

**Town of North Hudson  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
Thursday  
October 19, 2023  
6 p.m.**

Present were Supervisor Stephanie DeZalia, Councilwoman Maureen Marsden, Councilman Larry Koller, Town Clerk Martha (Candy) King. Councilman Brian DeZalia - excused. Councilman Caza - excused  
Guests: Brandon Potter, Dal Langworthy, Nina Gershon, Bernard Fried, John King, Cassandra D’Agostino, Tracee and Jake Parent.

**1- Call to Order**

Supervisor DeZalia called the meeting 6:00 pm. She noted that Councilman DeZalia and Councilman Caza were excused.

**2. Salute to the Flag**

The pledge to the Flag having already been done at the 4:00 budget workshop,

**3- Accept the minutes**

Motion to accept the minutes of the September 21, 2023 Regular Town Board Meeting by Supervisor DeZalia Second: Councilwoman Marsden  
Councilman Koller – Y  
Supervisor DeZalia-Y  
Councilwoman Marsden-Y  
Councilman Caza- excused  
Councilman DeZalia- excused  
All in Favor So moved

**4.- Supervisor’s Financial Report**

**As of September 30, 2023**

**Glens Falls National Bank**

Checking Accounts

Town of North Hudson Checking	0.10%	\$ 180,785.02
General Fund	\$ 102,384.04	
ARPA	\$ 42,885.42	
Fire District	\$ 35,515.56	
Highway Fund Checking	0.10%	\$ 208,824.87
	<u>Total All Funds</u>	<u>\$ 389,609.89</u>

**NYCLASS**

General Fund	4.92%	\$ 508,471.80
Highway Fund	4.92%	\$ 508,471.80
	<u>Total All Funds</u>	<u>\$ 1,016,943.60</u>
	<u>Total from all Accounts</u>	<u>\$ 1,406,553.49</u>

**a.- General and Highway abstract approval-**

Supervisor DeZalia moved to approve the Abstracts for General and Highway fund with a second by Councilwoman Marsden.

Councilman Koller – Y  
Supervisor DeZalia-Y  
Councilwoman Marsden-Y  
Councilman Caza- excused  
Councilman DeZalia- excused  
All in Favor So moved

**b.-Audit of Judges Financial Report**

Councilwoman Marsden motioned to approve the Judges financial report from August second by Supervisor DeZalia.

Councilman Koller – Y  
Supervisor DeZalia-Y  
Councilwoman Marsden-Y  
Councilman Caza- excused  
Councilman DeZalia- excused  
All in Favor So moved

**c. Resolution to amend budgeted funds**

**Resolution # 65 of 2023**

Resolved to amend the 2023 budget as follows:

\$176.85 from A1110.2 to A1110.4  
\$652.98 from A1990.4 to A1910.4  
\$754.70 from A7110.2 to A7110.1  
\$225.29 from A7110.2 to A7110.4

Moved by Supervisor DeZalia Second by Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call:

Councilman Koller – Y  
Supervisor DeZalia-Y  
Councilwoman Marsden-Y  
Councilman Caza- excused  
Councilman DeZalia- excused

**5. Old Business**

**A. Main Street Revitalization Program update**

Prior to this meeting we had a well-attended informational meeting at 5 pm. Anna Reynolds presented a summary of the entire process, the application process, check list page, the instructions and the scoring page. Anna answered numerous questions from those in attendance. A few residents have already picked up applications.

Supervisor DeZalia read Matt Simpsons opening statements from the Forward Together conference.

**B. Frontier Town Notice of intent-SEQR**

SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review)

Supervisor DeZalia explained the County is the lead agency on the Restore NY Grant and the restoration and cleanup of various buildings in Frontier Town.

**C. Quality Affordable Workforce Housing Update**

The County will have a meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 11am for the discussion of the sale of property to Mr. Kavanaugh.

