

November 5, 2018

A Public Hearing and the Regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Wheatfield was held November 5, 2018 at 6:45 and 7:00 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 Don MacSwan, Councilman Larry Helwig, Gilbert Doucet, Randy Retzlaff, Curt Doktor, Town Attorney Matthew Brooks, and Town Clerk Kathleen Harrington-McDonell.

The Public Hearing to discuss the 2019 Preliminary Budget opened at 6:45 pm. Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Helwig.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Supervisor MacSwan made a statement regarding the Budget.

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Doktor to close the Public Hearing at 6:51 pm. No action taken at this time.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Tom Kontak gave a presentation and update on the helicopter project which is renovating the helicopter located at the Highway Department on Ward Road

PUBLIC INPUT – none

Moved by Councilman Doucet and seconded by Councilman Helwig to approve the minutes of October 15, 2018 as presented.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Doktor to approve the November 5, 2018 bill payment for voucher #20182105 – 20182254 in the amount of \$178,038.94 as follows:

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| General Fund | \$ 82,370.24 |
| Highway | \$ 51,219.29 |
| Water/Sewer | \$ 25,483.58 |
| Refuse | \$ 352.08 |
| Lighting | \$ 131.28 |
| Fire | \$ 1,165.56 |
| Pre-paid | \$ 17,316.91 |

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Helwig;

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Town Board does hereby approve the following 2018 budget transfer for the Highway Fund as follows:

| <u>Account No.</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|
| DA.5130.0400 | Machinery Contr | \$ 10,000 | |
| DA.5110.0400 | General Repairs Contr | | \$ 10,000 |

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Doktor and seconded by Councilman Doucet to hire Christopher Dyer and Amaya Springer as lifeguards for the Town's swim program at Niagara Wheatfield High School beginning in January, at a rate of pay and jobs term pursuant to job specifications for the Recreation Department, subject to Human Resource Department approval and a Niagara County criminal background check.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

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Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Councilman Doktor to hire Allison Tober and Cole Kish as Permanent Part-Time Recreation Aides for the Youth Center, replacing two (2) employees who recently left said positions, at a rate of pay and jobs term pursuant to job specifications for the Recreation Department, subject to Human Resource Department approval and a Niagara County Criminal background check.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor MacSwan and seconded by Councilman Doktor;

WHEREAS, a 2019 Preliminary Budget was prepared and reviewed by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, during said review, the 2019 Preliminary Budget was modified as necessary; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing on the 2019 Preliminary Budget was properly noticed and held on November 5, 2018 by the Town Board, and said Public Hearing was closed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town of Wheatfield's 2019 Preliminary Budget, as modified, is hereby adopted as the Town of Wheatfield's 2019 Budget.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Helwig and seconded by Councilman Doktor to declare 60 old and unused phone system handsets obsolete and surplus equipment, and to accept the informal high bid of \$350.00 plus free shipping from Business Telephone Sales (BTS).

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Supervisor MacSwan and seconded by Councilman Retzlaff to allow the Town Assessor to re-levy the unpaid water/sewer/town charges totaling \$96,012.18 on the 2018 Tax Roll in order to collect said charges through property tax collections.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

Moved by Councilman Retzlaff and seconded by Supervisor MacSwan to approve the Firearms Permits for the following individuals: Renewals: Joseph Eddy, John Spendio, New: Paul Zito, Raymond Coons.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 – NAYS 0.

The next Town Board meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2018, 6:45 pm Public Information meeting – DOT to discuss temporary closure of Shawnee Road, 7:00 pm Public Hearing on the proposed changes to street lighting requirements of Town Code Chapter 169 and the Regular Town Board meeting to follow.

PUBLIC INPUT – none

Moved by Supervisor MacSwan and seconded by Councilman Helwig to adjourn at 7:27 pm.

This motion was CARRIED: AYES 5 - NAYS 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Harrington-McDonell
Town Clerk