# SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, NOVEMBER 6, 2013

A special meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board for the 2014 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing was held on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Albert Emerson Town Hall with the following members present:

PRESENT: Kevin B. Geraghty Supervisor

John Alexander Councilman Bryan Rounds Councilman

Joyce Reed Councilwoman

Linda Baker Marcella Councilwoman

Others present: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; and Edward Pennock, Highway Superintendent.

**RESOLUTION #188-13** 

MOVE TO SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that this meeting be interrupted to hold a public hearing advertised and scheduled for this evening.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2014 PRELIMINARY BUDGET Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

A legal notice was printed in the Glens Falls Post Star on October 30, 2013; a copy of that legal notice was submitted for the record.

Supervisor Geraghty gave a brief presentation on the 2014 Preliminary Budget and the Special Districts listed, and stated the difference in the amounts to be raised by taxes from 2013 to 2014.

Councilperson Alexander reviewed some proposed budget appropriations and thanked Supervisor Geraghty for a job well done with the proposed Preliminary Budget.

Discussion ensued on the current Water rates and the current Sewer rates and the possibility of reducing those rates for 2014. It was decided an afternoon workshop session will be held in the near future for water and sewer. No one else wished to comment. Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

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#### DISCUSSION - BUDGET ITEMS

Discussion ensued on appropriations in the 2014 Budget. The Senior Citizen Building was discussed and the possibility of finding grant funds to rehab the building.

Discussion ensued on the sewer rates and the work that needs to be done at the Sewer lagoons.

Discussion ensued on the survey that Councilperson Baker-Marcella conducted, and, the possibility of scheduling a time to review the survey results. Councilperson Baker-Marcella wondered if the Town Board could send out a ten question survey with the next water bills and ask specific water related questions. Supervisor Geraghty said when he had done follow ups to the problems regarding water that were presented here the people contacted do not actual complaints, they are venting.

Discussion ensued on the meter reading program and the need to check to see where there are problems with metered accounts, monitoring the system.

## **RESOLUTION #189-13**

ADOPT 2014 TOWN OF WARRENSBURG BUDGET On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to adopt the 2014 Budget for the Town of Warrensburg.

DISCUSSION-APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE FOR MERRILL MAGEE INN, LLC

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining the Town has received an application for a liquor license for the Merrill Magee Inn LLC and a resolution is needed making a determination that

there is favorable opinion for the application, and, authorizing the Town Clerk to waive the thirty day licensing requirement.

### **RESOLUTION #190-13**

DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE FOR MERRILL MAGEE INN LLC

On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilwoman Baker-Marcella, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by the following vote:

AYES 5 Alexander, Geraghty, Reed, Baker-Marcella NAYS 0

ABSTENTION 1 Rounds

### DISCUSSION - POSTAGE METER MACHINE

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion telling the Town Board there is information in their packets regarding the mail machine that he received via email. Supervisor SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, NOVEMBER 6, 2013

Geraghty said the Town has a contact with Pitney Bowes, he would like the Town Board to take the information and review it and look at the cost.

Councilperson Baker-Marcella said she received this information and she would like to have the Town Clerk interview with each of the vendors, one of them provides the service for the Health Center and one of them provides the service for Glens Falls Hospital, they all have support available within four hours, the quotes they gave her were both for machine rental or purchase. Councilperson Baker-Marcella said all three quotes were below the Pitney Bowes lease amount by \$1800.00.

Town Clerk Combs asked the Councilperson if she was aware that the lease was just renewed in April 2013 and if she was aware that there is no charge for ink, seal and tapes with the Pitney Bowes contract.

Supervisor Geraghty suggested we could talk about that, if we can save money we might want to break the lease.

## **DISCUSSION - HIGHWAY CONTRACT**

Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board to review the proposed contact for the Highway Department.

Discussion ensued.

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk