

November 2, 2022 Town of Hamden Town Board Meeting

Superintendent Lenci reported ditching is completed and trucks are ready for winter.

Supervisor Marshfield did a presentation on 3 different electric transmission lines rebuilds and additions and how they will affect the Town of Hamden and the parcels affected.

Wastewater report was given in the hamlet of Hamden with 8,700 gallons being processed each day on the average for the month of October.

A 65-acre piece of land being sold by a land owner to the NYCDEP was discussed with comments.

The selection of Sarah Bonilla and Luke van Unen was discussed as the possible purchasers of the Wayne Bank. They made an offer of \$50,000 to purchase the building and would use it for a number of purposes. 1. A Wine Store, 2. A future Post Office location if needed, and 3. two professional offices. This is subject to a 30-day posted permissive referendum.

The board adopted an amendment to the local law number 1 of 2007, an updated local law to adopt the NYS minimum requirements for enforcement of the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code.

The board set December 7th as the public hearing date for the renewal of a one-year Delhi Fire and Ambulance Contract. Only the price has increased by a modest less than \$600 for 2023.

The same 5 seasonal limited use highways were named with no winter maintenance. Blanchard Road, Cobb Cross Road, Crystal Creek Road, Ridge Road and Stevens Road.

The board passed a resolution to put the hamlet of Hamden sewer bills and the delinquent water bills in DeLancey and Hamden on the upcoming land tax bills.

The board also authorized the setting of a public hearing on the renewal of the Spectrum Cable franchise. The current franchise ran out in July and a public hearing will be held on December 7th to hear the public about the need for renewal.

The 2023 Town budget was reviewed once again and adopted with no comment at the public hearing. The General Fund budget went down by about \$10,000 and the Highway budget went up about \$30,000. Increases

were due to fuel price increases, salary increases for the highway employees and added cost of parts and supplies in highway. The overall increase just stayed just under the 2% tax cap.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Marshfield

Agenda for the December 7th, 2022 Town Board Meeting

1. Renewal of the Delhi Fire and Ambulance Contract
2. Renewal of the Spectrum franchise agreement
3. End of year meeting date to be set
4. 2023 Organizational Meeting to be set
5. Wastewater report
6. Wayne Bank finalization
7. Budget update with delinquent water bill figures and Downsville Fire District cost.
8. Other

Delaware County Board of Supervisors Meeting of November 9, 2022

A resolution was adopted to accept \$152,921 from the NYS Public Safety Answering Points Operations Grant Program for the purchase of equipment and equipment maintenance expenses in Emergency Services.

A resolution was adopted to accept \$1,210,000 from NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant. This would be for the purchase of P25 compliant interoperable communications equipment. We can purchase base stations, antenna systems, wiring, cabling and related items.

A resolution was adopted to accept \$23,092 from the State Homeland Security Program from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. The grant is to provide a system of emergency preparedness for the protection of life and property. More specifically this would be for a camera system for our new communications towers.

A resolution was adopted to accept \$85,356 from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Statewide SLETPP to purchase

CAD equipment and related items as well as train personnel in the proper use of the equipment.

A resolution was adopted in designating Delaware County as the local sponsor for the snowmobile grant of \$116,154. This funding will be given to 8 different snowmobile clubs and the Hamden Ridge Riders is one of the eight.

The board approved a change order on the Bridge Street Pedestrian Bridge over the Bush Kill in the Village of Fleischmanns. This change order was a net \$48,362 decrease and lowering the total cost to \$670,057.

The board approved the policy on snow plowing for the winter. They will plow county roads between 5 am and 8 pm.

The board approved county employees to be able to hold dual enrollments in the Office of the Aging and Veterans Affairs and also in the Personnel Office.

A resolution was adopted to move \$50,000 from the contingency account to help pay for cost overruns in the amount we are required to pay for community college education. This amount is paid because we have no county community college.

The 2023 County Budget was presented with an increase of under 1%. Total Appropriations are \$110,154,930 and total revenues are \$70,528,855, leaving a difference of \$34,216,125 to be raised by taxes.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Delaware County Board of Supervisors Meeting of November 22, 2022

The board approved a budget amendment in the amount of \$13,357 for Cost-of-Living Increases for Contractors in the Mental Health field. It's to be used for the 2022-2023 fiscal years and they have to have been contractors doing business with the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council of Delaware County. This funding was supplied by the NYS Office of Addiction and Supports.

The board approved a new tipping fee schedule for the landfill, most notably box springs and mattresses \$10 each, wood \$25/ton, and construction and demolition debris \$95/ton.

A correction in the tax rolls was ordered by the Supreme Court and between the County and the Town of Middletown, \$122,207 in taxes must be paid back to the Catskill Watershed Corporation as their assessment was reduced from \$18,079,000 to \$7,773,970.

A resolution was approved to charge a direct tax of \$222,168 for such things as assessment rolls, field books, tax bills, etc. Hamden's share is \$5,223 of that amount.

A resolution was approved to advertise 2- 2010 Ford Fusion vehicles for sale as no longer are needed in the Public Health Department.

The mortgage tax distribution was approved with a total amount of \$533,366 to be distributed to all the towns and villages. The mortgage tax distributed to Hamden is \$12,412, which is a little less than anticipated, but for the year was higher as a total than anticipated.

A resolution was approved to transfer funding within the Planning Department in the amount of \$20,500. This is towards the purchase of a new drone that was accidentally destroyed by hitting a tree.

The self-insurance fund was appropriated to different towns in the total assessment amount of \$14,752,157,399 county wide. Hamden's portion was \$198,078,176 which is our current assessed valuation. This is used to figure the amount of workers compensation and volunteer fireman's benefit costs totaling \$1,750,000.

A resolution was adopted approving the 2023 County budget with an increase of .95% over last year. A public hearing was held and there were no comments.

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