

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022, AT 6:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.

Present:	Sean Mahoney Raymond Legg Ernest Reale Dolph Semenza	Supervisor Councilman Councilman Councilman
Others Present:	Corina Pascucci Lara Hamrah-Poladian Marc Czermerys John Farrell Sgt. Robert Haines Sarah Pellizzari Plus, all names on attached listing.	Town Clerk Secretary to the Supervisor Planning Board Chairman Superintendent of Highways Hunter Police Department Code Enforcement Officer
Absent:	David Kukle	Councilman

Supervisor Mahoney calls the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AUDIT

The following vouchers were audited and approve dog payment by the Town Board:
General Fund (TW) Voucher #366 through #408 in the amount of \$46,767.81
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1025 through #1026 in the amount of \$874.76
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #116 through #128 in the amount of \$20,930.74
Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1092 through #1107 in the amount of \$104,197.89
Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #66 through #75 in the amount of \$8,998.26

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Susan Haines asks about the status of the unsafe structure next to her residence in Lanesville.

Supervisor Mahoney states the Town Board is moving forward with a notice of an unsafe structure and when the time frame is over, if no response from the property owner, the building will be condemned, and costs will be added to their tax bill.

S. Pellizzari reminds the board that the public hearing is still open.

M. Nihan asks if Zoning and the Comprehensive Plan are still on the agenda.

Supervisor Mahoney states this is all still on the table as well as short term rentals, employee handbook and a reveal. The board is still catching up from Covid.

Joe (unknown last name) states he takes care of three parcels up by the old dump and for the last four years he has been chasing people trespassing on the property, mainly hunters who he feels are gaining access to the property from the Town landfill property. He is asking the Town Board for assistance with keeping people off the posted property.

Discussion on new gun laws, the possibility of limiting the number of hunters on town property with a permit system and the location of the town's gate.

Sgt. Haines states there are laws and avenues in place to have people arrested and advises those present to call Encon if they have hunters trespassing on their property or find cameras on their property.

WORKERS COMPENSATION

Councilman Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to sign a letter RE: Veto Bill S.768/A.1118. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

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

REVAL – tabled for two weeks.

PILOT/RUPCO PROJECT

Discussion

Supervisor Mahoney states the Town of Hunter is the Pilot entity as the town is the assessing unit. He states the proposed documents have been reviewed by the Town Attorney and he has recommended that an outside attorney review the document and negotiate on behalf of the Town.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION that once the town receives more information from the Town Attorney that at a future meeting the board will make a motion to engage with the outside attorney suggested by the Town Attorney. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

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

TOWN CLERK

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to surplus the Canon ImageRunner 2800 copy machine in the Town Clerk's office. Seconded by Supervisor Mahoney.

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

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize a contract with Metroland Business Machines for a 36-month lease and maintenance agreement for a Sharp MX-M3571 copy machine at the cost of \$1,800.00 per year. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

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

SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve the sign permit application for Fred’s Coffee and Donuts with the condition that it be down lit and that a timer be installed so the sign goes out one hour after the business closes.

Councilman Reale feels the business owner has a right to advertise and suggests maybe not be lit from midnight to 6am.

No second

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve the sign permit for Fred’s Coffee and Donuts for both the street sign and the building sign as is. Seconded by Supervisor Mahoney.

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

SEPTIC FAILURE

Board discussion with Code Enforcement about a septic failure at 70 Osborne Road. S. Pellizzari states she has spoken with the homeowner who refuses to address the issue adding that the Town Attorney has recommended that the home be condemned. She states that there are other issues as well with a portable propane tank, roof issues and the neighbors having their water tested.

Discussion: Daily penalties to the homeowner, court fines, removal of the Certificate of Occupancy.

Supervisor Mahoney states that a Do Not Occupy does not make the homeowner fix the problem. S. Pellizzari has sent an unsafe structure violation letter to the Town Board as per the Town Attorney and the Town’s Health Officer is involved.

Supervisor Mahoney to discuss the issues with the Town Attorney.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 7:42 PM. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

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

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter