

TOWN OF CLARKSON
TOWN BOARD MEETING
October 27, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Clarkson held their regular meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at the Clarkson Town Hall, 3710 Lake Road, Clarkson, NY at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Christa Filipowicz	Supervisor
Allan Hoy	Councilperson
Patrick Didas	Councilperson
Tom Guarino	Councilperson
Leslie Zink	Councilperson
Susan Henshaw	Town Clerk
Robert Viscardi	Highway Superintendent
Richard Olson	Attorney for the Town

ALSO:

Kevin Moore	Building Inspector
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Supervisor Filipowicz opened the meeting. She led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for our service men and women, first responders, as well as those on the front lines fighting COVID.

OPEN FORUM

Martha Clasquin of 34 Sherwood Dr, spoke regarding Bergen's budget circumstances that she read about in the paper and wondered if we had similar circumstances. She hoped that it would be addressed in the budget presentation.

RESOLUTION #397
PUBLIC HEARING 2021 BUDGET

PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Filipowicz opened the Public Hearing for the 2021 Preliminary Budget

Supervisor Filipowicz summarized the cuts to projects and equipment that began early this year due to COVID. The Town Board has evaluated income/expenses with the same scrutiny for the FY 2021 budget as presented. COVID remains an unknown but we are being fiscally conservative in light of the loss of revenue.

The budget presented is \$41,779 below the tax cap and represents a modest 1.27% increase in the town tax rate. The allowable levy growth factor is: 1.56% (not 2%). This means we may raise the levy by \$14,356.

One change to the budget is in the AA.1081-the PILOT has been removed since it is anticipated that the NexAmp project will not go on the rolls in 2021. That line will be reduced from \$2,986 to \$650. This then increases the amount under the tax cap to \$41,779.

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Also noted due to a community host agreement with our first solar project, the town will receive \$400K restricted to the town hall. This allows much needed work to be done on this historical building, such as new windows, exterior rehab, etc. This is money that we will not have to raise from our residents.

No concerns from public.

Motion to close the public hearing

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION #398
2021 BUDGET

Motion to approve the 2021 Budget as amended

Introduced by Councilperson Guarino

Second by Councilperson Zink

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

OLD BUSINESS

Library MOU

Supervisor Filipowicz is meeting with Mayor Blackman, Supervisor Johnson and Interim Director for Seymour Library Sally Snow (tentatively) to discuss latest version of MOU on November 3.

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NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #399
HR WORKS

HR Works

Provided the Town Board with an estimate to update our Employee Handbook and provide a bank of HR hours for a total of \$2800.

Motion to approve the expenditure

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Second by Councilperson Didas

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION #400
SWBR TOWN HALL

SWBR – Town Hall

Councilman Didas discussed at 10/13 Town Board meeting the need for an orderly renovation, ensuring the best value for our money. On 10/16 Supervisor Filipowicz, Attorney Dick Olson and Building Inspector Kevin Moore met with Randy Sickler and Rich Linder from SWBR Architects regarding 2001 plan for the Town Hall generated by Barkstrom & LaCroix (recently retired/closed firm). Linder had worked for them on this project and is very familiar with the town hall and those plans. They have provided us with a proposal for their scope of services.

Motion to approve the expenditure-

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Second by Councilperson Guarino

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

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RESOLUTION #401
SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Social Media Policy

The board has received copies of the proposed Social Media Policy. This will become a part of the Employee Handbook.

Motion to approve the Social Media Policy

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION #402
HEALTH CARE PLAN CHANGE

Healthcare Plans

The board has received copies of the proposed healthcare plans from Bond and a plan has been eliminated. Recommendation to stay with Excellus Plans.

Motion to approve the Excellus Plan replacement for Simply Blue + Silver 4 that is no longer carried, and use Simply Blue + Silver 2 instead.

Motion to approve

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Second by Councilperson Guarino

Vote of the Board

AYES: Councilperson Didas, Councilperson Guarino, Councilperson Hoy, Councilperson Zink, Supervisor Filipowicz

NAYS: none

Supervisor Report:

- Thank you to Susan Henshaw for the successful Rabies Clinic 10/23. She and Dave Maynard did a great job along with Dr. Miller (Clarkson) and Dr. Edwards (Brockport). Several hundred dogs, cats and ferrets were vaccinated in two hours. Pet Food Pantry volunteers provided 1100 pounds of food to those in need.
- Thanks also to Susan for the beautiful fall decorations outside on the porch and the gardens.
- Pat Galinski, Seymour Library trustee provided an update.
- Monroe County Supervisor's conference call continues, now every other week.

Town Clerk Report:

Susan Henshaw reiterated the success of the Rabies Clinic and thanked our partners in Hamlin.

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Highway Dept. Report:

Superintendent Bob Viscardi discussed they had over 250 people participate for Junk Day 2020 and this was their largest event ever. Bob advised the water line on Roosevelt should be approved through Monroe County soon and job should be completed by Thanksgiving.

RESOLUTION #403
MINUTES

Introduced by Councilperson Didas
Seconded by Councilperson Hoy
Approval of meeting minutes of 10-13-2020

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #404
AUDIT 10-13-2020

To authorize payment of audit 10-13-2020 totaling \$34,164.17. AA General \$11,145.82, BB General \$2,606.53, DA Highway \$15,024.09, HH Capital Projects \$4,822.68, Sewer \$565.05 and Distribution of checks: Trust and Agency #6124-6125, Joint Checking #35908--35954.

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy
Seconded by Councilperson Didas

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #405
ADJOURN

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy
Seconded by Councilperson Zink
To adjourn the meeting at 6:22 pm.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Henshaw
Town Clerk

Approved 11-10-2020