

MINUTES of the **Public Hearing for Budget** and first **Regular Meeting** of the month of the Pembroke Town Board held on **November 9, 2016** at the Pembroke Town Hall, 1145 Main Road, Corfu, New York.

PRESENT: John J. Worth, Supervisor
K. Warren, Clark, Councilman
Kathleen Manne, Councilwoman
Thomas Dix, Councilman

ABSENT: Edward G. Arnold, Jr., Deputy Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT: Nicole M. Begin; Town Clerk; Stephen Stocking, Highway Superintendent; Deborah Conti, Assessor; Tom Schneider, Planning Board Chairman; Terrance Daniel, ZBA Chairman; JoAnn Cummings & Lois Brockway, Town Historians.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Deborah Conti gave the invocation and Supervisor Worth led the Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARING
2017 TOWN BUDGET

The **Public Hearing** for the 2017 Preliminary Budget was called to order at 7:01 P.M. Town Clerk Nicole Begin reported and read the Notice of Public Hearing that was printed in the Daily News and reported that the Affidavit of Posting was posted on the Town's bulletin board.

Supervisor Worth said the budget has been available for public inspection and that the board was able to maintain a 0% tax rate for 2017.

Everyone being heard that wished to be heard, a **MOTION** was made by Councilman Clark, seconded by Councilwoman Manne to close the public hearing at 7:58 P.M. **ALL AYES - MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ~ There has been some talk about the Cornerstone Church in East Pembroke talking ownership of the cemetery at Main Road and Slusser Road in which the town owns. Town Historians Lois Brockway and JoAnn Cummings came before the board to object to the town giving up ownership of the cemetery. Mrs. Brockway said that the Ellicott family of East Pembroke deeded the cemetery to the Town of Pembroke in 1850 as there were already people buried there. The deed filed with the county and said copy in the Town Clerk's files, specifically states that the land was to be "used a family Burying ground and for no other purpose". In 1903 Slusser Road was proposed to allow children to get from the north side of the creek to the south side to attend school. At that time there was much controversy and lawsuits. Many of the bodies were removed by relatives but many of them were not moved because there were no living descendant's to move them. One such unmoved body was that of Col. Samuel Huntington who was a soldier of the American Revolution. In 1976 the DAR provided a bronze marker to the site to commemorate his service. In the 1960's the Lyons Club erected a shelter on the site without the town's permission. At the time the Town Board felt it would be controversial to make them remove it so it has remained. The town board said they do not have any plans to let the cemetery go and thanked the historians for the information.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On **MOTION** of Councilman Dix, seconded by Councilwoman Manne, to approve the minutes of the Regular meetings of October 14th and October 29th and Budget meeting of October 20th, 2016. ALL AYES - MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ASSESSOR – Deborah Conti

- Mrs. Conti said that 2017 exemptions will go out this week.

ZONING & CODES ENFORCEMENT – Charles Reid & Tom Schneider

- The monthly report has been submitted and filed.
- Mr. Schneider said that he has done a few building inspections and has been working in the office to clear out some old files that are no longer needed or are duplicates. Mrs. Conti said Tom has also been given access to the county online pictometry.
- Mr. Worth and Mr. Schneider discussed an issue the town is having with County Planning regarding their resistance in allowing town residents to hook up to water if they are building new homes and are not in the Smart Growth Plan. They will be looking to work with the County to prevent this issue in the future.

TOWN CLERK – Nicole M. Begin

- Monthly report submitted and filed.
- Mrs. Begin said that the Town Clerk's that attended the Clerk meeting in October have noticed that hunting license sales were down this season.

HIGHWAY – Stephen Stocking

- Mr. Stocking reported that the drainage work was done at the park, the plows are on the trucks and they are ready to go and fall tree work will start next week.

