

# December 3, 2024

## Town Board Meeting

In Attendance: Kevin Bean – Supervisor Jim Williams – Councilman  
Paul Heid – Councilman Anna Bowers – Councilwoman  
Arnold Stevens – Councilman Jean Comstock – Town Clerk

1. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Deana Wood
2. Call to Order the Town Board Meeting at 7:01PM
3. Accept the Minutes of the November 19, 2024 Meeting  
**RESOLUTION # 217 – 24**  
Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Meeting Minutes from the November 19, 2024 Town Board Meeting and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.
4. Resolution to Re-appoint Ms. Kim Smith to – BAR – Supervisor Bean – we will table this until we can get a process in place.
5. Resolution to Approve the Main Brothers Oil Co., Inc. bid for Town Fuel  
**RESOLUTION # 218 – 24**  
Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Main Brothers Oil Co., Inc. bid to provide fuel for the Town of Johnsburg and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.
6. Resolution for Occ Tax for ADK Life Destination North Creek Ad – no applications received. No Resolution needed.
7. Resolution for Authorization to Advertise and fill a vacant Laborer 3 Position in the PPP effective December 10, 2024 – Pete Olesheski – I had an employee resign; and with the winter season coming up I'd like to fill this position as soon as possible.  
**RESOLUTION # 219 – 24**  
Mr. Stevens made a Motion to approve and authorization to advertise and fill the vacant Laborer 3 Position for PPP and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.
8. Resolution for Authorization to Proceed for Pressure Washing and Painting of TPCC (in the Spring) with Authorization for a refundable \$10,000 deposit to Adirondack Paint & Paper – Supervisor Bean – Pete Olesheski has done a great job getting someone to do this work, kudos to you.  
**RESOLUTION # 220 – 24**  
Mr. Williams made a Motion to approve the pressure washing and painting of TPCC as noted above and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

9. Resolution for Authorization to Proceed for Sanding & Refinishing the Hardwood Floors in the Auditorium at TPCC in January and Approval to encumber the money necessary to pay for this project in 2025 – Supervisor Bean – after the busy season; this is a good deal; Mr. Williams – we’re going with a little bit higher bid solely for the protection of the non-areas being protected; coming from this year’s budget line.

**RESOLUTION # 221 – 24**

Mr. Stevens made a Motion to approve the sanding and refinishing the hardwood floors at TPCC as noted above and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

10. Resolution for Seasonal Hire for Highway Department

**RESOLUTION # 222 – 24**

Mr. Heid made a Motion to approve the seasonal hires for the Highway Department and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Beans, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

11. Resolution for 30-Day Waiver for Wever Creek Diner, LLC for liquor license; Ms. Bowers – it’s such a process to get a liquor license, we should support local businesses.

**RESOLUTION # 223 – 24**

Mr. Williams made a Motion to approve the 30-Day Waiver for Wever Creek Diner LLC for their liquor license process and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. Will all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

12. Board Discussion re: letter of interest for Designated positions for the January 1, 2025 Organizational Meeting – looking at 2025 and prepping for our Organizational Meeting in early January; Ms. Bowers – water clerk, ZEO, safety officer, animal control officer, health officer. Interest in any of the positions noted above, please submit letters of interest by January 1, 2025.

13. Board Discussion – Recreational Trails – Supervisor Bean – we had received a match for the Rec Trails; Mr. Williams – connector trail – we were short \$975 of the Town’s match while Bookkeeper was closing out the books; Supervisor Bean - we’re recommending from Occ Tax, ARPA or General Fund; in discussions with Board Members using ARPA monies; Floor Resolution for match of \$975.

**RESOLUTION # 224 – 24**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to approve the funds for \$975 that was short from the Town’s match for the Connector Trail from ARPA funds and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nay – 0.

14. Board Discussion – Amendment of Local Law; Floor Resolution to amend Local Law #1-2015 for opposite sides of the street parking; there will be a Public Hearing on 12/17/24 for this Local Law at 6:45PM with the Regular Town Board Meeting to follow at 7:00PM; Mr. Horvath – how will it be enforced; Supervisor Bean – we will have all in place by the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting; we would have to have them towed, with a 15 minute window; Mr. Konis – hours of parking 12-9? Supervisor Bean – County to provide signage; Mr. Webb – are business owners OK with this? Supervisor Bean – they seem to be.

