SENECA FALLS TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 30, 2024

A. The Seneca Falls Town Board held a special meeting on Monday December 30, 2024, at the Seneca Falls Recreation Center, 35 Water Street Seneca Falls.
Supervisor Sinicropi called the special meeting to order at 12:00 pm.
B. A roll call was taken. The following members of the board were present:

TOWN OFFICER	Present	Absent
Supervisor Frank Schmitter	X	
Councilman Frank Sinicropi	X	
Councilman Jackson Puylara	X	
Councilwoman Dawn Dyson		X
Councilwoman Kaitlyn Laskoski		X

Also present were:

Town Manager Peter Soscia	X	
Town Attorney Patrick Morell		X
Director of Parks & Recreation Missy Jones		X
Town Assessor Deborah VonWald		X
Zoning Officer Peter Porcelli		X
Highway Superintendent Jeremy Wendt		X
Police Chief Timothy Snyder	X	
Chief of Water & Sewer Joesph Tullo		X

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE
D. SPECIAL MEETING BUSINESS
a. NEW BUSINESS
i. Purchase Pump Assembly for Wastewater Treatment Plant – FG-2024-36 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS,** The Seneca Falls wastewater plant has a sludge return pump with a worn rotating assembly that needs replacement.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board approve the purchase of a replacement rotating assembly from Siewert Equipment for the price of $6,005.75; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Siewert Equipment is the sole source distributor of parts for this pump. All in favor. Motion carried.
ii. Fuel Contract – DA-2024-23 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS,** the Town Highway Department contracted with Buell Fuel in 2024; and
WHEREAS, the contract has now expired, Buell Fuel has submitted a request for contract renewal.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby accepts the contract with Buell Fuel. All in favor. Motion carried.
iii. 2025 Tree Cutting Bid – DA-2024-24 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS,** the Town of Seneca Falls is seeking bids for cutting down, removing trees and grinding stumps 6" below ground level.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Seneca Falls will advertise for bids and accept sealed bids during the Town Clerk's office hours of 9 am – 5 pm Monday thru Friday. All in favor. Motion carried.
iv. 2025 Heavy Equipment Rental Bid – DA-2024-25 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and Seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS,** the Town of Seneca Falls is seeking bids for heavy equipment rental.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Seneca Falls will advertise for bids and accept sealed bids during the Town Clerk's office hours of 9 am – 5 pm Monday thru Friday. All in favor. Motion carried.
v. Purchase of Axon Taster 10 and VR Contract - PD-2024-15 – **WHEREAS,** new Taser Technology has resulted in the new "Taser 10" to be far more advanced and effective than the department's current "Taser X7". **WHEREAS,** having less than lethal means to control a situation effectively is extremely important to the Seneca Falls Police Department and the community in which is serves. **WHEREAS,** it has been determined upon re-evaluation and review by the Police Chief and the Town of Seneca Falls to enter into a new Taser Assurance Plan (TAP) contract with Taser (AXON). **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Seneca Falls Police Department enter into a new contract with Taser (AXON) in the amount of $17,523.63 for the year 2025 and $24,111.76 for the following four years. Monies for this contract are

budgeted for the year 2025 through the Police Departments Maintenance Agreement Line, A3120.413. All in favor. Motion carried.

vi. Town of Seneca Falls Department of Public Works 2025 Budget Amendment to fund employee transfers from the Town of Seneca Falls Highway Department – TS-2024-57 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS,** the Town of Seneca Falls (hereinafter "local government") has created a Department of Public Works to augment the services of the Town's Highway Department, Buildings and Grounds, and Parks and Recreation departments; and **WHEREAS,** when the Department of Public Works was created the Town Board expressed a desire to keep all employees and not reduce any staff; and **WHEREAS,** the Highway Department's hiring practices and the addition of the Director of Public Works has resulted in a deficit of $52,000.00 in the 2025 fiscal year budget account A1710.100. **NOW, THEREOFRE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** the Town of Seneca Falls amend the 2025 budget by appropriating a sum of $52,000.00 from the unencumbered fund balance of the A. All in favor. Motion carried.

E. Executive Session – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing matters related to proposed, pending or current litigation.

Meeting concluded at 1:13 pm.

Respectfully,

Melissa Brown
Town Clerk