

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024, AT 6:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NY.

Present:	Sean Mahoney	Supervisor
	David Kukle	Councilman
	Raymond Legg	Councilman
	Ernest Reale	Councilman
	Dolph Semenza	Councilman
	Corina Pascucci	Town Clerk
Others Present:	Ariel Woolheater	Ambulance Administrator
	Marc Czermerys	Planning Board Chairperson
	Robert Blain	Superintendent of Highways
	Rose Santiago	Building Inspector
	Sgt. Robert Haines	Hunter Police Department
	Robert Cologero (arriv. 6:25)	Building Inspector
	Plus, all names on attached listing.	

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 approved for payment by the Town Board.

General Fund (TW) Voucher #47 through #77 in the amount of \$126,835.06

General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1007 through #1009 in the amount of \$7,900.00

SF4 Voucher #2001 in the amount of \$150,000

SF3 Voucher #2002 in the amount of \$73,451

SF2 Voucher #2003,2005 in the amount of \$55,113

SF1 Voucher #2004 in the amount of \$149,220

Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #22 through #47 in the amount of \$31,027.54

Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1005 in the amount of \$41.21

Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #8 through #15 in the amount of \$13,079.09

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

John Awand of 27 Diamond Notch Road has a Central Hudson streetlight that shines directly into his home. He contacted Central Hudson requesting that it be shielded or turned downward, he was told this request could not be made by civilians and that he should speak to his Town Board.

He will provide the Town Supervisor with a pole number and the Town Board informs him they will contact Central Hudson on his behalf to make this request.

BUILDING/CODE

Discussion on fee increases. The board asks Rose and Bob for the fee increases in a spreadsheet comparing current rates to proposed rates.

C. Pascucci informs the board there is a Local Law for building permit fees which would need to be revised.

Discussion on escrow status-Ramble On Inn. R. Santiago states she does not yet have an estimate from Praetorious. S. Mahoney informs her to see Lara as soon as she has a number.

TOWN HALL

Discussion on new office plans for moving the Town Clerk to what is now the Planning Office and moving the Planning Office.

GRANTS/COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Supervisor Mahoney states the Town Board would like to amend the Comprehensive Plan. Discussion on applying for a Smart Growth Grant to also review a new Town Hall complex.

SHORT TERM RENTALS

The Town was assigned a project manager today with Granicus and the Supervisor and Building Inspector will be meeting with them.

AMBULANCE

Status of surplus ambulance

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to list the surplus ambulance by putting it in the Town Hall parking lot with a firm asking price of \$20,000 with the Supervisor's phone extension listed. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

A. Woolheater informs the board that she has a stretcher out of service awaiting parts for repair. She adds if the parts do not come in by Friday, she may not be able to have two crews for the upcoming holiday weekend as she will only have one ambulance in service. She is making calls to see if there is a stretcher or ambulance to borrow from another agency. She also states she is working on a service contract with the stretcher company and working on a uniform order with an approximate cost of \$3,400.

Supervisor Mahoney suggests she investigate using a uniform company, he will get her contact information.

A. Woolheater informs the board she has two current employees interested in being Full Time to fill the vacancy left by Venessa Richards. She has not yet advertised the position.

FIRE DEPARTMENT- Tabled

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 7:18 PM to discuss personnel. Seconded by Supervisor Mahoney.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 8:58 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

NEW HIRE

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to hire Charles Benninger Jr. as a Part Time driver/EMT at the current Part Time EMT starting rate effective 2/3/2024. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

SPECIAL MEETING

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, February 22, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall and to invite Fire Commissioners from Tannersville and Haines Falls Fire Districts and selected Village of Tannersville Trustees for a meeting about fire protection. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 8:59 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter