

November 9, 2011
Budget Hearing

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2012 BUDGET
AND
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**HELD AT THE TOWN HALL
5833 MEETINGHOUSE ROAD
TULLY NEW YORK**

7:00pm Supervisor Lund declared the public hearing open.

Present: Supervisor William A. Lund, Jr.
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor Frank Speziale

Also Present: Town Attorney Steven Primo, Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Highway Superintendent John Herold, *The Tully News* Editor David Blatchley, and Cheryl Wayne, Sonny Battle, Bill Coffin, Joe Puccia, John McMahon, Jeff Rothery, Michael Fogel, Doug Smith, Steve Shahan

Notice of this public hearing was published in the Post Standard on October 26, 2011 with same being posted on October 20th at the town hall and at the Tully Post Office.

With no one wishing to comment at this time, there was a

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET at 7:10pm made by Supervisor Lund, seconded by Councilor Speziale and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

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7:30pm Supervisor Lund opened the regular town board meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION 100-2011

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 29TH, OCTOBER 6TH AND OCTOBER 12TH BUDGET WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS. Motion was made by Councilor Chapman, seconded by Councilor Speziale and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

RESOLUTION 101-2011

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS as audited was made by Councilor Speziale, seconded by Supervisor Lund; motion carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Financial Report

Mr. Chartrand reviewed the monthly statement of supervisor for October 2011 highlights of which were justice court fines, ambulance recoveries and the Town of Otisco third quarter ambulance monies which were received. There was nothing unusual to report on the expense side.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT made by Councilor Speziale, seconded by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Next, Tom discussed changes in the budget which included rates for Excellus which covers the ambulance crew for insurance; and an almost 30% decrease in the rates for the Southern Onondaga Trash System.

There was also discussion on the joint fire district budget for 2012.

RESOLUTION 102-2011

MOTION TO ADOPT THE CURRENT PRELIMINARY BUDGET WITH CHANGES AS THE FINAL BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF TULLY FOR 2012 FOR THE GENERAL-TOWN WIDE, HIGHWAY-TOWN WIDE, GENERAL-OUTSIDE VILLAGE, HIGHWAY-OUTSIDE VILLAGE, HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, TULLY AMBULANCE DISTRICT AND SOTS DISTRICT. Motion was made by Supervisor Lund, seconded by Councilor Chapman and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

RESOLUTION 103-2011

MOTION TO APPROVE AN EARLY MONTHLY PAYROLL FOR DECEMBER. Motion was made by Councilor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Lund and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Parks and Recreation

No report

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Highway

John Herold gave a brief report on highway activities as follows:

- ✚ The Town has accepted the County road plowing contract
- ✚ The trucks have been serviced
- ✚ Started on some tree work – Woodmancy Road is done – there was a lot of dead wood
- ✚ Oil separator – cost less than anticipated

There was also a brief discussion on repair of the town highway building's roof.

Ambulance & Fire

No report

Floor

John McMahon reported to the board that there are no shields left on the lights at Dollar General. Mr. Lund said he would follow up with our code enforcement officer, Ralph Lamson.

Legal

Town attorney Steven Primo discussed several changes made to the proposed local law on small wind energy and solar collection systems.

RESOLUTION 104-2011

MOTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2011 WITH CHANGES - PERMITTING SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS AND SOLAR COLLECTION SYSTEMS. Motion was made by Councilor Chapman, seconded by Councilor Speziale and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Next, Mr. Primo handed out and discussed a draft of a proposed local law on "establishing certain specifically prohibited uses including mineral extractions, and subject to certain administrative appeal rights, heavy industry, high-impact industrial, and natural gas exploration, extraction or processing." Lengthy discussion followed with questions and comments by board members.

RESOLUTION 105-2011

MOTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON DECEMBER 14TH AT 7PM TO EXTEND AND MODIFY THE MORATORIUM ON NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION, EXTRACTION OR PROCESSING FOR ANOTHER 6 MONTHS. Motion was made by Supervisor Lund, seconded by Councilor Speziale and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Next, Mr. Primo addressed the board regarding the elimination of the ambulance commission. Steve spoke about the formation of the ambulance district and the fact that it was an option to establish a board of ambulance commissioners, which the town board did back in 1998 by local law. But, Steve explained, the ambulance board of commissioners can be discontinued because it's an advisory board only. And that could be done by local law as well. Lengthy discussion followed including the possibility of an intermunicipal agreement between the Fire District and the Town.

RESOLUTION 106-2011

MOTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON DECEMBER 14TH AT 7:15PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELIMINATING THE AMBULANCE DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMISSION. Motion was made by Supervisor Lund, seconded by Councilor Speziale and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:50PM was made by Councilor Speziale, seconded by Councilor Chapman, and carried 3 ayes (Lund, Speziale, Chapman) 0 naves.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro,
Town Clerk