



Town Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

This regular meeting was held via Zoom and Facebook Live and began at 6:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

- Supervisor Parete called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Parete took roll call:

Supervisor Parete – Present via Zoom

Councilwoman Foote – Present via Zoom

Councilman LaFera – Present via Zoom

Councilman Hunt – Present via Zoom

Councilman Stewart – Present via Zoom

Also, present – Heather Moody, Town Clerk/Tax Collector,

PRESENTATION; CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

- Bill Truel, AARP volunteer, presented Jill McLean, Recreation Director and Jessica Phelan, Assistant Recreation Director a certificate of appreciation for helping coordinate the use of the Community Center for the AARP Tax Aide Program. The AARP Tax program is a free service of tax preparation. Mr. Truel expressed wanting to return next year to use the Community Center.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Town Clerk Moody submitted the following vouchers for approval:

<u>5/4/2021</u>	<u>Vouchers</u>	<u>Total Payment</u>
General Fund	V#261-282	\$5,065.34
Highway Fund	V#160-174	\$35,143.08
High Falls Water District	V#45-51	\$10,179.51
RMC	V#	\$

A motion was made by Councilwoman Foote and Seconded by Councilman Stewart to approve these vouchers.

Councilman Stewart Voting Aye

Councilman LaFera Voting Aye

Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye

Councilman Hunt Voting Aye

Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0 Aye; motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES:

Councilman Hunt made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Foote to approve the meeting minutes from the 4/20/2021 town board meeting. 5-0 Aye; motion carried.

Councilman Stewart Voting Aye

Councilman LaFera Voting Aye

Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye

Councilman Hunt Voting Aye

Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0 Aye; motion carried.

RESOLUTION#43-2021 CHANGE ORDER # 1 FOR RONDOUT MUNICIPAL CENTER GENERATOR

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman LaFera seconded by Councilman Hunt:

WHEREAS, in 2020 the Town of Marbletown signed a contract with CDE Electric, Inc., 685 Vernal Butler Road, Cairo, New York for the installation of a generator at the Rondout Municipal Center; and

WHEREAS, CDE Electric is asking for a no cost time extension for 90 days due to shipping & delivery delays relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorizes the Supervisor to sign said Change Order #1 for Contract #4E; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution is contingent upon a like resolution being passed by the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Stewart Voting Aye

Councilman Lafera Voting Aye

Councilman Foote Voting Aye

Councilman Hunt Voting Aye

Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0 Aye; Resolution #43-2021 was thereupon adopted.

- Supervisor Parete stated there could be additional costs, which would be split between Marbletown and Rosendale.

RESOLUTION #44-2021 HIRING BRINNIER AND LARIOS WATERLINE EXTENSION STUDY

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote seconded by Councilman Stewart:

WHEREAS, the Town Board would like to study the possibility of creating a municipal water district along the current Ulster Community College Water line route and the Stone Ridge area, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown does hereby approve the hiring of Brinnier and Larios, P.C. 67 Maidan Lane Kingston, NY 12401 for the above-mentioned services in the amount not to exceed \$20,000, and

FUTHER RESOLVED, the Supervisor shall authorize each scope of work in consultation with the Town Board.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Stewart Voting Aye

Councilman Lafera Voting Aye

Councilman Foote Voting Aye

Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye
5-0 Aye; Resolution #44-2021 was thereupon adopted.

- A survey is scheduled to be mailed out to a number of residents in Stone Ridge to gauge the interest in extending the water line and to get an idea from residents what issues with water they are experiencing.

RESOLUTION#45-2021 COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION AGREEMENT

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman LaFera seconded by Councilman Hunt:

WHEREAS, This Community Choice Aggregation Electricity Supply Agreement (“ESA” or “Agreement”) is made as of April 28, 2021 between:

The Town of Marbletown, a Town in the State of New York, with a principal place of business at 1925 Lucas Avenue, Cottekill, NY 12419 (the “**Municipality**”).

Columbia Utilities LLC, a Limited Liability Company organized in the State of [STATE OF ORGANIZATION/INCORPORATION] duly authorized to do business in the State of New York with a principal place of business at 8751 18th Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11214 (“**Competitive Supplier**” or “**Supplier**”); and

Joule Assets, Inc., a corporation incorporated in the State of Delaware duly authorized to do business in the State of New York, with a principal place of business at 22 Edgemont Road, Katonah, New York 10536 (“**Joule**” or “**Program Administrator**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Joule Assets sought approval of a community choice energy aggregation (“**Community Choice Aggregation**” or “**CCA**”) program through the Public Service

WHEREAS, by Order effective March 16, 2018 (Case 14-M-0224:

<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=14-m-0224>), the PSC approved and authorized Joule to implement its CCA program.

WHEREAS, the Joule CCA program is intended to include Eligible Consumers, and to permit the aggregation of electric purchases within the communities that elect to participate.

WHEREAS, the Municipality has adopted a Local Law to participate in the Joule Community Choice Aggregation Program (the “**Program**”) to aggregate consumers located within the Municipality and to negotiate competitive rates for the supply of electricity for such consumers, and

WHEREAS, the Program allows Municipality to solicit competitive bids for the supply of electricity individually or as part of a buying group with other municipal aggregations;

WHEREAS, the Municipality has indicated that it desires to offer a 100% renewable supply option to Participating Consumers as a “default” option (the “CCA Renewable Electricity Product” as defined below) with the potential for Participating Consumers to have the ability to change to an alternate product option consisting of the alternative standard product described in EXHIBIT A - Part 2 (the “CCA Conventional Electricity Product” as defined below);

WHEREAS, Joule and Municipality have entered into a Community Choice Aggregation Agreement (the “CCA Agreement”) pursuant to which Joule and Municipality agreed, among other things, that Joule would provide certain energy services to Municipality in relation to a CCA Program including acting as Program Administrator.

WHEREAS, Municipality desires to implement a CCA Program with Joule serving as Program Administrator,

WHEREAS, the Municipality has resolved, among other things: (a) to authorize Joule to issue an electricity supply RFP to suppliers to provide electricity to Participating Consumers (as defined below); (b) to authorize Joule to award an electricity supply contracts in accordance with such RFP; (c) to approve the form of this ESA;

and (d) to authorize execution of an ESA with the awarded supplier provided that the bid met the specifications set forth in the RFP;

WHEREAS, Competitive Supplier desires to provide Full-Requirements Power Supply to Eligible Consumers located within the Municipality, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Program and this ESA;

WHEREAS, the Municipality desires that the Competitive Supplier provide Firm Full- Requirements Power Supply and Consolidated Billing as an alternative to Basic Utility Supply Service for consumers within the Municipality;

WHEREAS, Competitive Supplier has submitted an offer to provide the following: (1) a CCA Renewable Electricity Product and Price, if included and attached as EXHIBIT A Part 1; and/or (2) a CCA Conventional Electricity Product and price if included and attached as EXHIBIT A Part 2;

WHEREAS, Competitive Supplier agrees to pay a fee to Program Administrator;

WHEREAS, Municipality desires Competitive Supplier to collect and remit the fees due the Program Administrator; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED THAT, that The Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorizes the Supervisor to sign the CCA Electricity Supply RFP to Indra Energy, for a term of 36 months and a start date of July 1, 2021, with a default supply option of 100% NYS Renewable Electricity at 0.06573/kWh for Residential and \$0.07112/kWh for Commercial and an optional Standard Supply offering at \$0.05968/kWh for Residential and \$0.06215/kWh for Commercial.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Stewart	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Lafera	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Foote	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Hunt	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Parete	Voting <u>Aye</u>

5-0 Aye; Resolution #45-2021 was thereupon adopted.

- Residents with their own solar panels and residents on HEAP are not eligible.
- There are three options regarding the CCA program;
 - Automatically enrolled in the 100% renewable program or
 - Call and opt into the standard option (a combination of renewable, fossil fuels and nuclear or
 - Opt out and Central Hudson picks the supplier.

OTHER TOWN BUSINESS:

- Councilman Stewart would like to thank Mike Tumminia, from Ridgewell Gym and Scott and Nadine, from Peak Engineering, with all the help making the trail from the gym to the College happen.
- Councilman Hunt announced they have received 4 applications for the Ethics Committee. All applications should be sent to the Town Clerk's email at clerk@marbletown.net.
- Councilman Hunt gave a brief update from the Youth & Rec Department. The pavilion is being booked throughout the summer. The park will close at 8:00pm, sharp. Summer camp registration is happening now, contact the Youth & Rec Department. A running program will start this summer. On May 16th a craft fair will take place at the RMC, in the parking lot on the Marbletown side.
- Councilman LaFera stated the next Historic Preservation Commission meeting will be Thursday the 13th at 7:00pm.
- Councilman LaFera and Councilwoman Foote are working on new signs for the transfer station.
- Supervisor Parete brought up the subject of funding for the Marbletown rescue squad and setting up a community meeting.

- Supervisor Parete announced that the Governor will be lifting all COVID restrictions on May 19th. Marbletown and Rosendale will discuss the opening of the offices.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- At 7:08pm Councilwoman Foote made a motion to open an executive session, seconded by Councilman Stewart. 5-0; motion passed.
- The Town Board motions to enter into executive session for the purpose of
 - Discussion of matters regarding proposed litigation.
- No votes were taken during executive session.
- At 7:37pm Councilwoman Foote made a motion to close the executive session and reconvene the meeting with no action taking nor monies expended, seconded by Councilman Hunt. 5-0; motion passed.

Motion to adjourn: There being no further discussion Supervisor Parete made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Hunt; 5-0 Aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Moody

Town Clerk/Tax Collector