

**MINUTES
TOWN OF WARRENSBURG
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
AND PUBLIC HEARING
OCTOBER 12, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
at Albert Emerson Town Hall**

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA YOUTUBE INTERNET BROADCAST AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE YOUTUBE LINK CAN BE FOUND ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.

PRESENT: Supervisor Kevin Geraghty
Councilperson John Alexander
Councilperson Bryan Rounds
Councilperson Richard Larkin

OTHERS PRESENT: Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk; Dani Oliver, Supervisors Secretary; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney; Joyce Reed, Water/Sewer Clerk; Ed Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Sandi Parisi, Town Historian; Laura Moore, Museum Director; Teresa Whalen, Beautification; and **Several Public Attendees, Sign in sheet available for review at the Town Clerks office.**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kevin Geraghty at 7:00 p.m. and Salute to the Flag.

APPROVE MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

RESOLUTION #127-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

RESOLVED, to approve the Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held on September 14, 2022.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

NAYS: None

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING:

Supervisor Geraghty opened the Public Hearing to consider the adoption of a Local Law to Override the Tax Cap for 2023 Budget Year.

Pam Lloyd, Town Clerk read the public notice.

COMMENTS:

Supervisor Geraghty stated that like every community around us we've had to create an Ambulance District and in doing so it becomes part of figuring of the tax cap even though it is a special district it falls under the preview of the Town Board. After review of the tax cap and the amount of \$ 345,000.00 that will be allocated to the Emergency Squad for full time services it puts the tax cap at \$325,475.00 over the allocation of what we can raise the taxes for the 2023. As promised to the tax payers it will be under a dollar per 1000. We don't have the assessed value to absorb this type of increase in our budget so that is the reason why we are asking to override the tax cap for 2023. All the board members agreed and there were no comments from the public.

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CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:

Supervisor Geraghty declared Public Hearing Closed at 7:07 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Amy Langworthy, Superintendent of Warrensburg Schools and Jennifer Switzer, Business Manager of Warrensburg Schools attended meeting to speak about the upcoming building renovation project at the Elementary and High Schools which requires to be voted on by the public. The public can vote on the Capital Project on October 25, 2022 at the High School.

DISCUSSION: Mrs Langworthy and Mrs Switzer started by providing some background on themselves and their focus on the much needed School upgrades. They supplied presentation picture boards showing the proposed renovations and newsletters and post cards that were sent out in the mail to community. They explained in detail how these renovations and upgrades to student programs will be very beneficial to the students, staff and the community of Warrensburg.

PLEASE SEE COMPLETE DISCUSSION ON THE YOUTUBE LINK LOCATED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

The Town Officials reports were received and read by the following: Town Clerk – Pamela Lloyd; Supervisor, Code Enforcement – Kevin Geraghty; Assessor, Justice, - John Alexander; Dog Report – No Report; Planning Department - Bryan Rounds.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

The Committee Reports were received and read by the following: Beautification – Teresa Whalen; Highway – Bryan Rounds; Economic Development – Richard Larkin; Landfill – Kevin Geraghty, Lighting – John Alexander; Historian – Sandi Parisi; Museum – Laura Moore; Parks/Recreation, Sewer/Water – Kevin Geraghty; Youth – No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD ADOPTING LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2022 OVERRIDING THE TAX CAP APPLICABLE TO THE 2023 BUDGET YEAR

RESOLUTION #128-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

WHEREAS, the Warrensburg Town Board held a duly noticed Public Hearing on October 12, 2022, to consider whether to override the tax levy limit established pursuant to New York General Municipal Law Section 3-c for the 2023 budget year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby adopts Local Law No. 1 of 2022 overriding the tax cap levy limit otherwise applicable to the 2023 Town Budget; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk, Town Legal Counsel and Town Supervisor are hereby authorized and directed to take any further action necessary to effectuate the stated purpose of this Resolution.

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

This Resolution was declared duly adopted by a vote of not less than sixty percent (60%) of the total voting power of the Warrensburg Town Board.

REQUEST TO INCREASE SEWER RATE BY \$25.00 PER QUARTER

RESOLUTION #129-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Warrensburg request to increase the Sewer Rate by \$25.00 per quarter to cover the costs of increased maintenance at the Sewer Plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved request to increase the Sewer Rate by \$25.00 per quarter.

