



# TOWN OF STILLWATER

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## Town Board Meeting Minutes January 19, 2023 - 7:00 PM at Stillwater Town Hall

**Present:** Supervisor Ed Kinowski  
Councilman Artie Baker- via Zoom  
Councilman Chris D'Ambro  
Councilwoman Ellen Vomacka

**Also Present:** Matt Harris, Superintendent of Highways  
Danielle Cowin, Town Clerk  
James Trainor, Attorney for the Town  
Joe Lanaro, Engineer for the Town  
John Nett, Police Commissioner

**Absent/Excused:** Councilwoman Valerie Masterson

Supervisor Kinowski called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.

Danielle Cowin, Town Clerk took the roll call.

### **Adoption of Minutes:**

**Motion** by Councilperson Chris D'Ambro and seconded by Councilperson Ellen Vomacka to adopt the minutes of January 5, 2023.

**Motion carried.**

**Agenda Items** Resolutions No.3-5

Supervisor Kinowski- regarding Resolution No. 3. Ann Marie Hallum, Fiscal Manager, and himself are working with the financial advisors with amounts and reviewing the budget. He explained the purchases and processes.

Councilman D'Ambro questioned what the alternatives Numbered 1-7 meant:  
Supervisor Kinowski answered; they are projects not yet finished.

He also stated that he BOA meeting is Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. \$15,000 grant=15,000 match. The Greenway is a 50/50 Grant

Police Commissioner John Nett- regarding Resolution No. 5. States the Town Hall and The DPW buildings will be getting security cameras placed at surrounding areas around the

buildings. He requested a few quotes and decided to go with the Center for Security. They were not the cheapest but had better advantages from the rest. Those advantages include: install and monitor and not cloud based; no annual fees, 1 MB of Memory. It will cost the town hall \$12,195.00 and the DPW \$6,825.00 for a total one-time fee of \$19,020.00, which includes installation and hardware. We will use this same company for the new Public Safety Building.

**Resolution No. 3**

Introduced by: Supervisor

WHEREAS, the Town solicited bids via Resolution 87 of 2022 for the replacement of the East Street watermain and eight bids were opened on January 6, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the eight submissions each contained bids for the General Construction Contract as well as for seven Add Alternates; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by LaBella Engineering and the Highway Superintendent, and their findings are summarized in the attached summary.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the General Construction and seven Add Alternate bids of the Tom Kubricky Company, Inc. as they were the lowest most responsible bidder, and authorizes the Supervisor to sign a contract with the Kubricky Company reflecting the following amounts:

General Construction:	\$874,747.00
Alternate 1:	\$ 53,276.00
Alternate 2:	\$ 55,687.00
Alternate 3:	\$ 56,236.00
Alternate 4:	\$ 43,002.00
Alternate 5:	\$ 6,067.00
Alternate 6:	\$ 6,811.00
Alternate 7:	\$ 6,378.00
Contingency:	<u>\$110,220.00</u>
Total:	\$1,212,424.00

A motion by Councilman D'Ambro, seconded by Councilwoman Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 3 of 2023.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 3 of 2023 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	YES
Councilman Baker	YES
Councilwoman Vomacka	YES
Councilman D'Ambro	YES

Councilwoman Masterson

ABSENT

Resolution No. 3 of 2023 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on January 19, 2023.

**Resolution No. 4**

A Resolution Regarding the Co-Application of the Town and Village of Stillwater Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program for the Funding of an Open Space and Passive Recreation Plan

WHEREAS, The Town of Stillwater as lead applicant, with the Village of Stillwater as a co-applicant, is applying to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for a grant under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Conservancy Trails Grant Program for a project entitled Town and Village of Stillwater Open Space and Passive Recreation Plan.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater hereby approves and endorses the application for a grant under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Conservancy Trails Grant Program, for a project known as the Town and Village of Stillwater Open Space and Passive Recreation Plan.

A motion by Councilman D'Ambro, seconded by Councilwoman Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 4 of 2023.

A roll call was taken on Resolution No. 4 of 2023 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	YES
Councilman Baker	YES
Councilwoman Vomacka	YES
Councilman D'Ambro	YES
Councilwoman Masterson	ABSENT

**CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER**

The attached Resolution is a true and correct copy of the Resolution, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Town of Stillwater duly held on 19th day of January 2023; and further that such Resolution has been fully recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Stillwater.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand this day 19<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

Signed by Danielle Cowin

**Resolution No. 5**

A Resolution Approving an Expenditure for Security Cameras

Introduced by: Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, the Town has established a need for security cameras in several locations in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor is proposing to expend \$19,020.00 for the purchase, installation and maintenance of the security cameras.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the expenditure of \$19,020.00 for the purchase, installation and maintenance of security cameras in several locations in Town.

A motion by Councilman D'Ambro, seconded by Councilwoman Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 5 of 2023.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 5 of 2023 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	YES
Councilman Baker	YES
Councilwoman Vomacka	YES
Councilman D'Ambro	YES
Councilwoman Masterson	ABSENT

Resolution No. 5 of 2023 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on January 19, 2023.

### **Public Input**

R. Price, a resident that resides on the corner of Anusesky Lane and Stratton Lane addressed the town board with the following concern:

She stated that she has lived at this residence since 2009 and addressed her concern over the flooding on the corner of her property and the road itself. She noted that she emailed the entire town board regarding the issue along with pictures to show the severity of such and didn't get a response except from Councilwoman Masterson. Mrs. Price noted that some kind of response would have been appreciated, even if it was; "we are looking into it".

Their concern is there were five culvert pipes that flooded into one and when there is heavy rain, there is nowhere for the water to go except over the road.

Supervisor Ed Kinowski apologized for no response as he indicated he wanted to research a bit before responding. He stated this was a major flood event, ground was frozen and the heavy rains over flowed the system. Supervisor Kinowski continued stating this issue extends all way to Lewis Road and said there are beavers building dams and he has taken pictures of such and has sent them to the State for assistance.

He also stated that Matt Harris, Highway Superintendent has contracted with a beaver trapper to eradicate them and start there.

In conclusion, Supervisor Kinowski stated the best solution would be for the State to step in to assist. More information to follow.

**Other Business**- no other business.

**Audited Claims**

The Town Clerk presented the following reports for the Town Board review. The Town Clerk's Monthly report and the Financial Officer's report for the month of December 2022. Audited Claims.

General	\$2043.50
Town Outside	\$1752.19
Highway	\$11663.95
Water	\$4222.09

**Motion** by Councilwoman Vomacka and seconded by Councilman D'Ambro to pay the audited claims.

**Motion carried.**

Adjournment (Executive Session)

**Motion** by Councilwoman Masterson and seconded by Councilman Baker to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 7:30pm and enter into Executive Session at 7:35pm.

**Motion carried.**

Note: No return to Board meeting after Executive session.

Respectfully submitted by

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Danielle Cowin  
Stillwater Town Clerk