Resolution# 63 of 2023, a resolution of support of being a pro housing community, was read by Supervisor DeZalia. She added that this gives North Hudson an advantage when applying for future NYS grants meeting the bonus points for future projects.

## **D. LED Street Lighting**

Supervisor DeZalia received prices to convert the street lights to LED lights. She explained that the conversion cost would be \$1,699.48, plus National Grid is offering a \$3,000 incentive to do this.

### **Resolution #66 of 2023**

Resolution to proceed with the conversion of the streetlights to LED energy efficient lighting with the proposed incentives by National Grid.

Moved by Supervisor DeZalia Seconded by Councilwoman Marsden

Roll Call:

Councilman Koller – Y

Supervisor DeZalia-Y

Councilwoman Marsden-Y

Councilman Caza- excused

Councilman DeZalia- excused

## **E. Broadband**

Supervisor DeZalia explained that she has 2 zoom calls every month regarding broadband with SLIC, Verizon, Hudson Valley wireless, members of the Assembly, Congress and others. Discussion on Connect All in Franklin County to come up with different ways to get broadband to everyone. She added the difficulties that installers are having.

Supervisor addressed the letter she and the board members received from a Duntley Road resident asking what happened to the grant money North Hudson was provided. She clarified this by stating” the Town of North Hudson never has had a grant for broadband.”

Kevin Lynch provided Supervisor DeZalia a map of the original coverage area awarded to SLIC by the Connect NY program. In 2016 SLIC provided coverage to just north of Ensign Pond Rd, funded by the Connect NY program. In 2017 SLIC built out to Pepper Hollow Rd. This was funded privately by the cell tower provider and SLIC extended services to homes passed along the way. Later in 2017, SLIC was awarded phase 3 funding which they did not realize for several years later to include Greenough Road. It was noted by Supervisor DeZalia that she and the Board will make sure North Hudson stays on the map and will continue to work diligently to obtain broadband service for those areas in our community currently without service.

Kevin Lynch from SLIC is hoping the BEAD funding for broadband will address these issues but it is at least 12 months away.

## **6. New Business**

### **A. Department Report**

#### **1.- Highway Department**

Discussion on the 2012 Tandem.

Highway Superintendent presented Supervisor a list of items to surplus.

The 2023 Inventory sheets have been distributed to the Department Heads so surplus list will be put on hold until the inventory is completed in the event of more items are added to it.

#### **2. Transfer Station**

Brief update on interior work being completed.

#### **3. Supervisor**

a. Local Law to Override Tax Cap

## **Resolution # 67 of 2023**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor DeZalia, who moved for its adoption. Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**Be it Resolved** that the Town of North Hudson Town Board hereby introduces proposed Local Law # 1 of 2023 entitled “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law § -3c “reading and provided as follows:

“A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2024”

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 2024 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 Clinton Town Board is hereby authorized to override the Tax Levy Limit established pursuant to N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c, for Fiscal Year 2024, and to adopt a budget for Fiscal Year 2024 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 the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the forenoon of that day, to hear any and all persons concerning the same; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Clerk of the Town of North Hudson will publish notice of such hearing in designated Town newspaper at least five days prior to said hearing in the Town newspaper at least five days prior to said hearing.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilwoman Marsden, and adopted upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call:

Councilman Koller –AYE  
Supervisor DeZalia-AYE  
Councilwoman Marsden-AYE  
Councilman Caza- excused  
Councilman DeZalia- excused

**B. County Reports**

1. Meeting on October 30 at 11 am for the discussion of sale of property to Mr. Kavanaugh.

**C. Permanent Cleaner Position.**

Discussion on filling the cleaner position.

**7. Privilege of the Floor for items already discussed**

Discussions on how sections were divided up for SLIC broadband service. Affordable workforce housing and the county property.

**8. Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn by Supervisor DeZalia second Councilwoman Marsden  
All in Favor  
Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted  
Martha M. King  
Town Clerk