

Town Board Regular Meeting Tuesday March 1, 2022 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 6:03pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Town Clerk Moody took roll call:

Supervisor Parete – Present via Zoom

Councilwoman Foote - Present via Zoom

Councilman LaFera – Present via Zoom

Councilman Davenport - Present via Zoom

Councilman Tim Hunt – Present via Zoom

Also, Present: Heather Moody; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, via Zoom

Supervisor Parete took a moment to wish Councilman Hunt and town Rec Assistant Jess Phelan a very happy birthday!

## APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AMENDMENTS

Town Clerk Moody stated there no amendments to the vouchers submitted for approval from the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Town Clerk Moody submitted the following vouchers for approval:

March 1, 2022	<b>Vouchers</b>	<b>Total Payment</b>
General Fund	V#105-123	\$19,737.34
Highway Fund	V#61-74	\$14,663.74
<b>High Falls Water District</b>	V#17-20	\$6,036.19
RMC	V#18	\$17,767.35

A motion was made by Councilman LaFera and Seconded by Councilman Hunt to approve these vouchers.

Councilman Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman LaFera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

## 5-0 Aye; motion carried.

• Councilwoman Foote asked if the town had looked into getting a Staples credit card. Town Clerk Moody stated she had forwarded the information to Brinn Dimler.

## **MEETING MINUTES:**

Councilman Hunt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Davenport to approve the meeting minutes from 2/15/2022 5-0 Aye; motion carried.

# RESOLUTION #32-2022; APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman Davenport.

**WHEREAS**, Lisa Giannico has indicated a desire to be appointed to the Marbletown Environmental Conservation Commission, and

**WHEREAS**, the Environmental Conservation Commission (ECC) has met and recommends Lisa Giannico be reappointed to the ECC, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown appoint Lisa Giannico to the Environmental Conservation Commission for a term to expire on 12/31/2024.

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

Councilman Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman Lafera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0; Resolution #32-2022 was thereupon adopted.

• Tom Konrad, ECC Chairman, stated Lisa has been attending meetings and has been very helpful and informative.

## RESOLUTION #33-2022; INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF ROSEN-DALE AND MARBLETOWN ON CO-OWNERSHIP OF RONDOUT MUNICIPAL CENTER

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman LaFera. **WHEREAS**, Marbletown and Rosendale wish to enter into an inter-municipal agreement to set forth the cooperative arrangement under which they shall co-own, use, maintain, and operate the Rondout Municipal Center **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Marbletown Town Board authorize the Supervisor to sign the attached inter-municipal agreement with 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 Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman Lafera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0; Resolution #33-2022 was thereupon adopted.

- Marbletown and Rosendale took ownership of the RMC back at the end of 2015. The agreement laid out the rooms that were to be occupied by each town along with common areas, conference rooms, the gym, etc.
- Councilman Hunt asked what happens if either town wants to leave the agreement. Supervisor Parete responded that the agreement will be reviewed every 5 years.
- Councilman Davenport would like to revisit the Insurance policy later this year when we have chance to make changes, if need necessary.

### RESOLUTION #34-2022: CONTRACT WITH ROEMER WALLINS GOLD & MINEAUX LLP

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Hunt and seconded by Councilman LaFera.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marbletown Town Board wishes to hire a labor attorney to help with Contracts, Grievances, Arbitration, and Violence in the Workplace, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorize the Supervisor to sign the attached agreement to hire Roemer, Wallens, Gold & Mineaux LLP.

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

Councilman Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman Lafera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

**5-0**; Resolution #34-2022 was thereupon adopted.

• Supervisor Parete remarked that this is a labor firm out of Albany who has worked with other municipalities and UC Government. This firm will be assisting in handling grievances within the Highway department. There are 3 or 4 issues going on right now in the highway department and with the help of this firm those issues will hopefully get resolved soon.

## **RESOLUTION #35-2022; TRANSFER STATION PERMIT FEES**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman LaFera. **WHEREAS**, the Town of Marbletown Transfer Station annual permit is valid from April 1 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, and **NOW**, **THEREFORE**, **IT IS RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown approves the following transfer station permit fees from April 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.

Permit \$45.00

Additional permit \$20.00

Senior (62 or older) \$25.00

Additional (62 or older) \$20.00

One day permits will remain \$10.00

**Amended,** that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown changes the permit fees to the attached amount from January 1, 2023 until March 31, 2023.

Permit \$20.00 (Originally \$45.00)
Additional permit \$10.00 (Originally \$20.00)
Senior (62 or older) \$10.00 (Originally \$25.00)
Additional (62 or older) \$10.00 (Originally \$20.00)

One day permits will remain \$10.00

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

Councilman Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman Lafera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0; Resolution #35-2022 was thereupon adopted.

- Supervisor Parete pointed out that the RRA has not raised the prices in about 2 years so for now we will keep our prices the same. Councilman Davenport stated we should be prepared for an increase in trucking fees with the price of gas rising.
- Councilwoman Foote reminded everyone that you receive a discount on the transfer station permits if you are 62 or older.

### RESOLUTION #36-2022; APPOINTMENT TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Davenport and seconded by Councilman Hunt.

WHEREAS, Doug Adams has served on the Historic preservation Commission, and

WHERAS, Doug Adams has indicated a desire to be reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown appoints Doug Adams to the Historic Preservation Commission for a term ending December 31, 2025.

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

Councilman Davenport Voting Aye
Councilman Lafera Voting Aye
Councilwoman Foote Voting Aye
Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0; Resolution #36-2022 was thereupon adopted.

• Supervisor Parete stated this would be a new four-year term for Doug Adams and the town tries to stick with staggering terms.

## **OTHER TOWN BUSINESS:**

- Tom Konrad, ECC Chairman, gave an update on the NYSERDA Stretch to Zero Policy which will involve adopting new building codes. Mr. Konrad presented a proposal for the town to apply for the Stretch to Zero Pilot Program which is part of NYSERDA. The steps would involve developing and adopting zero-on site greenhouse gas emission codes. This would remove combustion of fossil fuels on building sites and prohibit furnaces and cooking stoves that use propane and fuel oil. The new code could require any new construction in town to be all electric. This would all be discussed and finalized during the pilot. Mr. Konrad went on to add that the state is looking for three different municipalities to participate. If the resolution is voted upon a budget would be developed to help with the contract. The pilot program aims to award municipalities up to \$500,000 each for the adoption and implementation of an all-electric building energy code by December 2023. Mr. Konrad stressed this would cover new construction. Supervisor Parete thanked Mr. Konrad for all of his work on this project and the town board would discuss further to make a decision. The deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup> for submission of the application.
- Supervisor Parete said that the Vly Firehouse would be voting, by resolution, to dissolve in the next few weeks
- Supervisor Parete announced that the next meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup> would be in person. Councilman Davenport reminded Supervisor Parete he would be absent.

<u>Motion to adjourn:</u> There being no further discussion Councilwoman Foote made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Davenport; 5-0 Aye, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Moody Town Clerk/Tax Collector

