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The Regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Wheatfield was held October 3, 2016 at 7:30 pm at Wheatfield Town Hall, 2800 Church Road, North Tonawanda, County of Niagara and State of New York to audit bills and to conduct any other business coming before the Town Board.

PRESENT: Supervisor Robert Cliffe, Councilmen Larry Helwig, Gilbert Doucet, Arthur Gerbec, Randy Retzlaff, Town Attorney Matthew Brooks, and Town Clerk Kathleen Harrington-McDonell.

øTown Clerk, Kathleen Harrington-McDonell stated the 2017 Tentative Budget was filed in the Town Clerk's office on September 30, 2016 and that copies of the 2017 Tentative Budget were placed in each of the Town Board member's mailbox on September 30, 2016 and is now being formally presented to them.

PUBLIC INPUT

Update on Quasar; status of appeal and communication with Ag/Mkt
Comments regarding Krueger/Norman Road
Status of grant for Nash Road fence/Niagara Sanitation

Moved by Councilman Helwig and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff to accept the minutes dated September 12, 2016 as presented.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to approve the bill payment for voucher # 20161835 ó 20161971 in the amount of \$341,165.12 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 41,563.09
Highway	\$114,315.64
Water/Sewer	\$ 26,885.72
Trust & Agency	\$ 300.00
Capital/Lemke & Errick Cul	\$ 6,375.00
Capital/Fairmount Park	\$ 19,541.50
Fire	\$ 857.36
Refuse	\$ 72,050.72
Special Dist./Lighting	\$ 140.01

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Helwig since only one valid quote was previously received, Wendel is authorized to reject bid received and to solicit additional quotes and one from the original bidder with a new deadline for the relining of the Moyer Road pump station wet well and a sanitary sewer manhole on Plaza Drive.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to authorize the purchase of a Ford F250 4x4 pickup truck from Ed Schultz Ford of Jamestown under the Chautauqua County bid pricing for the amount of \$25,093.48. Said cost to split equally between the Water & Sewer Departments 2016 budget.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Helwig to declare a 1991 GMC pickup truck utilized by the Water & Sewer Department as surplus due to its replacement with the purchase of a new pickup, and to place said surplus item on Auctions International, subject to Board approval of auction bid amount.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

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Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff to authorize the Town Supervisor to issue a letter in support of the Niagara Gospel Rescue Mission's grant application to obtain funding to renovate the former YMCA building on Portage Road in Niagara Falls.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to award to GHD Consulting Services Inc. the construction contract administration and resident inspection services in connection with the rehabilitation of the pump station at Jagow Road and Rebecca Drive. GHD's proposal indicates it can complete the scope of services associated with Task 3 for the lump sum of \$7,000.00, and Task 4 for the not to exceed fee of \$16,200.00 based on the anticipated construction duration of 4.5 weeks for a total estimated fee of \$23,200.00. Said resolution authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into said agreement immediately so construction may begin with the previously awarded construction contract to STC Construction.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Helwig and seconded by Councilman Doucet;

WHEREAS, during the prior reconstruction by the Department of Transportation of the State of New York, the street light at the prior corner of Krueger Road and Niagara Falls Boulevard was not moved, and as such, the prior/existing light post is not in optimum position to provide lighting at said intersection; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation indicates, at this time, they have no plans for moving or supplementing said street light; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor and the Town Board of the Town of Wheatfield desires to improve lighting at said intersection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that it is approved and the Town Supervisor is authorized to enter into an agreement with National Grid to provide for a street light relocation or the supplementation of a new street light at the corner of the current intersection of Krueger Road and Niagara Falls Boulevard, and it is authorized that said light is to be of a LED light, and the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute any agreements necessitating said light pole installation.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 4 – NAYS 1 Supervisor Cliffe.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to accept and to authorize the Town Supervisor to enter into the updated and revised Grant Agreement between the Town of Wheatfield and the Wheatfield Local Development Corporation regarding the grant of assistance to Jacobs Ladder, LLC to expand its operations in the Town. Said updated Grand Agreement is required by the State granting agencies and has previously been approved by the Wheatfield Local Development Corporation.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff that;

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to pursue funds opportunities to complete the Krueger Road Sidewalk Project. This is a construction project that will construct a sidewalk along Krueger Road that will connect Niagara Falls Boulevard to Ward Road and all of its residential arteries; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to provide this type of facility to residents at the lowest possible cost to the Town and Town taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to apply for financial assistance from the TAP

