

REGULAR MEETING WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, SEPT. 12, 2018

The regular meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Kevin B. Geraghty
	Councilperson	Bryan Rounds
	Councilperson	John Alexander
	Councilperson	Linda Baker-Marcella
	Councilperson	Donne-Lynn Winslow

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney; Ed Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Steve Parisi, Sandi Parisi, Chip Webster, Jim Hull and numerous Town residents.

RESOLUTION #148-18

MINUTES

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was **ADOPTED**

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that the minutes of August 15, 2018; August 22, 2018 and Sept. 4, 2018 be accepted.

RESOLUTION #149-18

MOVE TO SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW # 3-18

On a motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Alexander, Rounds

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that this meeting be interrupted to hold a Public Hearing advertised and scheduled for this evening at 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING-LOCAL LAW #3-2018, RESCINDING CHAPTER 104 OF THE CODE

Supervisor Geraghty declared the public hearing open at 7:00 p.m.

Following distribution of the proposed Local Law to the Town Board members, a Notice of Public Hearing was posted in the Glens Falls Post Star on August 30, 2018 with the same being posted on the same date on the Town Clerk's bulletin board.

Town Clerk Combs read the Notice of Public Hearing for the record.

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Sandi Parisi- asked why the Town Board was rescinding Chapter 104 of the Code.

Supervisor Geraghty- told her it was not enforceable.

Supervisor Geraghty left the hearing open for public comment.

No one else wished to comment.

Supervisor Geraghty closed the hearing at 7:10 p.m.

The regular meeting was reconvened.

RESOLUTION #150-18

MOVE TO SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW #4-18

On a motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that this meeting be interrupted to hold a Public Hearing advertised and scheduled for this evening at 7:10 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING-LOCAL LAW #4-2018, AMENDING CHAPTER 141-16.1

Supervisor Geraghty declared the public hearing open at 7:10 p.m.

Following distribution of the proposed Local Law to the Town Board members, a Notice of Public Hearing was posted in the Glens Falls Post Star on August 30, 2018 with the same being posted on the same date on the Town Clerk's bulletin board.

Town Clerk Combs read the Notice of Public Hearing for the record.

Doug Goettsche – said he had not seen a copy of the Local Law and asked what changes were being made.

Supervisor Geraghty explained to Mr. Goettsche it was the definitions of the law that were being changed and suggested that he see a copy of the local law. Supervisor Geraghty said that there had been a lot of rumors about changing the price, that was not happening, he did not know where that started, it did not come from the Town Board; this is strictly changing the definitions to meet state law. Supervisor Geraghty read the definitions.

Supervisor Geraghty told Mr. Goettsche that was the only thing they were addressing tonight and said that if he had heard something else he got bad information. Supervisor Geraghty told Mr. Goettsche that he should read the law and said he would take any comments tonight.

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Supervisor Geraghty said they would keep the hearing open for ten minutes and go on with the Town business.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS

Reports were received and read from the following Town Officials: Town Clerk, Supervisor, Assessor, Justice, Dog Control Officer Planning and Zoning and Enforcement Officer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports were given from the following: Beautification, Highway, Landfill, Lighting, Historian, Museum, Parks and Rec., Sewer and Water and Youth.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

No one else wished to comment.

Supervisor Geraghty closed the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

RESOLUTION #151-18

SET 2019 TENTATIVE BUDGET MEETING

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the following resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Alexander, Rounds

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, to set a special meeting for September 26, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. to present the 2019 Tentative Budget to the Town Board.

RESOLUTION #152-18

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG WATER DISTRICT TO REPLACE THE WATER TRANSMISSION LINE.

On motion of Councilperson Rounds, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the attached resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Alexander, Rounds

NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #153-18

SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW FOR SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the attached resolution was ADOPTED

AYES: 5 Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS: 0

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RESOLUTION #154-18

AMEND RESOLUTION #130-18, DOG CONTROL OFFICER

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to amend Resolution #130-18, changing the salary from \$875.00 per month to \$750.00 per month with the amended amount to start in September, 2018.

