

TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
November 10, 2020

The Public Hearing held on November 10, 2020 at the Burke Town Courthouse on a Local Law to Override the New York State 2% Tax Cap was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Bill Wood. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said.

The 2021 Preliminary Budget was presented to the Board. The Tax Levy Override may not be used but is being voted on tonight in case it is required.

No Public Comments were made.

A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing on a Local Law to Override the New York State 2% Tax Cap at 7:02 P.M. was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

The Public Hearing on the 2021 Preliminary Budget was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Supervisor Bill Wood. The previous Budgets have incorrectly added the outstanding funds from the previous year into the next yearly budget appropriations and the Town of Burke is working on getting these funds into the correct funds for the new budget. This process will take a few years to correct.

No Public Comments were made.

A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing on the 2021 Preliminary Budget at 7:14 P.M. was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

The Regular meeting of the Burke Town Board was called to order at 7:14 P.M. by Supervisor Bill Wood.

Roll Call:

Councilman:	Arnold Lobdell
	Tim Crippen
	Jim Otis
	Patrick Downing, absent
Supervisor:	Bill Wood
Supt. of Highways:	Larry LaPlante
Town Clerk:	Elizabeth Downing
Bookkeeper:	Linda Trudell
Code Officer:	Jim Dumont

This Meeting is being voice recorded by the Burke Town Clerk, Elizabeth Downing, as always.

A motion to accept the October 13, 2020 minutes as read was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Supervisor Bill Wood was absent for the October 29, 2020 Work Session. Deputy Supervisor Jim Otis called the meeting to order and ran the meeting. A motion to accept the corrected October 29, 2020 minutes was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill abstain.

A motion to accept the November 2, 2020 minutes as read was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

No Public Comments were made.

New Business:

1. Resolution #19-2020 – A motion to pass a resolution to pass Local Law #1 of 2020 to override the New York State 2% Tax Cap mandate was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.
2. Resolution #20-2020 – A motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen to make a resolution to accept the 2021 Preliminary Budget as the 2021 Final Budget. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.
3. Supervisor Wood attended a conference call with Barton Pitts, Rod Morrison, Stephen Le Fevre and Tom West about the Burke Solar, LLC Project. It was decided that 9 additional agencies will be notified that the Town of Burke will be the lead agency on the Project. Nexamp will be sending the additional materials needed for the additional entities to the Town of Burke.
4. Two additional 5Mk solar projects have been proposed by the AES Corporation for the property behind the Cherry Knoll Restaurant in Burke.
5. A Tentative Snow and Ice Agreement has been sent for review from Franklin County. Increases in funds will be 2.5% for 2020-2021, 2.0% for 2021-2022 and 2.5% for 2022-2023. Resolution #21-2020 - A motion was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis to pass a resolution to authorize Larry LaPlante, Burke Town Superintendent of Highways to enter into an agreement with Edward Adams, Superintendent of Highways for

the County of Franklin for the removal of snow and sanding of County Highways within the said Town of Burke for the sum of \$106,642.25 for the 2020-2021 season, \$108,775.10 for the 2021-2022 season and \$111,494.48 for the 2022-2023 season. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

The Highway Committee did not meet.

Highway Superintendent Larry LaPlante's Report:

1. The Highway is removing snow as required.
2. Roads in Burke were graded twice.
3. Culverts were cleaned out.
4. General housekeeping around the Highway Department Garage was performed.
5. A leaky valve on the 2004 Mach was replaced.

No Old Business was brought before the Town Board.

The Code Officer collected \$40.00 for the month of October. A motion to accept the October 2020 Code Officers Report was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Resolution #22-2020 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt General Fund Budget Amendment #1 was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye. \$4,208.00 was appropriated from Account #A9710.7 Bond Interest, \$500.00 was appropriated from Account #A3310.4 Traffic Control, Contractual, \$390.00 was appropriated from Account #A3510.4 Dog Control, Contractual, \$150.00 was appropriated from Account #A8810.4 Cemeteries, Contractual, \$770.29 was appropriated from Account #A1910.4 Unallocated Insurance, Contractual, \$1314.06 was appropriated from Account #A1620.43 Courthouse, Propane, \$1000.00 was appropriated from Account #A1355.4 Assessor, Contractual and \$1000.00 was appropriated from Account #A5132.4 Garage, Contractual. \$5,432.35 was deposited into Account #A9060.8 Hospital & Medical Insurance and \$3,900.00 was deposited into Account #A9060.82 Hospital & Medical Insurance, HRA.

Resolution #23-2020 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt Highway, Townwide Fund Budget Amendment #2 was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye. \$4,309.58 was appropriated from Account #DA5130.1 Machinery, Personal Services. \$2,734.58 was deposited into Account #DA9060.8 Employee Benefits, Hospital & Medical Insurance and \$1,575.00 was deposited into Account #DA9062.8 Employee Benefits, HRA.

Resolution #24-2020 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt Highway, Outside Fund Budget Amendment #3 was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye. \$1,428.25 was appropriated from Account #DB9010.8 Employee Benefits, Retirement. \$903.25 was deposited into Account #DB9060.8 Employee Benefits, Hospital & Medical Insurance and \$525.00 was deposited into Account #DA9062.8 Employee Benefits, HRA.

Resolution #25-2020 - A motion to pass a resolution to transfer \$25,000.00 from DA200.1 Highway Townwide, Savings to the new Highway Townwide Checking on January 1, 2021 was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Resolution #26-2020 - A motion to pass a resolution to transfer \$5,843.46 from Highway Townwide (DA) Checking to Highway Outside (DB) Checking on January 1, 2021 was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye

A motion was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen to approve the October 2020 reconciliations of the Town Bank Accounts. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye. A motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Arnold Lobdell to accept the October 2020 Financial Report. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

No Public Comments were made

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 8:13 P.M. was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk

  
Recorded by, Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk