

TOWN OF MALONE
REGULAR MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
November 15, 2023

A regular meeting and public hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Malone, County of Franklin and State of New York was held at the Town Offices, 27 Airport Road, Malone, NY on the 15th day of November 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Andrea Stewart, Supervisor
Jody Johnston, Councilor
Paul Walbridge, Councilor

Terrence Maguire, Deputy Supervisor
Brian Taylor, Councilor

ALSO PRESENT:

Denice Hudson, Budget Officer
Michael Andrews, Highway Superintendent
Michael McMahon, Code Officer
Mark Gonyea, Planning Board Chairman

Abby Monica, Town Clerk
John Manley, Deputy Highway Superintendent
Alex Violo, Malone Telegram

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Stewart called the public hearing to order at 5:50 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING: The public hearing was in regard to Friends of the North Country CDBG. Town Clerk Abby Monica read the legal notice. At this time there were no public comments from the public. Councilor Walbridge asked if there were any issues going on. Sue stated they are having a hard time finding construction workers wanting to apply. This issue is causing projects to take longer than they would like and are trying to have any construction company or business apply. Sue also states she is trying to get the word out to contact Friends of the North Country and get an application if you're a construction worker.

RESOLUTION 305-2023- Close Public Hearing

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart seconded by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Walbridge, Johnston, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Permission to close the public hearing at 6:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Stewart called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: For review and approval

RESOLUTION 305-2023 – Minutes

Upon motion by Deputy Maguire, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 4 Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Taylor

Nays 0

Abstain 1 Stewart

Resolved to approve the following minutes:

October 11, 2023 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLUTION 306-2023 - Minutes

Upon motion by Councilor Johnston, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 3 Stewart, Johnston, Maguire

Nays 0

Abstain 2 Taylor, Walbridge

Resolved to approve the following minutes:

October 25, 2023 - Regular Meeting Minutes

RESOLUTION 307-2023 - Minutes

Upon motion by Councilor Walbridge, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 3 Stewart, Walbridge, Maguire

Nays 0

Abstain 2 Taylor, Johnston

Resolved to approve the following minutes:

November 6, 2023 - Special Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes

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Reports:

RESOLUTION 308-2023 - Reports

Upon motion by Councilor Taylor, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire

Nays 0

Resolved to approve the following reports

Code Officer- October 2023

Justice Fisher and Mair- October 2023

Town Clerk- October 2023

Budget to Actual - October 2023

Airport Manager- October 2023

Office of the Comptroller, Justice Court Fund- October 2023

SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

RESOLUTION 309-2023 – 2024 Preliminary Budget

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Permission to adopt the 2024 Preliminary Budget

RESOLUTION 310-2023 – Labor Relations Attorney Proposal

Upon motion by Councilor Taylor, second by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Permission to accept Labor Relations attorney proposal.

RESOLUTION 311-2023 – Jennifer Bilow

Upon motion by Councilor Johnston, second by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval to appoint Jennifer Bilow on the Planning Board. Term ending September 8, 2027

RESOLUTION 312-2023 – Paulette Whalen

Upon motion by Councilor Taylor, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval to appoint Paulette Whalen on the Planning Board. Term ending September 8, 2028

RESOLUTION 313-2023 – Phil Hans

Upon motion by Deputy Maguire, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval to appoint Phil Hans on the Planning Board. Term ending September 8, 2029

RESOLUTION 314-2023 – Bid

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart, second by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval to advertise for Bid regarding Spray Foam Insulation

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RESOLUTION 315-2023 – ACP and ALP Update

Upon motion by Councilor Taylor, second by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval of ACP Update and ALP Update (showing Fence Phase 2)

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY REPORTS:

