

The first regular meeting of the Kingsbury Town Board was conducted on Monday March 10, 2014 at the Kingsbury Town Hall, 210 Main Street, Hudson Falls, NY.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James T. Lindsay, Supervisor  
William Collins, Councilman  
Richard Doyle, Councilman  
Henry Freebern, Councilman

ABSENT: Paul Bromley, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Graham, Superintendent of Highways  
Ross Cortese, Code Enforcement Officer

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

**Motion** by Councilman Freebern, seconded by Councilman Collins and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to accept the minutes of the meeting held February 24, 2014.

The Town Clerk was instructed to read the Notice of Public Hearing for the adoption of a local law to repeal Article IV of Chapter 248 of the Code of the Town of Kingsbury thereby enabling real property exemptions for qualified solar and wind energy structures in the Town. The public hearing was opened at 7:05. There being no comment or discussion the hearing was closed at 7:06. A **motion** by Councilman Freebern, seconded by Councilman Collins carried by a vote of 4 ayes to adopt the new local law.

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF KINGSBURY  
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution Number 3 of 2014  
Adopted March 10, 2014

Introduced by Councilman Freebern  
who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Councilman Collins

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF  
LOCAL LAW NUMBER 1 OF 2014, A LOCAL LAW REPEALING ARTICLE IV  
OF CHAPTER 248 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF KINGSBURY  
CONCERNING TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR QUALIFIED SOLAR AND WIND  
ENERGY STRUCTURES IN THE TOWN OF KINGSBURY**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board (the “Board”) of the Town of Kingsbury (the “Town”), in the County of Washington, on this 10 day of March 10,2014, as follows:

**WHEREAS**, it is the intention of the Town to repeal Article IV of Chapter 248 of the Code of the Town of Kingsbury and thereby enable real property tax exemptions for qualified solar and wind energy structures; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of said public hearing was duly posted and then published in the official newspaper of the Town, pursuant to and in conformance with the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was duly held before the Town Board this 10th day of March, 2014 at \_\_\_\_ p.m. at the Offices of the Town of Kingsbury and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to the local law.

**WHEREAS**, the proposed adoption of this Local Law is an action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA). The Town Board hereby declares that this action is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(20) and (27) and declares that the action does not have a significant impact on the environment and the action is hereby precluded from further environmental review.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board as follows:

**RESOLVED**, the Town Board, upon due deliberation of the Local Law finds that the adoption of the same is in the best interests of the Town.

**RESOLVED**, the Local Law repealing Article IV of Chapter 248 of the Code of the Town of Kingsbury, thereby permitting the grant of real property tax exemptions for qualified solar and wind structures located in the Town is hereby adopted as Local Law Number 1 of 2014, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**RESOLVED**, pursuant to and in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to enter this Local Law into the minutes of this meeting and file the same with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

**RESOLVED**, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Those members present were:  
James Lindsay, Supervisor  
Henry Freebern, Councilman  
William Collins, Councilman  
Richard Doyle, Councilman  
Paul Bromley, Councilman

Voting  
Aye  
Aye  
Aye  
Aye  
Absent

At 7:08 the public hearing was re-opened regarding to a resolution amending certain sections of the zoning local law of the Town of Kingsbury contained in Chapter 80 of the Code of the Town of Kingsbury. Supervisor Lindsay spoke about two issues that were left. The first is having 5 acres for a hobby farm may be too restrictive and the second regarding a junkyard law. Ross Cortese, Code Enforcement Officer spoke about regulating hobby farms by adjusting the definition. After discussion amongst the board members it was decided the public meeting would continue the next meeting when all Town Board members were present.

Superintendent of Highways, Michael Graham made a request to the Town Board to go back out to bid for a tandem axle cab & chassis truck. Town Board members were presented with copies of the new specs and the Town Attorney will review the new specs tomorrow morning. If approval is met with the Town Attorney the Town Clerk has been instructed to publish a Notice to Bidders. Sealed bids will be accepted until 3:30 on March 24, 2014 at the Town Clerk's office. The bids will be opened and read aloud at the regular Town Board meeting on March 24, 2014. Superintendent of Highways, Michael Graham and Councilman Paul Bromley will review the bids. On April 14, 2014 at the regular Town Board meeting, the bid will be awarded. A **motion** was made by Councilman Doyle, seconded by Councilman Freebern and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to send bids out for the new truck.

Supervisor Lindsay, Councilman Freebern and Recreation Director Debbie Battiste met to discuss the men's softball league on March 4, 2014. There was concern about the budget for this program for 2014. Last year there were 20 teams, this year there are 16, which allows for the fields to be used 2 nights per week instead of 3. The cost of the maintenance of the fields by the groundskeepers will be less. There will be budget change in the Recreation Budget. The two softball supervisors will each work one night per week and be paid \$125.00 bi-weekly. A **motion** by Councilman Freebern, seconded by Councilman Collins carried by a vote of 4 ayes to accept the changes for the men's softball league.

A discussion was also had about the problem with home runs in left field being hit over the fence at Derby Park. A suggestion was made about installing netting with 4 poles. The softball teams are looking for support from their sponsors with the cost of the netting. Supervisor Lindsay needs to speak to Mike Fiorillo, Village Highway Superintendent, before any work is done.

Supervisor Lindsay read a letter of resignation from Kathleen Hallenbeck, a board member of the recreation committee. A **motion** was made by Councilman Doyle, seconded by Councilman Freebern, carried by a vote of 4 ayes to accept her resignation.

Councilman Doyle is waiting to hear from Village Mayor, John Barton about possibly moving the Town Court and Code Enforcement offices to Village Hall.

Superintendent of Highways, Michael Graham gave an update on the new Town Highway Garage:

Certificate of Occupancy has been issued  
Tri-Valley Plumbing has completed all work  
the electrical contractor has just a few small things to complete  
moving some things into the new building

The next board meeting will be held at the new highway garage at 437 Vaughn Road, Hudson Falls. Town Board members will arrive early for an opportunity to tour the facility.

Superintendent Michael Graham made a request to the Town Board to post town roads. A **motion** by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilman Freebern, carried by a vote of four ayes to approve the annual spring posting of roads.

A **motion** by Councilman Freebern, seconded by Councilman Doyle, carried by a vote of four ayes to approve the agreement to spend highway funds on the following roads: Geer Road to Wood Road, Devine Drive, Myrtle Avenue, Helen Street and Crawford Road. The cost for these roads will be about \$200,000.00.

Councilman Doyle asked if there was an update on the Dix Avenue property. Supervisor Lindsay we should have a decision by the next Town Board meeting on March 24, 2014.

There being no further business before the board a **motion** by Councilman Doyle, seconded by Councilman Collins to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia A. Bardin, Town Clerk

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