Town of Tully March 11, 2020

7:00PM

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2020, A REPEAL OF LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2018

Members Present: Supervisor John Masters

Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Catherine Goodwin

Notice of this Public Hearing was published in the Post Standard on March 8th, 2020.

Supervisor Masters opened the public hearing and led in the pledge of allegiance. He then advised that the purpose and intent of this law is to allow the Town of Tully to enter into possible contracts for payment in lieu of taxes as allowed by the New York Real Property Tax Law, Section 487(9), and to reinstate any and all exemptions from taxation for certain energy systems as allowed by RPTL Section 487.

Mr. Masters then called for comments from the floor. There were no comments from the floor.

However, Mr. DeMore explained about the law and how the process will work. There were questions and comments from board members. Lengthy discussion followed.

Afterwards, the following motion was made:

RESOLUTION 33-2020

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:10PM ON LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2020 was made by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

(During the break, the town board audited the supervisor's records for 2019.)

7:30PM

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING TOWN OF TULLY TOWN HALL 5833 MEETING HOUSE RD TULLY NY

Members Present: Supervisor John Masters
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Catherine Goodwin

Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro

Others present: Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Parks & Rec Director Ryan Dando, Fire Captain Chad Wakula, Fire Commissioner Ed Wortley, Jr., Wendy Lucas, Ann Padget, Greg Hering and John Sidd

RESOLUTION 34-2020

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12TH MEETING AND THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 27TH MEETING. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Highway

John Herold reported on the following:

- Good month; plows were out 23 times in February sanding and plowing
- We had one minor repair on the 2011 International 6-wheeler; also had some repairs on the chainsaws we use
- Earth Day this year, activities will be on Friday, April 24th and Saturday, April 25th
- Town Cleanup Day is May 9th from 9am to 3pm. There was a discussion regarding how to limit the amount of trash, size of load as well as the number of times a resident goes

through the line. It was suggested that residents bring a paid tax receipt so we know the person pays taxes to Tully and not Preble, Fabius or Otisco. Info will be forthcoming in the Tully News.

- John also asked that the board sign the 284 Agreement so he can make road improvements. He would then send it to the county. Brief discussion.
- John also advised that he would like to purchase pallet forks for \$4200.00 and a work basket for \$2910.00. Brief discussion.
- And at some point in the future, he would like to replace the 2014 Stake Rack Truck.

RESOLUTION 35-2020

MOTION TO APPROVE SPENDING \$4200 FOR 48-INCH PALLET FORKS AND \$2910 FOR A WORK BASKET PURCHASE UNDER CONTRACT NUMBER YNS OGS PC66988.

Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Ambulance

Fire Captain Chad Wakula reported on the following ambulance activities:

- 1. Number of EMS calls for February was 44.
- **2.** April 13, 2020 New York State Department of Health Field Representatives will be here for a full-service ambulance service inspection.
- **3.** March 26, 2020 we will be sending an ambulance over to the high school for their career day.
- **4.** New York State Emergency Mobilization Survey for Westchester county and New York city was completed.
- **5.** I have been on several conference calls with Onondaga Emergency Management and the Department of Health and reps from the CDC regarding the covid-19 coronavirus. There are 21 people in quarantine in Onondaga County. No confirmed cases. The situation is still rapidly evolving.
- 6. Onondaga County approved funding for new cellular data/Wi-Fi modems and Verizon/Firstnet Cards in them. They will be removing the old data modems and installing the new ones this Spring.

Parks & Recreation

Ryan Dando reported on the following activities:

- The tennis courts are all set to be worked on in the spring; we're the first of Nagle's clients this year
- Working with the Tully Arts Council to bring back the Summer Arts Program
- Registrations active for baseball and softball
- Green Lake is going to need repairs on the dock this year; discussion followed.
- We're going to advertise to do a Green Lake Volunteer Day to beautify it a bit; put that in the Tully newsletter this month and see what kind of response we get and then try to set a date for the beginning of June for that.
- The Moo Run is set for June 6th.

Fire

Ed Wortley reported that they are in the process of converting the lights in the fire station to LEDs with a grant from NYSERDA.

Financial Report

Tom Chartrand outlined the monthly statement of supervisor for February as indicated below:

- In the general fund, the remainder of the taxes were paid
- The JCAP grant monies were received by the court for the security door
- The highway fund is in good shape
- The ambulance recoveries were pretty good this month, so we're ahead there

Next, Tom referred to a transfer sheet for engineering fees which is included below:

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To: Town Board

From: Tom Chartrand

Re: Budget Transfers

GENERAL Town wide

From:

A1990.4 Contingent Contractual \$4,500.00

Total \$4,500.00

(Transfer sheet continued on next page)

A1440.4 Engineering

Contractual

\$4,500.00

Total

\$4,500.00

Supervisor Masters explained that there were a number of Tully residents who were getting water from the Honeywell water system. "There have been a number of ongoing meetings with Dan Fitzpatrick from Lafayette, Dave Knapp, John Snavlin and myself" to facilitate the potential of a water district being formed. It was suggested that we have an initial engineering review of the state of the current water system. The tasks to be completed in that review would be to:

- perform an onsite visit to review the existing springhouse and existing water distribution system;
- develop a preliminary map showing the proposed water district
- develop a map, plan and report to coincide with the map
- meet with the owner to review the report and make any required modifications
- attend one informational meeting to discuss the project

Following a brief discussion, the motion was made to approve the budget transfer.

RESOLUTION 36-2020

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENT TO ENGINEERING. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 37-2020

MOTION TO EXPEND THE \$4500 FOR ENGINEERING FEES. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 38-2020

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 39-2020

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 40-2020

MOTION THAT THE ANNUAL UPDATE FOR SOTS HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE STATE AND THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF TULLY HAS ALSO BEEN FILED WITH THE STATE, AND THE TOWN BOARD AUTHORIZES THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE IN THE PAPER TO THAT EFFECT. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Planning Board Appointments

Next, Councilor Goodwin advised that she and Councilor Chapman are recommending two alternates for the planning board. Steve Bielecki would be appointed to a 1-year term and TJ Shaw to be appointed for a 3-year term.

RESOLUTION 41-2020

MOTION TO APPOINT STEVE BIELECKI TO A 1-YEAR TERM AS AN ALTERNATE AND TJ SHAW TO A 3-YEAR TERM AS AN ALTERNATE. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 42-2020

MOTION TO SET COMPENSATION FOR THESE TWO ALTERNATES TO THE PLANNING BOARD AT \$100 FOR ANY MONTH THEY ARE ENGAGED. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Floor - Public Input

A resident (Chris) who lives on the corner of Solvay Road and Rt. 11a asked the board to consider inquiring of Spectrum or Verizon to expand high speed internet in areas of the town that do not currently have it. He explained that he and his wife both work from home and are only using DSL at the moment because high speed internet is not available where they live. It

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was suggested that they reach out to the public service commission for help. And Mr. Masters also responded that he had reached out to Dave Knapp, our county legislative chairman, who would see what he could do, if anything, and report back on any progress.

Next, Councilor Speziale asked about my new deputy covering the town clerk's office during lunch hour. And that has just recently been taken care of during the six hours a week that she works for me which would be three days a week.

Next, resident Wendy Lucas had concerns about an aggressive dog in her yard over the weekend and was concerned about dog control's response. Discussion followed. There should be a follow-up in the next Tully newsletter.

There was also some concern regarding pedestrians walking between Tully high school and the Circle K. Brief discussion followed.

Legal

Mr. DeMore advised the board that he and John Sidd had spoken about a motion that was needed by the town board to appoint itself lead agency on the SEQR process for the three TetraTech projects. A second motion was needed for the board to appoint itself lead agency for the Delaware River Solar (DRS) project. Additionally, a motion was needed for the board to appoint itself lead agency for purposes of SEQR with regard to proposed Local Law No. 2.

RESOLUTION 43-2020

MOTION THAT THE TOWN BOARD APPOINT ITSELF LEAD AGENCY ON THE SEQR PROCESS FOR THE THREE TETRATECH PROJECTS. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 44-2020

MOTION THAT THE TOWN BOARD APPOINT ITSELF LEAD AGENCY ON THE SEQR PROCESS FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER SOLAR PROJECT. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 45-2020

MOTION THAT THE TOWN BOARD APPOINT ITSELF LEAD AGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF SEQR FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Next, Mr. DeMore advised the board that the questions on the "Short Environmental Assessment Form – Part 2 – Impact Assessment" had to be answered by the lead agency. The questions and answers were read into the minutes and the document was signed by John Masters as Town Supervisor. (The document in its entirety is included at the end of these minutes as part of Local Law No. 2 of 2020.)

Mr. DeMore then advised that the board could now adopt proposed Local Law No. 2.

RESOLUTION 46-2020

MOTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2020, WHICH IS A REPEAL OF LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2018. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

RESOLUTION 47-2020

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM TODD A. AND DEBORAH A. WARNER AS SET OUT BY HANS CHRISTOPHERSON'S SURVEY DATED 12-17-19. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes

RESOLUTION 48-2020

MOTION TO ALLOW THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO FILE A WRITTEN CONSENT WITH THE TOWN CLERK TO ABANDON BABCOCK ROAD; AREA TO BE ABANDONED RUNNING FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY TODD A AND DEBORAH A WARNER, BOOK OF DEEDS 5204 AT PAGE 27. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

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RESOLUTION 49-2020

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE JOHN HEROLD TO SIGN THE CONSENT TO ABANDONMENT

NOW FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by

Counselor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes

(Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 8:50PM. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk