

The first regular meeting of the Kingsbury Town Board was held on October 16, 2017 at the Kingsbury Town Hall at 6 Michigan Street, Hudson Falls.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dana Hogan, Supervisor
William Collins, Councilman
Richard Doyle, Councilman
Henry Freebern, Councilman
Paul Bromley, Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Graham, Highway Superintendent
James Lindsay, Kingsbury Volunteer Fire
Jeffrey Meyer, Town Attorney
Jerry Caruso, Town Resident

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Hogan and opened for the order of business with the Flag Salute led by Councilman Collins.

The minutes of the September 25, 2017 Budget Workshop and the October 2, 2017 Town Board Meeting were accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk on a **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Freebern and carried by a vote of 5 ayes.

Supervisor Hogan opened the Public Hearing for the 2018 Fire District Contract at 7:04 PM. James Lindsay thanked the Board for their support for the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Company. Lindsay commented it is a costly service and he hears from the public that that is a lot of money for the Fire Company. He stated what they don't realize the cost to operate. The fire company is debt free and has not borrowed since 1980; he feels they have done a great job. Supervisor Hogan thanked the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Company for their great service and closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM.

Supervisor opened the Public Hearing for the 2018 Preliminary Budget at 7:06 PM. There being no public comment Supervisor closed the Public Hearing at 7:07 PM.

A **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Collins and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to accept the 2018 Fire District Contract and the 2018 Preliminary Budget.

Supervisor Hogan received a letter from Laura Chadwick, Washington County Real Property Tax Services Director in regard to the Cold War Vets exemption which was originally passed in 2008. The original exemption law was to be granted for 10 years. It will be necessary to pass a new local law that incorporates the period of time to no longer have a ten year limitation. A **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Collins and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to set a Public Hearing on November 20, 2017 to discuss a proposed Local Law extending the real property exemption for cold war veterans.

LEGAL UPDATE: Attorney Meyer reported there were no updates to be discussed in the regular session but would like an executive session.

A **motion** by Councilman Bromley seconded by Councilman Freebern and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to accept the reports of certain officers for the month of September as follows:

<http://www.kingsburyny.gov>

Code Enforcement Officer: Research Fees 1; Site Plan 1; Total Fees \$225.00
Dog Control Officer: Complaints/Calls 59; Seizures 5; Unlicensed Dogs 6; Bites Investigated 4;
Summons Issued 1 ; Mileage 495, with 125 charged to Fort Edward & 113 charged to Fort Ann; Dangerous
Dog 1
Town Clerk: Paid to EnCon \$5,021.11; Paid to Supervisor \$3,553.49; Paid to NYS Dept.
of Health \$202.50; Paid to the Village of Hudson Falls \$180.00; Paid to Ag & Markets for Population
Control \$177.00
Town Comptroller: Receipts \$146,057.62 Disbursements \$390,465.05

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

Town Clerk reported she had received a call from Jeanne Williams the Executive Director of the Feeder Canal Alliance. Jeanne thanked the Board for their letter of support in their application for a grant. The Feeder Canal Alliance was awarded a grant and received the full amount of \$5,500.00, the funds will be used to update their website and trail map.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Superintendent Michael Graham reported they will be screening sand for approximately another week and a half and when complete they should have enough sand for 2 years. He also reported the paving was complete today.

The auction for the grader on Auctions International was complete with the highest bid being \$26,100.00. The Board agreed the grader should be sold for the amount of \$26,100.00.

A **motion** by Freebern seconded by Councilman Collins and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to enter into executive session at 7:15 PM to discuss pending litigation.

A **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Bromley and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to exit the executive session.

There being no further business before the Board a motion by Councilman Bromley seconded by Councilman Freebern and carried by a vote of 5 ayes to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia A. Bardin, Town Clerk