Superintendent Andrews states it is time to put out the seasonal roads sign for the dates November 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. He also discusses his concerns with Mattimore and Brockway Road. He states he would like to classify these two roads as abandonment roads as they only have one house on each road. It is using taxpayers' money to care for these roads when it is more like a driveway. These two roads are very unsafe for the highway crew to plow and maintain as there is no turn around. Andrews states Mattimore Road is very narrow and is more like a driveway, his pickup truck is how they have been plowing it during winter seasons. The Town board has agreed these roads should be considered abandonment as it is just wasting taxpayers' money. There will be a Public Hearing regarding this matter on December 27th at 5:50 PM

RESOLUTION 316-2023 – Seasonal Roads

Upon motion by Deputy Maguire, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval of Seasonal Road Closure's from November 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

RESOLUTION 317-2023 – Public Hearing

Upon motion by Deputy Maguire, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Schedule a Public Hearing in regard to road abandonment on December 27, 2023 at 5:50 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE:

From Ag and Markets: Dog Control Officer Inspection Report and Municipal Shelter Inspection Report completed October 20, 2023

From Charter Communications: Channel Lineup Notice.

From Friends of the North Country: NYS Office of Community Renewal 2021 Housing Rehab Grant (689HR305-21)

RESOLUTION 318-2023 – Code Officer McMahon

Upon motion by Councilor Walbridge, second by Supervisor Stewart the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire, Stewart

Nays 0

Board approval for Code Officer McMahon to attend Northern Adirondack Code Enforcement Officials Annual Conference in Lake Placid March 4-7, 2024

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 319-2023 – Journal Entry

Upon motion by Councilor Walbridge, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire

Nays 0

Permission for the Budget Officer to make the following journal entry for payroll: From DB51101 (General Repairs Personal Services) to DB5130.0 (Machinery Personal Services) \$23,250.36.

RESOLUTION 320-2023 – Journal Entry

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Upon motion by Councilor Walbridge, second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0

Permission for the Budget Officer to make the following journal entry as Per Comptroller Notice for October 2023 from A690 Clearinghouse \$4,666.00 to A980 Revenues \$4,,666.00 (A2610 court fines & fees).

RESOLUTION 321-2023 – Public Hearing

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart second by Deputy Maguire the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0

Permission to schedule an EMS public hearing on Wednesday November 13, 2023 at 5:50 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RESOLUTION 322-2023 – Executive Session

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart, second by Councilor Walbridge the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0

Permission to enter into Executive session at 6:48PM.

RESOLUTION 323-2023 – Executive Session

Upon motion by Supervisor Stewart, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Taylor, Johnston, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0

Permission to return to regular session at 7:01PM.

BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:

Batch No. 1289
Voucher Nos. 938-985, 988-1001, 1003-1005

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| <i>General Fund (A)</i> | <i>\$56,163.96</i> |
| <i>Part Town General Fund (B)</i> | <i>1,822.24</i> |
| <i>Highway Outside (DB)</i> | <i>14,213.68</i> |
| <i>Highway Town Wide (DB)</i> | <i>3,382.49</i> |
| <i>Trust & Agency (T)</i> | <i>32,167.75</i> |
| <i>Garage Reserve Fund (H9)</i> | <i>13,985.11</i> |
| <i>Escrow Capital Project (H2)</i> | <i>903.50</i> |
| <i>Airport Capital Project Fund (H4)</i> | <i>8,177.85</i> |
| <i>East Side Water (FE)</i> | <i>237.90</i> |
| <i>GRAND TOTAL</i> | <i>\$131,054.48</i> |

RESOLUTION 324-2023 Bills

Upon Motion by Deputy Maguire, second by Councilor Johnston the following resolution was.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Johnston, Taylor, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0

Resolved to pay the bills listed.

RESOLUTION 325 -2023 Adjourn

Upon Motion of Councilor Walbridge, second by Councilor Taylor the following resolution was.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Stewart, Johnston, Taylor, Walbridge, Maguire
Nays 0.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be December 13, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. Preceded by an IDA meeting at 5:45 PM at 27 Airport Rd. Malone, NY 12953. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,


Abby Monica, Town Clerk