2- (Mahoney, Kukle)

PLANNING-Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Planning Board

Monthly Report December 2022

The Town of Hunter Planning Board met on December 6, 2022.

Summary of activities:

Old Business

- 5 Public Hearings
- 1 Subdivisions approved
- 2 Subdivisions Reviewed
- 1 Site Plans Approved
- 2 Site Plans Reviewed

New Business

- 1 Site Plan

Roundup

Public Hearings were held for Devils Kitchen Campground, Nat’s Mountain House, Sargeant Minor Subdivision, Thompson Major Subdivision, D’Amboise Minor Subdivision. Devil’s Kitchen campground held open.

Final conditional approval granted to Mountain Trails, LLC site plan. Conditions are based on getting proper permits from DOH and other agencies for operation.

Reviewed changes for Devil’s Kitchen Campground, no action taken.

Reviewed changes to Nat’s Mountain House, no actions taken.

Negative Deceleration of Significance and final subdivision approval granted on Sargeant 2 lot minor subdivision.

Negative Declaration of Significance approved on Thompson Major Sub Division, reviewed updated Plat.

Reviewed Plat for D’Amboois Minor Subdivision, no action taken.

Reviewed sketch submittal for Holdridge Site Plan review, Declared Lead Agency and scheduled Public Hearing for January 3rd.

PUBLIC HEARING

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to set date for PH 1/24/23 @ 6:45pm: Local Law to auth public bodies to use videoconferencing to participate in public meetings. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -3-

Noes -0-

Absent -2- (Mahoney, Kukle)

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

GRANTS

Acknowledged receipt of certificate of substantial completion: Hunter Branch Rail Trail.

EMERGENCY ACCESS SYSTEMS DRAFT LAW Public Hearing set 1/24/23 @6:30pm

HIGHWAY

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize Robert Blain to freeze accumulated sick time through 12/31/23. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -3-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney, Kukle)

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to appoint Robert Blain as Highway Supervisor to fill the unexpired term 1/1/23 through 12/31/23 c) MOTION to appoint J. G. Farrell as PT motor equipment operator and clerical duties eff 1/1/23

d)MOTION to appoint _____ as the Landfill Administrator 1/1/23 to 12/31/23

TOWN HALL- Overhead Doors

Discussion on replacement of highway bay overhead doors (General fund expense).
Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to acknowledge reappropriation of funds to use money originally for a generator to replace overhead bay doors in the Highway garage, 2022 funds to 2023 budget. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -3- Noes -0- Absent -2- (Mahoney, Kukle)

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to move \$35,000 from 2022 Highway fund into 2023 budget. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4- Noes -0- Absent -1- (Mahoney)

GREENE COUNTY

Acknowledged receipt of Resolution Authorizing Chargeback of Assessment Roll

ARPA

Acknowledged receipt of Resolution and check for \$100,000 from Greene County

CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize letter to commit to renewable energy development. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4- Noes -0- Absent -1- (Mahoney)

DISCUSSION on potential project(s) EV charge station-tabled until Supervisor Mahoney is present.

COLUMBIA GREENE HUMANE SOCIETY- Contract

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize annual contract with Greene County Humane Society. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4- Noes -0- Absent -1- (Mahoney)

CATSKILL WATERSHED CORP Nominations for election process needed by 2/3/23.

Town Board states that Supervisor Mahoney nominated Innes Kasanos.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR- no speakers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Acknowledged received from Dept of Public Service regarding energy prices

Acknowledged receipt of letter to Gov. Hochul re: Catskill and Adirondack Forest Parks

HEALTH INSURANCE

Discussion on letting retirees pick a health insurance plan if they live out of state and have the town reimburse them at the NYS rate.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize William Simon to consider this option as his residence is outside of New York State and to do so if he chooses. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4- Noes -0- Absent -1- (Mahoney)

TRANSFERS AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION effective 8/31/22 Budget Jrl Entry to Dbt \$293.86 from A9030.8.and CR A9050.8 to cover unemployment expense b)eff 9/30/22 BDJ Jrl entry to transfer \$2,434.36 from A1420.1 to A1330.4 to cover over expenditure in tax collection c)eff 9/30/22 BDJ Jrl entry to transfer \$2,880.00 from B8010.1 to B8010.43 to cover Praetorius & Conrad HF Auto Expense d)Gen'l Jrl entry to transfer \$82,595.62 frm DB5112.41 to DB5112.4 to cover Peckham & Carver vouchers e)eff 10/1/22 a)Bdj Jrl to debit DA5140.1 and credit DA5120.4 by \$746.85 to put bridges .4 in good standing b)Bdj Jrl to trans \$746.85 from DA5120.1 to DA5120.4(correct above) c)Bdj Jrl entry to dbt DB2770 & cr DB5112.4 by \$19,198.71 to move Pothole funding to capital improvements d)Gen'l Jrl entry to transfer \$1,500.00 from A7520.4 to A7510.4 to correctly reflect Mt Top Historical Society payment e)Bdj Jrl entry to transfer \$180.00 from A1620.4 to A1330.4 to cover over expenditure in tax collector postage. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney)

SHORT TERM RENTAL DRAFT LAW (D. Kukle)

Councilman Kukle states this draft is a shared file and all Town Board members should be able to add notes however members are not seeing each other's notes.

M. Czermerys states the file needs to be shared in OneDrive, he asks everyone to send them their comments and he will combine them into a working file and print a working document for board members to read and be ready to go over at the 1/10/23 Town Board meeting.

Councilman Semenza states this will be the only item on the agenda for that meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 5:51 PM to discuss the employment of particular persons. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney)

C. Pascucci and L. Hamrah-Poladian excused.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 6:50 PM.

Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney)

RATE OF PAY CHANGE

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to pay John G. Farrell \$28.00 per hour with no benefits (straight time) for his Part Time employment with the Town of Hunter. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney)

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to adjourn at 6:52 PM. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Mahoney)

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter