

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LL 1 & REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 8, 2016

At the Public Hearing & Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 8, 2016 at the Hopkinton Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Wood, Councilpersons Lyon, Sochia, Crump, Parker.

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Green Hwy Supt., Clerk French, Assessor & Code Officer Allen Fukes, Ernest Wood, Benjamin Wood, Annette Green, Jan Keller, Kenneth Phelix, Etta Phelix, Ronald Streeter, Deb Christy. Proof of Notice having been furnished, the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 1 Permitting and Regulating All-Terrain Vehicle Operations on Certain Public Roads of the Town of Hopkinton as called to order by Supervisor Wood at 7:00 p.m.

Supv. Wood told those present that the items that were in question last month have been addressed and the Local Law was corrected.

Mr. Wood asked if all roads in the town were included in this local law. Supv. Wood responded that the local law includes only the roads designated as part of the trail system.

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Hearing was terminated at 7:05 p.m.

Supv. Wood called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Ms. Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to accept minutes of Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting held on January 11, 2016 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Supv. Wood reported to the Board that the monthly financial were not available.

Voucher Nos. 23 to 49 General Fund Abstract 2 in the amount of \$7,640.60 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 6 to 21 Highway Fund Abstract 2 in the amount of \$39,366.93 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 2 to 3 BHLS Health Center Fund Abstract 2 in the amount of \$448.97 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 5 to 9 Building Account Abstract 2 in the amount of \$2,075.07 were audited and approved by the Board.

Ms. Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker to pay the bills. Adopted unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor:

Ronald Streeter commented to the Board that he really appreciated the new Municipal Building and all of the work it took to make it happen.

Correspondence:

315 Area Code Overlay: Effective March 12, 2016 should begin dialing the area code with the seven digit number. Call will still go through until February 11, 2017 and then you will not be able to complete call without the area code.

Old Business:

Engineer Invoice: Supv. Wood reported that she and Ms Lyon had met with the engineer in regards to his invoice for services. He felt that we owed him the whole amount of \$2175.00 for the months June through September. His reasoning being that he designed two buildings and none of the errors were made on his part. He also submitted a bill for October in the amount of \$450.00 because of new drawings due to fact the building was encroaching too much on the neighbor and had to be moved over.

The Board discussed this and Mr. Parker asked what documentation did we have that supported some of the errors were his. Supv. Wood stated that she has all of the email correspondence.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon to pay half of the \$2175.00 invoice and all of the \$450.00

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Invoice. Adopted unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Supervisors Report: Supv. Wood presented a plaque she had done for the new Municipal Building. It listed all Board Members, Town Clerk, Highway Supt, Historian and special mention of Heritage Homes, NuMed, Stephen Bory and Marvin Rust. She also reported that the museum grant has been delayed another three to six months. She has contacted Betty Little's office in regards to this. She also reported to the Board that there is little league baseball equipment upstairs of the old town office. The Board agreed if it is of any value to donate it to the Parishville Recreation, if it is not of any value destroy it.

Code Enforcement: Mr. Fukes presented a written report. He sent a letter to a property owner that had a fire at their residence. It stated that there were many code violations and the home was unlivable condition and cannot be occupied without meeting NYS Residential Code. He is going to contact National Grid and have them pull the meter.

Assessor: Mr. Fukes presented a written report. He is finishing last year's new construction. He has received 75% of the Enhanced STAR renewals back. There has been three new ones filed. Tentative residential and vacant land ratios will be available at his February Assessors training. They will reflect the equalization rate for 2017.

Museum: Ms. Lyon reported that the tin on the roof, SH11-B side and where it joins the library is loose. Mr. Wood will check on this.

Library: Jan Keller reported that the sink in the bathroom is backed up. The crack in the ramp is worse. She is also in need of a new printer. They are working on the Summer Reading Program. She has continued NCLS Training and she has updated the Library web page.

Highway & Safety: Mr. Green presented a written report. He also presented the Board with a Highway Equipment Replacement Schedule. He also reported to the Board that the Ford Tractor is going to need to be replaced. State contract price for a John Deere 105HP with cab is \$56,738.47. The specifications of the tractor will be able to fit our boom mower. He would like to use money from the equipment reserve fund for the purchase and then for the next two years put \$35,000.00 back in the reserve fund. The next piece of equipment that will need to be replaced is the 2002 Chevy Pick-up that should last another 2-3 years.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker to approve moving ahead with preparing the resolution for the withdrawal of funds from the Equipment Reserve Account. Adopted unanimously.

