NOVEMBER 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Town of Hartland, County of Niagara, State of New York, was held on the above date at the Town Hall, 8942 Ridge Road, Gasport convening at 7:30 p.m.

Members present:

Supervisor: W. Ross Annable
Councilman: Joseph Reed
Clifford Grant
David Huntington absent
Attorney: Brian Seaman
Highway Sup’t.: absent
Administrative Asst.: Janet Slack

Attended by: Sign in sheet attached

Supervisor Annable called the meeting to order with all present standing for the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC HEARING

Preliminary Budget for the Town of Hartland for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2018

Date/Time/Place: November 9, 2017 - 7:30 p.m. – Town Hall

Notice of said hearing was duly published in the Lockport Union Sun & Journal.

Hearing # 1 – 2017 Budget

Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Annable.

Town Clerk, Cynthia Boyler noted the annexed notice of the hearing on the adoption of the Preliminary Budget.

Pursuant to Section 108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers are hereby specified:

SUPERVISOR: $ 17,795.00
TOWN CLERK: $ 46,479.00
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COUNCILMAN: (4@) $ 5,977.00 each

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS: $ 47,065.00

JUSTICE: (2@) $ 17,925.00 each

With no one desiring to be heard, Supervisor Annable closed the hearing at 7:32 p.m.

Hearing # 2 – Amounts to be raised by taxation

Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Annable at 7:34 p.m. on the amounts to be raised by taxes and Fire Districts as follows:

Hartland Water District $ 407,000.00
Hartland Fire Protection $ 226,758.00
Hartland Refuse $ 267,696.00

With no one desiring to be heard, Supervisor Annable closed the hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Hearing #3 – Fire Protection Contracts

The following amounts were listed for the fire protection contracts:

Hartland Volunteer Fire Co., Inc. $ 131,407.00
Gasport Fire District # 1 $ 30,645.00
Middleport Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 $ 42,828.00
Miller Hose Company, Inc. $ 10,209.00
Wrights Corners Fire Co., Inc. $ 3453.00

Each fire protection contract shall run from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 and shall thereafter be automatically renewed on a yearly basis until December 31, 2018 unless terminated according to the provision of Section 184 of the Town Law.

Amounts of $750.00 will be paid to the Towns of Hartland, Middleport and Royalton for the payment of physicals for the firemen.

Supervisor Annable closed the public hearings at 7:36.
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Hearing # 4 – Local Law # 4-2017

A Local Law amending the “Dogs” provision (Chapter 66) of the Code of the Town of Hartland

Date/Time/Place: November 9, 2017 at 7:30 PM at the Hartland Town Hall

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Hartland as follows:

1. Section 66-1 (G) is added as follows:

A late fee shall be charged for owner or person harboring a dog who fails to renew any license for any dog or dogs licensed under Local Law as follows or such other fees as shall be established by the Town Board by resolution from time to time:

(1) Any dog not licensed within thirty (30) days of the renewal date shall result in the owner or person harboring such dog being charged a late fee of $10.00.

(2) Any dog not licensed within sixty (60) days of the renewal date shall result in the owner or person harboring such dog being charged a late fee of $20.00.

(3) Any dog not licensed within ninety (90) days of the renewal notice shall result in the owner or person harboring such dog being charged a late fee of $30.00.

Such fees shall be in addition to any penalty provided for a violation of Section 66-3.1 of this Chapter.

With all comments being heard and addressed, Supervisor Annable closed the Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m.

Supervisor Annable opened the regular meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Minutes

RESOLUTION 122-2017

MOTION by Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed to adopt the minutes of the October 12, 2017 meeting as presented.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant  Nays: 0  CARRIED

Abstract of Bills

RESOLUTION 107-2016
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MOTION by Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed resolved that the following bills, as prepared by the Clerk and having been reviewed by the Town Board, be authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Voucher #’s 2017000855 - 201700932

General: 49938.15

Part Town: 8760.10

OWD: 65572.47

Highway: 58238.76

Refuse: 17870.44

Trust & Agency: 2108.10

Total Expenditures: 202,488.02

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant Nays: 0 CARRIED

ASSESSOR / CEO REPORTS: Read and filed

CEO: Read and filed

HIGHWAY REPORT: Read and filed

Administrative Assistant, Janet Slack, gave the Highway report. The crew and equipment are ready for the winter weather, ditches have all been mowed and winterized equipment. The new shed is up and already full.

