



TOWN OF STILLWATER

ESTABLISHED 1788 – SITE OF THE TURNING POINT OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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

Present: Supervisor Ed Kinowski
Councilman Chris D'Ambro
Councilwoman Ellen Vomacka
Councilwoman Valerie Masterson

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

Absent/Excused: Councilman Artie Baker

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 Masterson and seconded by Councilperson Vomacka to adopt the minutes of October 5, 2023.

Motion carried.

Agenda Items Resolutions No.-61, 64 and 65 of 2023

Resolution No. 61 A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Sign an Ambulance Service Agreement for 2023-2025. Pending.

Resolution No. 64 A Resolution Setting a Public Hearing Regarding Local Law No. ___ of 2023A Local Law to Override the Property Tax Cap For the 2024 Budget

WHEREAS, effective in 2012, local governments are subject to a tax levy limitation as a result of the New York State Property Tax Cap Legislation set forth in General Municipal Law Article 2, §3-c; and

WHEREAS, there is a provision within the legislation that requires the Town to pass a local law by a 60% majority vote that states that it wishes to override said tax cap limit if the tax levy limit established by the preliminary budget will exceed the tax cap limit; and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 5 of §3-c of Article 2 of the General Municipal Law reads in full: “A local government may adopt a budget that requires a tax levy that is greater than the tax levy limit for the coming fiscal year, not including any levy necessary to support the expenditures pursuant to subparagraphs (i) through (iv) of paragraph g of subdivision two of this section, only if the governing body of such local government first enacts, by a vote of sixty percent of the total voting power of such body, a local law to override such limit for such coming fiscal year only, or in the case of a district or fire district, a resolution, approved by a vote of sixty percent of the total voting power of such body, to override such limit for such coming fiscal year only.” And

WHEREAS, Supervisor Kinowski has recommended that a Public Hearing be set for taking public input on the proposed Local Law to Override the Property Tax Cap because it may be needed to exceed the tax cap of approximately two percent (2%) for the 2023 Budget; Now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a public hearing is hereby scheduled for November 2, 2023 at 7:05 p.m. at Town Hall 881 Hudson Avenue, Stillwater, New York, to receive comments from the public regarding the attached Local Law to Override the Tax Cap; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish appropriate notice of the public hearing a minimum of five (5) days prior to the Public Hearing on November 2, 2023.

MOTIONED by Councilwoman Valerie Masterson, seconded by Councilwoman Ellen Vomacka, denied Resolution No. 64 of 2023.

A roll call was taken on Resolution No. 64 of 2023 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	NO
Councilman Baker	ABSENT
Councilwoman Vomacka	NO
Councilman D’Ambro	NO
Councilwoman Masterson	NO

Resolution No. 64 was not adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on October 19, 2023.

Resolution No. 65 Resolution Regarding Budget Adjustments

WHEREAS, Anne Marie Hallum, Director of Fiscal Management has recommended that the following budget transfers and adjustments be accomplished:

Budget Transfers			
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A 7550.4	Celebrations	Family Day Fireworks	6000.00
A 6410.4	Publicity Contractual	Family day fire works	-4000.00
A 6510.4	Veterans Contractual	Family day fire works	-2000.00
B-7140-4683	Glen Hollow contractual	Budget Adjust	1,500.00
B 7510.4	Historian Contractual	Budget Adjust	1,500.00
B 7140.2	Parks	Budget Adjust	-3,000.00
B-3620.2	Code Enforcement Equipment	Budget transfer	-7000.00
B-3620.4	Code Enforcement Contractual	Budget Transfer	-2000.00
B-3620.100	Code Enforcement, salaries	Budget Transfer	9000.00

MOTIONED by Councilwoman Valerie Masterson, seconded by Councilwoman Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 65 of 2023.

A roll call was taken on Resolution No. 65 of 2023 as follows:

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

Resolution No. 65 of 2023 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on October 19, 2023.

Public Input There was no public input.

Other Business

Police Report-John Nett, Police Commissioner, read aloud the September Police report. See attached.

Supervisor Kinowski thanked Ray Cordani for his many years planning the Domestic Violence Program as this was his last year.

Audited Claims

The Town Clerk presented the following report for the Town Board to review. Financial Officer's report for October 19, 2023.

General	\$9311.57
Town Outside	\$3532.10
Highway	\$19549.14
Water	\$486.47

Motion by Councilperson Masterson and seconded by Councilperson Vomacka to pay the audited claims.

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Councilperson Masterson and seconded by Councilperson Vomacka to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel contract at 7:17 pm. **Motion carried.** (Note: The Town Board will not resume back into the regular Town Board meeting.)

Respectfully submitted by

Danielle Cowin
Stillwater Town Clerk

Town of Stillwater Police Commission
Police Report for September 2023

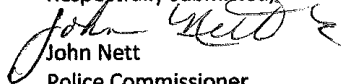
Stillwater Police Department activities for the month of September 2023 for distribution to the Town Board, the general public and to be posted in The Mechanicville Express.

The Department received and installed two new AEDs in their vehicles.

September 2023

Patrol Miles	4345
Fuel Used	364
Complaints & Request for Service	80
Closed by Investigation	77
Open Cases	3
Follow Up Investigations	7
Arrests	9
Use of Force	0
Tickets Issued	49
Motor Vehicle Crashes	5
Assist Other Agencies	11
Property Checks Conducted	182
Special Events / Details	1
Meetings & Training	1
Request for Records	17
Portable Radar Unit Placement	1
Sexual Offenders Registered	5
Total Call for Services	292

Respectfully submitted,



John Nett
Police Commissioner
(Signed Copy on file)