

**Town of Starkey  
Regular Meeting  
February 9, 2023**

Council Members Present: George Lawson, Supervisor  
John Socha, Councilperson  
Julie Dunkelberger, Councilperson  
Jeremy Hall, Councilperson  
Caryl Sutterby, Councilperson

Council Members Absent: None

In-Person Attendees: Ralph Warren, Highway Superintendent  
Anthony DeStephen, Assessor

Attended Virtually via Zoom: None

Recording Secretary: Candace Iszard, Town Clerk

The regular Town of Starkey Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by George Lawson, Supervisor.

**Pledge of Allegiance-** John Socha led the pledge of allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the January 12, 2023, regular meeting of the Town Board, were approved as written. A motion was made by Caryl Sutterby, councilperson, seconded by John Socha, councilperson. \*All in favor; none opposed- Motion carried.

**Open Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Cap Override Local Law**

The advertised public hearing to consider the adoption of the Local Law to Override the Tax Cap was opened at 7:02 PM by George Lawson, Supervisor. At this time George Lawson, Supervisor, opened the public hearing for discussion to the residents attending this meeting.

**Assessor Position (Real Property Appraisal Aide)**

- George Lawson, Supervisor recommended Teresa Grady to the board for appointment, for a term of 2 years, stating her start date would be March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, however she will participate in online education prior to the start date.

**Cluster Subdivision**

- George would like the board to review the proposed Cluster Subdivision Local Law, should there be questions or concerns, George will present them at the next planning board meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**ARPA**

- George and Ralph will get a letter together to mail for the RFP, as well as advertisement in the local paper.

**Close Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Cap Override Local Law**

George Lawson made a motion to close the public hearing for the proposed Local Law to Override the Tax Cap at 7:08PM, seconded by Julie Dunkelberger, councilperson. \*All in favor; none opposed- Motion carried.

**Tax Cap Override Local Law Board Action**

- George Lawson reviewed the proposed Local Law which would allow for the 2024 budget to override the tax cap.

**Supervisor Report—** George Lawson

- Building repair recommendation were received from Andy Harding, Architect of AJH Design, George had a few questions that he is waiting to hear back about.
- Tree maintenance, George did confirm that Eugene Newswanger does not have the liability insurance necessary to complete the work for the Town of Starkey.

**Highway Report— Ralph Warren**

- Ralph discussed with the board about purchasing the extended warranty for the 2021 Peterbilt, coverage would include engine 7 years or 100,000 miles and base/chassis of 200,000 miles for a total cost \$14,010.00. Invoice is expected in June.
- Ralph reported that the heating units at the Town Barn are in failure once again and would like to obtain quotes for replacing the units.

**Town Clerk — Candace Iszard**

- The Clerks report for January was given to the board. Tax collection for January has totaled \$1,742,245.91.

**Resolutions**

**RESOLUTION 3-2023**

**Reappointment of Planning Board Member**

On a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor, seconded by Julie Dunkelberger, councilperson the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, Caryl Sutterby, John Socha, Julie Dunkelberger  
Nays 0

RESOLVED to reappoint Steven Fulkerson to the planning board for the term of 3/10/2023-3/9/2030.

**RESOLUTION 4-2023**

**Real Property Appraisal Aide Appointment**

On a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor, seconded by Caryl Sutterby, councilperson the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, Caryl Sutterby, John Socha, Julie Dunkelberger  
Nays 0

RESOLVED to appoint Teresa Grady as the Real Property Appraisal Aide for a 2-year term of 3/1/2023-2/28/2025 with an annual salary of \$35,000.00.

**RESOLUTION 5-2023**

**Extended Warranty on 2021 Peterbilt**

On a motion by Jeremy Hall, councilperson, seconded by Caryl Sutterby, councilperson the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, Caryl Sutterby, John Socha, Julie Dunkelberger  
Nays 0

RESOLVED to authorize the purchase of a 7-year extended warranty for 2021 Peterbilt at the cost of \$14,010.00.

**RESOLUTION 6-2023**

**Court Audit Findings**

On a motion by, John Socha, councilperson seconded by Jeremy Hall, councilperson the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, Caryl Sutterby, John Socha, Julie Dunkelberger  
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the George Lawson, Supervisor and Caryl Sutterby, councilperson of the Town of Starkey audited the 2022 records of Justice Carrie A. Wood and found them to be in order. The audit committee noted that TSLED is unavailable, and NYS continues to have unresolved software issues.

**RESOLUTION 7-2023**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF STARKEY OF LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2023**

**WHEREAS**, a resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Starkey for a public hearing to be held by said Town Board on February 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Starkey Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee, New York, to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town of Starkey, on February 1, 2023, and all other notices required by law to be given were properly served, posted or given; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was duly held on February 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Starkey Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee, New York, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said Proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Starkey, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Town of Starkey to adopt said Local Law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Starkey hereby adopts said Local Law No. 1 of 2023, entitled, "A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution, and be it further.

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk be, and she hereby is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Town of Starkey, and to give due notice of the adoption of said local law to the Secretary of State of New York.

I, Candace Iszard, Town Clerk of the Town of Starkey do hereby certify that the aforementioned resolution was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Starkey on February 9, 2023, by the following vote:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
George Lawson	x_____	_____
Caryl Sutterby	x_____	_____
Jeremy Hall	x_____	_____
Julie Dunkelberger	x_____	_____
John Socha	x_____	_____

**Budget Amendments**

On a motion by John Socha, councilperson, seconded by Caryl Sutterby, councilperson, the following budget amendments were,

ADOPTED Ayes 5 George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, Caryl Sutterby, John Socha, Julie Dunkelberger  
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Starkey, does hereby approve the following budget amendments:

**Highway Funds**

Increase Account DB915 for the Assigned Unappropriated Fund Balance by \$14,100.00  
Decrease Account B915 for the Assigned Unappropriated Fund Balance by \$14,100.00

**Audit of Claims**

On a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor and seconded by Caryl Sutterby, councilperson the bills contained in the February 9th, 2023, abstracts have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers Number: 25-G through 48-G</b>	\$10,133.00	
<b>Highway Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers Number: 12-H through 23-H</b>	\$13,571.74	
Ayes 5	George Lawson, Jeremy Hall, John Socha, Caryl Sutterby, Julie Dunkelberger		Nays 0

**Enter Executive Session**

On a motion by George Lawson and seconded Caryl Sutterby, the Town Board entered into executive session at 7:33 to discuss a personnel matter.

**Close Executive Session** at 7:51.

The minutes of this meeting will be offered for approval at the next regular Town Board meeting, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7:00 PM. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM by George Lawson.



Candace J. Iszard, Starkey Town Clerk