



Town Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

This regular meeting was held via Zoom at the Rondout Municipal Center and began at 6:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

- Supervisor Parete called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm and thanked everyone for joining. Councilman LaFera lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Parete took roll call:

Supervisor Parete – Present via Zoom

Councilwoman Foote – Present via Zoom, joined meeting at 6:11pm

Councilman LaFera – Present via Zoom

Councilman Hunt – Present via Zoom

Councilman Stewart – Present via Zoom, joined meeting at 6:04pm

Also, present – Heather Moody, Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Tracy Kellogg, Town Attorney

CAPITAL RESERVE TRANSFER PUBLIC HEARING:

- A motion was made by Councilman LaFera, seconded by Councilman Hunt to open the public hearing on the Capital Reserve Transfer of \$90,768 from the Building Replace/Repair Reserve fund to Buildings Expense line 1620.4 5-0 Aye, motion carried.
- Supervisor Parete stated Town Clerk Moody had legally noticed the public hearing in the Daily Freeman on Nov. 13, 2020. The legal notice as also posted on the town website and the Town Clerk's Community Board.
- Supervisor Parete provided the call-in number for public comments.
- There being no comments or questions on the capital reserve transfer Councilman LaFera made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stewart to close the public hearing on the capital reserve transfer.

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

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.

LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF ROOSA FARM HOUSE AT 200 BONE HOLLOW ROAD PUBLIC HEARING:

- A motion was made by Councilman Hunt, seconded by Councilman Stewart to open the public hearing on the landmark designation of the Roosa Farm House at 200 Bone Hollow Road, 5-0 Aye, motion carried.
- Supervisor Parete stated Town Clerk Moody had legally noticed the public hearing in the Daily Freeman on Nov. 8, 2020. The legal notice as also posted on the town website and the Town Clerk's Community Board.
- Supervisor Parete provided the call-in number for public comments.
- There being no comments or questions on the landmark designation of the Roosa Farm House at 200 Bone Hollow Road Supervisor Parete stated that the public hearing will remain open until the Ulster County Planning Board has a chance to review the application.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Town Clerk Moody submitted the following vouchers for approval:

<u>October 2020 Amendments</u>	<u>Vouchers</u>	<u>Total Payment</u>
General Fund	#558	\$17.78
Total		\$55,723.50
Highway Fund	#399	\$15.24
Total		\$67,347.62

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

Councilman Stewart	Voting <u>Aye</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>

5-0 Aye, motion carried.

<u>November 2020</u>	<u>Vouchers</u>	<u>Total Payment</u>
General Fund	#559-621	\$135,157.99
Highway Fund	#400-436	\$83,281.33
High Falls Water District	#109-117	\$22,593.34
RMC	#129-137	\$11,477.74

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

Councilman Stewart	Voting <u>Aye</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>

5-0 Aye, motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES:

Councilman LaFera made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stewart to approve the meeting minutes from the 11/5/2020 town board meeting. **5-0 Aye, motion carried.**

RESOLUTION #100-2020; DELINQUENT WATER LEVIES

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Hunt:

WHEREAS, that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown hereby authorizes that the 2020 delinquent payment list for the High Falls Water District Residents in the Town of Marbletown shall be submitted to the County of Ulster for inclusion on the 2021 Tax Levy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorizes the Water Clerk to accept any payments postmarked received by November 9, 2020 and those accounts will be removed from the attached list.

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

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

5-0 Aye; Resolution #100-2020 was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION #101-2020; APPOINTMENT TO HIGH FALLS WATER BOARD

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman LaFera and seconded by Councilman Stewart:

WHEREAS, Steve Antonelli has indicated a desire to be appointed to the High Falls Water Board, and

WHEREAS, the High Falls Water Board has an important responsibility to make sure the Water District is prepared to meet the current and future needs of the district users, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown appoint Steve Antonelli to the High Falls Water District Water Board for a term that ends 12/31/2023.

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

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

5-0 Aye; Resolution #101-2020 was thereupon adopted.

- The High Falls Water Board meets four times a year.
- Councilman Stewart asked about the expansion of the water line to Main Street in Stone Ridge. Supervisor Parete said that this could be something in the future.

RESOLUTION #102-2020; HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT HMEO

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman LaFera and seconded by Councilman Stewart:

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has a need for a full-time employee, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Personnel has deemed Donald Lent as an eligible employee, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Marbletown Town Board approves the hiring of Donald Lent as HMEO at a rate of \$21.15 an hour effective November 30, 2020.

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

Councilman Lafera	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilwoman Foote	Voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Stewart	Voting <u>Aye</u>

Councilman Hunt Voting Aye
Supervisor Parete Voting Aye
5-0 Aye; Resolution #102-2020 was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION #103-2020; PAY CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR TOWN OWNED BUILDINGS AND PARK

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Foote and seconded by Councilman Hunt:

WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown established a Buildings Replace/Repair Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law to provide funding for the purpose of financing Replace/Repairs and capital improvements to the seven buildings owned by the Town of Marbletown, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown upgraded buildings and parks, and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the Daily Freeman, the official newspaper of said Town, on November 13, 2020, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Tuesday November 17 at 6:00PM, where the proposal was explained and the town board heard comments from the residents, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown renovated old town hall to accommodate the Rondout Valley Food Pantry, and

WHEREAS, the town has spent \$90,768 for Maintenance and Repair Costs to town owned facilities,

1. **Transfer Station**--\$40,657 for retaining wall, shed, electric work and mulch trees and brush.
2. **Rondout Municipal Center**--\$4085 to build a break room.
3. **Community Center**--\$40,364 for new well pump, air-seal & insulation of attic, vapor barriers, and spray foam.
4. **Marbletown Park**--\$4135 repair concrete floor under pavilion
5. **Highway Garage**--\$1,527 replace doors

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Marbletown Town Board shall transfer \$90,768 from the Buildings Replace/Repair Reserve Fund for the above referenced work to Buildings Old Town Hall Expense line 1620.4. This resolution is subject to permissive referendum pursuant to subdivision 4 of Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law

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

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

5-0 Aye; Resolution #103-2020 was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION #104-2020; AWARDING CONTRACT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Marbletown applied for and received a Local Government Efficiency grant to study emergency services, and

WHEREAS, the grant covers fifty percent of costs up to \$50,000, and

WHEREAS, two firms responded to the Request for Proposal (RFP) and were interviewed by several members of Marbletown's fire districts and rescue squad, and

WHEREAS, the recommendation is to hire CGR, 1 South Washington Street Suite 400 Rochester, New York 14614, and

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown authorize the Supervisor to sign the attached contract with CGR at a cost not to exceed \$48,500.

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

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

5-0 Aye; Resolution #104-2020 was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION #105-2020; RESOLUTION MOHONK FIREWORKS

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

Whereas, Mohonk Mountain House is desiring the permit for Public Display of Fireworks, to be held on December 31, 2020 and if bad weather, January 1, 2021.

Whereas, the Town Board has received the application for Fireworks from Mohonk along with the required insurance and workers comp certificates. Legion Fireworks is the operator of the display, and

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown approves the application for Fireworks for the Mohonk Mountain House.

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

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

5-0 Aye; Resolution #105-2020 was thereupon adopted.

- Councilman LaFera pointed out that he would really like to see the fire district be on scene at the Mountain house for the fireworks.

OTHER TOWN BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Parete said the town offices will be closed on Thursday the 26th and Friday the 27th for Thanksgiving. The Highway department will be closed on Wednesday the 25th also. The Transfer Station will be open their regular days of Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday next week.
- Supervisor Parete said that a special town board meeting might be called once the resolution, to extend the RMC lease for 6 months, is ready to sign and it might have to get done by 11/30/2020.
- Councilwoman Foote reiterated that the town will be looking for volunteers to join the Marbletown Preservation and Investment Commission. They are hoping to find people from different areas, i.e. historian, ECC, finance, etc. This Commission will be tasked with identifying ways to protect and conserve working farmland and other natural areas in the town. Anyone interested should reach out to Councilwoman Foote or any other town board members. Councilwoman Foote mentioned she was going to check out what they did in Woodstock.
- Supervisor Parete said the Town received two bids for installing new water meters in High Falls. Unfortunately, one company they had done the water meters in Rosendale had the wrong date for the bid openings. This discussion is ongoing.
- Councilman Stewart stated that he and Supervisor Parete met with Craig Tripp to discuss the Grady Park project and paperwork has been filed with the DEC pertaining to wetlands. Supervisor Parete said they are now waiting on cost estimates.

- Supervisor Parete said he had met with the owner of the Rock Cliff Tavern and discussed possibly creating some parking for the town.
- Supervisor Parete mentioned that the Marbletown Historic Preservation Commission was up and running again and he thanked Bill Merchant, John Harrington, and Scott Davis for volunteering. He mentioned that they will all need to sign oaths of office and they should reach out to Town Clerk Moody.

Motion to adjourn: There being no further discussion Councilman LaFera made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Stewart; 5-0 Aye, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Heather Moody
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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