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(Transportation Alternative Program); and

WHEREAS, Town Board commits to providing the required local matching funds to insure the timely implementation of the proposed project; and, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes and submits an application for the NYS Department of Transportation TAP (Transportation Alternative Program) funds for the Krueger Road Sidewalk Project in the amount of \$945,000.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the application for financial assistance that the Town make available \$189,000.00 (20%) in matching funds to satisfy the requirements of the funding program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign all documents and agreements related to the TAP (Transportation Alternative Program) application; and be it

RESOLVED, that Robert Cliffe, as Supervisor of the Town of Wheatfield, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the New York State Department of Transportation, Transportation Alternatives Program, in an amount no less than 20% of the approved funding and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a Project Agreement with the State of New York for such financial assistance to the Town of Wheatfield for the proposed Town of Wheatfield Krueger Road Sidewalk Project.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Doucet to authorize the Town Highway Superintendent to sign and enter into an Agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation regarding shared services for a period of two (2) years.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Gerbec and seconded by Councilman Helwig to approve Firearms Discharge Permit renewals for the following individuals: Joseph Eddy, Mark Tripi, and Tom Peltier, that was submitted by the Firearms Review Permit Review Board of September 11, 2016.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Doucet to accept the resignation of Don MacSwann from his position on the Firearms Review Permit Review Board, and to appoint Richard Jackman to fulfill said vacated position effective immediately, for the remainder of the term of said vacated position.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to hire Scott Cooper as the Boys Basketball Instructor, pursuant to the terms and at the rate of pay as indicated by said job specification. Said appointment is subject to Human Resource Department approval and Niagara County Sheriff's Department criminal background check.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Helwig and seconded by Councilman Gerbec;
Be It Resolved that this Town Board does hereby approve the following 2016 budget transfer for the General Fund as follows:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
A.7310.0400	Teen Center Contr	\$ 12,000	
A.7310.0100	Teen Center Pers		\$ 12,000

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

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Moved by Councilman Gerbec and seconded by Councilman Doucet to approve the request by Bergholz Fire Company and Adams Fire Company for traffic light pre-emption equipment for six (6) corners (i.e., Niagara Falls Boulevard, Niagara Road, Walmore Road).

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Helwig and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff to approve the following;

Our recent correspondence from the Department of Transportation regarding the 2016 Local Highway Inventory indicates the following measurements will need the following adjustments:

1. Lakeside Drive ó Currently .41m the correction needs to add .34m which totals to .75 miles
Lakeside Drive goes from Dead End to Jagow Road
2. Ashwood Drive-Currently .29m the correction needs to add .16m which totals to .45 miles
Ashwood Drive goes from Dead End to Schultz Road
3. Clescent Drive-Currently .34m the correction needs to add .27m which totals to .61 miles
Clescent Drive goes from Graydon Drive to Norman Road

Total mileage correction is .77 miles for the three (3) Town of Wheatfield roads
This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to extend full support by the Town of Wheatfield to Tri-Community Ambulance Service, Inc. to expand its regular operating area to include the Town of Niagara, Town of Cambria, Town of Lewiston and Town of Pendleton, and authorize the Town Supervisor to execute a letter indicating said expansion support.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Supervisor Cliffe to update the St. Johnsburg Volunteer Fire Company roster as follows; ADD: John Lapham as a firefighter, Tom Miller as a social member, REMOVE: Dylan Mlacker.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Helwig to update the Adams Fire Company roster as follows; ADD: Anthony Steward.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Gerbec to approve the two (2) proposals from Strenkoski Brothers Construction to repaint/repair Town Hall at a cost not to exceed \$4,800.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff to approve the contract with Blue Ox Roofing to repair the roof at Town Hall at a cost not to exceed \$2,200.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor Cliffe and seconded by Councilman Helwig to approve the Budget Schedule as presented.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

A Budget Work Session meeting will be held October 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm.

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The next Town Board meeting will be held October 17, 2016 at 7:30 pm with a Public Hearing to discuss extending the solar moratorium at 7:15pm.

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input

Moved by Councilman Gerbec and seconded by Councilman Helwig to adjourn at 8:49 pm.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Harrington-McDonell
Town Clerk