PLANNING BOARD – Thomas Schneider

- Mr. Schneider said that the Planning Board approved a couple of land separations in October. So far there is nothing on the agenda for November.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – Terrance Daniel

- Mr. Daniel said that representatives from Tim Horton's were at the October ZBA meeting to discuss the size sign they are requesting. They are requesting a free standing sign larger than the zoning allows which was denied by County Planning and also two signs on the building. Mr. Daniel said the building will be on seen on two roads and our zoning law doesn't adequately address signage for businesses that are seen from two roads. After discussions they were granted approval to put up a 33 sq. ft. monument sign and signs for each side of the building.
- Mr. Daniel said the Town of Newstead held a Commercial Solar training session. The Town of Newstead is writing zoning laws regarding Commercial Solar Zoning and Mr. Daniel wondered whether the Town should begin looking into this as well. The next meeting is December 13th.

JUSTICE – David O’Connor & Edwin F. Mileham, Jr.

- The October 2016 monthly reports have submitted & filed. Justice O’Connor collected \$23,789.00 in fines; Justice Mileham collected \$18,865.00 in fines. The state will send an invoice for their portion.

SUPERVISOR – John Worth

- Mr. Worth said that there is no Workshop meeting scheduled for November but he can schedule one if the board feels we need to meet. Supervisor Worth will be coming home from vacation on the day of the December 14th board meeting so Councilman Dix will create the agenda and run the meeting. Councilwoman Manne is unable to attend so Mr. Worth asked the board to be in contact with one another if they will not be able to attend.
- Mr. Worth is still going to be looking at requesting that the County repay us for the East Pembroke Fire District Workers Compensation coverage that the town paid for erroneously for the last 20 or more years.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Handbook Review –Councilwoman Manne recirculated the updated book to the board and she will now send it to the Town Attorney for review.
2. ZBA Chairman and ZBA member appointment – We received a few letters of interest for the ZBA and Planning Boards. Tom Schneider will help with the interview process.
3. Joint Youth 2017 – Representatives from each involved municipality met. They discussed the requirements set by NYS regarding required physicals and other coverage for medical conditions. They also talked about the cost to run the program and each group involved felt that they could not give more than they already contribute. It was a unanimous decision to forgo the Joint youth Program in 2017. The Pembroke Central school may look into doing something in the future which makes sense since they already have the required physicals on file and a nurse on staff.
4. TA Sewer Project connection – The first construction meeting was held and by the beginning of December digging should commence. The next meeting is scheduled for December 21st.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION # 68 of 2016 – 2017 Budget Approval**

WHEREAS the 2017 Town of Pembroke Preliminary Budget was presented at a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 and

WHEREAS as a result of the public hearing, there were no changes or amendments made to the Preliminary Budget except those approved by the Town Board prior to the Public Hearing,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Town Board approves the 2017 Budget as presented at the Public Hearing.

Motion: Councilman Dix
Second: Councilman Clark
Ayes: Manne, Dix, Clark, Worth
Nays: None
APPROVED by: Unanimous vote (4-0)

RESOLUTION # 69 of 2016 – Payment of Abstract

WHEREAS, A request has been made to pay the normal operating expenses of the Town of Pembroke, and,

WHEREAS, these payments are within the normal scope of the 2016 working budget, and create no additional cost to the Town of Pembroke; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

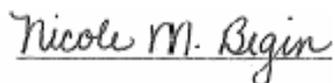
RESOLVED, that the Town of Pembroke hereby authorizes the Supervisor to make the appropriate payments of approved vouchers contained within abstract # 21 of 2016.

Motion: Councilwoman Manne
Second: Councilman Dix
Ayes: Manne, Dix, Clark, Worth
Nays: None
APPROVED by: Unanimous vote (4-0)

On **MOTION** of Councilman Clark, seconded by Councilwoman Manne to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 P.M.

ALL AYES – MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole M. Begin, Town Clerk

THESE MINUTES ARE A DRAFT ONLY OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2016 AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND/OR REVISION PRIOR TO APPROVAL BY THE TOWN BOARD. APPROVAL OF MINUTES BY THE TOWN BOARD IS DONE AT THE NEXT REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING.