

## **Town of Hamden Town Board Meeting of December 7, 2022**

Highway Superintendent Lenci reported that Andy Moody will be the Deputy Highway Superintendent as of 1/123. SOH Lenci and Richard Smith went to a Disaster training put on by NYSDEC and Army Corp of Engineers. The new truck is working well, just had to call Town of Freedom to see how to use the computer in the truck.

Wastewater report in Hamden was given with a daily average flow of 8,924 gallons and for the month it was 267,709 gallons.

The board approved the 2023 Fire and Ambulance contracts with the Delhi Fire District for a taxable fee of \$90,843.11.

The board approved the renewal of the Spectrum franchise agreement, after the public hearing.

The year end meeting was set for December 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

The organizational meeting was set for January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

The board agreed to set a public hearing for December 28<sup>th</sup> on developing a local law to have a historian and deputy historian. We have a man and wife combination interested and if not used now, can be used in the future as needed. A public hearing will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

A discussion was had with the board about their interest in planning an informative panel at the Covered Bridge Park and said panel would cover information about an archeology study done by Binghamton University on their finds of pottery remnants dating back to between 300 BC and 1600 AD. This would be on the Basin Clove side of the covered bridge. Supervisor was authorized to seek our pricing, grants, etc. for such a project.

Respectfully submitted, Wayne Marshfield

### **December 28, 2022 Town Board Meeting agenda**

1. January 4<sup>th</sup> annual review of Town policies.
2. Review of Justice financial report
3. Update on Comprehensive Plan if any
4. DEP response to Launt Hollow land purchase
5. Public hearing on developing a Deputy Historian position
6. Resignation of Planning Board Member
7. Close out bill payments for the year.
8. Other business that may come before the board.

## **Delaware County Board of Supervisors Meeting of December 14, 2022**

A resolution was approved accepting grant funds from the State Board of Elections in the amount of \$17,995 for the incurred costs of postage, envelopes, and postage machine related items.

A resolution was approved transferring \$17,378 of unexpended funds to support the operation of the Economic Development and Tourism Departments.

A resolution was adopted transferring \$24,704 in Planning from Insurance Recovery to Equipment to go towards a new drone replacement for the one that was damaged beyond repair.

A resolution was adopted as a budget amendment in the amount of \$600,000 for the homeless shelter in Delhi. It was previously funded by the same amount from insurance recoveries and these transfers would increase the capital fund to \$1,200,000. We have received two bids in the amounts of \$900,000 and \$1,350,000 for a 2000 square foot one story 8-bedroom building with 2 living rooms and 2 bathrooms and 2 kitchens.

A resolution was approved to repair the old Mental Health building in Walton for a DSS satellite office. Repairs need to be done and it is estimated that the repairs should total around \$304,000 and extra will be needed for furniture and unexpected expenses. This resolution will fund \$500,000 towards repairs, such as paving the parking lot, replace the roof, generator and switch install, rewiring, fire alarms, painting, etc. If not used it will be returned to the general fund.

A resolution was approved in the amount of \$781,000 in the Public Works Department to fund a shortfall in Equipment Rentals through to the end of the year.

A project in Public Works was approved at the cost of \$4,233,000 for the replacement of a bridge on Arbor Hill Road over the Little Delaware River. The price stated above was the low bid.

A change order was approved in Public Works as a decrease of \$30,631 for replacement of a bridge super structure in the Town of Meredith near the Hanford Mills Museum.

Two resolutions were approved as a time extension only in the Solid Waste Department and to Marcy Excavation Services and Nelcorp Electric.

A resolution was approved to fund the County Bridge Structural Steel Preservation Program on three different bridges for \$688,538. 80% will be funded by Federal funds and 20% for non-Federal funds.

A resolution was approved to adopt the Delaware County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan Update which is required every five years in order for the county or towns to receive any Mitigation Funds.

A resolution was approved to authorize a 4-day work week for Bridge crews, and other Public Works employees.

The levy of taxes for special districts in each town and village was approved for the upcoming year. The warrant of \$35,284,205 was authorized to be levied on county tax bills as signed for by the Clerk of the Board. A summary of abstract of the town budgets was also authorized.

The meeting schedule was approved for the entire year of 2023 with 18 meetings throughout the year all at 1:00 pm.

The organizational meeting was called for on January 4, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

A budget amendment was approved in the amount of \$88,820 for an adult protective community living services grant. This is through the Department of Social Services and is to be used to enhance, improve, and expand Adult Protective Services to investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation in the context of Covid 19 and it is 100% reimbursable.

A resolution was adopted to levy the 2022 – 2023 returned school taxes for the 19 towns. This amount of school taxes unpaid is \$5,807,160 and the County is responsible for paying them to the school districts.

The board approved a resolution calling on the Governor and Legislature and the State to renew the extension of the sales tax levy reduction on gasoline and to allow the county to continue their exemption. For the State it means a reduction in the price per gallon of about 16 cents and for the county at today's gas prices it would be roughly 8 more cents in the reduction.

There being no other business, 4 department heads were recognized for their service to the county and are retiring at the end of 2022. Sue McIntyre 28 years of service (Public Works), Cindy Heaney 40 years, (Mental Health), Linda Pinner 40 years, (Personnel) and Christa Schafer 40 years, (Clerk of the Board).

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