

A public hearing on the proposed 2018 Town Budget was held on November 9th at 6:45 pm prior to the monthly town board meeting. Supervisor Guzzi opened the hearing with a brief overview of the budget. No real changes needed to be made from the last one. A 2% across the board raise was included. There were slight changes to the youth contract, a decrease to \$5000 from \$8000 and the library, an increase of \$500. Interfund transfer amount will be 245,000. After no public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:59 pm

The regular monthly meeting, of the Town Board of the Town of Livingston, County of Columbia, and the State of New York was held at the town hall, 119 County Route 19, Livingston, NY on the 9th day of November, 2017.

Present:

Supervisor James Guzzi

Deputy Supervisor Will Yandik

Councilperson William Bender

Councilperson Phil Massaro

Absent: Councilperson Kelly McDonald

Supervisor Guzzi opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag, at 7:01 p.m.

Supervisor Guzzi introduced incoming councilperson elect Tom Shumsky, who was in the audience.

Resolution # 109

Motion to approve the monthly minutes

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender, to approve the minutes of the October monthly town board meeting

Votes: 4 Ayes, 0 No

Supervisor's Report

The following reports were read by Supervisor Guzzi:

Town Supervisor

Town Clerk- Total local shares remitted to town of \$ 6,351.40

Highway- No report

Building Dept- 6 building permits, 6 CO's, 3 abstract searches, 1 Fire violations. Year to date:\$32,096.12

Dog Control- September had 7 calls and October had 4 calls. The dog control officer also attended court one night

Assessor- no report

Resolution # 110

Motion to approve the monthly reports as read

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Massaro to approve the monthly reports as read.

Votes: 4 Ayes, 0 No

New Business

Twin Lakes –No update to report

The deadline for the applications for the alternate positions on the Planning Board and ZBA are November 14th to the Town Clerk's office.

Technology update- A new flat screen TV for the town hall meeting room was purchased at a price of \$7.98 after Staples rewards money was deducted. The computer system for the building is in the process of being updated

Resolution # 111

Motion to approve the 2018 Town Budget at \$2,065,468

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik to approve the town budget for the year 2018 at a total of \$2,065,468.

Votes: 4 Aye, 0 No

Councilperson Bender brought pictures and prices of possible signs that could be put in for the front of the town hall for the board to look over and discuss.

Christmas in Livingston will be held this year on Friday December 1st. The soup supper will be at 5-6 pm at the Linlithgo Reformed Church, the tree lighting will be at 6:30 at the gazebo, followed by a dessert buffet and Santa at the town hall.

The Senior citizens luncheon will be held on Saturday, December 9th at 11:30 at the church

Scout Tyler Bleau has completed his Eagle Scout project doing the kiosk at the Rec Park.

The new Highway truck was on display in front of the town hall for the meeting. Has all LED lights, new sanding system that can monitor output. The County will be doing the lettering on it for a nominal fee.

Supervisor Guzzi spoke on last month's presentation by G-Tel on the cable system they want to provide for the town and the town is working on the franchise agreement.

Resolution 112

Motion to hold a public hearing on the proposed cable franchise agreement with G-Tel to provide service in the Town of Livingston at 6:45 pm on Thursday December 14th, 2017

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to hold a public hearing on the proposed cable franchise agreement with G-Tel on Thursday, December 14th at 6:45 pm prior to the regular town board meeting.

Votes: 4 Aye, 0 No

G-Tel will advertise it and it will also be on the town website

The town board discussed doing an exemption for "Cold War veterans".

Resolution # 113

Motion to hold a public hearing on Thursday December 14th at 7pm for Local Law # 5 of 2017, extending an exemption from real property taxes for real property owned by Veterans who rendered military service to the United States during the "cold war"

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender, to hold a public hearing on Thursday, December 14th at 7pm for Local Law # 5 of 2017 extending the "cold war" Veteran exemption.

Votes: 4 Aye, 0 No

Resident Charles Schneider gave a brief report on the issue of the Building Dept. enforcement of the 2007 Building Codes that the town adopted. They are looking into alarm activations specifically at the moment and keeping track of the alarm registrations and making sure the information is updated for the fire department as well. So far this year, alarm activations have made up 22 out of the 101 fire dept. calls.

Communications:

The town clerk presented the board with a copy of the contract with Columbia Greene Humane Society for the year 2018 for housing dogs.

Resolution # 114

Motion to approve the contract with the Columbia Greene Humans Society for the year 2018 for housing dogs from the town of Livingston

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender, to approve the contract with CG Humane Society for housing dogs for the year 2018 that they provided to us.

Votes: 4 Aye, 0 No

Committee Reports

Buildings- no report

Citizens Advisory- no report

Senior Council- no report

Planning and zoning- no report

Ethics- no report

Highway- as per the supervisor's report

Communications- no report

Office Support- no report

Historian- there was 1 visitor for the month and the Historian received a letter of thanks from the Linlithgo Reformed Church for participating in their Harvest Festival.

County Environmental Management- no report

Emergency Management- no report

Special Projects- no report

Twin Lakes: no report

Rec Park- The Park has been winterized for the season

Audit Committee:

Resolution # 115

Motion to pay bills

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender, to pay the bills as presented.

86-96 Highway

284-306 General

Vote 4 Ayes, 0 No

Public Comment

A resident asked if Supervisor Guzzi could give any updates on what has been happening at the County level at their meetings. He briefly spoke on some of the work on the finance and public works committees. The County is trying to consolidate payments, they are working with the equipment, updating it as needed, Solid Waste is checking on the closed landfills.

Resolution # 116

Motion to adjourn the meeting

A motion was made by Councilperson Bender, seconded by Councilperson Massaro to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Molinski

Town Clerk