WATER REPORT: Read and filed

All irrigation meters have been collected, except for Trippensee’s Farm. Meters have been read, totals are up, suggesting an undetected leak. The waterlines have been installed for the splash pad.

Highway Superintendent Hurtgam has been working with Engineer Mark Seider to obtain the required approvals to install a waterline that would connect 2 dead end roads. The Town needs to be designated as lead agency for the SEQR process.

Attorney Brian Seaman discussed and explained all 3 parts of the application:
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Part 1: Project information; Certification by the engineer that the project is within the right of way.

Part 2: Environmental Assessment; No adverse environmental impacts as a result of the project.

Part 3: Determination of Significance; Determination that, based on the evidence, the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Negative Declaration

**RESOLUTION 125-2017**

**MOTION** by Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed to declare the Town of Hartland as lead agency on the SEQR and authorize Supervisor Annable to complete and sign the application.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant  Nays: 0  CARRIED

Superintendent Hurtgam received a quote from LandPro, (under State Contract), for John Deere X584 lawn mower and 48” mower deck for the cemetery.

JD X584 lawn mower & deck for Hartland Central Cemetery

**RESOLUTION 125-2017**

**MOTION** by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Grant to authorize Superintendent Hurtgam to purchase a John Deere X584 under NJPA, PC66663 for $ 5631.81 and mower deck NJPA, PC66663 for $ 820.00 for the Hartland Central Cemetery.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant  Nays: 0  CARRIED

Supervisor Annable asked Attorney Seaman to write an agreement with Hartland Central Cemetery which would cover possible damages to the equipment.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**  None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Supervisor Annable reported that Jack Hill has completed his Eagle Scout project. The Gaga Ball pit is installed at the Hartland Town Park and is ready to use. Congratulations to Scout Jack Hill.
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NEW BUSINESS:
The Real Property Tax Cap Report has been submitted and filed with New York State.

Adoption of Preliminary Budget to the Final Budget

RESOLUTION 126-2017

MOTION Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed to adopt the 2018 Preliminary Budget as the Final Budget as presented.

Annable: aye
Reed: aye
Grant: aye

Nays: 0 CARRIED

Said Budget is on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Hartland where any interested person may inspect it during normal business hours. Full text of budget is attached.

Town Board has accepted a letter of resignation from Judy Slabyk, from the Recreation Board. Letter has been sent to the Chairman of the Board and is on file in the Town Clerk’s office.

Eleanor Hyde of Fort Hyde Kennels Inc. has requested a $ 50.00 per month increase. Fort Hyde has always provided excellent care, going above and beyond the mere boarding services for each dog that has been sheltered. NYS Agriculture and Markets has inspected the facility annually and it has passed each time.

Fort Hyde Increase

RESOLUTION 127-2017

MOTION by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Grant to increase the monthly fee paid to Fort Hyde Kennels to $ 475.00.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant  Nays: 0 CARRIED

Fire Contracts

RESOLUTION 128-2017

MOTION by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Grant to approve the following contracts for fire protection:
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Hartland Volunteer Fire Co. - $131,407.00
Gasport Fire District #1 - $30,645.00
Middleport Volunteer Fire Co. No. 1 - $42,828.00
Miller Hose Co. Inc. - $10,209.00
Wrights Corners Fire Co. Inc. - $3,453.00

Each fire protection contract shall run from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 and shall thereafter be automatically renewed on a yearly basis until December 31, 2018 unless terminated according to the provision of Section 184 of the Town Law.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant
Nays: 0
CARRIED

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW # 4-2017

A Local Law amending the “Dogs” provision (Chapter 66) of the Code of the Town of Hartland

RESOLUTION 129-2017

MOTION by Councilman Grant, seconded by Councilman Reed to adopt Local Law # 4-2017, which amends the Dogs provision of Chapter 66

Annable: aye
Reed: aye
Grant: aye

ADOPTED

The Local Law will become effective immediately upon filing with Secretary of State.

The complete test of said Law is on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and is available for review by any interested person during business hours.

Supervisor Annable gave recognition and appreciation to all Veterans in observance of Veteran’s Day.
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Adjournment

RESOLUTION 130-2017

MOTION by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Grant that since there is no further business to come before the board, the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Ayes: Annable, Reed, Grant Nays: 0 CARRIED

Respectfully submitted: Cynthia S. Boyler

Town Clerk

Next scheduled regular meeting will be December 14, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.