

**TOWN OF SPRINGWATER  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

Deputy Supervisor Gnau calls the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board - Present: Councilmember Canute, Councilmember Kyle Mason, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Lawrence Gnau.

Supervisor Babbitt Henry – Absent, Highway Superintendent – Present.

Two members present in the audience.

**Acceptance of Minutes** for January 9, 2023 and January 10, 2023 meetings – Councilmember Mason made a motion to accept the minutes for the January 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Councilmember Willsea; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried with all ayes.

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**Abstract of Claims # 2 of 2023 \$251,798.26** (includes Fire District budget payment for taxes collected)  
Approving the Abstract of Claims #2 of 2023 for Audit date 2/13/2023

General Fund	\$ 12,229.48	Vouchers	#17-41
Highway Fund	\$ 70,172.12	Vouchers	#16-38
Sewer Fund	\$ 1,899.63	Vouchers	#11-21
Water Fund	\$ 1,236.03	Vouchers	#9- 18
Springwater FD	\$166,271.00	Voucher	#1-1

Councilmember Mason made a motion to approve abstract of claims #2 of 2023 for an overall total of \$ 251,798.26 seconded by Councilmember Willsea; roll call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried.

**Open Public Hearings**

Local Law 1 of 2023 - Senior Citizen Tax Exemption – Open at 7:04pm

Local Law 2 of 2023 - Residency Requirements for Deputy Highway Superintendent – Open at 7:04pm

**SUPERVISOR**

**Monthly Reports** - The following monthly reports were distributed to the board: Assessor Report January 2023, Justice Report January 2023, Water/Sewer Reports January 2023, Town Clerk Report January 2023, Historian Report January 2023.

Received Semi-Annual Report from Livingston County Dog Control. First Net is an AT&T service that is offering a reduced rate. Discussion took place regarding concern for reception in this area using AT&T. Liberty Renewals reached out to the Town requesting to be added to the March agenda regarding wind turbines. Received letter from Hunt Engineering announcing that they bought Shumaker Engineering Consulting and land Surveying. Sheen Housing sent notification to the Town that they are accepting home rehabilitation applications. USDA statement of Loan Account for rural development interest on account. Assessor concerned with office doors left open, risking citizens personal information, due to heat concerns in that office. Furnace is being used a primary source of heat now instead of wall units at this time due to extreme cold.

Letter from Deb Perkins opposing water district expansion responding to the survey that went out to everyone inquiring water district expansion interest. 7 do not want Public Water, 15 would like Public Water and 12 have not returned their response as of this date. This would be for running water in three separate project the first from School Street to the Trailer Park, second from the Trailer Park down Kellogg to Mill Street to make a loop and third connecting the two dead ends from Mill Street down to the Water Plant.

### **Old Business**

Councilmember Willsea and Deputy Supervisor Gnau to set up a time for the Courts annual audit. Teen Recognition nominations were not received. Seniorama Nominee Brenda Haywood's nomination was submitted

### **New Business**

**Motion** made by Councilmember Canute to change 7985 from 1 unit to 2- unit expansion for water, seconded by Councilmember Willsea; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Canute to approve the purchase of the 2025 International 10 – Wheeler Truck, seconded by Councilmember Willsea; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Canute to approve the purchase of the Viking Cives Plow Equipment for \$84,197.80, seconded by Councilmember Mason; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Canute to allow the Highway Superintendent to sign Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds, seconded by Councilmember Mason; motion carried with all ayes.

### **Water/Sewer Grievances**

Sean Irwin present. Owner of 7846 North Main Street. Mr. Irwin requesting a stop in Water and Sewer. Water has been shut off there for some time. There is a Sewer pipe that goes to the system. The building is being renovated. Currently waiting for an engineer to look at this rental building. The building is currently zoned for 4 units. Discussion commenced in making it down to two units. Back taxes that were owed on this building were paid.

Jared Price – not present. Owner of 7841 North Main Street. Requesting Water and Sewer that was not paid by previous owner be forgiven by Town. He also states in his request that water and sewer have not been hooked up in sometime.

**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to deny the grievance for Jared Price 7841 North Main Street building, seconded by Councilmember Canute; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to remove water charges and drop sewer charges to two units at the 7846 North Main Street building until he gets tenants in the building, seconded by Councilmember Canute; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to appoint Timothy Haywood to the Board of Assessment Review, seconded by Councilmember Willsea; motion carried with all ayes.

Received request from CCE of Livingston County Donation Request. After board discussion it was denied. The Town will not be responding to this request. Also, received a request from Becca Loomis to use the ball field at the park for the Vincent House fundraiser.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Mason to allow Becca Loomis to use the ball field at the park for the Vincent House Fundraiser and fee waived, seconded by Councilmember Canute; motion carried with all ayes.

Received updated version of the 2023 Preparedness Plan.  
Schribner Road - Request for signs stating "No Outlet Seasonally" from road due to "Seasonal Use Only Section" for Strutt Street and Tabors Corners ends.

**Resolution #31 – 2023**

Authorizing Allocation of American Rescue Plan Funds

Resolution moved by, Councilmember Willsea  
Seconded by, Councilmember Mason

**Roll Call:**

Councilmember Thomas Canute, Jr., Aye  
Councilmember Kyle Mason, Aye  
Deputy-Supervisor Lawrence Gnau, Aye  
Supervisor Deborah Babbitt-Henry, Absent

Resolution Carried.

No members spoke regarding the Local Laws. Local Laws Closed at 8:23pm.

**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to close the Local Laws Public Hearing on Local Law #1 and Local Law #2, seconded by Councilmember Canute; motion carried with all ayes.

**Local Law #1 of 2023 – Senior Citizen Tax Exemption**

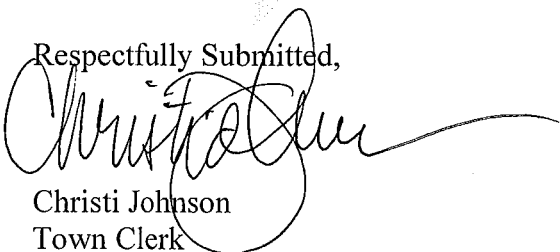
**Motion** made by Councilmember Canute to approve Local Law #1 and keep the exemptions the same, seconded by Councilmember Mason; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried with all ayes.

**Local Law #2 of 2023 – Residency Requirements for Deputy Highway Superintendent**

**Motion** made by Councilmember Mason to approve Local Law # 2 residency requirements for Highway Superintendent, seconded by Councilmember Willsea; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute, Aye; Councilmember Mason aye, Councilmember Willsea, Deputy Supervisor Gnau aye; motion carried with all ayes.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Mason to adjourn at 8:29pm, seconded by Councilmember Canute; motion carried with all ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christi Johnson  
Town Clerk