

November 14, 2022  
Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Pittstown was held November 14, 2022, at the Town Hall Tomhannock, New York. Those present included Supervisor – Matthew Curley, Councilpersons Jason Eddy, Tanya Lipinski, Erin Maxon and Robert Russell, Town Attorney Stacey Goldstein, and Highway Superintendent Paul Campbell. Town Clerk Michelle Hoag was excused.

Public attendees Michael Ouimet.

Supervisor Curley Called the Meeting to Order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the Public Hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget. No comments were made.

### **Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes 10-11-22:** Motion for Approval to accept minutes as written Councilperson Eddy; Second Councilperson Maxon; Councilperson Lipinski -abstain; Ayes- Supervisor Curley, Councilpersons Eddy, Maxon, Russell.

**Approval of Minutes 10-24-22:** Motion for Approval to accept minutes as written of Special Meeting as written Councilperson Maxon; Second Councilperson Russell; Councilperson Lipinski -abstain; Ayes-Supervisor Curley, Councilpersons Eddy, Maxon, Russell.

**Public Access** no comments.

### **Reports of Officers and Consultants**

Motion to accept the Town Clerk's report as presented Councilperson Eddy; Second Supervisor Curley; Ayes-all, Nays-none. Reports were received from Supervisor, Bookkeeper, Code Enforcement, Town Justices, and Dog Control.

### **Reports of Committees and Their Representatives**

**ERCSWMA:** Councilperson Russell reported that there was a budget increase to be covered by reserve funds. Upcoming meeting for Service Agreement, Wednesday, 11-30-2022 at ERCSWMA Office.

Saturday, November 19, 2022, last Townwide Clean Up day at Highway Garage for 2022.

**Highway:** Superintendent Campbell reported that Mirabito, contracted fuel supplier, has reassured the Town that fuel supply is a priority to Highway Department per contract. Road Salt will be delivered this week. Working to get estimates on Wheel Loader estimated purchase in 2023. Repair needed on Roof of Highway Garage for snow slides to be completed by Contractor Bulson.

**Motion by Councilperson Eddy to close Public Hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget, Second by Supervisor Curley; Ayes-all, Nays-none** no public comments. Closed at 6:37 pm

**Old Business** none.

### **Filed Resolutions**

Authorizing the extension of the service agreement with The Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management.

**#33-2022** WHEREAS, the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority manages MSW programs, Recycling programs, Household hazardous waste programs and Education programs; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority service agreements are all coming to an end in the next three months at staggered dates for their member communities, and the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority board of directors has determined that due to large projects currently in progress,

that it would be in the best interest and benefit of the member municipality's to extend these service agreements one year to further pursue these projects; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority service agreements would remain unchanged to the current agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a Contract by and between the EASTERN RENSSELAER COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY, herein called the ERCSWMA, and the Town of Pittstown be executed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Lipinski; Second: Maxon to extend the ERCSWMA service agreement 1 year from the end of the current agreement. Vote: Ayes – all; Nays – none.

#### **New Business**

**Re-appointment** of Kathleen Burden – BAR term to 5-year term ending 9-30-2027. **#34-2022** Resolved: Eddy; Second: Russell to re-appoint Kathleen Burden to the Board of Assessment Review; term ends September 30, 2027. Ayes -all, Nays-none.

**Adoption of 2023 Budget** as presented. Motion by Supervisor Curley; Second Councilperson Eddy to adopt the 2023 Preliminary Budget as the 2023 Final Budget. Vote; Ayes-all, Nays-none.

**Food Pantry** a Remembrance Commitment honoring Bob Phoenix's commitment and efforts on behalf of the Food Pantry will be presented to his family.

**Members Privilege** None by Councilpersons Russell, Eddy, Maxon. Councilperson Lipinski appreciated the work of Mallory Cail, Webmaster on the redesign of the Town Website. Requested that Board and Committee members be added to site with a brief description of the purpose of the committee, members names and term dates. Supervisor Curley - updated all on the Street Lights stating there will be technology to control lighting schedules for cost effectiveness. Fire protection equipment at the Highway Garage is in -service. A request was submitted to increase wages for the Secretary of the Planning and Zoning Committees from \$16.50/hour to \$20.00/hour. Motion to approve increase Councilperson Eddy; Second Councilperson Maxon; Ayes-all, Nays-none. Supervisor Curley named Janet Weber of Valley Falls as Town Historian. Supervisor Curley appreciated Councilperson Maxon responsibility as Deputy Supervisor and requested the same for 2023 adding that he will be unavailable for the January 9, 2023, Town Board Meeting, Councilperson Maxon will preside.

**Public Access** Superintendent Campbell noted appreciation for the Board accepting the Highway Budget.

#### **Audit of Bills**

Motion by Supervisor Curley to approve all but Invoices 355 and 356, Second Councilperson Russell; Ayes-all, Nays-none.

Motion by Supervisor Curley to approve 356; Second Councilperson Eddy; Councilperson Maxon abstain; Ayes- Supervisor Curley; Councilpersons Eddy, Lipinski, Russell.

Motion by Councilperson Maxon to approve 355; Second; Councilperson Lipinski; Supervisor Curley abstain; Ayes- Councilpersons Eddy, Lipinski, Maxon, Russell.

**Adjournment** Motion by Curley; Second Maxon; Ayes-all, Nays-none.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Lipinski

Councilperson