

MINUTES OF REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024 AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.

Present: Sean Mahoney Supervisor
David Kukle Councilman
Raymond Legg Councilman
Ernest Reale Councilman
Dolph Semenza(arriv. 7:14) Councilman

Corina Pascucci

Others Present: Lara Hamrah-Poladian Secretary to the Supervisor
Sgt. Robert Haines Hunter Police Department
Marc Czermerys Planning Board Chairman
Ariel Woolheater Ambulance Administrator
Venessa Richards Hunter Area Ambulance
Robert Blain Superintendent of Highways
Plus, all names on attached listing.

Supervisor Mahoney calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ABSTRACT- The Town Board audited and approved for payment:
General Fund (TW) Voucher #497 through #499 in the amount of \$37,399.79
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1074 in the amount of \$3,100.00
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #194 through #203 in the amount of \$5,116.78
General Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #46 in the amount of \$36,852.12
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1001 through #1006 in the amount of \$7,397.02
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #21 in the amount of \$21,544.69
Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1001 through #1004 in the amount of \$3,490.11
Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #1 through #7 in the amount of \$9,347.28

MINUTES

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION to approve reg. mtg. 12/27/23. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

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

POLICE -Monthly report acknowledged.
Town of Hunter Police Department

Monthly Report

December 2023

Calls for service: 105
Arrests made: 3

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|----------------------------|----|
| Criminal charges levied: | 2 |
| Criminal complaints: | 8 |
| Non-criminal complaints: | 50 |
| Assists to other agencies: | 28 |
| Uniform traffic tickets: | 25 |
| Parking tickets: | 0 |
| Accidents investigated: | 9 |
| Report requests: | 0 |

Town of Hunter Police Department
Yearly Report
2023

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| Calls for service: | 1184 |
| Arrests made: | 40 |
| Criminal charges levied: | 58 |
| Criminal complaints: | 80 |
| Non-criminal complaints: | 607 |
| Assists to other agencies: | 378 |
| Uniform traffic tickets: | 283 |
| Parking tickets: | 273 |
| Accidents investigated: | 84 |
| Report requests: | 41 = \$390.00 |

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize the purchase of a new computer, not to exceed \$1400.00. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

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

AMBULANCE - Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy received)
Ack receipt of REMO letter RE: Town of Ashland application

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION 6 month probationary period for newly appointed Ambulance Administrator, Ariel Woolheater, as per appointment 1/2/24. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Absent -1- (Semenza)

Town Board to review annual charge from Zoll for portal access.

RESIGNATION – Ambulance

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to accept the resignation from Venessa Richards as the Ambulance Administrator stating she will remain as a part-time Emergency Medical Technician. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

ASSESSOR- Monthly report acknowledged.

MEMO TO: Supervisor and Town Board

FROM: The Assessor's Office

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

DATE: January 22, 2024

- There were 20 Parcel Transfers this month. 11 were Arm's length (ALS), Sales listed below.
- 0 Parcels Combinations.
- 0 Subdivisions.
- 0 Lot Line Adjustments.
- 1 Grid Changes.
- 1 Parcel Revisions.
- Update photos are being taken at this time.
- Information for the new STAR requirements is available in my office.

1. 166.00-2-2
2. 206.00-3-7
3. 216.00-2-23 ALS
4. 166.01-2-4.2
5. 167.00-1-1 ALS
6. 180.00-2-17 ALS
7. 206.03-3-10 ALS
8. 150.00-3-7
9. 164.73-12-1 ALS
10. 150.00-3-16
11. 164.11-3-11 ALS

- 12. 164.09-2-32 ALS
- 13. 164.14-1-8.414 1st
- 14. 164.14-1-8.414 2nd
- 15. 164.14-1-8.214
- 16. 164.58-5-4 ALS
- 17. 164.07-1-14 ALS
- 18. 164.10-2-17
- 19. 164.14-3-3 ALS
- 164.14-6-4 ALS

BUILDING/Code Enforcement - Monthly report acknowledged.

Monthly Report

Dec-23

| Permits | | Certificate Compliance |
|--------------|----|-----------------------------|
| Building | 6 | \$833 Certificate Occupancy |
| STR | 20 | \$12,500 Inspections 10 |
| Demo | 0 | Violations |
| Sign | 0 | Site Plan Permits 0 |
| Flood | 0 | |
| Muni | 5 | \$375.00 |
| Total | | \$13,258. |

Violation Letters Sent:

Acknowledged Memo Re:187 Diamond Notch Road

PLANNING -Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Planning Board

Monthly Report October 2023

The Town of Hunter Planning Board met on January 2, 2024.

Summary of activities:

Old Business

1 Public Hearing.

1 Site Plans approved

4 Site Plans tabled due to waiting on applicants to complete submission

New Business

1 Site Plan reviewed (STR) Lead Agency taken

1 2 Lot Minor Subdivision Sketch review

Roundup

Public Hearing was held for Hunter Mountain Lift Project

Hunter Mountain Lift Project was approved

STR for Yeutushenko in Haines Falls presented

Fox 2 Lot Minor Subdivision Sketch review

I would like to recommend Penny Spring for Deputy Chair to cover if I need to recuse from any action replacing Doug. This would be to complete term through 12/31/2027.

*The next meeting of the Town of Hunter Planning Board will be **MONDAY** December 5, 2023, at 6:30PM*

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to appoint Penny Spring as the Deputy Planning Board Chair through 12/31/2027. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

JUSTICE COURT -Monthly reports acknowledged.

TOWN OF HUNTER COURT P.O. BOX 70 TANNERSVILLE, NY 12485 518-589-5882 EXT. 305

TO: Supervisor and Town of Hunter Town Board

FROM: Hon. MarySusan E. Timpson

DATE: January 18, 2024

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for December 2023

39 New Cases for December 2023

0 Hunter P.D. Parking Tickets in December 2023

0 Forest Ranger Parking Tickets in December 2023

260 Closed Cases in December 2023

For the Month of December 2023 total amount collected \$4,815.00

The court is now in session the 1st and 2nd Wednesday of the month for the Hon. MarySusan E. Timpson

(Every case file must be pulled & updates)

Respectfully submitted,

Hon. MarySusan E. Timpson

MET/jpb

MONTHLY REPORTS

L. Hamrah Poladian states she requests from the Department Heads, two paper copies of their monthly report as well as an email.

HIGHWAY

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to formally enact email poll of Town Board to increase highway employees and secretary pay rates to 5% for 2024, excluding Highway Superintendent. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

HISTORICAL SOCIETY Acknowledged request for assistance w/laying asphalt millings.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mike Papa questions the 2024 town tax rate increase and asks if there has been an increase in tax exempt parcels.

Supervisor Mahoney states the budget process was a very transparent process. He adds that everything got more expensive, costs increased, employees were hired. Also, the Library and

Fire Protection increased which the Town has no say over. He states there has not been in increase in tax exempt properties.

Susan from Lanesville would like to confirm that the Town has access to the 214 property (Zaharatos) and if it has gone out to bid for demolition.

Supervisor Mahoney states the Town has been granted permission to take action in court, the landowner did not respond and there was a default judgement in favor of the Town. The Town has the right to demolish or not demolish. A site visit will be conducted next week to assess if the structure is salvageable. If it should be taken down it will go out to bid. He adds that once down, the landowner still owns the property and the cost of removal will go on their tax bill.

The site visit is scheduled for 1/29 at 2PM.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Acknowledged received from Police, Town Clerk, Justice Court (2), Planning, Ambulance and Building Inspector.

FINANCE OFFICER

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize Supervisor to sign authorization with RBT CPA's for preparation of 2023 Annual Report, as per 2024 budget. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

CWC

Acknowledged receipt of notice of preliminary decisions of the CWC #5108 – 5136, 5140-5142, 5148

GRANTS

LFA Local Flood Analysis

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to auth payments from Genl MM savings until reimbursements received. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

HBRT- (Clove Rd to Ski Bowl design)

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to authorize Supervisor to sign proposal w Creighton Manning. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

GREENE COUNTY/TOWER

Acknowledged receipt of Certificate of Liability for Communication Tower

Acknowledged receipt of Resolution No. 61-10 memo re:unsafe buildings

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS

Acknowledged receipt of 3rd Qtr 2023 Franchise pymt \$12,922.79

NYC DEP

Acknowledged receipt of letter Re:Initiatives & press release incl DEP'S Tax payments (property & school)

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

Acknowledged receipt of "Satisfactory" rating from NYS Dept Ag/Market

***WORKSHOP AGENDA** January 9, 2024 CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER

STR-GRANICUS-Update/refund

Supervisor Mahoney states the Town has been provided with the next steps and they are working on a refund. He and Rose will be drafting a letter that the Town will be sending to every PO Box in the town with the Short-Term Rental guidelines and notice of 6 month deadline extension. Councilman Reale states he is unsure if the Town should continue with Granicus as a vendor. Supervisor Mahoney states a huge piece, which is the address id and compliance monitoring, can not be handled in house and that piece is currently up and running with Granicus.

