

October 15, 2019
Alexander Town Board Regular Meeting
Alexander Town Hall 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Joseph Higley
H'way Supt: Tom Lowe
Town Board: David Miller, Carol Wolfley, Eric Wagner
Town Clerk: Shannon Tiede
Deputy Clerks: Laura Schmieder
Absent: Roy Haller III
Guests: Brandon Snyder, Rick Stevens, Dave Bojanowski

Supervisor Higley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our military serving around the world.

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Supervisor Higley, and carried, the minutes of the September 9, 2019 regular meeting were adopted.

4 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0 – No Carried

Rick Stevens, co-owner of Baker Brooke Dairy, and Dave Bojanowski, representative from Genesee Valley Conservancy, came and spoke to the board regarding Baker Brooke Dairy applying for a grant which in return would put a permanent lifetime easement on the property in that it would never change into more than farmland, it would stay agricultural. Rick and Greg Stevens and Ed and Charlie Ziegler are all co- owners of this dairy. For this grant they are applying to NYS Ag and Markets and are requesting a letter from the Town of Alexander stating that they support the priority to protect this land. Bojanowski asked the Board members if there was a potential conflict of interest in any of their decisions and none were found on both Stevens, and Zieglers.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mercy EMS for August and September 2019 were reviewed. Supervisor Higley announced an opportunity for Training through the Association of Towns on 2/16/20-2/19/20.

REPORTS:

Insurance: Supervisor Higley is checking to see if there is a better rate we could get on the Blanket enhanced cancer insurance for the Fire Department. The town has been added to the policy that the Fire Department has right now. We owe the Fire Department \$2740.00 reimbursement for this year's insurance.
CEO/ZEO: Matt Mahaney was unable to attend the meeting and will be emailing board members within the week.
Building: Gutters need to be cleaned out. Supervisor Higley will be looking into estimates.
Clerk: Financial Report was reviewed
Financial: Supervisor Higley went over budget transfers
GAM: Meeting on October 17th
H'way. Supt: Sprague Road has been paved. The highway is now mowing the last pass on the road sides. New truck is being inspected and should arrive near the end of this month.

The Town Clerk and Town Justices' financial reports were read and filed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Water District #5: Mountain Engineering finished drawings and sent them to Rural Development for final approval. They are waiting on an audit engagement letter then they will be able to go to bid.
2. Water District #6: Mountain Engineering is working on petition information.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO. 70: REIMBURSE ALEXANDER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR VOLUNTEER FIREMAN CANCER BENEFIT INSURANCE

WHEREAS, the Town has been advised that the Town is responsible for providing the insurance coverage for the Volunteer Firefighter's Cancer Benefit, and

WHEREAS, the Alexander Fire Department has purchased the Cancer Benefit coverage, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board authorizes the reimbursement of the \$2,740.00 premium cost to the Alexander Fire Department, Inc.

Motion made by Councilperson Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wagner. Carried.

4- yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0-no

RESOLUTION NO. 71: BUDGET AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the A1330.1, Tax Collector, is over budget by \$121.80, A1650, Central Communications is over by \$95.77 with more Spectrum Telephone bills coming and DB5112.2 is over by \$1,300, and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in A1990.4 and DB5112.1, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to increase A1330.1 by \$122.00, A1650.4 by \$900.00 and DB5112.2 by \$1,300.00 and decrease A1990.4 by \$1,022.00 and DB5112.1 by \$1,300.00

Motion made by Supervisor Higley and seconded by Councilperson Miller and carried
4- yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley and Wagner 0- no

RESOLUTION NO. 72: APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING-TAX COLLECTOR

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilman Wagner, and carried, to approve the liability for the Alexander Town Tax Collector for the 2020 tax collection period pursuant to Town Law of the State of New York.
4 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 73: APPROVE THE 2020 TENTATIVE BUDGET

On motion by Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Wagner, and carried, the following:
The Town Board has completed its review of the Tentative Town of Alexander 2020 Budget as presented tonight with changes made after the Budget Workshop. This tentative budget so adopted tonight by the Town Board becomes the 2020 Preliminary Budget and will be filed with the Town Clerk.
4 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 74: SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS – 2020 TOWN BUDGET; 2020 FIRE CONTRACT AND 2% TAX CAP OVERRIDE

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilman Miller, and carried, to set a Public Hearing on November 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for the 2020 Town of Alexander Budget; 2020 Alexander Fire Contract and the 2% tax cap override.

4 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 75: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HIRING OF THE TEMPORARY PART-TIME CLERK BY THE TOWN OF BATAVIA

WHEREAS, the Local Records Management Improvement Fund grant is structured that the temporary part-time Clerks be hired by the Town of Batavia, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Batavia solicited for applicants and the Town Clerk’s will jointly be reviewing, interviewing and determining the best candidate for the position.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Alexander Town Board hereby acknowledges and approves of the Alexander Town Clerk jointly reviewing, interviewing and determining the best candidate for the hiring of the temporary part-time Clerks by the Town of Batavia at a rate of \$15.00 per hour to complete the necessary work for LGRMIF Shared Services Grant Project, not to exceed a total of 320 hours each. Said Clerk’s will be working in the Towns of Alexander and/or Byron.

