

THE TOWN OF MAMAKATING TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, WURTSBORO, NEW YORK.

Present: Janet M. Lybolt- Supervisor
Eileen Rogers – Deputy Supervisor - Councilwoman
John Lacey – Councilman
James Carney – Councilman
John Crudo - Councilman
Thomas Morrow – Councilman
Gary Forthoffer - Councilman
J. Benjamin Gailey- Attorney for the Town
Jean M. Dougherty- Town Clerk

Also present: Robert Hufcut – Highway Superintendent
Kerron Barnes – Interagency Coordinator

Worksession Items for Discussion

1. Heather Brown, Coordinator, SC Office of Sustainable Energy
2. Appointment of Additional Deputy Town Clerk
3. Highway Department Equipment Purchases
4. Inter-Municipal Agreement with Village of Wurtsboro - Street and Highway Services
5. Budget Modification

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The February 18, 2020 meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – As prepared and transcribed by R. Hufcut

Highway Superintendent's Report: Town Board Meeting: February 18, 2020

- Bidding closed on Auctions International, yesterday, February 17th. It went really well. Funds expected in the coming weeks.
- Tree trimming, pot hole repairs, roadside mowing and clean up continued throughout the town.
- Gathering estimates in preparation for Spring/Summer season bridge repairs and paving projects.
- Due to recent damage to Firetower Road, I will be requesting a resolution to re-evaluate the code laws pertaining to loggers.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT – As prepared and transcribed by J. Lybolt

Supervisor's Report- February 18, 2020

I attended a presentation of Governor Cuomo's 2021 NYS Budget at Sullivan County Community College this afternoon.

We are working to settle the Collective Bargaining Agreement with our Highway Dept.

A memo was prepared today for our Board to review.

Jacobowitz & Gubits is now handling our Union representation. The firm of Keane & Beane that was retained by the prior town board is no longer representing the town.

Orange & Rockland sent an email that SMART METERS are continuing to be installed in Mamakating. Jean has some information to take home.

The annual Tax Audit for the Tax Collecting Department was done on 2/14 by John Lacey and Gary Forthoffer who will provide more info during their committee report.

ABSTRACTS

A motion was made by G. Forthoffer, seconded by J. Lacey to approve the following abstract as presented: Abstract #4 (Voucher #20200210-20200311) in the amount of \$88,072.87. All in favor.

MINUTES

A motion was made by G. Forthoffer, seconded by T. Morrow to accept the minutes of February 4, 2020. All in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

- A motion was made by G. Forthoffer and seconded by J. Lacey to appoint Kyra Platt as additional Deputy Town Clerk as per the request of the Town Clerk. All in favor.
- A motion was made by E. Rogers, seconded by J. Crudo to authorize the Supervisor to execute the Inter-Municipal Agreement with Village of Wurtsboro - Street and Highway Services. All in favor.
- A motion was made by G. Forthoffer, seconded by J. Lacey to approve the Budget Modification in the amount of \$132.00. All in favor.
- A motion authorizing the purchase of a 75 inch flail mower at a cost of \$42,043.25 and a 2019 Mack single axle with pintle plate and hook at a cost of \$247,868.93 was made by G. Forthoffer, seconded by J. Lacey. All in favor. It will be noted that both purchases are being made under NYS State bid.

RESOLUTION
TOWN OF MAMAKATING TOWN BOARD
EXPENDITURE FROM HIGHWAY VEHICLES
AND EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

WHEREAS: The Town Board previously established the Highway Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund in order to accumulate monies to finance the cost of acquisition of vehicles and equipment for the Town Highway Department. At the Highway Superintendent's recommendation, the Town Board approves the purchase of a 2019 Mack single axle truck with pintle plate and hook option off the New York State bid list at the price of \$247,868.93.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the withdrawal and expenditure of \$247,868.93 from the Highway Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to purchase the 2019 Mack single axle truck with pintle plate and hook option.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

On a motion by Councilperson G. Forthoffer, seconded by Councilperson J. Lacey, this Resolution is adopted on a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

G. Forthoffer reported that he had completed the audit of the Tax Office. He informed the board and the public that the tax office no longer takes cash but Wayne Bank in Wurtsboro will issue bank checks at no charge.

J. Lacey reported that the last bill from the attorneys representing the town in highway negotiations was \$14,287.50 for a 5 year total of \$107,248.41 and that Jacobowitz and Gubits would be representing us from here on.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A motion was made by G. Forthoffer, seconded by T. Morrow to go into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss 2 personnel issues. All in favor.
- A motion was made at 7:13 p.m. by G. Forthoffer, seconded by E. Rogers to come out of Executive Session. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by T. Morrow, seconded by J. Crudo. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted;

Jean M. Dougherty, Town Clerk

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