

TOWN OF ASHLAND
12094 ROUTE 23
ASHLAND, NEW YORK 12407

Town Board Meeting
JANUARY 10, 2022

In Attendance:

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| Supervisor | Richard E. Tompkins |
| Councilman | James Lawrence |
| Councilman | Scott Tuttle |
| Councilman | Jeff Gonzalez |
| Councilwoman | Cathi Aplin |
| Town Clerk | Dawn Thorp |

ATTENDING MEETING: Christopher Hamilton

1-2] Supervisor Tompkins opened the meeting at 7:35PM with the Pledge to the Flag.
Councilman Tuttle will be late.

3]Comments form the Floor: There were no comments from the floor.

4] Christopher Hamilton Variance: The Planning Board had advised him he would need-a variance. Mr Hamilton addressed the Board regarding his plans with copies of his plans. The Board reviewed and asked about the reserve ph 2, it may be something he will not need or want to add. The board members advised him if in the future he wanted the reserve, he then would need to apply for a variance. The Supervisor added we will check with the town Attorney, Tal Rappleyea, regarding the reserve ph 2, the Town Clerk will let Mr Hamilton know if a hearing is needed.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jeff Gonzales, seconded Councilman James Lawrence to set a public Hearing if necessary. Motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins- Lawrence- Gonzalez- Cathi Aplin
Opposed 0

5] Agreement Decker - Reviewed

6] Rental Agreement with Ashland Fire District: After review by the Board members.

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence, Seconded by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin to authorize the Supervisor to Sign the agreement, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez--Cathi Aplin
Opposed 0

7] Tal G. Rappleyea ESQ Retainer Letter 2022: Read for information, this is required policy now.

8] Town Board Resolution # 1 Procurement Policy 2021 was read by the Supervisor.

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence to adopt the Procurement Policy, seconded by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

9] Town Board Resolution #2 Cash Management and Investment Policy: was read by the Supervisor.

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence to adopt this Policy, seconded by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Aplin
Opposed 0

10]Town Board Resolution #3 Prepayment of approved Utility Bills and certain invoices-

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence to authorize this resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Aplin
Opposed 0

12] Town Board Resolution # 5 Official Newspaper:

A motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Aplin
Opposed 0

13]Town Board Resolution # 6 Appointed Custodial Banks-was read by the Supervisor

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin to authorize this resolution, seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Aplin
Opposed 0

14] Town Board Resolution # 7 Petty Cash Disbursement- was read by the Supervisor

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 4 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

Councilman Scott Tuttle Arrived 7:55pm

15] Town Board Resolution # 8 Senior Citizens, Low Income and Landowners who are disabled with Low Income: was read by the Supervisor.

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution By Councilman Scott Tuttle seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Tuttle-Aplin-
Opposed 0

11]Town Board Resolution # 4 2021 Appointments: Councilman Tuttle gave the board his findings on code enforcement candidates, he had spoken with Robert Myers, he thought he would be a good choice, with further discussion the Board went through each appointment listed.

A Motion to approve this resolution with the change of Code Enforcement Officer to Robert Myers was made by Councilman Scott Tuttle seconded by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tuttle-Aplin-Tompkins-Lawrence-Gonzalez
Opposed 0

16] Balance Accounts for 2021:

Town Board Resolution #9: for General Fund To balance Accounts with unappropriated fund balance, and increase the Appropriation Account for the expense.

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Tuttle-Aplin
Opposed 0

Town Board Resolution #10 for Highway Fund was read by the Supervisor, to balance Accounts with unappropriated fund balance, and increase revenues in the Appropriation Account for the expense.

A motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilman James Lawrence seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

Town Board Resolution # 11: for the Sewer District was read by the supervisor to balance Accounts with unappropriated fund balance, and increased revenues in the Appropriation Account for the expense.

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin, seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez- Tuttle-Aplin
Opposed 0 Absent 1

Town Board Resolution #12: for the Water District was read by the Supervisor to balance Accounts with unappropriated fund balance, and increase revenues in the Appropriation Account for the expense.

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Tuttle-Aplin
Opposed 0

Town Board Resolution #13: Real Property Tax Law #11.1 introduced by Governor Hochul the end of December. This is to authorize exemptions from 2021 to 2022 dispensing the need for taxpayers to reapply in person for the exemption this year.

A Motion was made By Councilman James Lawrence, seconded by Councilman Scott Tuttle to authorize this resolution, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

17] General Fund Resolution#1-balance accounts:

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

18] Highway Fund Resolution#1-balance accounts:

A motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

19] Sewer District Resolution #1 Balance Accounts:

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

20] Water District Resolution #1Balance Accounts:

A Motion was made to authorize this resolution by Councilman James Lawrence, seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

21]Pay Raises: After a lengthy discussion, and questions, this will be tabled for next meeting.

22]Greene County Paramedics-2022 Contract: The Board reviewed this contract,

A Motion was made to authorize the supervisor to sign this contract by Councilwoman Cathi Aplin seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

23] Lamont Engineers General Services Agreement for 2022:

This was reviewed and discussed a motion was made to authorized this agreement by Councilman Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin
Opposed 0

24] Lamont Engineers-Gravel Bank Bridge: This has been inspected and the information for what is needed. We will address the legal information with the Town Attorney.

25] Ambulance: will need to discuss at another meeting

26] Ambulance Fees Collected:Diane Cross has the balance sheets for review, after review they board signed them.

27] CBDG Program: Read for Information: The Town received an award letter regarding the grant for town taxpayers.

28]Jeff Gonzalez Letter: regarding his resignation from the planning Board to take his elected position as Councilman.Read for Information.

29] Town Clerk's December monthly Report:

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence, seconded By Councilman Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the report, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin

Opposed 0

30] Town Clerks Annual report January through December of all transactions for the year:

A Motion was made by Councilman James Lawrence, seconded By Councilman Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the report, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Tuttle-Gonzalez- Aplin

Opposed 0

31] Wood Chipper/Broom Sweeper: After questions and pricing review the Board asked Larry Tompkins to look into sizes, safety options and other pricing of what is available.

Payment of Bills:

The Board reviewed and audited the bills;

General Fund Warrant #1 \$16,101.80

Highway Fund Warrant #1 \$ 18,808.76

Water District Fund Warrant #1 \$ 2,003.76

WWTP Fund Warrant #1 \$ 24,263.05

A Motion to pay bills as written was made by Councilman James Lawrence, seconded by Councilman Jeff Gonzalez, motion was;

Adopted: Aye 5 Tompkins-Lawrence- Gonzalez-Tuttle-Aplin

Opposed 0

A Motion to close at 9:25 pm was made by Councilman Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilman James Lawrence, all in favor.

Dawn Thorp

Town Clerk

Dated: January 10, 2022