

**TOWN OF WINDHAM
TOWN BOARD MEETING
371 State Route 296, Hensonville, NY
Website: www.townofwindhamny.com**

NOVEMBER 23, 2022

Present: Supervisor: Thomas F. Hoyt
Councilmen: Ian Peters, Stephen Walker & Kurt Goettsche
Town Clerk: Bonnie Poehmel

Absent: Councilman Wayne Van Valin

Also Present: Ambulance Administrator Davia Montie, Delaware Engineering John Brust, Police Chief Tor Tryland, Mike Ryan Mountain Eagle & Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea by telephone

Absent: Highway Superintendent Gary Thorington

The Supervisor called the public hearing meeting to order at 6:50 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Hoyt read the following legal notice aloud **for Proposed Local Law #7 of 2022:** Notice is Hereby Given that a public hearing shall be held before the Town Board of the Town of Windham at 371 State Rt. 296, Hensonville, NY on November 23, 2022 at 6:50 pm upon adopting proposed draft Local Law #7 of 2022. This local law provides for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (the Uniform Code) and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code (the Energy Code) in the Town of Windham. At such time anyone wishing to speak upon this matter shall be heard. Copies of the proposed local law shall be available at the Town Clerk's office located at 371 State Rt. 296, Hensonville, NY prior to the public hearing. By Order of the Windham Town Board Bonnie Poehmel Town Clerk Dated: October 27, 2022. Supervisor Hoyt opened the floor for any questions or comments. No one from the public was present. Supervisor Hoyt would like a motion to recess the public hearing at 6:52 pm, motion was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent. A motion to re-open the public hearing was made at 7:00 pm by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent. Supervisor Hoyt would like a motion to close the public hearing at 7:00 pm with no public questions or comments, motion to approve was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

Supervisor Hoyt opened the **REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING** at 7:00 pm.

THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2022, TOWN BOARD MEETING were approved as typed on a motion by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 3 in favor, Councilman Peters abstained as he was absent for this meeting, one absent.

LOCAL LAW #7 OF 2022: This local law provides for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (the Uniform Code) and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code (the Energy Code) in the Town of Windham. A motion to adopt Local Law #7 of 2022 was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent.

1.DELAWARE ENGINEERING: John Brust was present. Ambulance building is going well. It is a pleasure to work with Plank Construction everything is going well. The outside and interior walls are up, rafters are set. Cost of the project is at 40% spent to date and the General Contractor has spent 50% to date. An expected completion date of April 27, 2023 is still on schedule.

2.TWO NEW APPLICATIONS FOR OUTSIDE SEWER DISTRICT: 25 Two Trees Lane, Tax Map #95.00-1-16.22 and 35 Two Trees Lane, Tax Map #95.00-1-16.222. County Route 12 is a newly paved road to be digging up and expensive to anyone. To the east there is new construction with Windham Mountain building. This might be an option to connect otherwise the two homes will need to do a transportation corporation. John Brust will continue to research and will get back to the Board. This discussion will continue to be tabled.

3.CHANNUKAH-DECEMBER18th-26th, 2022: Stephen & Ronnie Bendernagel seeking permission to use Centre Property front lawn to display the Menorah. "We would again like to place the menorah at the town center from approximately the 15th through the end of December. We expect to have a modest public lighting for the first night only." A motion to approve was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent.

4.TOWN CLERK PLUS DOG SOFTWARE annual software support contract 12/01/22 through 11/30/23. The cost will be \$394.00. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

5.TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #51 OF 2022: Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption. WHEREAS, the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law allows a municipality to establish a Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption Maximum Income Limit; and WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Windham has previously established a maximum income limit of \$29,000.00 for Senior Citizens and desires that this amount is to increase at \$34,000.00 as allowed by law. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Windham hereby establishes the maximum income limit of \$34,000.00 for the year 2023 for Senior Citizens that are residents of the Town of Windham. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Supervisor Hoyt, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

6.TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #52 OF 2022: to authorize the Supervisor to use \$16,428.01 from Unanticipated Revenue in account 1640405 Ambulance-Charges to balance the accounts in the General Fund as per General Fund Resolution #24 of 2022. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Walker, with 4 in favor, one absent. **GENERAL FUND RESOLUTION #24 OF 2022:** the following resolution was proposed to transfer funds to balance the General Fund accounts. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent.

