

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF WARRENSBURG  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING  
NOVEMBER 8, 2023 - 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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk; Dani Oliver, Supervisors Secretary; Joyce Reed, Water/Sewer Clerk; Teresa Whalen, Beautification; Laura Moore, Museum; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney, 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 to the Salute to the Flag.**

**APPROVE MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS HELD ON OCTOBER 11, 2023 AND OCTOBER 19, 2023**

**RESOLUTION # 135-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander

**RESOLVED,** to approve the Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held on October 11, 2023 and October 19, 2023.

**RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**NAYS: None**

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:05 PM ON:**

**Local Law 3 of 2023 Abolishing of Warrensburg Constabulary Dept.**

Town Clerk, Pamela Lloyd read the Public Hearing Notice that was published on October 24, 2023 in the Post Star Newspaper.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Supervisor Geraghty explained the reason for Abolishing the Police Dept.:**

It's been about 2yrs since the town has been able to hire a part time officer for any patrols. The two (2) previous Officer have moved on to a Judge and the other a deputy sheriff. Also the changes for registry to keep the Dept. has become difficult. Kevin has been talking to (DCJS) the division of criminal justice and has decided to go through the procedure to abolish the Constabulary (Police) Dept.

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**Dave Matzner, Schroon River Rd** - Asked if there will be a cost savings? Supervisor Geraghty responded, that there will be a slight savings of \$4000 to 5,000 that was budgeted for a part time officer.

**SUPERVISOR GERAGHTY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING @ 7:08 PM**

**REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS:**

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Letter of resignation from Richard Larkin from the Town Board dated October 23, 2023. I would like to thank Rich for his time on the Town Board.

**Supervisor stated:** We are not going to fill the position until January 1, 2023 with the Two (2) new elected Town Councilmen.

Letter dated October 22, 2023 from Janet Tallman asking to be considered to fill the vacancy on the Town Board created by the resignation of Rich Larkin.

Thank you from the Warrensburgh Thurman Historical Society for contributing to the Annual Sticky Wicket Croquet Tournament and Picnic.

Wayne Flores who has a tree farm on Schroon River Road is donating a tree this year to be used as the Town Christmas Tree.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**REQUEST TO ALLOW SOUTH WARREN SNOWMOBILE CLUB, INC. TO TRAVEL ON VIELE POND ROAD**

**RESOLUTION #136-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander

**WHEREAS,** the Warrensburgh Town Board received a request from South Warren Snowmobile Club, Inc. to travel/maintain a seasonal snowmobile trail on Viele Pond Road.

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**WHEREAS**, a Landowner Agreement has been signed and will renew annually unless the Town has any modifications or changes to the agreement along current Certificate of Insurance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Warrensburg Town Board hereby approved the request from South Warren Snowmobile Club, Inc. to use Viele Pond Road for a seasonal snowmobile trail.

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds**

**RE-APPOINT JAMES HULL TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW (BAR)**

**RESOLUTION #137-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of Warrensburg received a request to Re-Appoint James Hull to the Board of Assessment Review (BAR) for a Five Year Term Starting October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2028.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved to Re-Appoint James Hull to the Board of Assessment Review (BAR) for a Five Year Term to end September 30, 2028.

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO.: 3 OF 2023 ABOLISHING THE TOWN CONSTABULARY DEPARTMENT**

**RESOLUTION #138-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board is considering adoption of proposed Local Law **No. 3 of 2023** entitled, “Local Law Abolishing the Constabulary Department in The Town of Warrensburg”, which Local Law would abolish the Town’s Constabulary Department; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of this legislation is authorized by New York Municipal Home Rule Law §10; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by Municipal Home Rule Law §20, the Town Board duly held a public hearing concerning such proposed Local Law on November 8, 2023 and heard all interested persons,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Warrensburg Town Board hereby adopts Local Law No. **3 of 2023** abolishing the Town’s Constabulary Department; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Town Clerk to file the Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law and acknowledges that the Local Law will take effect immediately upon filing by the Office of the Secretary of State; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board further authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor, Town Clerk and Town Counsel to take such other and further action as may be necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

**RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**REQUEST FOR OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDS FROM WARRENSBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR WLGS EXPENSES**

**RESOLUTION #139-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS**, the Warrensburg Town Board received a request from the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce for Occupancy Tax Funds in the amount of \$2,411.92 to use towards advertising expenses for the World’s Largest Garage Sale.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Warrensburg Town Board hereby approved the request for Occupancy Tax Funds from Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$2,411.92 for advertising of the World’s Largest Garage Sale.

