

October 16, 2013

The regular meeting of the Amsterdam Town Board was held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at Town Hall, 283 Manny's Corners Road, Amsterdam, NY 12010.

Present: Thomas P. DiMezza, Supervisor
Terry Bieniek, Councilman
Alexander Kuchis, Councilman
Charles R. Schwartz, Town Attorney
Linda Bartone Hughes, Town Clerk

Absent: Kenneth Krutz, Councilman
Bart A. Tessiero, Councilman

Others: Keith Kazala

Supervisor Thomas DiMezza opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a salute to the Flag.

Public Comment – None

92 Res. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS ABSTRACT #10, VOUCHER NUMBERS #635-711

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves payment of October Vouchers #633 Handwritten Check-National Grid \$3,224.47, #633 Cornerstone Telephone \$483.38 and #635-711 as follows:

A Fund	\$ 24,008.50	B Fund	\$ 28,898.95	DB Fund	\$ 27,059.65
SS Fund	\$ 1,820.00	HWD Fund	\$ 144,650.65	Escrow	-

Total Amount \$ 226,437.75 plus \$3,707.85 paid in advance of abstract (#633-#634)

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

93 Res. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves minutes for September 18, 2013

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

94 Res. RESOLUTION REQUESTING SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION ON ANTLERS ROAD, TOWN OF AMSTERDAM

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam requests the County Department of Public Works initiate a study to reduce speed limit on Antlers Road, Town of Amsterdam between NYS Route 5 and NYS Route 67 (West).

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

95 Res. APPROVE LICENSE ISSUING AGENT AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves license issuing agent agreement with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Sponsored by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
Seconded by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

96 Res. CHANGE NOVEMBER MEETING DATE

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves to change meeting date to November 27th – Fourth Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. to follow public hearings.

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

97 Res. SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARINGS PROPOSED 2014 TOWN BUDGET

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam schedules public hearings for Wednesday, November 27th as follows:

6:30 p.m. Fort Johnson Fire Department
6:35 p.m. Hagaman Fire Department
6:40 p.m. Cranesville Fire Department
6:45 p.m. Tribes Hill Fire Department
6:50 p.m. Preliminary 2014 Town Budget

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

98 Res. PIONEER STREET PROJECT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, by it is in the public interest to encourage the remediation of abandoned and likely contaminated properties ("sites") that threaten the health and vitality of the communities they burden while at the same time ensuring the protection of public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Easements are an enforceable means of ensuring the performance of operation, maintenance, and/or monitoring requirements and the restriction of future uses of the land, when an environmental remediation project leaves residual contamination at levels that have been determined to be safe for a specific use, but not all uses,

WHEREAS, after a review of all relevant documentation and exhibits, statements, public discussion, and review of the Town code, the Town Board resolves the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign any and all documents regarding the Pioneer Street Project including, but not limited to, an Environmental Easement, in furtherance of the closing of this matter.

Sponsored by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
Seconded by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

A roll call vote was taken on the Resolution as follows:

Supervisor Thomas P. DiMezza:	YES
Board person Alexander Kuchis:	YES
Board person Terry Bieniek	YES
Board person Bart Tessiero:	Excused absent
Board person Kenneth J. Krutz:	Excused absent

Late Items

Attorney Schwartz recommends revising two sections of the Dog Control Law allowing our dog control officer to issue an appearance ticket and revise the penalty section. The Town Board decided to hold a public hearing.

99 Res. SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF
2013 AMENDING DOG CONTROL LAW

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam schedules public hearing for Wednesday, November 27th at 6:25 p.m. concerning Local Law No. 1 of 2013 amending Dog Control Law.

Sponsored by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis

Seconded by: Councilman Terry Bieniek

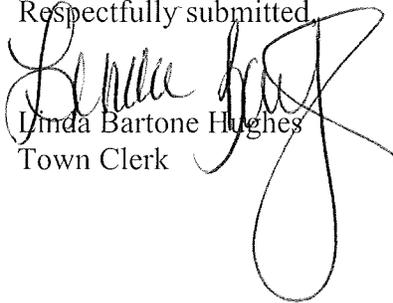
ADOPTED-3-AYES-0-NOES

The Town Board briefly discussed the proposed budget. A salary increase of 1.5% was given to Highway Superintendent, Town Clerk and Court Clerk. There was a very slight change in fire budget. In addition, there was an increase in health insurance.

Councilman Kuchis suggested putting up a street light at Target entrance for safety reasons. Supervisor DiMezza said we could get a quote from National Grid.

On a motion by Councilman Alexander Kuchis and seconded by Councilman Terry Bieniek, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Bartone Hughes
Town Clerk