

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023, AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.**

Present:	Sean Mahoney David Kukle(arriv. 6:41PM) Raymond Legg Ernest Reale Dolph Semenza(arriv. 5:52PM)	Supervisor Councilman Councilman Councilman Councilman
	Corina Pascucci	Town Clerk
Others present:	Lara Hamrah-Poladian Venessa Richards Marc Czermerys Robert Blain Sgt. Robert Haines Jason Kovacs(arriv. 6:49PM) John Farrell Rose Santiago(arriv. 7:00PM) Plus, all names on attached listing.	Budget Officer/Secretary to the Supervisor Ambulance Administrator Planning Board Chairman Superintendent of Highways Hunter Police Town Attorney Highway Department Code Enforcement Officer

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to open the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MINUTES**

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve minutes of Regular meeting 9/26/23; Public Hearing 9/12/23, Budget Workshop 10/4/23 & Workshop 10/10/23. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Susan Hayes asks for an update on her neighbor's home on Rte. 214 and the cell service in Lanesville.

J. Kovacs states the judge gave the owners (Zaharatos) a 30-day extension.

Supervisor Mahoney states Greene County is seeking someone to do a study of cell coverage in Lanesville.

**POLICE**

Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Police Department  
Monthly Report  
September 2023

Calls for service:                      92

Arrests made: 4  
 Criminal charges levied: 7  
 Criminal complaints: 7  
 Non-criminal complaints: 43  
 Assists to other agencies: 31  
 Uniform traffic tickets: 18  
 Parking tickets: 28  
 Accidents investigated: 8  
 Report requests: 2 = \$20.00

Discussion on extension of shifts for Laurel House Road. Supervisor Mahoney asks for projected costs for next year in email form.

Sgt. Haines copies Supervisor Mahoney on a mou for the bodycam project, Supervisor Mahoney will forward it to the Town Board and Jason Kovacs for review.

**AMBULANCE**

Monthly report acknowledged.

HUNTER AREA AMBULANCE  
 PO Box 70 / 5742 Rt. 23A Tannersville, NY 12485  
 518-589-4045  
 BOARD MEETING REPORT  
 44 Calls in September-2023

Hunter Mountain –	Tannersville -9	Catskill- 5
Haines Falls– 12	Hunter – 10	Windham-
Elka Park – 2	Lanesville-1	Ashland-
Dr. Schneider’s –	Valley Coverage-5	
CMH – 15	CPR Death: No Transport- 1	Kingston – 8
Albany Med- 4	Unattended-	St Peters - 1
VA –	No Patient Found-1	Canceled - 2
RMA – 4	Public Assist- 3	Stand By – 5
Helicopter –	N. Dutchess-	ALS- 17
Erika- 13	Aaron- 9	David-
Venessa-10	Rachel- 14	Stacy-2
Ciaran- 4	Gary- 14	
Thomas- 6	Barb- 2	
Jim- 2	Chris- 2	
Ariel- 11		
Mileage 84-1:		Mileage 84-2:

V. Richards states 84-1 returns tomorrow and will be back in service, the new ambulance has been in service since Wednesday. She is in the process of decommissioning the old ambulance, decals and lettering need to be removed then it can be sold.

She reminds that board that the heat in the bathroom in the ambulance building still needs to be fixed.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve revised agreement for eservices w/ 3.5% due from patient not town as previously set forth. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

### ASSESSOR

Monthly report acknowledged.

MEMO TO: Supervisor and Town Board

FROM: The Assessor's Office

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

DATE: October 1, 2023

- There were 25 Parcel Transfers this month. 10 were Arm's length (ALS), Sales listed below.
- 0 Parcels Combinations.
- 0 Subdivisions.
- 0 Lot Line Adjustments.
- 2 Grid Changes.
- 2 Parcel Revisions.
- Update photos are being taken at this time.
- Information for the new STAR requirements is available in my office.

1. 166.00-7-8 ALS
2. 183.09-2-8
3. 183.09-2-8 2<sup>nd</sup>
4. 183.09-2-8 3<sup>rd</sup>
5. 166.17-6-1
6. 164.72-6-2
7. 180.00-2-68
8. 206.03-5-3
9. 206.00-3-12.112
10. 215.00-2-11
11. 181.07-2-3 ALS
12. 209.00-3-16.12
13. 182.00-3-36 ALS
14. 181.07-2-1 ALS
15. 164.73-1-2 ALS
16. 181.07-3-14
17. 197.00-2-6 ALS
18. 197.00-2-21 ALS

- 19. 182.05-4-35
- 20. 166.18-1-6 ALS

**TAX COLLECTOR**

Acknowledged receipt of 2023 Tax Collector’s Report from C. Pascucci.

TOWN OF HUNTER  
TAX COLLECTOR

October 4, 2023

*2023 TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT*

2023 Town and County Taxes have been reconciled with the Greene County Treasurer’s Office.  
Breakdown as follows:

Amount collected January through July 31, 2023	\$6,082,489.95
(Of this amount \$2,862,570.00 was Town of Hunter budget amount and \$23,220.48 was collection of delinquent water and sewer on behalf of the Village of Hunter and \$35,565.83 for the Village of Tannersville)	
Amount of unpaid taxes returned to the County	\$ 493,594.84
State Lands collected by Greene County	\$ 621,012.97
Corporation Taxes Paid to Greene County	<u>\$ 398,230.79</u>
Total Warrant	\$7,595,328.55

Penalties collected and paid to Supervisor:

February	\$ 1,842.38
March	\$14,170.45
April	\$ 1,779.47
May	\$ 8,208.75
June	\$ 2,476.25
July	\$ 4,140.14
Total Penalty	\$32,617.44

Interest on NOW Account:

January-Feb.	\$ 227.04
Mar-Sept	<u>\$ 132.03</u>
Total	\$ 359.07

Per parcel notice charge paid to Supervisor

Collected parcels	\$274.00
Un-collected parcels	\$436.00
County credited the <u>\$274.00</u> twice (emailed Deb Gallo)	
Total	\$984.00

Total amount paid to Supervisor for penalties, interest and notice fees \$33,960.51

Plus, overpayments too small to refund	<u>\$ 3.87</u>
	\$ 33,964.38

Books balanced to computer software. Greene County Treasurer's Office figures differed from my numbers by \$3,091.82 which Deb Gallo, Executive Fiscal Administrator, believes is an error on the County end likely to do with State Lands. I await an answer from Deb once she finds the reason for the difference. My books are closed with all funds accounted for and a balance of \$0.00 as of 10/4/23.

### **RECORDS RETENTION**

Discuss/MOTION to draw up contract w/Mt Top Historical Society to store town records. C. Pascucci to contact the Historical Society to see if they are still able to store these records and report back to J. Kovacs for a contract.

### **HIGHWAY**

Acknowledged notice re: Elka Park Rd & Platte Clove Rd closure 11/1/23 to 5/30/24.

#### **SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to surplus 3 vehicles and 1 tractor w/mower. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

Discussion on setting minimum bid amounts.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to amend the above motion for the minimum bid price to be the scrap value on the dump truck and the utility vehicle and \$2,000.00 minimum bid price for the 2013 GMC Sierra with plow. NO SECOND

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to surplus a 2013 GMC Sierra with 8ft. Fisher plow at a minimum bid price of \$2,000.00, an orange GMC utility truck at a minimum bid price of scrap value, a dump truck and over rail mower at a minimum bid price of scrap value all via online auction. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

Acknowledged NYS Homeland Security issued 2024 amounts of damage requirements if a disaster is declared.

