

TOWN OF READING BOARD MEETING

November 9, 2022

PRESENT: Deputy Supervisor P. Gill, Councilperson R. Everett, Councilperson C. Richtmyer, Councilperson C. Stamp, Hwy. Supt. J. Switzer, and Clerk T. Alger.

ABSENT: Supervisor S. Miller

VISITORS:

Carol Everett, 3016 Lover's Lane, WG
Karen Storm, 3006 Lover's Lane, WG
Steve Williams, 3860 County Rd 2, Hector NY
Elizabeth Williams 3860 County Rd 2, Hector, NY
Alice Conklin, 2155 Altay Rd

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Mark Rondinaro, Schuyler County Legislature, provided October Sales Tax Information. October Sales Tax Revenue was \$797,708 for an increase of \$168,658 or 21.14% from 2021. Our YTD Sales Revenue is up \$602,294 from 2021 or 5.33%.

Alice Conklin, RSVP Volunteer-Insurance Coordinator, expressed her concern about the Schuyler County Legislature contracting with Cayuga Health Systems for a new ambulance service in the County. The Elderly will be the most affected by this new contract as several supplemental insurance options available to them are out of the Network of Cayuga Medical and therefore they will be the most negatively affected by this new contract.

Steve Williams, VP of the Schuyler County Volunteer Ambulance spoke of the new contract and how it will negatively affect the Volunteer Ambulance. They will be losing much needed income from losing transport and ambulance services. He disputed the negative publicity the Schuyler County Volunteer Ambulance has received regarding slow response time. They will continue to service the Town of Reading, Dix, and some of Hector and plan on sticking around.

RESOLUTION #69 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to accept the October 12 minutes as written. Seconded by Councilperson C. Richtmyer

AYES: Councilperson P. Gill
Councilperson R. Everett
Councilperson C. Stamp
Councilperson C. Richtmyer

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION #70 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to accept the October 25 Special Meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Councilperson C. Richtmyer

AYES:	Councilperson P. Gill	NAYS: none
	Councilperson R. Everett	
	Councilperson C. Stamp	
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING: 2 Site Plan Applications were approved at the October meeting. K. VanHorn, Sch. County Planner, would like all Site Plan Applications and Subdivision Applications going forward to be sent to her before approval if located on any County or State Rd

HIGHWAY: Superintendent J. Switzer read his report.

LANDFILL: No Report

CLERK: Clerk Alger read her report

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor, S. Miller, has signed the contract with Hale Roofing per approval of the Town Board. They would like 50% down payment at start of project and 50% at completion.

The Town Board is continuing to work on adopting a Local Law to include part 1203 of article 19 of the NYS Compilation of codes, rules and requirements. (NYCCRR). Upon further discussion with Town Attorney, Guy Krogh, it is not a revision of Local Law #2 of 2007, but rather a new local law will need to be drafted and a public hearing will need to be held. This cannot possibly be done by the NYS requested deadline of December 31, 2022.

Village of Dundee has sent us information detailing the cost per child of utilizing the Summer Youth Program. The cost for the Town of Reading would be \$18.11 per child attending residing in the Town of Reading, but in the Dundee School District. We have \$500 budgeted for Youth Programs in 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

A Special Board meeting will be held at 6pm on November 16, 2022 for Final approval of the 2023 budget

The Town Board reviewed the 5 year Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of Reading and the Town of Dix for Joint Code Enforcement Services.

RESOLUTION #71 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to allow Supervisor S. Miller to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of Reading and the Town of Dix for Joint Code Enforcement Services pending any changes. Seconded by Councilperson R. Everett

AYES: Councilperson P. Gill
Councilperson R. Everett
Councilperson C. Stamp
Councilperson C. Richtmyer

NAYS: none

Dr. Benjamin Saks has offered his services to be our Public Health Officer for 2023.

