

TB Mtg November 12, 2020
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
COLDEN TOWN HALL – November 12, 2020
VIA: Go To Meeting

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:05pm

SUPERVISOR DePASQUALE OPENED THE MEETING WITH A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PETER FRANK(ZBA CHAIRMAN), WILLIAM FLECKENSTEIN, TIMOTHY BAKER AND DELORES COPE FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PRESENT: Councilman David Arcara
Councilman Jesse Hrycik
Councilwoman Patricia Zurbrick
Councilman Gerald Pietraszek
Supervisor James DePasquale

ALSO

PRESENT: Town Clerk Christina Kerlin
Bldg. Insp/CEO John Kotlarsz
Asst. Bldg. Insp/Fire Insp. Thomas Dzuilko
Highway Superintendent Clarkson
Town Account Mark Adamchick
Approximately 8 Residents

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Councilman Pietraszek and seconded by Councilman Hrycik and unanimously approved the minutes of the October 8, 2020 Town Board Regular meeting as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING 2021 TOWN BUDGET

Supervisor DePasquale opened the Public Hearing at 7:09pm and asked for comments

No public comments were made

Supervisor DePasquale stated that the Preliminary Budget was received on October 8th and was available on the Town website and in the Town Clerk's office. The Colden/Aurora Fire figure was received \$37,470.99 and the figure was added to the budget. Supervisor DePasquale stated that for several years the highway funds have seen many transfers at the end of the year. This upcoming year he would like to add another \$10,000.00. from the highway fund balance to DA5130.4 Machinery Contractual which had \$50,000.00 and would increase to \$60,000.00 to offset the transferring of monies. The appropriated fund balance will increase from \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00. Town Board agreed with the increase.

Approve Highway Appropriation Increase to the Highway Budget

MOTION made by Councilman Hrycik and seconded by Councilman Arcara and unanimously approved to add \$10,000.00 to the appropriated fund balance which was \$40,000.00 increased to \$50,000.00. Which will change DA5130.4 Machinery Contractual \$50,000.00 increased to \$60,000.00.

Supervisor DePasquale closed the Public Hearing at 7:17pm

Approve to Adopt the 2021 Town Budget

MOTION made by Councilman Hrycik and seconded by Councilman Pietraszek to adopt the 2021 Town Budget with the above changes made to the budget.

On the Vote: Councilman David Arcara - yes
Councilman Jesse Hryck – yes
Councilwoman Patricia Zurbrick – yes
Councilman Gerald Pietraszek – yes
Supervisor James P. DePasquale – yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING REPORT

Councilman Arcara reported that the storage shed roof at the park will have some tarps placed on the roof through the winter months until repairs or roof replaced next year. Highway Superintendent Clarkson stated that he purchased tarps today and will take care of covering the roof.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Report for the month of October 2020 –CEO/Bldg. Insp. John Kotlarsz reported that there were:

6 Building Permits Issued
1 New Dwelling Permit
1 Certificate of occupancy
3 Certificate of Compliances
2 Order to Remedy Violation
5 Fire Inspections
2 Phone Complaints
8 Hours of school

Asst. CEO/Bldg. Insp. Tom Dzuilko reported that he met with a Jordan from the WNY Law Office on Zombie Properties that are not bank owned. Tom submitted 13 homes along with 42 photos that WNY Law will be looking at to have them registered to be cleaned up. A meeting is scheduled for December 1st to sign off on an agreement for the Vacant Home project.

Calls have been received on permitted use of drones in the area as well as numerous calls from out of state persons looking at vacant land in town.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Councilwoman Zurbrick reported the following:
The rectory at BOLO was torn down on December 2nd.

Gabe's on the Hill Thrift Shop: Tuesday, 10am – 5pm
 Wednesday, 2pm – 7pm
 Friday, 10am – 6pm
 Saturday, 9am – 2pm

Bread of Life Outreach Center is looking for any food donations.
Some local artists work is on display at BOLO and is available to purchase as well.
There will not be a Mobile Food Pantry for the months of November and December.

The Walking Event” sponsored by BOLO in memory of Marty McCallum is ongoing for families to participate in and a great way to explore Colden on foot. Packets are available at the Tennis courts and the back door of the Town Hall. The starting point is at Kummer Park enjoy getting to know the town you live in.

A Colden Country Christmas is tentatively planned for December 6th at the Colden Mill Restaurant along with Essentially Oils, check their website for updates.
Colden Fire Department will be holding a Santa Drive-by at the Colden Fire Hall on December 12th.
Octobers Trunk or Treat went well the kids enjoyed themselves and it was a nice change from all the restrictions that are in place due to COVID.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Councilman Arcara read the following DCO report for October 1, 2020 – October 31, 2020.
A husky was picked up and reunited with its owner.
A frequent flyer was picked up a couple of times this month.

Brown lab went missing near Sprague Park, came home a couple days later.
Picked up a small pitbull, no one claimed, took to vet and then to Erie County SPCA
A follow up call on barking dogs.
Call received about a dead animal on Lower East Hill Road was referred to the Town of Boston.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REPORT

Councilman Pietraszek reported that the Creek Stabilization work is completed, and the plantings are in for the season.

