

**THE TOWN OF MAMAKATING TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, WURTSBORO, NEW YORK.**

**Present:** William E. Herrmann- Supervisor  
Brenda Giraldi- Councilwoman/Deputy Supervisor  
Matt Taylor – Councilman  
Christine Saward – Councilwoman  
Patrick Keller – Councilman  
Graham Vest - Councilman  
Nicholas Salomone, Jr. - Councilman  
J. Benjamin Gailey- Attorney for the Town  
Jean M. Dougherty- Town Clerk

**Also present:** Catherine Owens-Herrmann – Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor/Legislator  
JoAnn Salamone – Deputy Highway Superintendent  
Kerron Barnes – Interagency Coordinator

**Absent:** Riley Platt III – Highway Superintendent

**Worksession Items for Discussion**

Camp Echo: Scott Rosenbluth & Cindy Brabow Wine & Food Festival Columbus Day weekend

Account Clerk Appointment

Budget Modifications

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- The August 21, 2018 meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Absent**

**COUNTY LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Catherine Owens-Herrmann**

The money for the Visitors Center is not a line item in the budget. It comes from dedicated funds from the room tax, so that tourist money (the room tax) is reinvested in tourism. This is legislated by the state legislature. Room tax money can only be used for tourism. It cannot be used for bridges, roads, salaries, general fund, and cannot go to taxpayers. Room tax money is \$150,856.89 higher this year from January to July 21, compared to the same time period last year. Sales tax is also higher, generated from tourism. Besides the Visitors Center, there is a plan to install tourism-promoting kiosks all over the county.

## **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

- Cider Press road issue – private road not Town
- Fish Hatchery Road – Dispute regarding Town Road vs. private?
- Comprehensive Plan – Update? Possible Public Hearing in mid-October

## **ABSTRACTS**

A motion was made by M. Taylor, seconded by G. Vest to approve the following abstract as presented: Abstract #16 (Voucher #20181322-20181442) in the amount of \$115,259.67. All in favor.

## **MINUTES**

A motion was made by G. Vest, seconded by N. Salomone to accept the Minutes of August 7, 2018. All in favor.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

- A motion approving the Budget Modifications as presented was made by M. Taylor, seconded by C. Seward. All in favor.
- A motion was made by P. Keller, seconded by B. Giraldi to appoint Lillian Heidenreich as fulltime Account Clerk. All in favor.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A motion was made by G. Vest, seconded by B. Giraldi to go into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. to obtain attorney advice regarding the Wurtsboro Hills garbage bid, highway negotiations and 3 Town Hall employees. All in favor.
- A motion was made at 8:02 p.m. by B. Giraldi, seconded by C. Seward to come out of Executive Session. All in favor.
- A resolution was made following the executive session on a motion by M. Taylor and seconded by B. Giraldi to hire the services of the firm Keane & Beane, PC for labor negotiations. All in favor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by M. Taylor, seconded by C. Seward. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted;

Jean M. Dougherty, Town Clerk