

OCTOBER 13, 2021

SEASONAL LIMITED USE ROADS 2021/2022
WINTER SEASON APPROVED.

2020 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
ACKNOWLEDGED.

AMENDMENT TO 2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET
APPROVED.

2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET APPROVED AS 2022
PRELIMINARY BUDGET.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING FOR WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 3, 2021 TO CONSIDER THE 2022
PRELIMINARY TOWN BUDGET.

RESOLUTION #26 OF 2021 - A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN
OF MIDDLETOWN TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE
AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF DELAWARE
IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF
THE SEWAGE COLLECTION SYSTEM SERVING THE
HAMLET OF NEW KINGSTON APPROVED.

RESOLUTION #27 OF 2021 - A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN
OF MIDDLETOWN TO ENTER INTO A SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH THE WATERSHED
AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL OF NEW YORK CITY
WATERSHEDS, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWAGE COLLECTION
SYSTEM SERVING THE HAMLET OF NEW
KINGSTON APPROVED.

RESOLUTION #28 OF 2021 - A RESOLUTION
CONSENTING TO THE DISCONTINUANCE OF A
PORTION OF MEAD ROAD AS REQUESTED BY THE
APPLICATION OF JONATHAN STARCH AND
ADOPTED A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER
SEQRA APPROVED.

RESOLUTION #29 OF 2021 - A RESOLUTION TO
CONDUCT A CLEAN HEATING & COOLING
CAMPAIGN APPROVED.

The Town Board of the Town of Middletown, Delaware County, New York, held their regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at the Town Hall, located on #42339 State Route 28, Margaretville, NY.

The following Board Members were present:

Supervisor.....Carl P. Davis

Council Members.....Brian Sweeney, Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz
and Nelson Delameter

Also present were: Hwy Sup't John Biruk, Beth Bush, Colleen Martin, Bill Malanga, Jesse Hilson-The Reporter, Katie Camillone-Mark Project, MegAnne Balcom, Cassie Palen, Todd Pascarella, Bob Payne, Joseph Todd, Nate Hendricks, Kristina Zill and Burr Hubbell.

ATTACHED Agenda prepared by Supervisor Davis and Town Clerk.

Supervisor Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes of 9/08/21-Town Board Meeting were approved as submitted, by a motion made by J. Reischel, seconded by C. Dabritz. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Supervisor's Monthly Financial Reports; Town Clerk's Monthly Reports; Building & Zoning Monthly Reports; Justice Court Monthly Reports; Arkville and Halcottsville Monthly Water Reports for 08/2021 were approved as submitted, by a motion made by N. Delameter, seconded by B. Sweeney. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

The Town Board reviewed the ATTACHED Arkville-Halcottsville Water Monthly Action Report for September 2021 prepared by Bob Payne.

Katie Camillone, Executive Director of the MARK Project stated she was asked to come to the meeting to start a series of 'public input sessions' to find possible locations where middle income housing could be built in the Town.

Motion was made by C. Dabritz, seconded by B. Sweeney to approve the ATTACHED list of seasonal limited use roads for 2021/2022 winter season. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

The Town Board acknowledged receipt of the ATTACHED 2020 Annual Inventory of Highway Equipment prepared by Hwy Sup't John Biruk.

The Town Board reviewed the 2022 Tentative Budget. Assessors Joseph Todd and MegAnne Balcom stated that they are both certified New York State assessors and have done all the work in the Assessor's Office. They felt they should be given more than a 2.5% raise since the other assessor has not taken any courses except the Ethic course, didn't help with the preparation of the assessment roll or litigation matters, very rarely comes to the office and refuses to come to the office when they are there. Councilperson Reischel stated she went to Assessor Miguel Martinez and said if you aren't certified, it is a big deal. She further stated she felt he should resign if he doesn't get his certification by December but that the assessors should have equal salary for equal work done. Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by C. Dabritz to increase the Community Dev Program-Page 4-Contractual Exp. A8668.4 from \$5,000. to \$7,500. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to adopt the 2022 Tentative Budget as the Town's 2022 Preliminary Budget. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (1) Nay - J. Reischel.** (COPY OF 2022 PRELIMINARY BUDGET ON FILE WITH TOWN CLERK).

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to schedule a Public Hearing for Wednesday, November 03, 2021 to consider the 2022 Preliminary Town Budget. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to approve the ATTACHED Resolution #26 of 2021 - A Resolution Authorizing the Town Board of the Town of Middletown to Enter Into a License Agreement with the County of Delaware in Connection with the Construction of the Sewage Collection System Serving the Hamlet of New Kingston. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by C. Dabritz, seconded by B. Sweeney to approve the ATTACHED Resolution #27 of 2021 - A Resolution Authorizing the Town Board of the Town of Middletown to Enter Into a Settlement Agreement with the Watershed Agricultural Council of New York City Watersheds, Inc. in Connection with the Construction of the Sewage Collection System Serving the Hamlet of New Kingston. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Supervisor Davis opened the floor to the public. Nate Hendricks voiced his concern about the speeding that has been occurring on Southside Road and asked if the Town Board could do anything to mitigate this. Supervisor Davis asked Hwy Sup't John Biruk to possibly paint lines to try to affect the speeding issue and recommended that Hendricks start a petition of residents on the road to execute and bring back to the Town Board.

The Town Board reviewed the ATTACHED Short Environmental Assessment Form - Part 1 - Project Information; Part 2 - Impact Assessment and Part 3 - Determination of Significance. Motion was made by C. Dabritz, seconded by B. Sweeney that the Town Board determined a negative declaration under SEQRA. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.** Motion was made by J. Reischel, seconded by C. Dabritz to approve the ATTACHED Resolution #28 of 2021 - A Resolution Consenting to the Discontinuance of a Portion of Mead Road as Requested by the Application of Jonathan Starch. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Kristina Zill of Transition Catskill asked the Town Board to consider another energy-saving campaign, dealing with clean heating and cooling. This campaign would require three people to sign up for heating from a ground or air source heat pump and seven people to sign up for retrofitting buildings with technology such as LED lightbulbs. Heat Smart Southern Tier, which is affiliated with NYSERDA, could help installers with state-of-the-art pump technologies. She also stated that to incentivize municipalities in its clean energy campaigns, NYSERDA award points for completing certain campaigns, points that can be gathered in order to qualify for grant funding.

Motion was made by N. Delameter, seconded by C. Dabritz to approve the ATTACHED Resolution #29 of 2021 - A Resolution to Conduct a Clean Heating & Cooling Campaign, **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to approve the payment of CDBG Home Repair Voucher #008 to the Mark Project for \$47,753.70. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.**

The monthly vouchers were audited and ordered paid by a motion made by J. Reischel, seconded by C. Dabritz. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.** Vouchers approved were #s 522-586, totaling \$181,728.98.

Motion for adjournment was made by C.P. Davis, seconded by C. Dabritz. **(5) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Julia Reischel; Christopher Dabritz and Nelson Delameter - (0) Nays.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

DATED: October 21, 2021



PATRICIA F. KELLY
TOWN CLERK