

A Public Hearing on the 2021 Town Budget was held at 6:45 pm prior to the regular monthly meeting, of the Town Board of the Town of Livingston, County of Columbia, and the State of New York at the town hall, 119 County Route 19, Livingston, NY on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

Present:

Supervisor James Guzzi

Deputy Supervisor Will Yandik

Councilperson William Bender

Councilperson Phil Massaro

Councilperson Thomas Shumsky

The Public hearing was opened at 6:45 pm by Supervisor Guzzi who gave a brief description of the new budget including that the tax rate will remain the same. This is for the Town only and does reflect what the tax rate will be for the County portion. The Town has cut back on Highway equipment expenditures. The budget will reflect a 2% across the board raise for town employees. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:57 pm

Supervisor Guzzi opened the regular meeting of the Town Board with the pledge to the flag, at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution # 74

Motion to approve the October monthly Town Board minutes

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Massaro, to approve the minutes of the October monthly Town Board meeting.

Votes: 5 Ayes, 0 No

Communications: none

Supervisor's Report

The following reports were read by Supervisor Guzzi:

Town Supervisor

Town Clerk- Total local shares remitted to town of \$2710.81 for October

Highway- Finished mowing roadside and lawns, cleaned leaves out of drainage areas, got trucks ready for the winter, cut dead trees, spread gravel on Oak Hill road on Hill

Building Dept- 11 building permits, 0 C/O, 9 Abstract C/O's, 0 Mobile Home. 0 Fire Violations, 1 Fire Inspections, 2 wedding fees. Month to date: \$2588.30 Year to date: \$38,965.73

Assessor- 16 hours, 10 parcel transfers, 16 building permits processed, 16 phone calls. Exemption renewals will be going out soon

Dog Control- No report

#### Resolution # 75

##### Motion to approve the monthly reports for October

A motion was made by Councilperson Shumsky, seconded by Councilperson Massaro to approve the monthly reports as read.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

#### .New Business

Transco representatives gave an update on the power line project. Information is available for public viewing at the Town Clerk's office.

#### Resolution # 76

##### Motion to approve the 2021 Town Budget

A motion was made by Councilperson Bender, seconded by Councilperson Shumsky to approve the 2021 Town Budget as presented

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

A copy of the budget can be found on the town website-townoflivingston.org and at the Town Clerk's office

The Town Board discussed three new policies dealing with personal cell phones, email usage and computer usage to put in place based on an audit from the Town insurance carrier, and recommendations by the Town IT person.

#### Resolution # 77

##### Motion to approve new policies for Computer usage, Personal cell phone usage, and Email, usage as written.

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Bender to approve new policies for Computer usage, Personal cell phone usage, and Email, usage as written.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

The annual sexual harassment training program will be online this year.

Christmas in Livingston will be December 4<sup>th</sup> with the tree lighting at the Town gazebo. There will not be any indoor festivities. The Rec Park Association is sponsoring a holiday decorating contest "Light up your town" with prizes awarded. Information can be found on the Town website and the Rec Park Facebook page and sign up is available in the Town Hall lobby.

Resolution # 78

Motion to approve the 2021 dog contracts with the Pine Plains Veterinary Associates and the Columbia-Greene Humane Society

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Shumsky to approve the 2021 dog contracts with the Pine Plains Veterinary Associates and the Columbia-Greene Humane Society.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

Committee Reports

Buildings- no report

Senior Citizens Advisory Council- no report

Planning and zoning- no report

Ethics- no report

Highway- as per the supervisor's report

Communications- no report

Office Support- no report

Historian- Deputy Historian Michael asked the Town Board about getting the History Barn involved with both Twitter and Instagram but the town is utilizing the town website for now. The History Barn internet is having problems again and they need to call Mid-Hudson Cablevision to check on the issue.

County Environmental Management- no report

Emergency Management- no report

Special Projects- no report

Twin Lakes: no report

Audit Committee:

Resolution # 79

Motion to pay bills

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Shumsky, to pay the bills as presented.

# 58-69 Highway

# 280-310 General

Vote 5 Ayes, 0 No

.Public Comment

There was no public comment

Resolution # 80

Motion to adjourn the meeting

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Bender to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Molinski

Town Clerk