## Town of Starkey Public Hearings for 2020 Budget Public Hearings for 2020 Fire Contract Regular Meeting November 7, 2019

Members Present:	George Lawson, Supervisor Fred Shoemaker, Councilman Jack Ossont, Councilman Alan Giles, Councilman Bill Holgate, Councilman	
Members Absent:	None	
Also, Present:	Brian Quackenbush, Code Enforcement Officer Ralph Warren, Highway Superintendent Caryl Sutterby, Our Town Rocks Jeremy Hall, Resident Emily Litchfield, DCS Student Rhonda Litchfield, Resident Tim Senavaitis, Resident Kristin Wilt, Resident Zachary Neu, DCS Student Marleen Jasonius, DCS Student Nicole Lindsay, DCS Student	Carol Lindsay, Resident Tom Eskildsen, Yates Co. Soil and Water Paula Sullivan, Aflac Michael Hand, Aflac Ridge Wright, DCS Student Edward Worth, Resident Mary Rose, Resident Gwen Chamberlain, Resident

Recording Secretary: Candace Iszard, Clerk

The regular Town of Starkey Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by George Lawson, Supervisor, at the Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee, Yates County, New York.

# **Open Public Hearing for Preliminary 2020 Budget**

The advertised public hearing for the 2020 Budget held November 7, 2019, at the Starkey Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee, Yates County, New York was opened at 7:01 PM by George Lawson, Supervisor. At this time George Lawson, Supervisor, opened the public hearing for discussion to the residents attending this meeting.

# **Open Public Hearing for the 2020 Fire Contract**

The advertised public hearing of the Town of Starkey Board for the Fire Contract and 2019 Budget held November 7, 2019, at the Starkey Town Hall, 40 Seneca Street, Dundee, Yates County, New York was called to order at 7:06 PM by George Lawson, Supervisor. At this time George Lawson, Supervisor, opened the public hearing for discussion to the residents attending this meeting.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the October 10, 2019, regular meeting of the Town Board, were approved as written. A motion was made by Jack Ossont, councilman, seconded by Fred Shoemaker, councilmen. \*All in favor; none opposed- Motion carried.

# **Open Discussion from the Public**

• Caryl Sutterby, Project Manager, Our Town Rocks presented the November calendar.

# Yates County Soil and Water Conservation District- Tom Eskildsen

- Tom Eskildsen, District Technician, offered an overview of the services that are available at the Yates County Soil
  and Water office, to Yates County residents. Some of the services include:
  - Technical assistance to help protect soil from erosion and storm water runoff.
  - Manure safety, storage and handling on local farms.
  - Water monitoring
  - Invasive species monitoring

# Storm Water Issues

- Edward Worth, resident on Red Cedar Lane and Tim Senavaitis, resident on Lakeview Road sent a letter with concerns regarding the effects of water flow on their private roads and Seneca Lake.
- George Lawson, supervisor stated that there are no new culverts in the area, and that the water passes under State Route 14 through local streams, therefore this is a concern that needs to be addressed with Yates County.
- Tom Eskildsen, District Technician, offered that the Yates County Soil and Water Conservation District could observe, and provide recommendations.

## **Close Public Hearing for Preliminary 2020 Budget**

George Lawson made a motion to close the public hearing for the 2020 budget at 7:31PM, seconded by Jack Ossont, councilmen.

\*All in favor; none opposed- Motion carried.

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#### Inter-Municipal Agreement with District Attorney

• Agreement for shared serviced with Yates County District Attorney's Office for internet service at the townhall for court nights when the District Attorney and/or Assistant District Attorney are present.

## **Health Insurance**

 Candace Iszard, town clerk, requested permission to sign the Blue Cross and Blue Shield benefits and coverage agreement for health insurance for 2020.

## **Organizational Meeting**

- The year end and organizational meeting was scheduled for December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:30 PM. Candace Iszard,
- town clerk will put the notice in the paper.

# Wastewater Law

- A work session was scheduled for November 21st at 7:00 PM to further discuss the potential Wastewater Law changes. Jack Ossont, councilman, shared with the board the answers from Yates County Soil and Water Conservation District, regarding questions from the October wastewater workshop:
  - The reason Torrey chose not to incorporate the policies and procedures into the Wastewater Law was every change in the former would require a public hearing and new law whereas keeping them separate would only require a board resolution.
  - Holding tank inspections were for one year because of the potential for not keeping bad actors in accordance with the law. Colby Petersen feels that this may be changed to a 2- or 3-year inspection cycle later. He also stated that the inspector gets to know who can be trusted to be given some leniency on a firm one-year inspection cycle. However, there have been instances of multiple violations on the oneyear cycle.
  - A copy of the "*Homeowner's Wastewater Treatment System Assessment Form*" as referred to in the Torrey Wastewater Law under section 10-A paragraph 5 is available on the Town of Torrey website.
  - The fee schedule for property, transfer, comprehensive inspections in the Towns of Torrey, Milo and Barrington is \$50.00, \$75.00 in Jerusalem and by comparison; \$150.00 in Wayne. Colby feels that given the expense of these inspections and how long it's been since the fees were established \$100 is <u>not</u> unwarranted in most cases. We also discussed if there should be an initial comprehensive inspection in the lakeside Zone 1 residences given the nature of the terrain and that many have never been comprehensively examined. He discussed the types of systemic failures he's seen and that may be more common than we think.
  - As far as the appeals form referenced in section 15, there is not one. The Board's thinking is that other appeals come to the Board for adjudication and this could be handled similarly. A letter to the Board as it's currently handled through the Town Clerk should suffice as an appeal.
  - As far as the streams listed as A, B. and C under DEC designation only A is listed for potable use, B is for recreation, contact recreation like swimming and C is for fishing and not for contact recreation. For more information go to the DEC website and look for the Classification of Waters.

