

**SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, NEW YORK,
HELD AT TOWN HALL, 8635 CLINTON STREET, NEW HARTFORD, NY ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.**

Town Supervisor Miscione called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The roll was then taken with the following Town Officials and Department Heads being present during the progress of the meeting.

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilman James J. Messa
Councilman John Latini
Councilman David M. Reynolds
Councilman David Tehan
Supervisor Paul A. Miscione

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

Deputy Town Supervisor, Anthony J. Trevisani
Town Attorney, Herbert Cully
Town Clerk, Cheryl A. Jassak-Huther
Police Chief, Ronald Fontaine

Thereafter a quorum was declared present for the transaction of business.

I. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY TOWN SUPERVISOR MISCIONE

- a. Supervisor Miscione read a Citation from Assemblywoman Marianne Buttenshon that was presented at the Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024 Veterans Ceremony; also thanked Cheryl, Rick, Police Chief, Fire Depts., and Rome Sentinel with a great article; Town Clerk Cheryl Jassak-Huther – mentioned that the Gold Star Family monument that Owen Jassak was raising money for has been fully sponsored by Mastrovito Hyundai, CNY Brain and Spine and Supervisor Miscione has offered to match every donation received for the money (the monument cost of \$15,000) – the monument will be placed at the Veterans Park next Gold Star Family Day (2025); beautiful ceremony
- b. **BONDS** – Town Attorney Herbert Cully, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP prepared the BONDS with the Town Clerk and submitted them for approval; only error that needs to be edited is Section 9 (change Observer Dispatch to Rome Sentinel)

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds:

(RESOLUTION NO. 331 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing the resurfacing of roads in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York at a maximum estimated cost of \$2,000,000.00 and authoring, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$2,000,000.00 BONDS of said town to pay the cost thereof.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye

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Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Messa and duly seconded by Councilman Latini:

(RESOLUTION NO. 332 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of traffic lights in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$800,000.00 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$800,000.00 BONDS of said Town to pay the cost thereof.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Messa and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds:

(RESOLUTION NO. 333 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing storm water improvements in the First Ward in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$750,000.00 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$750,000.00 BONDS of said Town to pay the cost thereof.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan:

(RESOLUTION NO. 334 OF 2024)

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RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$856,975.00 of the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, to pay the cost of Various Purposes in and for said Town (snow blower new skid steer 48” - \$6,975.00 and police equipment \$850,000.00)

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan:

(RESOLUTION NO. 335 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing improvements to parks in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York at a maximum estimated cost of \$625,000.00 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum the issuance of \$625,000.00 BONDS of said Town to pay the cost thereof (park playground and pickleball).

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Messa and duly seconded by Councilman Latini:

(RESOLUTION NO. 336 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing Downtown Chadwicks infrastructure improvements in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida Coujnty, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$500,000.00 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$500,000.00 BONDS of said Town to pay the cost thereof.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye

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Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Latini:

(RESOLUTION NO. 337 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve a resolution authorizing the purchase of heavy equipment, including trucks, in and for the Town of New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$501,070.00, and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$501,070.00 BONDS of said Town to pay the cost thereof (over the rail mower new holland, 2025 Mack Chasis Brush truck and bucket truck).

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

- c. **Quote for a sign** – front of the Recreation Center – John Randall got an estimate from Valley Signs – projected estimate \$37,500.00 - \$49,000.00 would have to go out to BID – just a discussion
- d. **Board Meeting Minutes** – September 18, 2024

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Messa:

(RESOLUTION NO. 338 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the Board Meeting minutes from September 18, 2024

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Nay
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

Resolutions PASSED with four affirmative votes and duly **ADOPTED**.

- e. **Raffle Consent**

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The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Tehan and duly seconded by Councilman Latini:

(RESOLUTION NO. 339 OF 2024)

RESOLVED, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the raffle consent for Anita's Stevens Swan Humane Society.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

- f. **Zamboni** – Mastrovito Hyundai – five (5) years, \$5,000.00 annually – Town Attorney Herbert Cully will review Lease Agreement and bring back to next meeting

II. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY COUNCILMEN

a. COUNCILMAN MESSA

1. **Roman Rd., Hughes Lane and Tyndom Rd. Retention Pond Project – dates of completion of pond** – ditch going from pond is almost finished – the pond itself with start in about a week or so – concrete structures already done
2. **Mallory Road Retention pond** – Supervisor Miscione said we got funding and ready to go

b. COUNCILMAN REYNOLDS

1. **Fire Inspection Report for partial Sept. 16 – 30, 2024** – 15 inspections (\$12,740.84) total of 28 (\$16,758.39) for the entire month of September; meeting has been set up for October 11th with fire inspectors and Town Clerk staff and Councilman Reynolds to review the process that the Town Clerk and her staff have developed, the process that is working very well – we are collecting money, collecting fees, getting inspections done, we are documenting, we have a very good handle after years, accolades to Cheryl and her staff; from that meeting on Oct. 11th – want to move fire inspections back to the Codes Department where it belongs – it is a Codes function, not a Town Clerk's function, strive to do that – anyone is available to attend the meeting; Councilman Messa – would like to see a year over year/month over month report to show how many inspections and money collected – Town Clerk will have that report to the Councilmen on Thursday, October 3rd; Councilman Reynolds – should be an annual report for everyone to see
2. **COUNCILMAN TEHAN**
 1. **Town of New Hartford Tax Rolls** – various municipalities have their tax rolls on the Oneida County site – recently New Hartford has not been listed; Assessor Darlene Abbatecola we can't right now because there is

a legal issue with the judicial authorities; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – the judicial security act recently took affect which allows judges and their family members to elect to have any information about them redacted from those rolls – in talking to the County Attorneys Office, they are having difficulty in implementing that system – at this time, they have shut everyone out until they can find a mechanism to specifically remove the judges and families – we are following the guidelines that were given to us; Town Supervisor - the County put them on their website – their responsibility

2. **Irving – street lights** – not many lights; Supervisor Miscione stated the residents would have to get a petition that they want lights added; Councilman Messa – lighting districts – if Councilmen are interested in lighting districts – have an idea of cost, etc., have to have a public hearing; Supervisor Miscione – can get the Councilmen a rough cost if know how many would like/need – next meeting revisit this subject

III. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY TOWN SUPERVISOR MISCIONE

- a. **Alternate Board Positing (Zoning/Planning)** – received a resume from John D’Amore on file; Local Law 6 and 7 Public Hearing set for Nov. 7th; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – understand that the two (2) alternates cannot sit on the same Board (different people) - two (2) for each Board; Supervisor Miscione – to clarify, once we do the Local Law, if it passes, then we start at that point accepting resumes; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – we have already advertised for the positions (posted it); Six months from the posting for accepting resumes/applications

IV. REPORTS OF TOWN DEPARTMENTS

- a. **Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman** – curbside pickup has started – really heavy, also two trucks are out collecting leaves

V. VOUCHERS – tabled until the October 16, 2024 Board Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilman Latini and seconded Councilman Tehan, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

(RESOLUTION NO. 340 OF 2024)

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye

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Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Jassak-Huther

Town Clerk

10/4/2024