

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN
NOVEMBER 21, 2016**

The Regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown was called to order by **Lawrence Eckhardt** at **7:02PM** at the Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

(X) Supervisor Lawrence Eckhardt	(X) High. Superin. Alden Goodermote
(X) Councilman Chris Demick	(X) Assessor Jennifer Van Deusen
(X) Councilman William Jennings	(X) Clerk to the Assessor Thomas MacVeigh
() Councilman Philip Roder - ABSENT	
(X) Councilman Gerald Robinson	
(X) Town Clerk Stephanie Wagar	

A quorum (X) was () wasn't established.

5 from the Public were present

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

- Claim #298-16 through #333-16 in the amount of **\$13,549.64** from the **General Account**
- Claim #213-16 through #232-16 in the amount of **\$181,771.31** from the **Highway Account**
- For a **Total of \$195,320.95** were audited and approved by the Town Board.

MOTION BY: DEMICK

SECONDED BY: JENNINGS

VOTES OF: 4 AYE

0 NAY

Minutes of the **OCTOBER 17th, 2016 Regular Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 3 AYE

0 NAY 1 ABSTAINED (DEMICK)

TABLE - NOT ENOUGH COUNCILMAN TO VOTE

Minutes of the **OCTOBER 24th, 2016 Public Hearing on 2017 Preliminary Budget** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

VOTES OF: AYE NAY ABSTAINED

Minutes of the **NOVEMBER 14th, 2016 Special Meeting on the Override of the Tax Levy and Adoption of the 2017 Budget** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: DEMICK

VOTES OF: 4 AYE

0 NAY

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: The Town Clerk turned over the sum of **\$1,069.48** to the Supervisor for the month of **OCTOBER 2016**.

JUSTICE COURT REPORT: The distribution from the office of the State Comptroller, Justice Court Fund to the Town of Stephentown for the month of **SEPTEMBER 2016** was **\$1,347.00** and for the month of **OCTOBER 2016** was **\$3,369.00 (Town portion)**.

L. Eckhardt: introduces Town Officials to John Dowd, Attorney from Dreyer Boyajian

TRANSFER STATION REPORT: The Transfer Station deposited a total of \$_____. for the month of **OCTOBER 2016.**

Bags: \$ C&D: \$ Metal: \$ Tires: \$
Stickers: \$ Appl.: \$ Propane Tanks: \$ Electronics: \$

REPORT IS NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

ACCOUNT TOTALS:

GENERAL \$126,147.44 HIGHWAY \$466,864.37
GENERAL RESERVE FUND \$250,423.34 HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND \$ 236,657.94
BEACON ESCROW \$ 885.19
BEACON ESCROW FOR PLANT (BOND) \$5,000 & \$70,000.

REPORT FROM THE TOWN BOARD:

RESOLUTION #60 - 16 2017 MATERIALS BID TO COMPLETE ROAD WORK AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN ROADS

WHEREAS: there is a need to purchase materials to complete the Town Road work, and

WHEREAS: the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for such bids, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: that the Town requests sealed bids on these materials. Bid specs will be available at the Town Clerk's Office beginning Monday, November 28, 2016, be it further

RESOLVED: that all sealed bids with a non-collusion form are due to the Town Clerk's Office by 7:00PM on Friday, December 16, 2016. Mailed or delivered to the Town Clerk at 26 Grange Hall Road in Stephentown, NY 12168.

MOTION BY: ROBINSON **SECONDED BY:** DEMICK

VOTES OF: 4 AYE 0 NAY

RESOLUTION #61 - 16 AUTHORIZING THE EXTENTION OF THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE EASTERN RENSSELAER COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (ERCSWMA)

WHEREAS: the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority manages MSW programs, Recycling programs, Household hazardous waste programs and Education programs; and

WHEREAS: the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority service agreements are all coming to an end in the next three months at staggered dates for their member communities, and the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority board of directors has determined that due to large projects currently in progress, that it would be in the best interest and benefit of the member municipality's to extend these service agreements one year to further pursue these projects; and

WHEREAS: the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority service agreements would remain unchanged to the current agreements; and

WHEREAS: it is necessary that a Contract by and between the Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority, herein called the ERCSWMA, and the Town of Stephentown be executed; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: the members of the Stephentown Town Board to extend the ERCSWMA service agreement for 1 year from the end of the current agreement, more specifically from January 1st, 2017 to December 31st, 2017.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS **SECONDED BY:** ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 4 AYE 0 NAY

RESOLUTION #62-16

ANNUAL AUDIT OF THE TOWN COURT FINANCIALS

WHEREAS: the State of New York Unified Court System requires that the Town Court financials be audited annually, and

WHEREAS: the Stephentown Town Board completed this audit for the Fiscal year 2015 on October 21st, 2016, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: that the Stephentown Town Board accepts the audit for the fiscal year 2015 of the Stephentown Town Court as complete.

TABLE – BOARD WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW THE REPORT

B. JENNINGS: asked Town Clerk Wagar to make a copy to provide to board

S. WAGAR: stated copies were put in all councilmen’s mailboxes on the 21st of October when Supervisor Eckhardt handed in the report to the Town Clerk

Board agreed to table until further review of report is made.

MOTION TO TABLE: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: ECKHARDT

VOTES OF: 4 AYE

0 NAY

RESOLUTION #63-16

SATISFY NEW YORK STATE DOT STATEWIDE GIS PUBLIC ROADS PROJECT

WHEREAS: the New York State Department of Transportation (“NYSDOT”) initiated the Statewide GIS Public Roads Network Project to ensure that all local highway inventory records have accurate lengths that match measurements from aerial photography and GIS mapping, and

WHEREAS: Town Highway Superintendent Alden W. Goodermote determined the length of said town roads by using the Rensselaer County GIS mapping program and use of a RAC GEO2 distance meter, now therefore be it further,

RESOLVED: that the Town Board of the Town of Stephentown, Rensselaer County, New York, hereby authorizes Town Highway Superintendent Goodermote to keep and accept the Town roads as named and measured for the Local Highway Inventory as set forth in Schedule “A” annexed hereto, which reflects a total mileage of 49.35 for town roads.

MOTION BY: ECKHARDT

SECONDED BY: ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 4 AYE

0 NAY

P. RODER: is this what we expected or are we going to lose mileage?

A. GOODERMOTE: going to lose a little over a mile, it would be nice not to have to maintain some of these roads but it’s not going to happen.

RESOLUTION #64-16

ACCEPTING ROADS AS TOWN HIGHWAYS FOR PURPOSES OF THE LOCAL HIGHWAY INVENTORY

WHEREAS: the New York State Department of Transportation (“NYSDOT”) is conducting a Statewide GIS Public Roads Network Project, the purpose of which is to reconcile the roads shown in the Geographic Information System Network, created by the NYSDOT with the records maintained in the Local Highway Inventory (“LHI”), and

WHEREAS: NYSDOT has advised the Town of Stephentown that it should adopt a resolution accepting as town highways five roads that the Town Highway Department already works and maintains, which will then be added to the LHI, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: that the Town Board of the Town of Stephentown, Rensselaer County, New York, hereby (a) consents that the Town Highway Superintendent make an order laying out the following roads as town