RESOLUTION #155-18

ADOPT LOCAL LAW #3 RESCINDING CHAPTER 104 IN THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by Roll Call Vote

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #156-18

ADOPT LOCAL LAW #4 AMENDING CHAPER 104, SUBSECTION 141-16.1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by Roll Call Vote

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #157-18

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the attached resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #158-18

BUDGET TRANSFERS

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the attached resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

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**RESOLUTION #159-18
HIGHWAY BUDGET TRANSFERS**

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the attached resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #160-18

PAY BILLS

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED

AYES 5 Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Winslow

NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to pay the warrants as outlined on Abstract #9-18 in the following amounts:

General Fund	\$ 40,835.53
Highway Fund	\$137,732.05
Sewer Fund	\$116,730.92
Water Fund	\$ 8,562.38
Lighting	\$ 6,073.29
Paper Mill Cap.	\$ 802.55
Sidewalk Cap.	\$ 4,502.65
Sewer Cap.	\$ 802.55

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Tracy Jameson, 44 Smith Rd, Salem NY-told the Town Board she had been participated in the Garage Sale for 25 years and she was here this evening because she did hear a vicious rumor, that this evening the Town Board would be talking about raising permit rates and square footage and things like that. Ms. Jameson said she came early so her permit would be grandfathered in.

Supervisor Geraghty said he did not know where that started. Ms. Jameson said she came on Monday, she questioned the Town Clerk and the Town Clerk suggested she buy the permit because it was a possibility that it was going to increase. Ms. Jameson told the Town Board she was guilty, she did call people and tell them that because that is what she deemed from coming up here on Monday. Supervisor Geraghty told her that information was incorrect. Ms. Jameson said she felt that she had said enough, that if this information was coming from the Clerks' Office that possibly it is going to increase people are going to be in a fur bur about that.

Supervisor Geraghty said the Town Board's procedure for increasing any of their fees can be done through Board resolution. Supervisor Geraghty explained that there had been

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discussion on raising the fees because of a meeting with the Chamber of Commerce; the Chamber is losing money on the Garage Sale.

Supervisor Geraghty explained how the Chamber used to raise \$50,000.00 for Garage Sale, now because private people sell their lots to the vendors the money has dissipated.

Supervisor Geraghty said there are 200 and some odd permits sold on private properties and that is a problem, so if the Town is going to help and this is going to exist then the Town is going to have to look at raising the rates in the future.

Sandi Parisi, Library Ave- said that when they are walking they are noticing that there are red lines on the sidewalk on Hudson Street and asked what they were there for. Highway Superintendent explained the lines were there to show where the wires were, the lines are gone now.

Mrs. Parisi asked if there are any potential sidewalks going in from the Red Sherman residence to Cloverleaf Drive.

Supervisor Geraghty said they would certainly look to see if they could find funding.

Doug Goettsche, Main St.-said he wished to address the Board and explained he was Treasurer of the Chamber for three or four years. Mr. Goettsche said he understood both sides of the Garage Sale, but he would ask the Town Board to just be careful. Mr. Goettsche said that since the permits have gone in he only rents out probably two thirds of his lawn, they fill other places where they do not have to pay the permit fees so that is working well for them. Mr. Goettsche said that each year he offers vendor sites for the Chamber to have to rent, to help give them a few more sites. Mr. Goettsche said they have never needed them, they apparently do not rent all of their own. Mr. Goettsche said that he appreciates how the Town and the Chamber work together, it is an amazing event and he would hate to see it decline, it is considered in the top ten for the County.

Casey Skahan – said he co-runs the Pillars Antiques with Pat Wassel and told the Town Board that Pat has wanted to be here tonight but she is under the weather. Mr. Skahan said her concern is that a lot of the property owners use those funds to pay their taxes and maintenance fees on their properties so he knows many people are concerned. Mr. Skahan told the Town Board he understands that costs go up but he has been vending at events for almost fifty years and this is the most expensive permit anywhere.

Mr. Skahan said he was just in Benfield Massachusetts and that is the biggest antique fair in the North East and for the entire week the town permit is \$35.00.

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Supervisor Geraghty said that it was very, very unfortunate that people were told the rates were going to go up, they had discussed it but they never made any resolution to that fact.

Councilperson Alexander- said he needed to clarify that he is one of the property owners that rent to vendors and that he makes money on this. Councilperson Alexander said it is the Food Vendors that make the garbage, end of story. Councilperson Alexander said that if the time comes, he will probably abstain from the conversation because he has a conflict of interest.

Code Enforcement Officer Hull-asked why all of the Chamber members donate a 10x10 lot to the Chamber for Garage sale of donate the proceeds to the Chamber for one of their lots.

Richard Larkin- spoke to the Town Board regarding his feelings on lack of procedure for some of the businesses in Town that did not come in front of the Planning Board for approval.

Daniel Chamberlain – spoke to the Town Board regarding the Chamber of Commerce’s need to generate more revenue to survive.

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk