

July 17, 2023, Town Board Meeting

The second regular meeting of the Kingsbury Town Board was conducted on July 17, 2023, at 6 Michigan Street, Hudson Falls, NY.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dana Hogan, Supervisor
Richard Doyle, Councilman
William Haessly, Councilman
James Lindsay, Councilman
Dan Washburn, Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Rebecca Pomainville, Comptroller
Michael Graham, Highway Superintendent
Jeffrey Meyer, Town Attorney
Sean Akins, Councilman Candidate

The meeting was called to order by at 6:31 pm by Supervisor Hogan and opened for the order of business with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Washburn.

A **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to accept the minutes of the June 20, 2023, Town Board Meeting and the July 10, 2023, Special Meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk.

Supervisor Hogan opened the Public Hearing for Plan of Dissolution of Kingsbury Sewer District One at 6:32 pm. There being no Public Comment the Public Hearing will be tabled until the first meeting in August.

Attorney Meyer stated the Map Plan and Report for the Dissolution Plan has come back; the numbers are being examined by the Sewer District; things are progressing but not at the pace that had been originally hoped. Tabling the Public Hearing will enable the Town to adjust as necessary in the event there are any changes. One change is the Sewer District has received a number of requests from the IDA, who own a lot of the lots in Kingsbury Sewer District One, and they want some of the lots removed from the district as part of the dissolution reorganization process. The Board received a map with red x's to mark the lots in question which are more or less wetlands. The IDA would like these lots excluded from the Sewer District and they will agree those lots will never be developed.

Supervisor Hogan asked if the Washington Sewer District had a preference. Attorney Meyer answered they are going to defer to whatever the Town wants.

Councilman Lindsay stated the rate schedule will lap between 2023 and 2024, the rates are doubled, and some are tripled and if the lots are removed per the IDA's request it will be even more.

The discussion continued.

The Board also discussed the additional 29,500 gallons of capacity which goes into Glens Falls.

The Board would like time to see if there is a legally defined wetland for the lots the IDA would like excluded from the Sewer District. The Public Hearing will remain open and resume at the next Town Board Meeting on August 7, 2023.

A **motion** by Councilman Lindsay seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to renew the Cyber Insurance Coverage in the amount of \$3,528.51; there was an increase of \$10.51 in the coverage from last year. The coverage will begin tomorrow.

Judge Anthony White is requesting that the Court Clerk attend the annual court clerk conference. A **motion** by Councilman Haessly seconded by Councilman Doyle and carried by a vote of 5 ayes for the Court Clerk to attend the annual NYS Association of Magistrates Court Clerks conference in the amount of \$1,170.00. The following budget transfer was also accepted with the **motion**; only \$500.00 was budgeted for Education for the Court Clerk so a budget transfer is necessary:

TOWN OF KINGSBURY - BUDGET TRANSFER: JULY 17, 2023

FUND		DESCRIPTION	GL		AMOUNT
GF-WT	FROM:	<u>COURT - PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	1.1110.1	\$	670.00
	TO:	<u>COURT - CONTRACTUAL</u>	1.1110.4		670.00
	PURPOSE:	TRAINING - COURT CLERK			

A **motion** by Councilman Lindsay seconded by Councilman Washburn and carried by a vote of 5 ayes for Supervisor Hogan to sign a change order in the amount of \$4,982.03 for the Burgoyne Avenue Waterline. The order will be billed to the DOT and the cost will be added to the water bill.

Supervisor Hogan and Highway Superintendent Graham will attend a Pre-Construction Meeting for the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project. There will be an overview of the project with proposed activities associated with the Segments 4 and 5.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

The scanner has arrived which will enable the Court to scan their records.

The Town has a surplus of notebooks; Washington County Historian Paul McCarty took approximately 25 to organize some old records.

A **motion** by Councilman Lindsay seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to deem a flagpole and a wooden coat rack as surplus. The items are stored in the basement and have not been used in many years; Washington County Treasurer Paul Mc Carty can use the surplus items in an office which will open in the future.

The Town Clerk requested an executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person.

COMPTROLLER REPORT:

The Comptroller requested approval for the following Budget Amendment.

Roll call Vote:

Supervisor Hogan – Aye

Councilman Lindsay – Aye

Councilman Washburn – Aye

Councilman Doyle and Councilman Haessly – Abstain

BUDGET AMENDMENT #001 - 2023: American Legion Grant from ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS: The Town of Kingsbury (TOWN) passed a resolution on June 5, 2023, to grant a portion of the ARPA funds to the American Legion Post 574; and

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WHEREAS: American Legion Post 574 sustained loss of revenue during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: Federal Covid Relief (ARP Act) Funds were received in July 2021 and can be partially allocated to respond to the negative economic impact of nonprofits; and

WHEREAS: Budget Amendments require Legislative approval; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Town Board authorizes the Town Comptroller to the following Budget Amendment:

Increase Appropriation:	1.6510.4 (Veteran Services, Contractual)	\$80,393.90
Increase Revenue:	1.4089 (Federal Aid, Other)	\$80,393.90

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Larry Harris has retired; a replacement will be sought by placing an ad on Indeed.
The newest employee is doing well and has done some fabricating.
The new backhoe has been used and has worked out very well.

COUNCILMAN REPORT: Councilman Doyle has scheduled a joint meeting with the Town, Planning and Zoning Board regarding the Master Comprehensive Plan on July 25th at 6:30 pm at the Kingsbury Volunteer Firehouse. Nicole Allen of Laberge will be present.

Councilman Haessly expressed his concern of losing the grant for the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilman Doyle stated it is a possibility, but the Board should put forth a document that makes sense for Kingsbury even if the Town must pay for it.

WRITTEN REPORTS: A **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to accept the reports of certain officers as follows:

Town Clerk: Paid to EnCon \$330.66, Paid to Supervisor \$4,686.02; State Share of Bingo \$292.50; Paid to the Village of Hudson Falls \$400.00; Paid to Ag & Markets for Population Control \$103.00; Paid to the Department of Health \$90.00
Code Enforcement Officer: No. Permits 7; Fire Inspections 1; Total Fees \$1,502.00
Dog Control Officer: Seizures 1; Tickets 1; Mileage 57,335
Town Comptroller: Receipts \$101,915.24; Disbursements \$136,849.89
Town Justice for May: \$10,252.00

A **motion** by Councilman Lindsay seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to enter into an executive session at 7:18 pm to discuss the employment of a particular person.

A **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to exit the executive session at 7:38 pm; no action was taken.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Bardin, Town Clerk