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds**

**REQUEST FOR OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDS FROM WARRENSBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR A PROMO VIDEO PRODUCTION**

**RESOLUTION #140-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander

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**WHEREAS**, the Warrensburg Town Board received a request from the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce for Occupancy Tax Funds in the amount of \$2,538.50 as a down payment towards a Warrensburg Promo Video Production to use on LG TV.

**WHEREAS**, the balance of \$2,538.50 of the total cost of the Video Production will be requested after the video is complete.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Warrensburg Town Board hereby approved the request for Occupancy Tax Funds from Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$2,538.50 for a down payment towards a Promo Video Production.

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds**

**APPROVE TAX RELEVY ONTO 2024 TAXES FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE COST**

**RESOLUTION #141-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS**, the Warrensburg Town Board request to approve Tax Relevy onto 2024 Town/County Property Taxes to cover the cost of property maintenance/cleanup in the amount of \$4,147.88 which is authorized under the Code of the Town of Warrensburg.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the following Property tax bills to be amended to add omitted taxes and forward to Warren County to Relevy onto 2024 Town/County Property Taxes.

<b><u>TAXMAP #</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER/ADDRESS</u></b>	<b><u>RELEVY</u></b>	<b><u>REASON</u></b>
<b>210.20-1-10</b>	<b>MARK BRAINARD 7 BESWICK DRIVE</b>	<b>\$ 1,566.88</b>	<b>CLEANUP &amp; MATERIAL</b>
<b>211.9-2-12</b>	<b>3RDGENREALTY, INC. 19 KING ST</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>	<b>CLEANUP &amp; MATERIAL</b>
<b>210.12-3-2</b>	<b>WARRENSBURG, LLC 2 FOURTH AVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 456.00</b>	<b>CLEANUP &amp; DUMP FEES</b>
<b>211.13-1-43</b>	<b>ESTATE OF CRAIG HALL 49 ELM STREET</b>	<b>\$ 235.00</b>	<b>PROPERTY CLEANUP</b>
<b>211.9-4-7</b>	<b>320 MOHAWK AVE LLC 3885 MAIN STREET</b>	<b>\$ 470.00</b>	<b>PROPERTY CLEANUP</b>

210.12-3-1	<b>HECTOR VARGAS</b> 3951 MAIN STREET	\$ 235.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
210.15-2-10	<b>TAMMY BOLAND</b> 60 LAKE AVENUE	\$ 65.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
211.17-3-56	<b>JOSEPH DELCZEG</b> 20 RIDGE AVENUE	\$ 150.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
211.17-5-28	<b>EXR LLC</b> 31 SMITH STREET	\$ 235.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
210.20-1-11	<b>LAURIE BRAINARD</b> 129 LIBRARY AVENUE	\$ 65.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
210.2-1-1.2	<b>ABLE ENERGY NY, INC</b> 10 INDUSTRIAL PARK RD	\$ 425.00	PROPERTY CLEANUP
211.17-5-26	<b>JONNETTE ERMIGER</b> 34 SMITH STREET	<u>\$ 170.00</u>	PROPERTY CLEANUP

**TOTAL \$ 4,147.88**

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**REQUEST FROM WARRENSBURGH BEAUTIFICATION TO USE THE TOWN HALL FOR CHRISTMAS IN WARRENSBURG CELEBRATION**

**RESOLUTION #142-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS**, the Warrensburg Town Board received a request from Warrensburgh Beautification to use the Town Hall, 3797 Main Street on December 2<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>th</sup> 2023 for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas in Warrensburgh Celebration.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Warrensburg Town Board hereby approved the request from Warrensburgh Beautification to use the Town Hall for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas in Warrensburgh Celebration.

**DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilpersons Alexander, Rounds**

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**APPROVE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS – (3)**

**RESOLUTION #143-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

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

**Budget Modifications  
November 8, 2023**

**GENERAL FUND**

A1113	Occupancy Tax	\$ 33,301.60	
A6412.400	Occupancy Tax-Contractual		\$ 33,301.60
	Adjust for increase in revenue		

**SEWER DISTRICT**

SS511	Appropriated Reserves	\$ 25,000.00	
SS8130.400	Sewage Treatment/Dispos-Contr		\$ 25,000.00
	To use reserves to cover SS Plant Exp		

**WATER DISTRICT**

SW511	Appropriated Reserves	\$ 20,000.00	
SW8320.200	Source and Supply - Equipment		\$ 20,000.00
	To use reserves to cover water equipment		

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

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

**RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS – (3)**

**RESOLUTION #144-2023**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander  
**WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

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

**Budget Transfers  
November 8, 2023**

**CEMETERY FUND**

CM8810.200	Cemetery-Equipment	\$ 2,741.52	
CM8810.100	Cemetery-Personnel		\$ 1,820.00
CM8810.400	Cemetery-Contractual		\$ 775.00
CM9030.800	Cemetery-Social Security		\$ 146.52
	To cover payroll/expenditures		

**SEWER DISTRICT**

SS8120.120	Sanitary Sewers – Part-time	\$ 1,500.00	
SS8120.110	Sanitary Sewers – Overtime		\$ 1,500.00
	To cover payroll/expenditures		

**WATER DISTRICT**

SW8320.401	Source of Supply – Electric	\$ 3,701.85	
SW8340.400	Transmission & Distib- Contractual	\$ 11,216.95	
SW8320.110	Source of Supply – Overtime		\$ 1,200.00
SW8320.400	Source and Supply - Contractual		\$ 11,131.31
SW8330.400	Purification – Contractual		\$ 1,387.49
SW8330.120	Purification – Part-time		\$ 1,200.00
	To cover Payroll/Expenditures		

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

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

**RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES:   3        NAYS:   0        ABSENT:   0**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**REQUEST TO PAY WARRANTS ON ABSTRACT #11-2023**

**RESOLUTION #145-2023**

**ON MOTION OF:** Councilperson John Alexander

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

**AYES: Supervisor Geraghty, Councilperson Alexander, Rounds**

**RESOLVED**, to pay the warrants outlined on **Abstract #11-2023** in the following amounts:

<b>WARRANTS:</b>	<b>Total Claims:</b>	<b>\$328,222.96</b>
	General Fund	\$32,209.43
	Cemetery Fund	\$2,142.22
	Highway Fund	\$12,445.16
	Lighting District	\$7,693.81
	Sewer Fund	\$16,656.00
	Water Fund	\$27,573.48
	Sidewalk Project	\$1,064.21
	Sludge Removal	\$228,438.65

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**THE COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS AND COMMENTS CAN BE VIEWED ON THE YOUTUBE LINK LOCATED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE.**

**COMMENTS:**

Congratulations to all those who participated in the Town Elections and to our two new Town Board members Joq Quintal and Robert Sutphin, and Highway Superintendent Paul Bederian

**Supervisor Geraghty stated that starting at the December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting they will not be allowing the reading of some of the Committee reports unless you have something the public that needs to know. Please still submit your reports and they will be posted on the Town Website for all to read. We are trying to streamline the meetings so more business can be accomplished.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Susan Matzner from the Library** - she supplied the town with the November and December calendar of events happening at the Library and proceeded to read her report of what has been going on in the month of October.

**Laura Moore from the Museum** – she stated that they have changed the holiday gathering to holiday brunch at the Bond on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and will start from 12:30 pm.

**MEETING ADJOURN**

On motion of Councilperson John Alexander, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Pamela M. Lloyd, Town Clerk**