

**Town of North Hudson
Regular Town Board Meeting
September 15, 2022
6 p.m.**

Present were Supervisor Stephanie DeZalia, Councilman Brian Caza, Councilwoman Maureen Marsden, Councilman Brian DeZalia and Councilman Larry Koller and Town Clerk Martha (Candy) King.

Guests present were Tracee Parent, Jake Parent and Will Plumstead.

Supervisor DeZalia called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led in the pledge to the Flag.

Approval of the minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting as amended by Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilwoman Marsden

All in favor

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Supervisors Financial Report

As of August 31, 2022

Checking Accounts

Town of North Hudson Checking	0.10%	\$ 697,452.16
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General Fund	\$ 664,482.16	
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Fire District	\$ 32,970.00	
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Highway Fund Checking	0.10%	\$ 810,476.27
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<u>Total All Funds</u>		<u>\$ 1,507,928.43</u>
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Approval of General Fund and Highway Department Abstracts

Motion to approve the abstracts of both the General and Highway Funds by Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilman DeZalia

Roll Call:

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Audit of Judges Financial Report

Motion to approve the Audit of Judges Financial Report by Councilwoman Marsden

Second: Councilman Caza

All in favor

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Old Business

A. -Heating Fuel

Resolution # 80 of 2022

Resolved to continue the contract with Sprague Operating Resources LLC. to be supplied by Mountain Petroleum for one year.

Moved: Councilman Caza second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Resolution #81 of 2022

Resolution to dissolve **Resolution #78 of 2022**

Resolution in support of the Town Supervisor to formulate bid specs, advertise and except bids for heating fuel for the 2022-2023 season with the option to extend said approved bid and contract for an additional two seasons.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilman Caza

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

B.- Early Voting

Dates for the early voting are Saturday October 29th to Sunday November 6th.

Election Day is Tuesday November 8th.

C.-Hometown Hero Banners

Councilman Caza reported there has been no progress with the banner program, stating he has not met with Mrs. Herrick to date.

D.- Broadband

Lengthy discussion on the need for high speed internet in North Hudson and the estimated costs providing of such service.

6. New Business

A.- Department Reports

Supervisor- Supervisor DeZalia will be attending the NYSAC conference in Buffalo 9/19 through 9/21. The Supervisors Clerk will be attending the NYS Retirement Enhanced Program in Plattsburgh on 9/21.

Highway Department- Discussion on the estimate received from Geraw’s OK Septic Service LLC to install alarm system on the tank at the Highway garage.

Resolution # 82 of 2022

Resolution to contract with Geraw’s OK Septic Service LLC for the installation of a tank alert alarm at the Highway Garage for a cost of \$759.11.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye
M. Marsden- Aye
B. DeZalia-Aye

Discussion on various equipment requests from the Highway Superintendent.
Discussion on status of paving of Pepper Hollow Road pavement grinding, culvert replacement and possible DEC permits required. It was noted that no prices or reports have been given on these items.

Reminder was given to Highway Committee members of the October 13th 7th Annual Adirondack Champlain regional salt summit in Lake George 7:30am -3pm. The Highway department is being encouraged to attend.

Courts- Discussion on phone system.

Discussion on the 14KW generator estimate from Gore Electric at \$8,834.00.

Discussion on LED lights.

It was noted the toilet and facet have been replaced.

Town Clerk- Discussion on obtaining a shred bin from Adirondack Mobile Shredding.

Resolution #83 of 2022

Resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to contract with Adirondack Mobile Shredding for a monthly fee of \$40 with funds to come from account A1620.40, buildings and grounds.

Moved: Councilman Caza second: Councilwoman Marsden

Discussion on obtaining another shred bin for the court.

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye
L. Koller- Aye
S. DeZalia- Aye
M. Marsden- Aye
B. DeZalia-Aye

Discussion on literature racks for the display and organization of the various brochures and publications to be placed in the hallway of the Town Hall.

Resolution #84 of 2022

Resolution authorizing the purchase of two Literature Racks for the purpose of organizing leaflets and booklets for the public at a cost of \$181 each.

