

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FORT EDWARD TOWN BOARD END OF YEAR MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 28, 2018 AT TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 11:00 A.M.

Supervisor Middleton called the meeting to order at 11:00am

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Supervisor Middleton
Councilman Orsini
Councilman Fisher
Councilwoman Mullen

ABSENT: Councilman Mercier

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Counsel Donald Boyajian and Town Clerk Aimee Mahoney

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Councilman Fisher, Seconded by Councilman Orsini to approve the minutes of the Public Hearings & Regular Meeting of December 10, 2018
ALL AYES

APPROVAL OF BILLS: MOTION by Councilman Orsini, Seconded by Councilwoman Mullen to approve Abstract #1 in the amount of \$21,112.64 **ALL AYES**

ABSTRACT #13

GENERAL A: 7936-7954	\$14,483.45
GENERAL B: 7955-7959	\$ 400.00
HIGHWAY: 7960-7965	\$ 4,111.90
MUNICIPAL: 7966-7969	\$ 810.97
SPECIAL LIGHTING: 7970-7972	\$ 740.71
SPECIAL WATER: 7973-7977	\$ 484.74
SPECIAL WATER 2: 7978-7979	\$ 80.87

TOTAL: \$21,112.64

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 36 OF 2018

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN FISHER

SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ORSINI

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Town Board has looked into updating the phone system at Town Hall, the Town Highway Garage as well as the Community Pool, and

WHEREAS, the Town is currently looking to reduce cost due to a recent significant increase in their current contract with Magna 5.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Fort Edward desires to enter into a contract with Verizon for phone service for Town Hall, Town Highway Garage and Community Pool.

DATED: December 28, 2018

VOTE: Councilman Orsini – AYE
Councilman Mercier – AYE
Councilwoman Mullen – AYE
Councilman Fisher – AYE
Supervisor Middleton – AYE

CORRESPONDENCE:

BOARD COMMENTS:

Donald Boyajian: As far as AT&T wanting to do changes to their equipment on the water tower I have advised that they bring their account current before any changes can be made. Once that is done I would like to suggest making some changes to increase the Town's revenue on tower leases. Also, the Hudson Headwaters closing is close and should be wrapped up next week if possible.

- Violence in the Workplace will be reviewed at the January 14th meeting.

Supervisor Middleton: The Insurance quote from NYMIR was received today and is cheaper than last year and I would suggest we stay with NYMIR so we do not have a lapse in coverage.

MOTION by Councilman Orsini, Seconded by Councilman Fisher to stay with Northern Insuring Agency, Inc, (NYMIR) for insurance coverage for the Town **ALL AYES**

MOTION by Councilman Orsini, Seconded by Councilwoman Mullen to approve increasing the Rogers Island Visitors Center budget by \$3,150.00 which is the savings in the insurance from 2018-2019 **ALL AYES**

Donald Boyajian: There is some new legislature making it important for us to take a look at some grant applications and hopefully get some money for the Town. I will reach out to Ed Hernandez and find out the deadlines.

Supervisor Middleton: I met Aid to the Governor Jeff Quinn and he would like to tour the dewatering site and I asked if there was a chance we could get the Governor to come as well and he said if he did it would be after the 1st of the year.

- I also sent information on the last BOA grant to Carrie Woerner to see if she can help

push the drawdown along.

- Senator Schumer was receptive to the Town's request for help with the dewatering site as well as other sites in the Town. Steve Miller will be talking with us after the 1st of the year regarding sewer needs as well as natural gas which Irving Tissue could benefit from too making it a community need as opposed to a single user need.

Supervisor Middleton: I would like to congratulate Don on his new Council seat in the Senate on the Committee on Local Government.

MOTION by Councilman Fisher, Seconded by Councilman Orsini to enter into Executive Session at 11:30am to discuss pending litigation **ALL AYES**

MOTION by Councilman Orsini, Seconded by Councilman Fisher to come out of Executive Session at 11:58am **ALL AYES**

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Councilman Fisher, Seconded by Councilwoman Mullen to adjourn the meeting at 12:00pm **ALL AYES**

DATED: December 31, 2018

Aimee Mahoney, Town Clerk