



TOWN OF STILLWATER

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

Town Board Meeting Minutes October 17, 2024 - 7:00 PM at Stillwater Town Hall

Present: Supervisor Ed Kinowski
Councilmember Artie Baker- via Zoom
Councilmember Chris D'Ambro
Councilmember Ellen Vomacka
Councilmember Jennifer Weaver

Also Present: Bill Doughty, 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: None.

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 Councilmember Weaver and seconded by Councilmember Baker to adopt the minutes of October 3, 2024.

Motion carried.

Agenda Items Resolution No. 56 & 57 of 2024

Resolution No. 56

A Resolution Accepting the Map, Plan and Report, Designating SEQRA Lead Agency and Setting a Public Hearing Regarding the Establishment of Water District 7

Introduced by: Supervisor

WHEREAS the Town previously authorized the preparation of a Map, Plan and Report (“MPR”) by LaBella Associates, a copy of which is attached hereto and is on file at the Town Clerk’s Office, regarding the formation of Water District #7; and

WHEREAS Water District 7 is needed to service the 147 customers of the former Saratoga Water Service, Inc., now owned and operated by the Town of Malta; and

WHEREAS the cost to the typical residential user within the proposed district is \$558.11 and is below the threshold of \$1,083.00 which would require the NYS Comptroller's approval; and

WHEREAS the designation of a Lead Agency for environmental review is required by SEQRA; and

WHEREAS a Public Hearing is required to consider the formation of the District and the attached Notice of Public Hearing is made a part hereof and incorporated by reference herein.

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves of and accepts the attached Map, Plan and Report, finds that it has been filed with the Town Clerk, it adequately describes the project and meets the requirements of §209-c and §209-d of the Town Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the cost of preparing the MPR will be advanced by the Town as previously approved by Resolution 43 of 2024, but then will be reimbursed by the district to be formed; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby designates itself as the Lead Agency for SEQRA purposes and LaBella Associates is requested to notify all appropriate agencies of the designation; and be it further

RESOLVED, this Resolution may be subject to a Permissive Referendum in accordance with §209-b of the New York Town Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing is hereby scheduled for 7:00 PM on November 21, 2024 at Stillwater Town Hall, 881 Hudson Avenue, Stillwater, New York 12170, to consider the formation of Water District #7; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to maintain a copy of the MPR in her office for public review, to post a copy of this Resolution on the Town's sign-board, to publish the attached Notice of the Public Hearing at least once in the Town's Official Newspaper at least 10 days, but no more than 20 days, before the November 21, 2024 Public Hearing and to file a copy of the Resolution, MPR and Notice with the State Comptroller on or about the date of publication of the Notice of Public Hearing.

A motion by Councilmember D'Ambro, seconded by Councilmember Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 56 of 2024.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 56 of 2024 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	YES
Councilmember Baker	YES
Councilmember Vomacka	YES
Councilmember D'Ambro	YES
Councilmember Weaver	YES

Resolution No. 56 of 2024 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on October 17, 2024.

Resolution No. 57
Resolution Regarding Budget Adjustments

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/ TRANSFERS	2024		
A-1110.41	Town Justice	Budget transfer	1000.00
A-1110.106	Court Security Salaries	Budget transfer	-1000.00
DB-9089.8	Clothing	Transfer	50.00
DB-5140.4	Brush & Weeds	Transfer	-50.00
DB-5110.4	Maintenance of Roads	Budget Increase-additional paving	150,000.00
DB-599	Fund Balance	Budget Increase-additional paving	150,000.00
A-1315.2	Fiscal Mgt Equipment	Transfer	-400.00
A-1315.4	Fiscal Mgt Contractual	Transfer	400.00
DB-5110.1	Maintenance of Roads	Paving of Morgan Court Emergency	61,400.00
DB-599	Fund Balance Traffic Mitigation	Paving of Morgan Court Emergency	61,400.00

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

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: as stated above

RESOLVED, that the above budget adjustments and transfers are hereby approved.

A motion by Councilmember D'Ambro, seconded by Councilmember Vomacka, to adopt Resolution No. 57 of 2024.

A roll call was taken on Resolution No. 57 of 2024 as follows:

Supervisor Kinowski	YES
Councilmember Baker	YES
Councilmember Vomacka	YES
Councilmember D'Ambro	YES
Councilmember Weaver	YES

Resolution No. 57 of 2024 was adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stillwater duly conducted on October 17, 2024.

Public Input

Darlene McGraw stated she enjoyed having Ugly Ice Cream at the beach with the bike rack and she mentioned people with disabilities get a discount at state parks. As she bikes around town she noticed people are litterbugs and suggested the town adopts the highway program like DEC and in addition to adopting the Pro Rag (Pedestrians Right of way) as she would like to discuss this further.

Other Business

Councilmember Vomacka reported Seige weekend was this past weekend at the blockhouse. Soldier was present and was engaged in with the visitors. About 100 people attended between both days.

Still waiting on roof information.

Councilmember Weaver stated Fall cleanup was not as active as previous. About 40 vehicles came through.

Councilmember Vomacka asked about increasing the cost. The board agreed on the following: \$5.00 cars; \$10 SUVs; \$15 Trucks; \$25 Trailers.

E-Waste will be this Saturday from 9-12. Commented on highway guys doing a fantastic job.

Supervisor Kinowski noted he and a few others attended Kings Isle ribbon cutting, which was well attended with a phenomenal view.

In addition, he stated he would like to appoint board members to projects administratively.

Lastly, District 5, the biggest voting district, will need to be looked at for spacing next election.

The Schuyler House has accepted to be run by the National Park Trustees.

Police Commissioner John Nett, read the police report for September 2024, see attached.

Town Clerk, Danielle Cowin, stated the Economic Summit was a success!

The Fall Festival presented by the Library will be Saturday October 26, 2024.

Audited Claims

The Town Clerk presented the following report for the Town Boards review.

General	\$9533.46
Town Outside	\$4128.86
Highway	\$11365.19
Water	\$4743.86
Trust & Agency	\$ 197.75

Motion by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Weaver to pay the audited claims.

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Vomacka to adjourn into executive session. The Board went into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual issues and potential litigation at 7:40 pm.

Motion carried. (Note: The Town Board will not resume back into the regular Town Board meeting.)

The Town Board went into Executive Session at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Danielle Cowin, Town Clerk