# **REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF THURMAN NOVEMBER 17, 2022**

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Thurman, County of Warren and the State of New York was held at the town hall, 311 Athol Road, Athol, NY on the  $17^{TH}$  day of November 2022.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Debra Runyon Supervisor

Randy Galusha Councilperson

Charles Bills Councilperson

Ed Brown Councilperson

Doug Needham Councilperson

# **ALSO PRESENT:**

Cynthia Hyde Town Clerk

Supervisor Runyon called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT: Andrew Alberti and Michelle DeGarmo, from Flatly Read, spoke to the town board about the Community Development Block Grant which can help low to moderate income residents that qualify with critical housing systems so that they can continue to live in their house and be part of the community. This grant is for homes that people live in and that the owner is going to maintain not for homes that are to be fixed up and sold. If a home that receives money through the grant is sold the money it received will have to be paid back. If the town is interested the board will need to define the needs within the community and conduct a housing condition windshield survey. For a fee Flatly Read helps communities pursuing the community development block grant with grant administration, management, planning and grant writing.

# **RESOLUTION 86-2022**

# **RESOLUTION TO ALLOW PETTY CASH FOR CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY**

On a motion of Councilman Needham, seconded by Councilman Brown, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Runyon, Galusha, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 0

**WHEREAS** there are times when the Confidential Secretary needs to make change for retired employees making health insurance payments or for small postage needs, be it

**RESOLVED** that the Town Board shall allow for the Confidential Secretary to have Petty Cash in the amount of \$50.00. The Petty Cash Allowance shall be reconciled on a monthly basis and replenished when the amount falls below \$10.00

#### **RESOLUTION 87-2022**

# RESOLUTION TO REVISE RESOLUTION # 85 REGARDING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERVISOR TO MAKE INCREASED PAYMENTS FOR THE LOADER

On a motion of Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Brown, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Runyon, Galusha, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 0

**WHEREAS** the previous resolution to allow for an increase in payments was modified to reflect four payments of \$45,436 beginning in 2022 and ending in 2025, and

**WHEREAS** the contract called for a trade in allowance of \$48,000 which was not taken into consideration when the modification was voted on, and

**WHEREAS** the loader had additional charges due to an increased interest rate and other nominal fees, be it

**RESOLVED:** The Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to pay the increased amount for each payment in 2022, 2023, and 2024 in the amount of \$47,308.57. Attached you will find a copy of the Purchase Agreement reflecting the trade in allowance and the subsequent annual payments for a total of \$141,925.71. This dollar amount equals a principal payment of \$131,970 plus interest of \$9,955.71.

#### **RESOLUTION 88-2022**

# RESOLUTION TO PERMIT THE TOWN SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE ADIRONDACK ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES MEETING ON DECEMBER 5 TH

On a motion of Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Needham, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Runyon, Galusha, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 0

**WHEREAS** the Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages is holding a meeting on December 5 th with topics to include NYCLASS, NYSERDA, Mark Schachner, and Broadband Cellular and Housing Options/Partnerships, and

**WHEREAS** the Supervisor wishes to attend and extends this invitation to any interest Town Board Members, be it

**RESOLVED:** The Town Board authorizes the Supervisor and any interest Town Board Members to attend the meeting at a cost of \$30.00 per person.

**DISCUSSION:** Discussion ensued regarding whether or not to use fund balance to get the budget down. The board decided not to use fund balance. The board decided to keep the fund balance invested which puts the town in a better place for a loan or grant and gives them more money towards a new highway garage.

# **RESOLUTION 89-2022**

# **RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2023 BUDGET**

On a motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Needham, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Runyon, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 1 Galusha

**WHEREAS** the Thurman Town Board has reviewed the 2023 Tentative Budget, has attended a Budget Workshop, and a Public Hearing was held on Nov 3rd, and

WHEREAS the Thurman Town Board has accepted a Preliminary Budget, and

**WHEREAS** there are no further changes to be made to the Preliminary Budget, be it

**RESOLVED:** that the Town Board of Thurman accepts the Preliminary Budget as the 2023 Final Budget and adopts the Preliminary Budget as the 2023 Final Budget.

# **RESOLUTION 90-2022**

# **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE CLAIMS**

On a motion of Councilman Needham, seconded by Councilman Galusha, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Runyon, Galusha, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 0

TOTAL OF ABSTRACT 11, GENERAL FUND, NOV 17, 2022 \$27,492.22
TOTAL OF ABSTRACT 11, HIGHWAY FUND, NOV 17, 2022 \$139,349.08
TOTAL CLAIMS FOR NOV 17, 2022 \$166,841.31

**DISCUSSION:** Discussion ensued regarding hazard mitigation and identifying hazards in Thurman such as the culvert that floods on Dippikill Road.

# **ADJOURN:**

On a motion of Councilman Needham, seconded by Councilman Galusha, the town board adjourned the meeting at 5:49 pm.

MOTION CARRIED Ayes 5 Runyon, Galusha, Bills, Needham, Brown Nays 0

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Cynthia Hyde, Town Clerk November 30, 2022