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

Public Notice that the Water Department will be flushing hydrants starting on Monday October 17, 2022 thru October 28, 2022 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. No hydrant flushing on weekends.

Public Notice the 2022 Fall Brush and Leave pick up will on October 17th thru the 21st and October 24th thru the 28th. Hours of pick up are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. No weekend pick up.

REQUEST TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2023 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

RESOLUTION #130-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Warrensburg request to schedule the Public Hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget for October 26, 2022 at 4:30 pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved to set Public Hearing to review the Preliminary Budget.

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

Garage Sale was another success.

Comprehensive Plan Public Workshop will be held on Thursday October 27 from 5 – 7 p.m. at the firehouse on Elm Street. Public participation is encouraged. Refreshments will be served.

Reminder: The Warrensburg Volunteer Fire Company Halloween Parade to be held on October 31, 2022. Start time is 4:00 p.m. at Richards Avenue parking across from Hudson Headwaters Health Center.

APPROVE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS – (1)

RESOLUTION #131-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg request to approve the Budget Modifications as follows:

Budget Modifications

October 12, 2022

GENERAL FUND

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
A599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 6,250.00	
A4560.403	Medical Health Center - Rent 2021 Rent Fee paid in 2022		\$ 6,250.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approves the Budget Modifications

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

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APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFER – (3)

RESOLUTION #132-2022

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg request to approve the Budget Transfers:

**Budget Transfer
October 12, 2022**

GENERAL FUND

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
A3001	State Aid Per Capita	\$ 15,976.94	
A2750	State Aid Per Capita Transfer to new code		\$ 15,976.00
A7140.400	Beach - Contractual	\$ 3,192.11	
A1620.401	Buildings - Electric		\$ 1,200.00
A1620.402	Buildings - Fuel		\$ 500.00
A5132.402	Garage - Fuel		\$ 1,000.00
A7450.402	Museum - Fuel Transfer to cover expenditures		\$ 492.11

SEWER DISTRICT

SS8130.200	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	
SS8120.401	Sanitary Sewers - Electric Transfer to cover National Grid		\$ 10,000.00

WATER DISTRICT

SW8330.200	Purification Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	
SW8320.401	Source of Supply - Electric Transfer to cover National Grid		\$ 10,000.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approves the Budget Transfers.

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 **NAYS:** 0 **ABSENT:** 0

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

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REQUEST TO PAY WARRANTS ON ABSTRACT #10-2022

RESOLUTION #133-2022

ON MOTION OF: Councilperson John Alexander

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

DULY ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin

NAYS: NONE

RESOLVED, to pay the warrants outlined on **Abstract #10-2022** in the following amounts:

WARRANTS:	Total Claims:	\$322,264.37
	General Fund	\$47,340.31
	Cemetery Fund	\$141.64
	Highway fund	\$220,155.22
	Wastewater – Sludge	\$2,150.50
	Sidewalk Project	\$5,522.67
	Papermill Park	\$542.57
	Transmission Line	\$12,192.50
	Lighting District	\$9,058.97
	Sewer Fund	\$10,550.68
	Water Fund	\$14,609.31

COMMENTS:

Sarah Gebbie-Measeck, on Board of Trustees for Richards Library - Wanted to remind the Town of all the new programs they have every month that the director Shelby Burkhart has put together and they are posted on their website.

Sandi Parisi – Wanted to let the town know on Thursdays she will be working out of her office to help save on the electricity cost.

Laura Moore – Wanted to announce that the Bolton Warrensburg boys still undefeated and will going into their league championship game on Friday against Fort Ann.

Claire Bates - Gave a quick report on the outcome of the Summer Band Concerts. She stated that they had an average of 88 people a night in attendance coming from Fort Edward, Hudson Falls, Hadley, North Creek, Wevertown, and Johnsburg. She commented on how wonderful the bands were and she enjoyed overseeing the concerts and would like to do it again next year.

Supervisor Kevin Geraghty – Spoke on how proud the town is of all the boys and girls sports teams this year and how well they are doing.

PLEASE SEE COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS ON ALL COMMENTS ON THE YOUTUBE LINK LOCATED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE.

MEETING ADJOURN

On motion of Councilperson John Alexander, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm

**Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela M. Lloyd, Town Clerk**