7.AMBUALNCE REPORT: Ambulance Administrator Davia Montie was present. Vehicles have new tires and are inspected. We are still in need of ambulance staffing. Two employees are currently out. A new EMT person and a new ambulance driver person has started. Ambulance Administrator Davia Montie will not be able to cover any opened shift. Columbia Memorial Hospital (CMH) has a new outpatient service. Their goal is help cut down on hospital visits. Hospital wait times are not getting better. Ambulance calls to date 467 for 2022; 391 for 2021. ***Calls for the Month of October 2022: Calls in Windham: Advanced Life Support (ALS)-8, Basic Life Support (BLS)-4, Public Assist (P/A)-7; Refused Medical Assistance (RMA)-5, Advanced Life Support (ALS)-1 Helicopter; Calls in Hunter: RMA-1; Calls in Jewett: ALS-3, RMA-3; C/C-2; County Coverage Request Amb S/B-3; Stand by for Greene County EMS: S/B-1; Calls turned over to Mutual Aid-0. Total calls for October: 38. Vehicle Mileage Log for October 2022: 96-1: 72,399 and 96-2: 141,985.***

8.HIGHWAY REPORT: Highway Superintendent Gary Thorington was not present. Supervisor Hoyt gave report. Holiday snowflakes are up. A new homeowner drilling a private well on Manor Drive, Windham; the water drilling has affected other private wells there. The highway department helped out in delivering potable water to those homeowners that have been affected. Supervisor Hoyt would like John Brust to look into the Well Head Protection Law that the town has.

9.POLICE REPORT: Police Chief Tor Tryland was present. Chief Tryland would like permission for the police sponsorship of William Pine, as he will need to do a refresher class on what he is missing. Before attending the refresher class, William Pine will need to be sworn in with the Town Clerk for December 2022. A motion to approve the police sponsorship was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent.

10.COMMITTEE REPORT: **Councilman Walker** attended the SWAC meeting recently held at WWTP. No new SWAC applications have been submitted, their submittal deadline is set for March 10, 2023. Because no applications were submitted for this meeting, the meeting members reviewed other projects that are currently going on. Councilman Walker did not attend the last CWT meeting. **Councilman Goettsche** is still waiting for the calendar plug-in to be updated on the website. **Councilman Peters** has nothing to report on at this time. **Supervisor Hoyt** recently attended an event for the Windham Foundation in New York City. The town also received a \$50.00 donation from the Windham Hensonville UMC for the Ambulance Service. **Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea** has nothing to report on at this time.

GENERAL FUND WARRANT #22-G contained vouchers #917-957, totaling \$161,811.77 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

HIGHWAY FUND WARRANT #22 contained vouchers #206-209, totaling \$2,353.74 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

SEWER DISTRICT FUND WARRANT #22 contained vouchers #307-315, totaling \$1,381.80 was audited and approved on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

GENERAL FUND PAYROLL WARRANT #23-P for **General** contained 6 claims, totaling \$6,564.50 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent. **Ambulance** payroll contained 16 claims, totaling \$16,289.61 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent. **Police** payroll contained 0 claims, totaling \$0.00 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

HIGHWAY PAYROLL WARRANT #23-P contained 5 claims, totaling \$9,036.00 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

SEWER DISTRICT FUND PAYROLL WARRANT #23-P contained 1 claim, totaling \$68.10 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with 4 in favor, one absent.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm on a motion by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with 4 in favor, one absent.

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