# Code Enforcement Report — Brian Quackenbush

Brian summarized various projects that have come before the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

- Highway Report—Ralph Warren
  - Ralph Warren, Highway superintendent reported they fell short on completing work scheduled for South Glenora Road. George Lawson, supervisor stated that he would like to quantify movement or changes. The highway crew is working of tying up the loose ends, mowing, and hauling sand for the winter. Ralph also mentioned that the budget will allow paving of 2 bays in the cold storage building to provide for more suitable storage of equipment as well as part of the parking lot in front of the garage bays.

Supervisor's Report — George Lawson

- Monthly financial report was received. George reviewed the budget amendments.
- George would like to research options and pricing for new furniture for board room.

# Town Clerk — Candace Iszard

• The monthly town clerk report was given to the Board.

## **Other Business**

• Paula Sullivan and Michael Hand, Aflac representatives, offered information for supplemental insurance. The board informed both representatives that following a short discussion at the October board meeting, the board agreed that if individuals are interested, they could pursue the insurance individually, as the Town of Starkey is not willing to administer it.

## **Executive Session**

George Lawson, Supervisor, dismissed all attendees and made a motion to enter executive session at 8:26 PM to discuss health insurance deductions.

George Lawson, Supervisor, made a motion to close the executive session and to return to regular meeting at 8:30pm.

## Resolutions

RESOLUTION 38 -2019

## 2020 Budget

On a motion by Alan Giles, councilmen, seconded by Jack Ossont, councilmen the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate Navs 0

RESOLUTION, OF THE TOWN BOARD ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2020.

WHEREAS, the Town Board, Town of Starkey, has met at the time and place specified in the notice of public hearing on the preliminary budget and those who appeared were heard thereon,

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby adopt the annual budget for 2020,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Town Board does hereby adopt such Preliminary budget as the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of January, 2020 and that such budget so adopted be on file in the office of the Town Clerk and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall prepare and certify in duplicate copies of said budget as adopted by this Town Board, together with estimates, if any, adopted pursuant to section 202A, sub.2 of the Town Law and deliver (2) two copies thereof to the supervisor of this Town to be presented to the Board of Legislators of Yates County.

# **RESOLUTION 39 - 2019**

# 2020 Fire Contract

On a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor, seconded by Alan Giles, councilmen the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate Nays 0

RESOLVED that following the advertised public hearing held November 7, 2019, this Town Board does hereby approve the proposed Fire Contract for 2020 with the Village of Dundee in the amount of \$189,885.00 and do hereby authorize the supervisor to sign and return (1) one copy to the Village of Dundee for signing.

# **RESOLUTION 40 - 2019**

# Inter-Municipal Agreement for Internet

On a motion by Fred Shoemaker, councilmen, seconded by Alan Giles, councilmen the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Starkey does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to sign Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Yates County District Attorney's Office as submitted for shared internet services.

#### **RESOLUTION 41 -2019**

#### **Health Insurance**

On a motion by Alan Giles, councilmen, seconded by Jack Ossont, councilmen the following resolution was ADOPTED Aves Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate 5 Nays 0

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF STARKEY TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS

WHEREAS, this resolution amends and supplements resolution no. 37-2013 and resolution no. 38-2017 WHEREAS, the following applies to employees and officials who, as of 10/5/17 are receiving Town subsidized health insurance.

Section 1. As of 1/1/2020 the employee/officer contribution will remain 20%.

Section 2. The Town will stay with BC/BS Platinum 3.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is authorized to complete and sign the required employer paperwork to continue coverage.

# **RESOLUTION 42 - 2019**

#### **Reimbursement of Wages**

On a motion by Jack Ossont, councilmen, seconded by Fred Shoemaker, councilmen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aves 5 Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate Navs 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board. Town of Starkey does hereby authorize the reimbursement of the unallocated deductions of employee health insurance contributions to Anthony DeStephen's.

## **Budget Transfers**

**RESOLUTION 43 - 2019** 

#### **Budget Amendments**

On a motion by Alan Giles, councilmen, the seconded by Fred Shoemaker, councilmen, the following resolution was

- ADOPTED Jack Ossont, Fred Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill Holgate Ayes 5 0
  - Navs

RESOLVED to make the following budget amendments for the 2019 General Funds and the 2019 Highway Funds GENERAL FUND

Increase Account A981 for Refund of Prior Year by \$150.00

Increase Account A1910.4 for Unallocated Insurance by \$150.00

Increase Account A5010.4 for HWY Superintendent Expense by \$123.00

Decrease A1990.4 Contingency Account by \$123.00

Decrease Account A5010.2 for HWY Superintendent Equipment by \$100.00

Increase Account A5010.4 for HWY Superintendent Expense by \$100.00

## **HIGHWAY FUND**

Increase Account DA2665 for Sale of Equipment by \$38,311.43

Increase Account DA5130.2 for Machinery & Equipment by \$38,311.43

# Audit of Claims

On a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor, seconded by Fred Shoemaker, councilmen, the bills contained in the November 2019 Abstract have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

	Gener	al Fund Voເ	Ichers Number: 211-G through 231-G	\$40,915.38
	Highw	ay Fund Voι	Ichers Number: 133-H through 149-H	\$32,787.83
Ayes	5	Jack Ossont, Fred S	Shoemaker, George Lawson, Alan Giles, Bill	Holgate
Navs	0		-	-

With no further business, on a motion by George Lawson, Supervisor the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

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Candace J. Iszard, Town Clerk