Supv. Wood thanked Mr. Green for overseeing the construction of the new Municipal Building and also thanked his highway crew for all of their help.

Fire and Rescue: Mr. Parker reported on the calls. They had two calls. 46 1/2 man hours, 41 hour work around the station. The new ambulance should be arriving next week. They had a total of 53 calls.

Town Facilities: Susan Lyon reported to the Board that Duane French is interested in purchasing the air conditioner from the old town office. The Board discussed this and decided to donate to him for his volunteer help in finishing off the upstairs of the municipal building.

Supv. Wood asked the Board if they would approve the Fire Commissioners holding their monthly meeting at the new municipal building instead of the Town Hall. The Board discussed this and felt as long as the Supervisor continues in her position as secretary to the Fire Commissioners and is present to unlock and lock up the building.

BHLS: Copies of the monthly minutes were presented.

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New Business:

North Country Life Flight: Mr. Sochia introduced the following resolution, with a second by Mr. Crump:

WHEREAS, North Country Life Flight, Inc. is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt corporation which is responsible for all aspects of patient care by providing medical equipment, training medical personnel and administering the medical portion utilizing the New York State Police helicopter based in Saranac Lake and private fixed-wing aviation resources; and

WHEREAS: The New York State Police aviation resources do not provide a medically trained team or medical equipment for patient transports; and

WHEREAS: The people of Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton and St. Lawrence Counties receive a vital emergency medical service for critically ill and seriously injured patients, and, therefore municipal governments are asked to pledge monies for this worthwhile program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Board of the Town of Hopkinton hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into a contract with North Country LIFE FLIGHT, Inc. for the purpose of operating the medical component of the medevac program, which will serve its residents and visitors, and paying the amount of \$500.00 which represents the Town's share for 2016; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of \$500.00 is hereby appropriated to Account No. A1111.1 for payment to North Country LIFE FLIGHT, Inc.

VOTE: Supervisor Wood Aye, Councilmen Sochia Aye, Lyon Aye, Crump Aye, Parker Aye.

St. Lawrence County Mitigation Plan: Supv. Wood explained that the County has adopted the Hazard Mitigation Plan and now the town needs to adopt it for the town to be eligible for hazard mitigation funding, when funding is available.

Mr. Crump introduced the following Resolution, with a second by Mr. Parker:

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopkinton, with assistance from Barton & Logudice, D.P.C. and St. Lawrence County, has gathered information and prepared the St. Lawrence County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopkinton is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Hopkinton has reviewed the Plan and affirms that, with the assistance of St. Lawrence County, the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Hopkinton adopts the St. Lawrence County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

VOTE: Supervisor Wood Aye, Councilmen Sochia Aye, Lyon Aye, Crump Aye, Parker Aye.

Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds: This was tabled Mr. Green said he had just got the paperwork.

NYS Department of Transportation: regarding a Shared Service Agreement.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to enter into a Shared Service Agreement with the NYSDOT.

This agreement shall be for a period of one year. Parties will endeavor to provide no less than thirty (30) days' notice of its intent to extend the Agreement. Either party may revoke this Agreement, with or without cause, by providing sixty (60) days' written notice of such revocation. Upon revocation, any outstanding obligations of the parties must be satisfied within thirty (30) days' of the date of such revocation.

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Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to approve the following Shared Service Agreement with the Hopkinton Ft.-Jackson Fire District:

Pursuant to Section 99-r of the General Municipal Law, the District and the Town wish to share services, exchange or lend materials or equipment which shall promote and assist the maintenance of such and provide a cost savings by maximizing the effective utilization of both parties' resources. The Town and District agree to share services as follows:

1. Description and Cost of Services, Materials or Equipment to be shared for any undeclared Emergency Events.
2. The Provider's employees shall remain under full supervision and control of the Provider. The parties shall remain fully responsible for their own employees for all matters, including but not limited to, salary, insurance, benefits and Workers Compensation.
3. If the borrowed machinery or equipment is damaged or otherwise needs repair arising out of or in connection with the Recipient's use, the Recipient shall be responsible for such repairs.

The terms of this agreement shall be for one (1) year. The parties will endeavor to provide no less than thirty (30) days' notice of its intent to extend the agreement. Either party may revoke this agreement, with or without cause, by providing sixty (60) days written notice of such revocation. Upon revocation, any outstanding obligations of the parties must be satisfied within thirty (30) days of the date of such revocation.

Adopted Unanimously.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vickie French

RMC