

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FORT EDWARD TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2022 AT TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 10:00 A.M.

Supervisor Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:00am

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Supervisor Fisher
Councilman Middleton
Councilwoman Mullen
Councilman Suprenant

ABSENT: Councilwoman Collier

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian Brockway, Joseph Malvuccio, Roseanne Lemery, Katie DeGroot, Peter Ives and Town Clerk Aimee Mahoney

Town Justice Joseph Malvuccio swore in the following newly elected officials:

- Mitchell Suprenant – Town Councilman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Councilman Middleton, Seconded by Councilwoman Mullen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 12, 2022 **ALL AYES**

APPROVAL OF BILLS: MOTION by Councilman Middleton, Seconded by Councilman Suprenant to approve Abstract #13 in the amount of \$19,442.96 **ALL AYES**

ABSTRACT #13

GENERAL A – 11278-11291	\$ 4,494.15
HIGHWAY – 11292-11299	\$11,077.22
MUNICIPAL – 11300-11306	\$ 3,192.19
SP. WATER – 11303-11306	\$ 593.15
SP. WATER 2 – 11307-11308	\$ 140.25

TOTAL: \$19,442.96

BUSINESS:

Planning Grant Discussion

Supervisor Fisher: I received an email from Promote Fort Edward regarding hiring Flatley Read, Inc. to assist with planning with the \$40,000.00 grant from Carrie Woerner. We already have a Master Plan which was done in 2018 and the submission that Nasrene did for the NY Forward Grant. What we need are investors and grants that pay for something, we have done all the necessary planning.

Katie DeGroot: We agree that the planning is done and maybe they should meet with the Board because they are proposing something different. One of the reasons we didn't get chosen for NY Forward is because no community survey was done. Flatley Read is proposing writing grants like they did in Schuylerville for things like home improvements.

Councilman Suprenant: We did a Home Grant when Darlene was here and that is all income based.

Supervisor Fisher: Is Promote Fort Edward going to be submitting all the paperwork for reimbursement of the \$40,000.00?

Katie DeGroot: We can yes; if we don't use the entire \$40,000.00 then we wouldn't get it next time we tried correct?

Supervisor Fisher: If Promote wants to come up with a 20 or so question survey then we could mail them out.

Katie DeGroot: I will contact Carrie Woerner and get a time frame for Town reimbursement.

Supervisor Fisher: Yes because we don't have \$32,000.00 to pay out right now. We need to purchase a new garbage truck.

Katie DeGroot: We need to get Carrie Woerner back at a meeting.

Supervisor Fisher: We are still waiting for \$100,000.00 from Betty Little 6 years ago.

Brian Brockway: The price of a new garbage truck was \$170,000.00 in April and now with all the new pollution requirements they are around \$180,000.00.

Councilman Suprenant: Is that for a non CDL?

Brian Brockway: I was talking to them about the trucks that don't require a CDL and by the time they are all said and done there is only 2 ton of room in it and it would always be overweight. We pick up 2-4ton/day. If we ever got in an accident the lawsuit would cost more than a new truck.

MOTION by Councilman Middleton, Seconded by Councilwoman Mullen to purchase a new garbage truck from Allegiance Trucks at state bid pricing of \$180,000.00 with \$100,000.00 coming out of American rescue Funds and \$80,000.00 from General A **ALL AYES**

Councilman Middleton: Is there any other equipment coming up that is going to need replacing?

Brian Brockway: Yes, my pick-up truck but they took them off State Contract so you would have to bid that.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Councilman Suprenant, Seconded by Councilman Middleton to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. **ALL AYES**

Dated: December 28, 2022

Aimee Mahoney, Town Clerk