Town of Yates December Yearend Meeting
8 S. Main St., Lyndonville, NY 14098
December 28, 2020, 5:30PM

Present: Jim Simon, Supervisor
Susan Hrovat, Councilman
John Riggi, Councilman, via Zoom
Jim Whipple, Councilman, via Zoom
Harold Suhr, Councilman
Michele Harling, Town Clerk, via Zoom

Excused: Roger Wolfe, Highway Superintendent
Trisha Laszewski, Town Assessor
Dan Wolfe, Code Enforcement Officer

Others :

Supervisor Simon called the December Yearend Meeting to order at 5:30PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SUPERVISOR REMARKS

No remarks.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No comments.

RESOLUTION NO. 111-12/20

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented to each Board Member.

Offered by Councilman Hrovat, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Whipple

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye

James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 112-12/20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOOKKEEPER TO MAKE YEAREND ADJUSTMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

WHEREAS, the independent auditors have recommended that the Bookkeeper request a "Blanket Resolution" to allow for any budget adjustments that may be required at yearend; be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Bookkeeper to make the necessary budget adjustments and inter-fund transfers, and furnish a copy of said adjustments to the Town Supervisor when completed.

Offered by Councilman Riggi, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Suhr

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye
James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 113-12/20

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2020 YEAREND WATER 2 AND WATER 4 REPORT

WHEREAS, Water 2 and Water 4 have been closed and balanced for the fiscal year 2020, and

WHEREAS, a copy of the balance sheets outlining all income and payments have been prepared by the Town Clerk and reviewed by the Town Board, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the yearend report for Water 2 and Water 4 as presented, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that signed copies of the reports shall be attached to these minutes.

Offered by Councilman Hrovat, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Whipple
Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye

John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye
James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 114-12/20

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2020 TOWN CLERK'S YEAREND REPORT

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has prepared a yearend report that has been reviewed by the Town Board, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board accepts the report as presented, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a signed copy of the report shall be attached to these minutes.

Offered by Councilman Riggi, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Hrovat

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye
James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 115-12/20

RESOLUTION ALLOWING ASSESSOR TO ROLL OVER SENIOR EXEMPTIONS FROM 2020 ASSESSMENT ROLL TO 2021 ASSESSMENT ROLL

RESOLVED, that on the 2021 assessment roll, the assessor is hereby directed to grant exemptions pursuant to Subdivisions 7, 7-a and 8 of section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, and subdivisions 5, 5-a, 5-b, 5-c and 6 of section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, on all property owners who received such exemptions on the 2020 assessment roll, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the requirement for exemption renewal applications from such persons, and the requirement for the assessor to mail such applications to such persons, be and hereby is dispensed with for the 2021 assessment roll.

Offered by Councilman Suhr, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Hrovat

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye
James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 116-12/20

RESOLUTION REQUESTING ORLEANS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY REAFFIRM ITS POLICY SUPPORTING TOWN OF YATES HOME RULE WITH REGARD TO PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AND OTHER TAX INCENTIVES

WHEREAS, the Orleans County Economic Development Agency (OEDA) has consistently supported and honored each town in Orleans County insofar as not negotiating any payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreements, real property tax exemptions, or any other tax incentives unless the town is in support of the proposed project within the town, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Yates, the Lyndonville Central School District Board of Education, the Barker Central School District Board of Education and the Niagara County Industrial Development Agency have all opted out of Real Property Tax Law 487, be it

RESOLVED, the Town of Yates requests OEDA reaffirm in writing its policy supporting the Town of Yates Home Rule under Article IX of the NY State Constitution by not negotiating with any developer any PILOT, real property tax exemptions, or other tax incentives for proposed projects not supported by the town board.

Offered by Councilman Riggi, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Hrovat

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Abstain
James Simon: Aye

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstention (Whipple)

Motion: Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 117-12/20

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

WHEREAS, bills have been reviewed by the Town Board, be it

RESOLVED to pay bills as follows:

A-Accounts-(General – Townwide)	$ 11,002.56
B-Accounts-(General – Outside Village)	$ 587.32
DA-Accounts- (Highway – Townwide)	$ 1,964.06
DB-Accounts- (Highway – Outside Village)	$ 4,987.38
Water 4-	$ 977.61
Water 2-	$ 150.00
Youth-	$
Fire-	$
TOTAL	$ 19,668.93

Offered by Councilman Hrovat, who moved its adoption
Seconded by Councilman Suhr

Roll Call Vote:
Harold Suhr: Aye
Susan Hrovat: Aye
John Riggi: Aye
Jim Whipple: Aye
James Simon: Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No comments.

TOWN OFFICERS REMARKS

No remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilman Suhr Whereas there is no new business to be brought before the Board, the meeting be adjourned at 5:35PM.
Seconded by Supervisor Simon

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion: Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Michele L. Harling
Yates Town Clerk