The Schyler County Real Property Director, K. Anderson, has notified the Townships that they will no longer be able to utilize their equipment to send out perforated tax bills to Townships as they have in the past. It is recommended that the Townships allow a 3rd party vendor to fold, stuff and mail tax bills to residents using a bulk mailing postage rate. Many questions were asked by the Town Clerks regarding cost of paper and envelopes, and additional information that can be added to the Tax Bills. The Towns will not be charged additionally to have the vendor print, fold and stuff tax bills. The only cost for us will be for the postage. It is recommended that Townships take advantage of this cost savings.

RESOLUTION #72 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion allow a 3rd Party vendor to fold, stuff and mail the 2023 Town and County Tax Bills and the Town of Reading will be invoiced for the postage costs. Seconded by Councilperson R. Everett

AYES: Councilperson P. Gill
Councilperson R. Everett
Councilperson C. Stamp
Councilperson C. Richtmyer

NAYS: none

Jaynes Auto Junk Yard – No information provided due to absence of Supervisor Miller.

COMMUNICATION:

RESOLUTION #73 Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to pay Abstract # 011 as follows; seconded by Councilperson R. Everett

General Town wide	\$	5,621.27
Town Outside Village	\$	31.25
Highway Town wide	\$	6,236.02
Highway Outside Village	\$	105,86.08
Sewer	\$	142.34
Total:		\$109,896.96

AYES:

Councilperson P. Gill
Councilperson R. Everett
Councilperson C. Stamp
Councilperson C. Richtmyer

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION #74 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:30pm
Seconded by Councilperson C. Richtmyer

TOWN OF READING SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
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ABSENT: Councilperson R. Everett

VISITORS: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION #75 Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to accept and adopt the 2023 Town Budget. Seconded by Councilperson P. Gill

AYES:	Councilperson P. Gill	NAYS: none
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson C. Stamp	
	Supervisor S. Miller	

RESOLUTION #76: Councilperson P. Gill made a motion to allow Supervisor S. Miller to prepay 2 invoices that were received after the November 9th Board Meeting, but need to be paid in November. The invoices are Invoice 42860 in the amount of \$945 from Thaler and Thaler P.C. for legal services of Town Attorney, G. Krogh and \$480 payable to ABS for a postage deposit for mailing of our Town and County tax bills.

AYES:	Councilperson P. Gill	NAYS: none
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson C. Stamp	
	Supervisor S. Miller	

RESOLUTION #77 Councilperson P. Gill made the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the assessor is hereby directed to update assessments with a complete reappraisal of all properties for the 2023 assessment roll, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to enter a memorandum of understanding with the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services in order to comply with Real Property Tax Law Section 1573 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign off on a plan, approved pursuant to the rules of the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance, for maintaining assessments.

Seconded by Councilperson C. Stamp

AYES: Councilperson P. Gill	NAYS: none
Councilperson C. Richtmyer	

Councilperson C. Stamp
Supervisor S. Miller

RESOLUTION #78 Councilperson P. Gill made a motion to adjourn special meeting at 6:15 pm Seconded by Councilperson C. Richtmyer

2023 TOWN BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

NOVEMBER 9, 2022

PRESENT: Deputy Chairperson P. Gill, Councilperson C. Richtmyer, Councilperson R. Everett, Councilperson C. Stamp, Town Clerk T. Alger, Bookkeepers, H. Ribble

ABSENT: Supervisor S. Miller

VISITORS:

Don Chutas, Planning Board Chairman

Carol Everett, 3016 Lovers Lane

Karen Storm, 3006 Lovers Lane

Alice Conklin 2155 Altay Rd.

The meeting was called to order with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance at 7 p.m.

The Board checked over the budget and bookkeeper H. Ribble was available to answer any questions and provide needed clarification.

Alice Conklin: Asked about the fire districts cost

Don Chutas: Asked about Highway Dept receiving an adequate wage increase

RESOLUTION # 68: Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson R. Everett