Motion made by Councilperson Wagner and seconded by Councilperson Miller and carried.
4-yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0-no

RESOLUTION NO. 76: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT FUND (LGRMIF) SHARED SERVICES GRANT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Alexander Town Board has approved the pursuit of a Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) Shared Services grant with the Towns of Batavia and Byron, for funding of digitizing Zoning and Code Enforcement documents and that grant has been approved, and

WHEREAS, a DR-6030C document scanner 80PPM and a SONICWALL TZ400, and a Dell OptiPlex7770 AIO MLK computer are needed

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Alexander Town Board hereby acknowledges that the Town of Batavia will be purchasing a DR-6030C document scanner 80PPM at a cost of \$3,169.07 and a SONICWALL TZ400 at a cost of \$1,011.44 and a Dell OptiPlex7770 AIO MLK computer at \$1,454.14 for the Town of Alexander with the LGRMIF grant.

Motion made by Councilperson Wagner and seconded by Supervisor Higley and carried.
4-yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0-no

RESOLUTION NO. 77: AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A BATTERY BACKUP

WHEREAS, the new equipment for the digitizing of records will need a battery backup system, and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Technologies recommends a CP825LCD UPS system, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the purchase of the Cyber Power CP825LCD UPS surge protector/battery backup for \$82.45 plus cable wiring at approximately \$125.00 to be done by Hurricane Technologies.

Motion made by Councilperson Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wolfley and carried.

4- Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0- no

RESOLUTION NO. 78: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WDS TOWN OF ALEXANDER

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR TOWN OF ALEXANDER WATER DISTRICT NO. 5

Adopted: October 15, 2019

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alexander met at a regular board meeting at the Town Offices of the Town of Alexander in the Town of Alexander, New York on the 15th day of October 2019, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at which time and place the following members were:

<u>Present:</u>	Supervisor	Joseph Higley
	Councilman	David Miller
	Councilman	Carol Wolfley
	Councilman	Eric Wagner

<u>Absent:</u>	Councilman	Roy Haller III
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WHEREAS, all Board Members, having due notice of said meeting, and that pursuant to Article 7, §104 of the Public Officers Law, said meeting was open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Alexander is working toward the establishment of Water District No. 5 in the Town of Alexander; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the financing of said water district will involve Rural Development funding which requires the submission of RUS Bulletin 1780-7; Legal Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board feels it is in the best interest of the Town of Alexander to enter into a Legal Services Agreement with the David M. DiMatteo, Attorney for the Town of Alexander.

NOW ON MOTION OF Councilman Wagner which has been duly seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Alexander to authorize and empower Joseph Higley, Supervisor of the Town of Alexander, to execute RUS Bulletin 1780-7; Legal Services Agreement.

Ayes: 4 Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Quorum Present: Yes

Dated: October 15, 2019

(SEAL)

Shannon Tiede, Clerk
Town of Alexander

RESOLUTION NO. 79: INCREASE IN DOG LICENSING FEES STARTING JANUARY 1, 2020

WHEREAS, the current fees for dog licenses were set in December 2010, effective January 1, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the fees collected by other communities in Genesee County, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the dog license fees will be \$6.00 for neutered dogs and \$15.00 for un-neutered dogs. The discount of \$1.50 per dog for seniors will continue.

Motion made by Councilperson Wolfley and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried.

4- yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0-no

*This change will be advertised.

RESOLUTION NO. 80: AUTHORIZE CONTRACTING WITH HURRICANE TECHNOLOGIES

WHEREAS, the Town has not had IT support since the retirement of Paul McCullough, and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes the need for IT support, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Town of Alexander agrees to contract with Hurricane Technologies from Avon, New York.

Motion made by Councilperson Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried.

4- yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0- no

RESOLUTION NO. 81: SUPPORT FOR THE BAKER BROOK FARM ENTERING INTO A PERMANENT EASMENT AGREEMENT FARMLAND PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the Baker Brook Farm and the Genesee Valley Conservancy have made a presentation to the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, the Town has no objection to Baker Brook Farm entering into a permanent conservation easement with the Genesee Valley Conservancy, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Town of Alexander acknowledges there is no objection and authorizes the Supervisor send a letter stating such.

Motion made by Supervisor Higley and seconded by Councilperson Miller and carried.

4- yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Wagner 0-no

DISCUSSION:

1. Overriding Tax Cap- Public hearing for local law at 7:30 on 11/12
2. Compare other local town's dog fees- raising prices for January 2020
3. Striping of parking lot- Waiting on the school.
4. Light on Sprague Road and Route 98- Supervisor Higley speaking to National Grid
5. IT support from Hurricane Technologies- Contract for as needed purposes.

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Wagner, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract 9 as follows:

General Fund A	Vouchers	252-279	\$13,818.02
General Fund B	Vouchers	22-23	\$403.39
Highway Fund A	Voucher	15-16	\$2380.58
Highway Fund B	Vouchers	132-147	\$90,149.83

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Shannon Tiede
Town Clerk