Memo RE: HUNTER MT traffic issue – Sgt. Haines states he is happy with the changes that have been made.

AMBULANCE

Surplus 2016 Ambulance has been relisted with Auctions International and it ended with a high bid of \$18,700.

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION to counter the offer of \$18,700 with \$25,000. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize use of towns ARPA funds for balance payment of 2024 ambulance \$20,643 and if the Town gets more than \$18,700 for the ambulance, she will reimburse the ARPA funds. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

CORRESPONDENCE

Acknowledged receipt of letter and brochure on tree removal program-Central Hudson

Acknowledged receipt from Association of Towns Annual Meeting 2024 items to be read

TRANSFERS/BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Councilman Semenza makes a Motion to authorize all those attached #1-23 to put accounts in good standing, plus those needed for the preparation of the AUD

JANUARY 2024 AGENDA

1. Dbt eff 11/1/23 Budget Jrl entry to increase DA standing 2665 DAS 130.4 by \$1080.00 to show revenue/expense for sale of surplus (tire machine, mower, garage doors and tires)
2. Budget Jrl entry Dbt DB3501 \$59,550.00 and Cr DB 9901.9 to transfer funds to DA
3. Budget Jrl entry Dbt DA 5031 + Cr DA 5142.2 to show revenue fm DB for truck purchase.
4. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt B 2770 + Cr B8010.41 to show revenue 22,817.55 + expense Granicus STR 22

5. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt A 1910.4 +Cr A3120.4 by \$2,050.81 to cover over expenses police
6. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt A1355.41 +CrA1322.4 by \$70.00 to cover expenses in Assessor
7. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt A420.4+Cr A1110.4 by \$930.00 to cover expenses in Court.4
8. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt A 9060.8+Cr A9050.8 by \$27.00 to cover expenses unemployment
9. Efff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt B9060.8 +Cr B8020.4 by \$100.00 to cover expenses in planning.4
10. Eff 10/31/23 Budget Jrl entry Dbt B90608+Cr B8010.1 by \$2,500.00 to cover expenses in anticipated in building P/R
11. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A1310.11 +Cr A1310.4 by \$246.00 to cover expenses in Sect/supervisors.4
12. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A1310.11 +CrA1340.4 by \$44.38 to cover expenses in Budget .4
13. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A1430.2 +Cr A1430.1 by \$1,000.00 to cover expenses in payroll clerk.1
14. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A1620.41 +Cr A1620.4 by \$6,323.62 to cover expenses in Town Hall Nov-Dec .4
15. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A450.42 +Cr A4540.1 by \$2,303.09 to cover expenses in Amb. Payroll .1 Nov only
16. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A1620.41 +Cr A3120.4 by \$3,390.90 to cover expenses Police.4
17. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A 1620.42 +Cr A5010.4 by \$13.48 to cover expenses over expense hwy computer
18. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A 1620.42 + Cr A90608 by \$7,000.00 to cover expenses health ins over expenses
19. Eff 11/1/23 Dbt A 5182.4 +Cr A90608 by \$704.14 to cover expenses health ins over expenses.
20. Dbt B 2770 +Cr B8010.1 by \$3179.23 to have contingency cover building payroll
21. Dbt B 1990.9 +Cr B 8020.4 by \$42.81 to cover expenses planning over expenses
22. Dbt B1990.9 +Cr B 9030.8 by \$300.00 to cover expenses SocSec over expenses
23. Dbt B2770 +Cr B 8010.4 by \$260.70 to cover expenses Bldg Dept over expenses

Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:18 PM to discuss personnel. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 10:24 PM.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

No action taken.

NEW HIRE

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to hire Nicholas Clark Mercado as a Part-Time Emergency Medical Technician for Hunter Area Ambulance. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 10:24 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter