

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Landi at 6 PM with the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence.

Present were Supervisor Landi, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Queipo, and Councilman Wells. Councilman Nelson was absent. Also present were Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Blake Jackson, Superintendent of Highways Ed Moore, Daily Freeman Reporter Bill Kemble, and Town Attorney Kelly Naughton. There were 5 residents present.

A motion was made by Councilman Wells and seconded by Councilman Queipo to approve all the September minutes that were reviewed by the Town Board prior to the meeting. All approved.

Supervisor Landi read the Supervisor's Report and Town Clerk Weiss read the Town Clerk's report.

The general bills, highway bills, and interfund transfers were reviewed by the Town Board.

Interfund Transfers

Councilman Queipo made the motion, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to transfer from A2115.2 530 Route 28 Escrow into A8020.45 530 Route 28 \$1,517.74 to cover expenses; transfer from A230.7 Supervisor's Investment into A1990.4 Contingency \$20,000.00 to cover expenses; transfer from A1990.4 Contingency into A1950.4 Taxes/Municipal Property \$455.36 to cover expenses; transfer from A1990.4 Contingency into A1620.4 Cleaner \$351.95 to cover expenses. All Approved

General and Highway Bills

A motion was made by Councilman Queipo and seconded by Councilman Wells to pay the following bills; Claim #409 through #448 totaling \$17,213.51 and highway bills Claim #449 through #458 totaling \$8,497.23. All approved. (See Minute Book for a breakdown of the actual bills.)

Communications

None.

Committee Reports

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Councilman Hoffman asked if the Town had received a written report from Crawford & Associates concerning Hill Road. Highway Superintendent Moore will check with Crawford & Associates.

Highway Superintendent Moore reported that culvert pipes had been put in along Hill Road. Plans are being made to widen the ditch on top of Hill Road. The County will not be replacing the culvert pipe at the bottom of Hill Road this year.

Councilman Wells reported that Code Enforcement Officer Bob Cologero collected \$350 in fees in September (Building permits \$300, abstracts \$50). Councilman Wells read Highway Superintendent's Ed Moore response to the Notice of Defect received about Hill Road (see attached).

Councilman Queipo reported that an electrician will be working on an outlet for the speaker system. He also reported that he is in favor of a laptop purchase.

Old Business

765 Sawkill Road was discussed. HUD has warned the owner that they could lose Section 8 status. The house by the road has been taped off. The residence is slowly getting cleaned up.

New Business – Supervisor Landi introduced a local law on overriding the tax cap. Councilman Wells made the motion, seconded by Councilman Queipo to have a public hearing on the proposed law on October 19th starting at 6:30 PM. Town Clerk Weiss to put legal notice in the Daily Freeman newspaper. All Approved.

Supervisor Landi introduced a local law on NYS Building Code. Councilman Wells made the motion, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to have a public hearing on the proposed law on October 19th starting at 6:45 PM. Town Clerk Weiss to put legal notice in the Daily Freeman newspaper. All Approved.

Councilman Wells made the motion, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to accept the bid of \$38,100 for truck #3 that was listed on Auctions International.

Councilman Hoffman – Yes; Councilman Nelson – Absent; Councilman Queipo – No; Councilman Wells – Yes; Supervisor Landi – Yes. The motion was carried Ayes -3, Nays – 1, Absent – 1.

Councilman Wells made the motion, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to purchase a new pick-up truck from Sawyers Motors – at the State bid price of approximately \$53,000. Councilman Hoffman – Yes; Councilman Nelson – Absent; Councilman Queipo – No; Councilman Wells – Yes; Supervisor Landi – Yes. The motion was carried Ayes – 3, Nays – 1; Absent -1.

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The Town Board accepted the 2023 Tentative Budget and set a public hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget for November 7 at the conclusion of the Town Board meeting.

Questions and Comments

A resident complained about the speeding on Sawkill Road. Another resident mentioned on how a family member was passed on a straight way on Sawkill Road.

Many residents were concerned about the deeper ditches along Sawkill Road (mainly in the Town of Ulster).

A resident asked about a time frame for finishing the work on Hill Road. Highway Superintendent Moore responded that he was awaiting for shared services to help take down 6 trees.

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Queipo, seconded by Councilman Wells. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Weiss
Town Clerk