

FEBRUARY 08, 2023

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023 TO CONSIDER LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2023 - A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE WORKERS.

HWY SUPT JOHN BIRUK AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL HIGHWAY SCHOOL IN ITHACA, NY ON JUNE 4-7, 2023.

HWY SUPT JOHN BIRUK AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH A SEPARATE ACCOUNTING FOR SCRAP PARTS AND INSURANCE RECOVERIES TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT.

RESOLUTION #1 OF 2023 - RESOLUTION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE INCOME LEVEL IN RELATION TO THE PARTIAL TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR MORE APPROVED.

LETTER TO BE PREPARED AND SIGNED BY ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS AND SENT TO DEP LAND ACQUISITION TO INITIATE A DISCUSSION FOR A POSSIBLE LAND SWAP OFF COUNTY HWY 38 APPROVED.

PERMISSION TO HIRE A SURVEYOR TO SURVEY THE AREA FOR AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY OFF 450 PAVILION ROAD FROM ARKVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROVED.

PERMANENT WATER AND ACCESS EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM ARKVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN OFF 450 PAVILION ROAD PENDING THE SURVEY AND POTABLE WELL TEST RESULTS FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000. APPROVED.

ANNUAL AUDIT OF TOWN OFFICERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - NO FINDINGS FOUND.

The Town Board of the Town of Middletown, Delaware County, New York, held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 08, 2023 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, Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams.

Councilman Christopher Dabritz was not in attendance.

Also present were: Colleen Martin, John Biruk, Jesse Hilson-The Reporter, Cassie Palen, Henry Friedman, Hiram Davis, Anna Pevear, Glen Faulkner, Beth Kapps, Wendy Simon, John Hubbell and Steve Finch.

Hiram Davis, Building Code Enforcement Officer, addressed the Board to review the ATTACHED Annual Report 2022 Building and Zoning Department.

Minutes of 01/04/23-Organizational/Workshop Meeting and Minutes of 01/11/23-Town Board Meeting were approved as submitted by a motion made by R. Williams, seconded by B. Sweeney. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Supervisor's Monthly Financial Report; Town Clerk's Monthly Report; Building & Zoning Monthly Report; Justice Court Monthly Report; and Arkville and Halcottsville Monthly Water Reports for 12/2022 and Arkville and Halcottsville Quarterly Water

Reports for 10/01/22-12/31/22 were approved as submitted, by a motion made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

The Town Board reviewed the ATTACHED Arkville-Halcottsville Water Monthly Action Report for January 2023 prepared by Cedarwood Engineers.

Motion was made by N. Delameter, seconded by R. Williams to schedule a Public Hearing for Wednesday, March 8, 2023 to consider Local Law No. 1 of 2023 - A Local Law Authorizing Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Service Workers. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by R. Williams, seconded by B. Sweeney to authorize Hwy Supt John Biruk to attend the Annual Highway School in Ithaca, NY on June 4-7, 2023. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to authorize Hwy Supt John Biruk to establish a separate accounting for scrap parts and insurance recoveries to purchase equipment. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by N. Delameter to approve the ATTACHED Resolution #1 of 2023 - Resolution for Amendment to the Income Level in Relation to the Partial Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or More. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by C.P. Davis, seconded by N. Delameter prepare a letter to be signed by all Town Board Members and sent to DEP Land Acquisition to initiate a discussion for a possible land swap with NYDEP off County Hwy 38. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Motion was made by B. Sweeney, seconded by R. Williams to hire a surveyor to survey the area for an easement and right-of-way off 450 Pavilion Road from Arkville Fire Department. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Annual Audit of Town Officers for Fiscal Year 2022 - See the ATTACHED letter to Town Officers concerning the audit. Records made available for audit were the following:

Town Clerk.....Patricia F. Kelly
Tax Collector.....Patricia F. Kelly
Arkville Water Clerk.....Diana Fronckowiak
Halcottsville Water Clerk.....Diana Fronckowiak
Town Justice.....John R. Fairbairn, III
Supervisor.....Carl P. Davis

(COPIES OF DETAILED STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ARE ATTACHED).

After audit and review of the financial records, there were no findings or determinations to report.


Motion was made by N. Delameter, seconded by R. Williams to approve the ATTACHED draft of the Permanent Water and Access Easement and Right-of-Way from Arkville Fire Department to the Town of Middletown off 450 Pavilion Road pending the survey and potable well test results for the amount of \$5,000. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams - (0) Nays.**

Councilperson R. Williams commented that she was planning to have a small business meeting at the Town Hall on February 21 to learn about grant opportunities available for hiring and training new workers.

The monthly vouchers were audited and ordered paid by a motion made by B. Sweeney, seconded by R. Williams. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams- (0) Nays.** Vouchers approved were #058-123, totaling \$174,448.15.

Motion for adjournment was made by C.P. Davis, seconded by B. Sweeney. **(4) Ayes - Carl P. Davis; Brian Sweeney; Nelson Delameter and Robin Williams- (0) Nays.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

DATED: February 22, 2023



PATRICIA F. KELLY
TOWN CLERK