Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pamelia held on Monday, November 11, 2024 at the Municipal Building, Route 37; Supervisor Scott Allen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Lisa Brenon, Ricky VanTassel, Samantha Eves, and David Hart. Highway Superintendent Bruce Call, Engineers John Condino and Dustin Clark were also present.

Minutes approved

Minutes of the October 14, 2024 regular meeting and the October 21, 2024 special meeting were approved as submitted on a motion made by Lisa Brenon and seconded by Ricky VanTassel; All voted aye; carried.

Budget Appropriations

Samantha Eves made a motion and David Hart seconded to approve the following budget appropriations. All voted aye; carried.

General Fund

From: A1420.4	-	$ 400
To: A1440.4	+	400

Funds Amended

A motion was made by Lisa Brenon and seconded by Samantha Eves to amend the October 14, 2024 General Fund total from $28,314.97 to $28,581.76 to add No. 193, and to amend the Special Districts Fund total from $106,938.52 to $109,091.61 to add No. 119 – 120. All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen reported that the Watertown Little League approached the Planning Board and will be adding four light poles to the baseball field. Zoning laws state that no more than 250W light bulbs are allowed. If approved by the Town Board, they will then go the the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance.

Derek Ward from the Little League was present for discussion.

Scott Allen made a motion and David Hart seconded to allow lighting at more than 250W at the baseball field. All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen presented Amendments to the Water and Sewer Agreements between the Town of Pamelia and the Development Authority of the North Country to increase the term expiration date to December 31, 2055.

Resolution #20

Scott Allen offered Resolution #20 and David Hart seconded to allow Supervisor Scott Allen to sign Amendment No. 1 the the Sewer Service Agreement between the Town of Pamelia and the

Development Authority of the North Country for Sewer Districts No. 3, 4, 5, & 9 to increase the term expiration date of the contract to December 31, 2055. All voted aye; adopted.

Resolution #21

David Hart offered Resolution #21 and Lisa Brenon seconded to allow Supervisor Scott Allen to sign Amendment No. 2 of the Water Service Agreement between the Town of Pamelia and the Development Authority of the North Country for Water Districts 1, 2, and Consolidated District No. 1 to increase the term expiration date of the contract to December 31, 2055. All voted aye; adopted.

Supervisor Scott Allen reported that Rt 342 resident Shawn Wilcox stated he would like to be hooked up to water at his new home. The front portion of his property is in the water district but his home is not. He would be an out of district user.

David Hart made a motion and Ricky VanTassel seconded to allow Scott Allen to sign the Out of District Contract with Shawn Wilcox at 22515 NYS Rt 342, parcel #74.05-1-9.1, which will allow him to run lines at his own expense. All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen reported that John Spicer, Rt 3 resident previously had water to a building but did not have heat, and the meter froze. He would now like to have a new meter installed. Scott Allen stated that a meter pit would have to be installed outside of the building because there is no heat.

Samantha Eves made a motion and Ricky VanTassel seconded to have Scott Allen send a letter to John Spicer to give him the option to install the meter pit outside, unless he is going to put heat in the building. All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen stated that a Gardner Drive resident has contacted him several times stating that his neighbor has chickens that should not be allowed in a Residential 1 area. Scott stated that nothing in the Town Laws says anything about feathered birds. Scott will send him a letter.

Public Comments

June Peterson inquired when sewer will be coming for Hinds Rd, as there are many residents that would like it.

Steve Wood, resident of 24949 Hinds Rd. stated that when the water project was going on, the contractors took out the corner pin on his property. He has asked for it to be put back, but still has not been done.

Another resident asked when the water pressure will be normal. Supervisor Scott Allen stated that contractors are waiting for a 300' piece of pipe to be finished under Rt 781. He stated that DANC is removing bags from the hydrants now and exercising them.

Barton & Loguidice

Engineer Dustin Clark reported that the new base station has been installed and is picking up more reads and now will be able to be monitored.

Dustin Clark stated that inspector Ken Lowe is being kept on until the first week of December, but would like to keep him on into the next year part-time to monitor the meter read system. The cost would be covered under the project.

David Hart made a motion and Samantha Eves seconded to approve allowing Barton & Loguidice to keep Ken Lowe on into the new year. All voted aye; carried.

Dustin Clark updated the Board on the ongoing Projects.

Sewer District #10 – Rt 37 Sewer Improvements Project – The Town of Pamelia was awarded $8,734,500 Enhanced WIIA Grant on the Project.
The estimated annual new user cost is $1,242
The estimated annual existing user increase will be $293

Sewer District #9 – Rt 12 Sewer Expansion Project – The interest survey is on-going and B&L will re-apply for the WIIA Grant next year.

Town Designated Engineer Projects - Town Hall roof/window/door replacement
Dustin Clark stated that the $292,000 in ARPA funding must be committed by December 31st.
Base bid – New Roof
1st Alternative – New Electronic Sign
2nd Alternative – Replacement of two front metal man doors
3rd Alternative - Replacement of (4) metal man doors
4th Alternative - Replacement of overhead doors
5th Alternative - Windows
We will advertise for bids as soon as possible. Bids are due December 5, 2024.
David Hart made a motion and Lisa Brenon seconded to advertise for the bids. All voted aye; carried.

Local Law No. 1 of year 2024

David Hart made a motion and Lisa Brenon seconded to adopt Local Law No. 1 of 2024 to override the tax cap law of New York State for the 2024 tax in the 2025 year tax billing.
This Law will allow the Town to exceed the state tax cap limit set by the state of New York. All voted aye; adopted.

2025 Budget

Scott Allen stated that he has adjusted the Budget for the $70,000 transfer back to the General Fund.

Also, the Sewer Fund has been adjusted for the change in the property tax.
Scott has added $10,000 for Sales of Equipment for the proposed sale of a dump truck.

David Hart made a motion and Samantha Eves seconded to accept the Final Budget. All voted aye; carried.

Payment of the Bills

Lisa Brenon made a motion and Samantha Eves seconded to pay the General Fund bills totaling $67,789.60 No. 194 – 213, Highway Fund bills totaling $107,796.10 No. 168 - 181, Special District Fund bills totaling $18,407.72 No. 121 - 131, and Capital Fund bills totaling $90,934.24 No. 41 – 46 including CD1 bills totaling $34,329.57, Water Main Replacement totaling $51,753.59 Sewer District 10 totaling $1,538.58 and Sewer 9 totaling $3,312.50, Trust & Agency bills totaling $9,410.52 No 20, and Love's escrow of $6,583.75 . All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen stated that the bid opening for the Town Project will be Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m. on a motion made by David Hart and seconded by Samantha Eves. All voted aye; carried.

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Call

Town Clerk
November 11, 2024