Town Board Meeting

October 3, 2022

The Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Cambridge was duly called Monday, October 4, 2022 at Cambridge Town Hall, at 7:30 PM the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Councilman Robbie McIntosh

Councilman Larry Carrino

Absent: Councilman Bailey

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Jim Buckley Jr. Highway Superintendent, Margaret Shaw Clerk to the Supervisor, Jim Morris from the Eagle

Supervisor Fedler called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

# **Auditing of the Bills**

General #156 – 169 \$1,577.57 Highway #106 – 119 \$40,366.56

The Supervisor reported that all checks are not in yet to do the Supervisor's Report, so it could not be done yet.

# Approving of the minutes

### Resolution #44

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, seconded by Councilman Carrino to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022 Town Board meeting with one correction. One top of page 2 Contracting Assessment Services with County, the dollar amount should be \$14,064.00.

Vote: Ayes -4 Noes -0

## **Executive Session**

# **Resolution #45**

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, Seconded by Councilman Carrino to enter into executive session at 7:30 PM due to Legal Matters.

Vote: Ayes - 4 Noes - 0

# **Resolution #46**

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, seconded by Councilman Carrino to exit out of Executive Session at 7:35 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes 0

#### **AIM Funding**

### Resolution #47

Councilman Carrino motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to recognize the AIM funding that was received as unanticipated funds in the amount of \$8,442.00 and be added to the budget.

Vote: Ayes - 4 Noes - 0

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Councilman Carrino mentioned that there is a Amazon warehouse building being built in Granville and could be up to 200 jobs available. He was questioning how this would affect the area? The Supervisor said that the sales tax should come to Washington County.

At the County level all meetings are budget related.

The Supervisor did mention that there was a Bicycle race on Saturday October 1<sup>st</sup>. It was called the Tour de Vine. The map that was sent was not correct and many in the Towns of Easton, Jackson and Cambridge had many complaints.

## Tax Cap Override

The Tax Cap Override must be passed in case the Town goes over the amount allotted for the override. It is easier to put the Local Law in place for the Tax Cap Override then to have to pay the penalty for going over. It was decided to set the Public Hearing for the Budget and the Tax cap override for the next meeting November 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### Resolution #47

Councilman McIntosh motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to set the Public Hearing for the 2023 Budget and the Local Law No. 2 for Tax Cap Override November 14, 2022 at 7:30 Pm and 7:35 Pm.

Vote: Ayes - 4 Noes - 0

Supervisor Fedler reported that Margaret Shaw the Clerk to the Supervisor has been in touch with the Association of Town and the money from ARPA/SLRF(State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) in regards to the use of the money. It has been determined that the funds from SLRF can be used for the purchase for the new truck as long as it was not ordered previous to March 1, 2021. Which it was not!

## Resolution #48

Councilman Carrino motioned, seconded by Councilman McIntosh to use the funds from ARPA/SLRF in the amount of \$151,179.02 towards the purchase of the new town truck.

Vote: Ayes -4 Noes -0

#### **2023 Town Budget**

The 2023 Town Budget was handed out and the Supervisor reported that it was a 3.025 increase as submitted. Wage increases were included in this budget with an increase of 5%. The Supervisor said that with the increases in the cost of living this raise was a must. Supervisor Fedler went over the lines of the budget and explained contractual and personal services. She also mentioned that the Town Attorney would like to drop his salary to \$1,000 and if more money is needed it can be taken from the contingent. It was also mentioned that the line item was added for Food Assistance A6143.4, which goes to the food pantry. The total increase for this budget was \$22,912, which was the .03025%. The Supervisor mentioned that any questions please call Margaret or Cassie. Please do so before the Public Hearing on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>.

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# **Town Clerk Report**

The Town Clerk Heather Greenawalt mentioned that she had sold many hunting licenses and that the time to get your doe permit has passed. She also mentioned that the girl that is cleaning the Town Hall has another job. Councilman Carrino gave a name of a resident that might be interested in the job. He would get the contact information.

# **Planning Board Report**

Heather Greenawalt Planning Board Clerk reported that the Planning Board meeting would be this Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. There would be two things on the agenda Koblensky Public Hearing for minor subdivision and Gardiner subdivision presenting the sketch plan.

#### **Highway Report**

Councilman Carrino reported in the Highway Superintendent absence.

- Sand is all hauled in
- Mowing mostly done
- Nationalgrid crew repaired outside light
- Fall grading is underway

# **County Route 60 Contract**

#### Resolution #49

Councilman McIntosh motioned, seconded by Supervisor Fedler to approve the contract for the County Route 60 between the Town of Cambridge and Washington County for the year of 2023.

Vote: Ayes -4 Noes -0

### **Town Board Report**

Councilman Carrino mentioned that he had spoke with Steve Chuta from the Town of Jackson Planning Board and they will be finalizing the Solar Law. They will be wrapping up the Solar Law for approval. The Town of Jackson Planning Board Meeting will be Tuesday, October 4th and Councilman Carrino will be attending to see what it is about.

Councilman McIntosh mentioned that Paul Baker had a collision with a Amish Buggie at night. He mentioned that this is a issue with a black buggie at night on the Turnpike. The Supervisor did mention that the County has established a group to address the Amish issues in the County. The Supervisor said that she would reach out to the Sheriff to possibly sit on the Turnpike.

There being no further business before the Town Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt Town of Cambridge/Town Clerk