HIGHWAY REPORT & PARKS

Highway Superintendent Clarkson reported that they are gearing up for winter all trucks are up in running except for the Oshkosh which blew a water pump on the return from the garage after repairs.

Ditching is complete and mowing is being finished up on Crump Road.

Park has been shut down and winterized the parks truck will be stored at the highway garage, the truck will be started occasionally during the winter months and may be used if it comes down to one person per vehicle during the pandemic if needed.

INSURANCE REPORT

No report

LIBRARY REPORT

Councilman Hrycik reported that Lydia from the Boston Library stated that the annual Book Sale held in October raised \$2,800.00 from book sales and basket raffles. The library is open under limited hours and following all recommended guidelines.

PERSONNEL & TRAINING REPORT

Councilwoman Zurbrick reported that interviews were held for the new position of Grounds/Maintenance. The Town Board interviewed 18 applicants the list will be narrowed down, and letters will be sent out "Thanking" the applicant and some applicants will get called back for a second interview.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

No meetings to report

WATER REPORT

Councilman Pietraszek reported the following:

-At present time consumption billed by ECWA for prior month was 2,481,000 gallons cost is \$5,752.82

-Steve from ECWA is working on the issue with the meter to get it rebuilt, meter flow test by county shows meters are wrong and still leaking.

-Line flushing minimal with temperature changes

-Backflow preventers all checked except two pending

-Leak found at 8207 State Road (between tap & curb stop) fixed and loss projected at 10 gallons a minute resolved, believe there is another leak further down the line. Leak found at 8103 State Road past the curb stop Greg will advise the homeowner

Registry reader replacement is being done life limits of batteries is around 10 years

Chlorine residuals are up a little around the 1.2 reading

YOUTH/ADULT RECREATION REPORT

Councilwoman Zurbrick reported that the garden fence, plastic, water supply, etc. have been taken down and put in storage. We had a very good year for growing. It's too bad the kids in the summer were not here this year, to see what we learned from the first year, to this year.

A Christmas ornament drive thru pickup day will be November 21st from 10am – noon at the Colden Town Hall. Information is on the Colden Recreation Facebook page.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

RESOLUTIONS

Supervisor DePasquale stated that the Lead Agency resolution will be tabled for tonight. There is a water relevy resolution that will be read into record for tonight.

Supervisor DePasquale read the following resolution:

TOWN OF COLDEN
COLDEN N.Y. 14033
RESOLUTION #2020-10
RELEVY UNPAID WATER BILLS

WHEREAS, The Town of Colden has 11 delinquent Water accounts in the amount of \$2,579.19, remaining unpaid, including late charges;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That no further payments will be accepted after October 30, 2020, and any and all unpaid water accounts as of this date, be relevied onto the 2021 Town of Colden Property Taxes.

Duly adopted this 12th day of November, 2020, by the following vote.

MOTION made by Councilwoman Zurbrick and seconded by Councilman Arcara and,

On the Vote: Councilman David Arcara - yes
Councilman Jesse Hrycik – yes
Councilwoman Patricia Zurbrick – yes
Councilman Gerald Pietraszek – yes
Supervisor James P. DePasquale – yes

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Motion made by Councilwoman Zurbrick and seconded by Councilman Pietraszek and unanimously approved to transfer the following funds.

2020 Highway Budget Transfer Request

FROM: DA5110.41	Fuel	\$945.79
INTO: DA5130.4	Machinery Contractual	\$945.79

TOWN CLERK REPORT

No report

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Supervisor DePasquale reported that a postcard mailing will be sent out for letters of interest for various boards deadline will be December 16th.

A tree lighting will take place on December 6th if anything changes information will be posted on the Town website or Facebook page.

Elected Officials will see a letter coming in their next paycheck explaining the upcoming payroll for 2021.

The town was involved with in Article 78 hearing the Town was released and the hearing dismissed.

Received a call from the Red Cross on a blood drive being held on Christmas Eve from 8am – 2pm at the Colden fire Hall.

There was a first aide call at the Colden Country Inn on December 9th in the evening and an employee jumped into action performing CPR before responders got there and Jim would like to acknowledge him and commend him for his quick actions but he did not let him know that he was going to bring it up. The gentleman was sitting up the next day.

Happy Thanksgiving to all Town residents and Town Board.

PAY BILLS

MOTION made by Councilwoman Zurbrick and seconded by Councilman Arcara and unanimously approved to pay the following bills.

General Fund Warrant Voucher #2020-335 to #2020-373	\$ 16,740.83
Highway Fund Abstract Voucher #2020-154 to #2020-172	\$ 20,667.13
Water District Voucher #2020-57 to #2020-64	\$ 19,384.63
Refuse Fund Voucher #2020-11	\$ 21,817.06
Lighting Fund Voucher #2020-17 to #2020-18	\$ 1,292.91
Community Development Fund #2020-2 to #2020-3	\$ 39.48

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No Comment

ADJOURN

MOTION made by Councilman Hrycik and seconded by Councilwoman Zurbrick and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina M. Kerlin, Town Clerk