### **FUEL OIL/TOWN HALL**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to piggyback on Bottini's fuel oil(heating) bid with Greene County and to get the Premium Service Plan service contract for the boiler in the Highway department. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

### **BUILDING/Code Enforcement**

Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)

Discussion on beds in rooms in a STR that are not bedrooms. Councilman Kukle states the law allows for a two-person occupancy per bedroom plus two (bed, daybed, sofa). Discussion on the safety of the room with the extra bed. R. Santiago states a permit can't be issued without an inspection.

R. Santiago states she is concerned with the number of inspections because between now and January she only has Fridays to do them while she is taking the Code Enforcement courses on the other days.

Councilman Semenza feels the town can't fine someone for not having their permit on time if they have applied on time but the hold up for the issuance of the permit is on the town's end. The Town Board discussed extending the grace period in January if need be.

## **PLANNING**

Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Planning Board  
Monthly Report October 2023

The Town of Hunter Planning Board met on October 3, 2023.

### **Summary of activities:**

#### **Old Business**

2 Public Hearings.  
3 Site Plan approved

#### **New Business**

3 Site Plan reviewed, incomplete, no action taken(Includes first STR)

### **Roundup**

Public Hearing was held for Daimond Notch Airstream and Haines Falls Fire District  
Ramble On Inn – approved with conditions  
Lanesville Permanent Airstream Site Plan approved.  
Haines Falls Fire District Site Plan approved  
We had sketch review for three new site plans- Latvian Camp for a maintenance Garage, Peace Village for a garage, and Stone Clove Creek LLC (Clove Rd) for STR and Event Space

*The next meeting of the Town of Hunter Planning Board will be **MONDAY** November 6, 2023, at 6:30PM*

## **GREENE COUNTY**

Acknowledged receipt of Memo from S. Groden Re: County wide Ambulatory System Review to take place.

Acknowledged notice of info for inclusion in Agricultural District No. 124 c.

### **RP TAX Exemption**

Discussion on draft for volunteer fire & ambulance worker's proposed law.

Supervisor Mahoney states this final draft includes feedback from the fire departments.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to hold a Public Hearing on Draft Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers on November 14, 2023, at 5:30 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

## **TOWN OF HUNTER HEROES BANNERS**

Acknowledged receipt of application/info from Jim Jones.

## **CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS**

Acknowledged receipt of 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr franchise fees \$13,238.23.

## **TOWN HALL IT**

Acknowledged receipt of signed contract w/ Imperative Solutions (previously authorized).

Councilman Legg states waiting on more information from NYS Troopers for update on office renovations.

**CONTRACTS**

Acknowledged receipt of fully executed agreement: Mountain Top Historical Society.

**JUSTICE COURT**

Monthly report for Justice Prince-Walsh acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)  
Supervisor Mahoney asks that the new Clerk be advised to produce a monthly report to the Town Board.

**LANDFILL**

Acknowledged receipt of 2nd Qtr/Annual Review report from Barton & Loguidice.

**LOCAL FLOOD ANALYSIS**

Contract w/SLR Engineering, PC previously authorized @ 10/10/23 (notation for record)

**CORRESPONDENCE**

NYS Dept Public Service: acknowledged Central Hudson amendments to its gas tariff schedules.  
Acknowledged receipt of Central Hudson Public hearing notices for rates, charges, rules etc.

**BUDGET**

Public Hearing held 10/24/23 @5:30 PM  
Next Budget workshop is set for 11/2/23 at 5:30 PM at which the board moved to conduct a Public Hearing: Tax Cap Override draft law.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons at 8:22 PM. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

C. P. excused.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 8:49 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

**NEW HIRE**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to hire Melissa Krom for the Ambulance as a Part-Time Emergency Medical Technician at the part-time rate. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

**POLICE CONTRACTS**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to amend the police contracts to bring into alignment the Medicare Part B reimbursement for all employees of the Town of Hunter. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-                      Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION that the Town of Hunter is not to provide Part B reimbursement to a spouse for the police contracts or any other town contract. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 8:51 PM. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

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Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC  
Town of Hunter