

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
October 11, 2017

The Town of Manlius Town Board assembled at the Town Hall, 301 Brooklea Drive, Fayetteville, New York, with Supervisor Edmond Theobald presiding and the following Board members present:

John R. Loeffler, Councilor
David M. Marnell, Sr., Councilor
Nicholas J. Marzola, Councilor
Vincent Giordano, Councilor
Karen Green, Councilor
Richard Rossetti, Councilor

The following Town Officers were present:

Jeffrey Schiano, Attorney for the Town	Deborah Witzel, Deputy Town Clerk
Rob Cushing, Highway Superintendent	Ann Oot, Town Manager
Randy Capriotti, Director of Codes	Doug Miller, Town Engineer

Other persons attending: Ellen & Mike McGrew, Manlius. Paul Whorrall, Manlius Mayor. John Abbott, Minoa. Bill Brazill, Minoa Mayor. Laurie Corsette, Fayetteville Village Clerk. Mike Small, Fayetteville Trustee. David Barnwell, E. Syracuse. Martha Dygert, Manlius Village Clerk. Lisa DeVona, Minoa Village Clerk. Sara Bollinger, Fayetteville. Mark Olson, Fayetteville Mayor.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Theobald, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilor Loeffler led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Theobald welcomed everyone and thanked all for attending.

Approval of Minutes – September 27, 2017

Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Giordano, to approve the minutes of September 27, 2017 as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green.

Abstain: Councilor Rossetti

Motion Carries.

Approval of Abstract # 19

Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to approve Abstract # 19 as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

	TOWN OF MANLIUS	
	Fund Summary	
	Abstract # 19 - 2017	
<u>CODE</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
A	General Fund Townwide	\$ 168,486.87
B	General Fund Town	\$ 3,721.88
DA	Highway Fund Townwide	\$ 22,503.66
DB	Highway Fund Town	\$ 150,650.84
SR1	Manlius Trash District	\$ 148.39
SR2	Manlius Res Brush District	\$ 148.39
SS1	Manlius Con Sewer District	\$ 863.32

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Supervisor Theobald explained that each of the three fire departments will present their budgets and answer any questions. Supervisor Theobald informed the public that the board members have had the opportunity to review the budgets prior to the meeting. Supervisor Theobald stated that the board would not be voting on the fire contract budgets until October 25th, 2017.

7:05 PM - Public Hearing – Fayetteville Fire Contract

Councilor Marzola thanked the mayors and clerks for their diligent work on the fire budgets each year.

Mayor Olson reviewed statistics on the Fayetteville Fire Department stating they have the lowest cost per call and the best response time in Onondaga County next to the City of Syracuse. The fire chief's budget consists of 3 different categories Fire Station, EMS and Fire. The village pays 33% of the budget with 14% of the total calls being made in the village. The fire chief and village clerk have secured \$654,000 in grants which are 80% to 90% matched. Mayor Olson mentioned that Fayetteville is having to cover for Rural Metro because Rural Metro can't get the staff they need.

Councilor Loeffler asked if the fire departments could limit the number of calls outside of the town. Mayor Olson stated that the village investigated the issue and found out they cannot limit the out of town calls; the closest emergency vehicle must respond.

Councilor Loeffler asked if there would be any big expenditures in 2018. Mayor Olson stated all 3 ambulances need to be replaced in the next three years.

Councilor Rossetti asked Mayor Olson if the village would be willing to meet with the town during January/February to go over the upcoming fire budgets. Mayor Olson responded with a yes.

Councilor Rossetti made a motion, seconded by Councilor Loeffler, to waive the reading of the public notice for the public hearing on the 2018 Fayetteville Fire Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Rossetti made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to open the public hearing at 7:34 PM for the 2018 Fayetteville Fire Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Sara Bollinger, Thompson St. Fayetteville asked, for residents that live in the town (not village) of whom contribute to fire protection, which part of the taxes collected goes to the capital expense (fire trucks and buildings)? Ms. Bollinger also asked the Town Board if the town would have ownership of the fire building when the bonds have been paid in full?

Supervisor Theobald stated that the town cannot have a fire department by law. Supervisor Theobald stated that consolidation of the fire departments was studied in the past. Consolidation of the fire departments didn't make sense due to the cost of personnel and employment benefits. Supervisor Theobald stated that the consolidation study recommended organizational consolidation.

Mayor Olson stated all municipal buildings are owned by the public they are all for the public good.

There being no further comments from the public, Councilor Marnell made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rossetti, close the public hearing at 7:40 PM for the 2018 Fayetteville Fire Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

7:10 PM – Public Hearing – Manlius Fire Contract

Mayor Whorrall remarked about how well the 3 fire departments and 1 fire district in the town work together and support each other.