Moved: Councilwoman Marsden second: Councilman Koller

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye
L. Koller- Aye
S. DeZalia- Aye
M. Marsden- Aye
B. DeZalia-Aye

Transfer Station-Brief discussion on transfer station stickers and dog licenses. It was noted there are still a few people are coming from communities outside of town to use our transfer station.

B. County Reports

1.- Discussion on recent legislation allowing communities to lower speed limits within their jurisdiction. It was noted requests need to go through NYSDOT and it does not apply to NYS roads.

2.- COVID pay- Brief discussions on COVID pay.

3.- RFP Code Enforcement – Brief discussion on a possible county Code Enforcement Department with each Town having option to opt in or opt out. Supervisor DeZalia noted it is only codes not zoning as each Town has their own zoning.

C.- Discussion on JMF Publishing advertisements for the 2023 Fishing, Hiking and Paddling publications and the summer edition, noting if done now the summer edition would be at a 20% savings.

Resolution #85 of 2022

Resolution allowing the Supervisor to reserve advertisement space and pay for the Town ad in the Adirondack Paddling, Adirondack Hiking, Adirondack Fishing and the Upstate Summer edition printed and distributed by JMF Publishing for a total cost of \$1803.20 to run and be distributed in 2023.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Budget Workshops- Discussion on the budget process and schedule.

Resolution # 86 of 2022

Resolved to set date for presentation of Tentative Budget by the Town Clerk for Tuesday October 4, 2022 at 6:15 pm at the North Hudson Town Hall.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Resolution # 87 of 2022

Resolved to set the following dates for the 2023 Budget Workshops.

Tuesday October 18th at 3:00 pm, Wednesday October 26 at 3:00 pm and Thursday October 27th at 3:00 pm if needed.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Resolution # 88 of 2022

Resolved to set the Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget to be held on Thursday November 10th at 6:00pm.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye
M. Marsden- Aye
B. DeZalia-Aye

Resolution #89 of 2022

Resolution Introducing Proposed Local Law # 1 of 2022 entitled “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit established in general municipal law §3-C”

LOCAL LAW NO. #1 of 2022

“A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2023”

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Local Law is enacted pursuant to subdivision 5 of N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c (the “Property Tax Cap Law”), which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this local law is to permit the Town Board to override the tax levy limit on the amount of property taxes that may be levied by the Town of North Hudson pursuant to the Property Tax Cap Law, and to allow the Town to adopt a budget for Fiscal Year 2023 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by the Property Tax Cap Law. Such override is necessary and in the best interests of the Town.

SECTION 3. TAX LEVY LIMIT OVERRIDE. The Town of North Hudson Town Board is hereby authorized to override the Tax Levy Limit established pursuant to N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c, for Fiscal Year 2023, and to adopt a budget for Fiscal Year 2023 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to said clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This local law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Secretary of State as provided in §27 of the N.Y. Municipal Home Rule

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson shall hold and conduct a public hearing on the foregoing proposed local law on the 20th day of October 2022 at 5:45 pm in the evening of that day, to hear any and all persons concerning the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk of North Hudson will publish a notice of such hearing in the designated Town newspaper at least five (5) days prior to said hearing.

Moved: Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilman Caza

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye
L. Koller- Aye
S. DeZalia- Aye
M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Resolution # 90 of 2022

Resolved to set the Public Hearing on Thursday October 20, 2022 at 5:45 pm for the Purpose of adopting Local Law #1 of 2022 entitled A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Established in General Municipal Law §3-C.

Moved: Councilman Koller second: Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Privilege of the Floor

Brief discussion on the NHVFD budget needs and request.

Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive session for personnel matters at 7:25 pm

Moved by Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilwoman Marsden

B. Caza- Aye

L. Koller- Aye

S. DeZalia- Aye

M. Marsden- Aye

B. DeZalia-Aye

Motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:50 pm

Moved Supervisor DeZalia second: Councilwoman Marsden

No action was taken.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:54 pm

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Martha M. King

Town Clerk