**RESOLUTION # 225 – 24**

Mr. Williams made a Motion to hold a Public Hearing for Local Law # 1 - 2024 to amend Local Law #1-2015 for Opposite Sides of the Road Parking and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

15. Mr. Williams – just for Board discussion – opportunity for the Town to have an exemption on assessed values for folks with disabilities, limited income – provides tax relief at the local town level; didn't fully jump into this until I see if the Board is interested; I will roll up my sleeves and get going on this.

16. Supervisor's Report

**RESOLUTION # 226 – 24**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Supervisor's Report and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With all Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays – 0.

17. Committee Reports

Supervisor Bean – termination agreement from HHHN has been signed and completed, no more stipend to HHHN.

Paul Heid

- Impromptu Highway Committee Meeting was held; we need to move forward.

Anna Bowers

- Transfer station information needs to get out – where are we with that? Needs to be run by those that this will affect; Pete Olesheski – we're working on it and talking it through it; Warren County was on site yesterday, scales are certified, ready to go; we got a crash course on how it works; need to work out some internal things; want more information out there and thank you Anna for your poster; Ms. Bower – is it still a moving target? Pete Olesheski – the holidays complicated things; like to stay on track for the first if we can; need to work the cc machine out; Amy Sabattis – can the letter go out in the tax bills?
- Good marketing committee meeting; reaching out to Garnet Signs – resolution for mockup for signs
- Everything else is at a standstill right now.

Jim Williams

- Parks – hard work with Lights On, thanks for that Pete Olesheski.
- Sewer – bids opened, no bids awarded or contracts signed; map plan; discussion/confusion with USDA regarding maps; can use funds from the grants to hookup properties in the district as long as it's done in initial construction; map plan and report – laterals on private property – homeowners responsible for the laterals; town/district responsible for laterals; by signing a user agreement we can get around these obstacles and use grant money; bids came in higher than the grant was for – working through options there; may need to get more funding; create a whole new map plan and report; we're exploring different pathways; we are not in a position to award the bids.

Mr. Stevens

- Senior's Committee – we had our initial meeting, a lot of participation and interest; would like to have a more formalized adoption of that Committee at the next Board Meeting. January 8, 2025 is the next meeting at 10:00AM at TPCC.

18. Warrants

**RESOLUTION # 227 - 24**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Warrants and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bean, Bowers, Heid Williams); Nays – 1 (Stevens).

GENERAL FUND	\$ 50,533.62
HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 26,358.86
LIBRARY FUND	\$ 2,301.08
WATER DISTRICT	\$ 388.80
TRUST & AGENCY	\$ 750.24
TOTAL	\$ 80,332.60

19. Privilege of the Floor

- Beth Maher – I appreciate hearing about the Senior Committee; why haven't we officially done the emergency preparedness; Supervisor Bean – we'll do that at the next meeting as well.
- Judy Brown – I oversee the reuse shed; we've had great success over the year; a lot of turnover; we are short spaced, but it's been good; on Monday someone had thrown furniture in the C&D and it looked like good furniture, we don't have a place for furniture and we'd like to be able to do that; just putting it out there for a thought, we do have the room and we have to move the shed anyway, we can get grants and North Country Ministry could help as well.
- Amy Sabattis – the sewer bids came in over, how much are we lacking? Mr. Williams – 1.5 million; Supervisor Bean – it's a big number, Mr. Williams has had conversations re: grant/funding; Mr. Williams – money in would change the dynamics of the USDA money.

20. Motion to Adjourn

**RESOLUTION # 228 – 24**

Mr. Heid made a Motion to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:40 PM and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Williams. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes -5 (Bean, Bowers, Heid, Stevens, Williams); Nays - 0.

Prepared by:

*Jean M. Comstock*

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Town Clerk

**THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND LOCAL  
LAW #1-2015 WITH LOCAL LAW #1-2024 AT 6:45PM ON  
DECEMBER 17, 2024 - THE TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL  
FOLLOW AT 7:00PM AT TANNERY POND**