Mayor Whorrall discussed the larger expenses in the fire budget including personnel, benefits and 207A NYS disability for fire fighters. Mayor Whorrall is confident that the response times will be better having only one firehouse to respond from. Village Clerk Dygert explained that the sale of the two older firehouses will go into the reserve fund and not into the firehouse bond. Village Clerk Dygert stated that the village will also be considering grants this year.

Councilor Loeffler asked if there would be any new capital investments in the upcoming budget year. Mayor Whorrall answered no.

Councilor Rossetti asked when the village will start making payments on the debt service in the amount of \$687,439 for 2018. Village Clerk Dygert stated they made the first payment in April 2017 with 29 years left. Councilor Rossetti asked Mayor Whorrall if the village will be willing to meet with the town in January/February to review the upcoming fire budget. Mayor Whorrall answered yes.

Councilor Loeffler stated that the operating expense is down 1 ½ % which has been flat for 4 years.

Councilor Rossetti made a motion, seconded by Councilor Loeffler, to waive the reading of the public notice for the 2018 Manlius Fire Contract public hearing.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Rossetti made a motion, seconded by Councilor Marnell, to open the public hearing at 7:59 PM for the 2018 Manlius Fire Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Mike McGrew asked if the fire departments are exempt from NYS insurance mandate coming on January 1st. The answer was yes.

There being no further comments from the public, Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rossetti, close the public hearing at 8:00 PM for the 2018 Manlius Fire Contract.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marnell

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

7:15 PM – Public Hearing – Minoa Fire Contract

Mayor Brazil stated that Minoa Fire Department does not have to pay for benefits or insurance because the department is all volunteer. Mayor Brazil stated that the 3 village mayors and fire chiefs are working closely together on purchasing and training. Mayor Brazill stated that the department answered almost 500 calls last year and 376 were in the town. Mayor Brazill stated that the Village purchased a new pumper and a new squad will be purchased with reserve money.

Mayor Brazill stated that the village will put out a request for proposal (RFP) for ambulance service for 2018. Discussion ensued about the contracted ambulance service and how it works.

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries

Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rossetti, to open the public hearing at 8:21 PM in the matter of Local Law 2017- 4 to Override the Property Tax for the Fiscal Year 2018.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Loeffler.

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries

There being no comments from the public Councilor Rossetti made a motion, seconded by Councilor Marnell, to close the public hearing at 8:22 PM in the matter of Local Law 2017- 4 to Override the Property Tax for the Fiscal Year 2018.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Loeffler.

Councilor Marzola discussed the fines and penalties that would be imposed on the Town if the Town did not override the tax cap.

Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Marnell, to adopt Local Law 2017- 4 to Override the Property Tax for the Fiscal Year 2018 as outlined in the resolution prepared by the Attorney for the Town.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Loeffler.

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries

Correspondence/New Business

A) Highway Superintendent

Highway Superintendent Cushing reviewed the bid results for the chipping of trees and brush stockpiled next to the Town Highway Facility. Bids were opened at 9:30 am in the Town Board Room at the Town of Manlius Hall at 301 Brooklea Dr. Fayetteville New York. Town Highway Superintendent Robert Cushing and Town Clerk Allison Weber were present. Also, present: Ian Hunter (Last Chance Recycling)

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Non-Collusive</u>
Clifton Recycling	\$14,220.00	10-10-2017	Yes
Last Chance Recycling	\$6,450.00	10-10-2017	Yes

Councilor Marzola made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rossetti, to award the bid for the chipping of trees and bush stockpiled next to the Town Highway Facility to the lowest bidder - Last Chance Recycling.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green, Councilor Loeffler.

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries

B) Planning & Development – No New Business

C) Attorney – No New Business

D) Town Clerk – No New Business

E) Police Chief – No New Business

F) Town Board

Councilor Loeffler announced that Mike Crowell has been hired as the Town of Manlius Chief of Police and he will be sworn in on October 16, 2017.

Councilor Loeffler thanked Chief Carbery for all his hard work during the period of transition between police chiefs.

G) Supervisor

Councilor Marnell made a motion, seconded by Councilor Marzola, to accept the Supervisor's monthly report for September 2017 as presented.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Green

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Supervisor Theobald also wanted to thank Captain Schafer for his work during the transition between police chiefs.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilor Marnell and seconded by Councilor Rossetti the Board voted unanimously to adjourn regular session at 8:33 PM.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Loeffler, Councilor Rossetti, Councilor Marzola, Councilor Giordano, Councilor Marnell, Councilor Green

Nayes: 0 All in favor. Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Deborah Witzel
Deputy Town Clerk