

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN
26 GRANGE HALL ROAD, STEPHENTOWN, NEW YORK 12168
FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

The Regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown was called to order by *Councilman William Jennings* at **7:00PM** at the Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

() *Supervisor Philip (PJ) Roder* (X) *High. Superin. Alden Goodermote*
(X) *Council William Jennings* (X) *Assessor, Jennifer Van Deusen*
(X) *Council Everett Madden*
(X) *Council Diana Clark*
(X) *Council Kyle Kidney*
(X) *Town Clerk Stephanie Hoffman*

A quorum (X) was () wasn't established.
3 from the Public were present

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

- Claim #35-23 through #68-23 in the amount of **\$19,740.28 to be approved** from the **General Account**
- Claim #17-23 through #39-23 in the amount of **\$38,114.70 to be approved** from the **Highway Account**
- For a **Total of \$57,854.98** audited and approved by the Town Board.

MOTION BY: MADDEN **SECONDED BY: CLARK**
VOTES OF: 4 AYE 0 NAY 0 ABSTAINED

Minutes of the **January 16, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: KIDNEY **SECONDED BY: CLARK**
VOTES OF: 3 AYE 0 NAY 1 ABSTAINED (MADDEN)

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: The Town Clerk turned over the sum of **\$462.25** to the Supervisor for the month of **JANUARY 2023**.

JUSTICE COURT REPORT: The distribution from the office of the State Comptroller, Justice Court Fund to the Town of Stephentown for the month of **December 2022** was **921.00**.

TRANSFER STATION REPORT: The Transfer Station deposited a total of **\$5,206.00** for the month of **JANUARY 2023**.

Bags: **\$3,885** C&D & Metal: **\$877** Tires: **\$26**
Stickers: **\$273** Appl. & Electronics: **\$145** Propane Tanks: **\$0**

Council Jennings: reported that the paint can program at the Transfer Station is accepting paint cans again – you must see an attendant to dispose of the cans – needs to be clear that it is paint. Discusses summary of expenses and revenues from 2022 – approximately \$5,000 less in revenues than budgeted, however spent less than \$4,000 than budgeted, had a \$1,000 deficit at the Transfer Station in 2022.

ACCOUNT TOTALS:

GENERAL \$795,410.91	HIGHWAY \$621,025.20
GENERAL RESERVE FUND \$651,343.61	HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND \$511,406.36
BEACON ESCROW \$ 885.19	BEACON ESCROW FOR PLANT (BOND) \$5,000 & \$70,000.
ARPA ACCOUNT: \$285,177.21	

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Library Director K. Roppolo reported out on March Library events and youth commission upcoming events – Teen Night has been a success and growing in numbers, Easter event will be 4/8 from 1pm to 3pm – snow date will be the Friday prior. Community Brunch on 3/12 at 11:00am, Celtic Music scheduled for 3/24 at 6:30pm

Town Clerk Hoffman reported that the \$2,900 check from the county for the youth commission arrived.

J. Peabody reported out on the Annual Library meeting scheduled for 4/16 at 4pm and provided a Fire Department update for the month. 22 incidents reported, 1 fire call, most calls reported were for EMS or motor vehicle. Received no mutual aide in January. Had 14 transports and 6 no transports. On two occasions advance life support was requested and not available. Noticing very long wait times at Albany (2 hours), they reported that there is new technology that they are currently working on and hopefully it will improve wait times. Had a visit from the Berlin EM Class and hopeful that some Stephentown students will join us. Cornbeef dinner is scheduled for 3/11.

REPORT FROM THE TOWN BOARD AND TOWN OFFICES:

RESOLUTION # 23 OF 2023

DOG SHELTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN AND COLUMBIA-GREENE HUMANE SOCIETY

WHEREAS: the Town Supervisor has signed the agreement with Columbia-Greene Humane Society to be the Town of Stephentown’s primary shelter, and

WHEREAS: a copy of this contract is attached to these minutes, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the primary shelter for dogs in the Town of Stephentown be contracted with Columbia-Greene Humane Society for the year 2023.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: KIDNEY

VOTES OF: 4 AYE 0 NAY 0 ABSTAINED

Council Jennings provided background information as to why the Town has changed Dog Shelters. Hudson Mohawk has been used for many years and can no longer provide these services to towns. The County is looking to establish a shelter, which would benefit Towns in the county, however in the meantime we will sign a contract with Columbia Greene Humane Society.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:35 PM

MOTION BY: KIDNEY

SECONDED BY: MADDEN

VOTES OF: 4 AYE 0 NAY

****The next Workshop Meeting** will be held on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 7:00PM at the Town Hall located at 26 Grange Hall Road, Stephentown, NY 12168.

****The next Regular Meeting** of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown will be held on **Monday, March 20, 2023** at **7:00 PM** at the Town Hall located at 26 Grange Hall Road, Stephentown, NY 12168.

Stephanie M. Hoffman
Town Clerk

Exhibit A