

**THE TOWN OF MAMAKATING TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.
AT 2948 ROUTE 209, WURTSBORO, N.Y. AND VIA ZOOM.**

Present: Michael Robbins- Supervisor
John Rufer, Jr. – Deputy Supervisor - Councilman
Gary Forthoffer – Councilman via Zoom
Peter Goodman – Councilman
Matthew Mordas - Councilman
Tyler Wood – Councilman
James Post - Councilman
J. Benjamin Gailey- Attorney for the Town
Jean M. Dougherty- Town Clerk

Also present: Thomas Morrow – Highway Superintendent

PUBLIC HEARING – 2024 BUDGET

Public Comment

C. Leser asked if mistakes are made in preparing budgets, financial reports etc. and asked about the cost of the town hiring a tree company and the related costs to the Town. M. Robbins responded that the 2024 Tentative Budget did have a couple of typos that were corrected before the Preliminary Budget was approved. He added that the Town was going to set up a Dedicated Fund for the implementation of tree issues being addressed.

There being no further comments from the board or audience, the Supervisor asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Said motion was made by J. Rufer and seconded by M. Mordas. All in favor.

Worksession Items for Discussion

1. Budget Modifications
2. 2023 Budget Public Hearing
3. Bid Date for Pool

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The November 1, 2023 meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- We have started prepping the trucks for winter, putting sanders on as well as plows and wings.
- This week we are sweeping the roads that were chip sealed this year.
- Crews worked last week to make a parking lot at the park and did a great job. Parking lot came in great use.
- We have had an opportunity to purchase a new vehicle for the department that will benefit the department. I had sent you all the spec sheet in an e-mail. Does anyone have any questions?

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- Announced that the Westbrookville Post Office will be reopening on November 14th. Many thanks to Brenda Giraldi who spearheaded the effort and worked diligently to make this happen.
- Many thanks to all those that helped to make the Halloween event a huge success including D. Consolo, Highway Department, Board members and Volunteers.
- We have Dominick Gorgiani Eagle Scout present tonight who will be available after the meeting to discuss his project on the trail.

ABSTRACTS

- A motion was made by P. Goodman, seconded by J. Rufer to approve the following abstract as presented: Abstract #21 (Voucher #20231777-20231849) in the amount of \$273,661.22. All in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- A motion was made by T. Wood, seconded by M. Mordas to acknowledge the receipt of the Expenditures, Encumbrances & Appropriations Report, Revenues & Expenditures Report. All in favor.

MINUTES

- A motion was made by J. Rufer, seconded by P. Goodman to accept the Minutes of October 17, 2023. All in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

EXPENDITURE FROM HIGHWAY VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

WHEREAS: The Town Board previously established the Highway Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund in order to accumulate monies to finance the cost of acquisition of vehicles and equipment for the Town Highway Department. At the Highway Superintendent's recommendation, the Town Board approves the purchase of a Chevrolet 6500 dump truck from Robert Green Truck Division in the amount of \$114,833.50 to be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the withdrawal and expenditure of \$114,833.50 from the Highway Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a Chevrolet 6500 dump truck from Robert Green Truck Division.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

On a motion by Councilperson M. Mordas, seconded by Councilperson P. Goodman, this Resolution is adopted on a vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

RESOLUTIONS (cont.)

- A motion to approve the Budget Modifications as presented was made by T. Wood, seconded by P. Goodman. All in favor.
- A motion was made by T. Wood, seconded by M. Mordas to set the opening Bid Date for the Pool Liner for 11/27/23 @ 2pm. All in favor.
- A motion to approve the Eagle Scout project to be done by Dominick Gorgiani was made by M. Mordas, seconded by J. Rufer. All in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parks & Recreation

- Halloween Party was a huge success. Thank you to all who helped!
- Working on Annual Tree Lighting which will be Thurs. Dec. 7 @ the Town Park @ 6.
- Planning a Toddler Playgroup which would start after the holiday's.

Pole Barn – T. Wood

Received three proposals for the garage doors on the pole barn at the town park. Would like to have Hudson Valley Doors at a price of approximately \$6,100.00.

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. was made by P. Goodman, seconded by M. Mordas. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted;

Jean M. Dougherty, Town Clerk