

Town Board Regular Meeting Tuesday April 19, 2022 This regular meeting was held in person and began at 6:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Parete called the meeting to order at 6:02pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Town Clerk Moody took roll call: Supervisor Parete – Present Councilwoman Foote – Present Councilman LaFera – Present Councilman Davenport – Present Councilman Tim Hunt – Present Also, Present: Heather Moody; Town Clerk/Tax Collector

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments on the resolutions presented at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS & AMENDMENTS

Town Clerk Moody stated there were no amendments from the 4/5/2022 vouchers.

Town Clerk Moody submitted the following vouchers for approval:

| <u>April 19, 2022</u> | Vouchers | Total Payment |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| General Fund | V#211-255 | \$50,593.96 |
| Highway Fund | V#121-142 | \$26,394.04 |
| High Falls Water District | V#33-39 | \$21,364.13 |
| RMC | V#36-51 | \$11,081.08 |

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

| Councilman Davenport | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Councilman LaFera | Voting Aye |
| Councilwoman Foote | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilman Hunt | Voting Aye |
| Supervisor Parete | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| 5-0 Aye; motion carried | • |

MEETING MINUTES:

Councilwoman Foote made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hunt to approve the meeting minutes from 4/5/2022. 5-0 Aye; motion carried.

• Councilman Hunt questioned the percentage of the transfer tax. The minutes state 3%-5%. A friendly amendment was supported to strike the 3%-5% from the minutes. 5-0 Aye; motion carried.

RESOLUTION#47-2022 AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH ULSTER BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR INTERNET AT THE RONDOUT MUNICIPAL CENTER

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman LaFera WHEREAS, BOCES has been providing internet service to the Town of Marbletown at the Rondout Municipal Center 1915 Lucas Avenue Cottekill, NY 12419 (the "premises"), and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to continue using such Internet service at said premises, and

WHEREAS, the parties are authorized to share such resources pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "GML"), and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached an agreement as to the terms, conditions, expectations and costs related to the Town's use of Internet service at said premises, and

WHEREAS, the parties, by resolution of their respective governing bodies, have duly authorized their designated representatives to enter into and execute this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorizes the Supervisor to sign said agreement on behalf of the Town of Marbletown, 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:

| ting <u>No</u> |
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| ting <u>Aye</u> |
| ting <u>Absent</u> |
| ting <u>Aye</u> |
| ting <u>Aye</u> |
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5-0; Resolution #47-2022 was thereupon adopted.

Supervisor Parete explained this cost (\$610.20 monthly) is split between Marbletown, Rosendale and the • ARC.

RESOLUTION #48-2022 APPOINTING SECRETARY TO THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman LaFera WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown has a vacancy for the position of Secretary to the Highway Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the position is not a Union position; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Department of Personnel reviewed and approved; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Bettina Post at an hourly rate of \$18.32 an hour effective April 11, 2022.

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 <u>No</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Councilman Lafera | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilwoman Foote | Voting Aye |
| Councilman Hunt | Voting Aye |
| Supervisor Parete | Voting Aye |
| 5-0: Resolution #48-2022 | was thereupon adopt |

5-0; Resolution #48-2022 was thereupon adopted.

• Supervisor Parete said the highway secretary had retired and this would be a new appointment for Bettina Post. Ms. Post has experience as she worked for the Rochester Highway Department. There is no conflict of interest.

RESOLUTION #49-2022 TOWN OF MARBLETOWN TRUCK PURCHASE

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman LaFera **WHEREAS**, the Marbletown Highway Department is responsible for treating town road surfaces, and **WHEREAS**, an effective fleet replacement program is essential for controlling vehicle suitability, availability, reliability, safety, and environmental impacts and total cost of ownership; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent requests to purchase a 2022 Dodge Ram 3500 Tradesman Regular Cab Pickup Truck from L.T. Begnal Motor Company Inc. \$54,113.01, and a 2022 Dodge Ram 2500 Tradesman regular Cab with Utility Body from Main Motor Car for \$58,472.81,

WHEREAS, the highway department will fund the purchase with money from surplus, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marbletown town board authorizes the purchase of 2022 Dodge Ram 3500 from Begnal Motor Company Inc and a 2022 Dodge Ram 2500 with Utility Body from Main Motor Car for a total cost of \$112,585.82.

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 <u>No</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Councilman Lafera | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilwoman Foote | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilman Hunt | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Supervisor Parete | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
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5-0; Resolution #49-2022 was thereupon adopted.

• Councilman Davenport had a few questions for Highway Superintendent Dimler about the highways fleet of trucks. Superintendent Dimler explained that the highway department will put two trucks on Auctions International, to replace the two new ones. The 2012 & 2014 trucks, which were bought in 2016 & 2018, have a lot of milage on them and they were unreliable this past winter. One truck will be sold with the plow on, and they will keep the plow from one truck. Dimler is hoping to get between \$8,000-\$10,000 per truck. Councilman Davenport questioned Dimler as to when a good time to meet to discuss highway vehicles. Dimler replied that during the budget process would be a good time.

RESOLUTION #50-2022 CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT APPLICATION

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Hunt and seconded by Councilwoman Foote **WHEREAS**, the Town of Marbletown Town Board authorizes the Marbletown Historic Preservation Commission to apply to NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for the FY2022 Certified Local Government Grant and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown Town Board will commit a matching share of 38%, including donations, supplies, and/or materials and volunteer labor as needed, to meet the Requirements of the grant; be it **RESOLVED**, that the Town of Marbletown Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the attached FY2022 Certified Local Government Application.

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 <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilwoman Foote | Voting <u>Aye</u> |
| Councilman Hunt | Voting <u>Aye</u> |

Supervisor Parete Voting Aye

5-0; Resolution #50-2022 was thereupon adopted.

- Supervisor Parete and Councilman Davenport met with Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) members Anthony DiGuiseppe and Laura Cunningham to discuss two grants that the HPC would like to submit. The first grant would be to research the prospect for the expansion of the historic district of High Falls. The second grant would be to design and fabricate historical markers for the 8 locally designated historic properties in Marbletown.
- Councilman Hunt pointed out that a couple dates were incorrect and the amounts do not add up on the first grant. Councilman Davenport said he would let the HPC know so they can correct it.
- Councilman Hunt inquired about the deadline of April 1st? Supervisor Parete stated that the State had pushed the deadline to 4/22/22.
- After further discussion the board decided to move forward on voting upon the resolution to have the Supervisor sign the first grant, Protecting Historic District and Resources. The board would like hold off on the second grant for the historical markers so more information can be obtained and cost estimates can be researched. Councilman Davenport will let the HPC know of the decision by the town board.

OTHER TOWN BUSINESS:

- Councilwoman Foote stated she had called Assembly Kevin Cahill's office to discuss the Central Hudson billing issues. The rates have gone up again.
- Supervisor Parete updated the town that security guards will be stationed down at the falls starting in May. Rules from last year will still apply
- Councilman Hunt provided statistics on the number of people that follow the town website, Facebook and Instagram and stressed it is important to continue to communicate with the community as
- Councilwoman Foote stated that they will be working on a newsletter later in the spring or early summer.
- Councilwoman Foote spoke with Vin Martello and the Housing Commission would like to come in and present to the town board what they have been working on and to identify problems and where their focus should be. Councilwoman Foote will get a date.
- Supervisor Parete announced he would be meeting with the County to discuss possible funding for expanding the water district.
- Councilwoman Foote questioned what was going on with a new town highway? Supervisor Parete said he had spoken with the Rosendale Supervisor about the possibility of a shared highway garage, and she was not opposed to the idea, but he would follow up again.
 - Councilman Hunt gave a brief update from the Youth and Rec Department:
 - The Town park has been busy with AYSO soccer, tai chi class and various other home school groups.
 - The Community Center side and front steps were recently fixed. The roof still needs repair. The AARP tax prep program is now complete.
 - The Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success with over 130 children participating. Summer camp registration has begun.
 - Community Day is scheduled for May 21st which will feature the 'unveiling' of the College Connector.

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

Respectfully submitted, Heather Moody Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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