

Public Hearing  
Town of Mohawk  
October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Present: Supervisor Edward Bishop, Councilmen: Matt Paton, Bill Smith, Janet Tyler and Tony Bruno. Also present, William Holvig, Supt. of Highways, Kimberly M. Sullivan, Town Clerk, Town Attorney Robert Kruger and Sole Assessor Stella Gittle.

A Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00pm at the Richard A. Papa Office Building and opened with a flag salute.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow any public comment as it concerns the Town of Mohawk's Local Law #2 for 2018 to opt out of Real Property Tax Law 487 (Solar Exemption)

Public to speak: Richard Lewandowski questioned the circumstances of "opting out". It was explained that by opting out of an exemption, it would allow the parcel of land it was on to be taxed.

**Resolution #41 Local Law #2 Enacting the Opting Out of the Exemption provided by Real Property Law Section 487 was made by a motion from Tyler and seconded by Bruno. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

*A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Tyler and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

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A Public Hearing was called to order at 7:05pm at the Richard A. Papa Office Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow any public comment as it concerns the Town of Mohawk's Local Law #3 for 2018 Replacing the existing ordinance for Real Property Tax Exemption for certain persons over the age of 65.

No one from the public wished to speak.

**Resolution #42 Local Law #3 Replacing the existing ordinance for Real Property Tax Exemption for certain Persons over the age of 65, was made by a motion from Smith and seconded by Paton. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

*A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Bruno and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

Town of Mohawk  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 7:15pm

The regular monthly meeting was held on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Richard A. Papa Office Building, 2-4 Park St. Fonda NY 12068.

*A motion to approve the minutes of the 09/13/18 Regular Meeting was made Paton and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

Town Correspondence:

1. New York State “report card” rating our “stress level” at 16.7

Public to speak: George and Bobbi Manecio; 270 Mohawk Drive, brought up an increasing number of vehicles and speeders on their road. With the businesses now on State Hwy. 5S in the Town of Florida, employees from Fulton County are using Mohawk Drive as a shortcut to work. The volume and speed is only going to get worse when the Dollar General Distribution Center opens soon. They are certain that someone is going to be seriously hurt if the speed is not lowered. Supervisor Bishop explained that we have written to DOT a couple of times regarding speed on Mohawk Drive by the Tribes Hill Park and they denied a speed reduction.

Payments made prior to this meeting to avoid late payments: Total: \$3,693.34

General A: \$583.34 Highway: \$3,000.00

General B: \$110.00

The Money Market Account as of 09/30/2018: \$770,461.07

Fund breakdown as follows:

General A: 416,487.10

B- Outside the Village: \$160,668.71

DB Hwy Fund: 171,689.53

SL- Street Lighting: 21,615.73

The Investment Account Balance as of 09/30/18: \$753,641.75

Report from the Highway Superintendent as follows:

1. Road work has been completed and the men are still mowing and doing equipment maintenance.

2. NYS Contract for salt this year is \$60.85 per ton from Atlantic Salt, a company located overseas. There is a possibility that surrounding towns in our county can go out to bid and keep the business local.

Stella Gittle, Sole Assessor reported a quiet month.

*A motion to establish the Town of Mohawk as lead agency in SEQER in the Short Environmental Assessment was made by Tyler and seconded by Paton. All in favor, motion passed.*

*A motion to approve the SEQER to opt out of the Solar Exemption was made by Bruno and seconded by Tyler. All present voting in favor, motion passed.*

*A motion to hold a Public Hearing to approve the 2019 budget on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 was made by Smith and seconded by Paton. All present voting in favor, motion passed.*

**Resolution #040 authorizing the Supervisor, Town Board and Highway Superintendent to audit and pay bills was made by a motion from Paton and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

**Bills Totaling: \$17,443.77**

**General A account: \$8,940.55      Highway account: \$4,404.43**

**General B account: \$1,243.74      Street Lighting: 2,855.05**

In further business: further discussion was held on the speed on Mohawk Drive. We have been put on notice and feel that our legislators, DOT and local representatives need to know how dire the situation is. We need reduced speed and enforcement. We will draft letters and send them along with copies of petitions to the appropriate contacts.

Councilwoman Tyler asked what, if anything was going to be done about the horrendous road work on Hickory Hill. Who will fix the road and/or equipment this winter season for possible damage plowing? Lines are also needed ASAP.

*A motion to adjourn the regular monthly meeting at 8:00pm was made by Smith and seconded by Paton. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly M. Sullivan  
Town Clerk