

TOWN BOARD MEETING  
Special Meeting  
October 18, 2021  
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councilpersons: Kevin Armstrong, Patty Wood, Leonard Govern,  
Supervisor Joseph Cetta, and Town Clerk Ronda Williams

ABSENT: Luis Rodriguez-Betancourt, Attorney Carly Walas, Highway  
Superintendent, Jeff Offnick

OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara MacDonald - Reporter

Supervisor Cetta called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Cetta started the meeting off with a follow up to a meeting that Deputy Supervisor, the Village Mayor and Deputy Mayor and himself had over the Veterans Plaza water hook up.

This meeting resulted in an agreement to for the Town of Walton to be charger a flat capital fee only for this water usage. He informed the Board that the original agreement would need to be rescinded to reflect the change in the agreement from April 12, 2021.

**RESOLUTION #123                      RECIND RESOLUTION #55 OF April 12, 2021**

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Govern to rescind Resolution #55 of April 12, 2021. All in favor, motion carried.

The following revised resolution was presented.

**TOWN OF WALTON AND VILLAGE OF WALTON MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR WATER CONNECTIVITY AT VETERANS PLAZA.**

This Agreement, made this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 between the TOWN OF WALTON, a municipal corporation, and the VILLAGE OF WALTON, a municipal corporation.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Walton is the owner and operator of a certain park with recreational facilities located within the Village of Walton known as Veterans Plaza, and

**WHEREAS**, this facility provides recreational services to the residents of the Village of Walton and the residents of the Town of Walton, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has supplied an unmetered water connection at Veterans Plaza for the use between the Town and Village of Walton residents, and

**NOW THEREFORE** on consideration of the promises contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Village of Walton does hereby agree to only bill the Town of Walton for a Water Capital flat fee and not bill for water usage or sewer fees at Veterans Plaza.
2. The Water Capital flat fee will be retroactive to the installation of the water connectivity.
3. The Village of Walton shall invoice the Town of Walton quarterly.
4. This agreement will remain in effect unless both municipalities are in agreement to amend or dissolve.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we set our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, of 2021

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

**RESOLUTION#124**

**TOWN OF WALTON AND VILLAGE OF WALTON  
MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR WATER  
CONNECTIVITY AT VETERANS PLAZA**

A motion was made by Councilman Govern, seconded by Wood granting Supervisor Cetta permission to enter into an agreement with the Village of Walton for water connectivity at Veterans Plaza. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion took place on the 2022 Tentative Budget.

I went over the significant changes to the various budget lines and discussed the placement of \$4,000 for cemetery maintenance as well as a new laborer position for the Highway Department to be shared between the DA and DB fund as needed.

Discussion took place for the need to hire a laborer now to help with the cemetery maintenance as required by law as well as filling in with maintenance on highway equipment due to not filling the open mechanic position as of yet.

**RESOLUTION #125**

**CREATION OF A LABORER POSITION**

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Govern approving the immediate creation of a laborer position. All in favor, motion carried,

**RESOLUTION #126**

**HIRE EDWARD NIEMANN AS PART-TIME LABORER**

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Govern approving the hire of Edward Niemann as a part-time laborer to be paid at the current Union Contract rate. All in favor, motion carried.

Further discussion continued on the budget line items for the highway department and contributed success to former Highway Superintendent Walter Geidel and the continuation with new Highway Superintendent Jeff Offnick. Councilman Armstrong stated the utilization of surplus equipment, grants, FEMA funding as well as stock pile grit has been very successful while saving the tax payers money.

Supervisor Cetta thanked myself as well as the board for our hard work in keeping the tax levy low for our residents and continually keeping the town in a nice financial situation.

The 2022 Tentative Budget brings a 1.98% tax levy that is still well below our allowable cap of 4.40%. The budget has increased by \$130,092.00 over last year's budget.

**RESOLUTION #127**

**MOVE THE 2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET TO THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

A motion was made by Councilman Govern, seconded by Wood to move the 2022 Tentative Budget to the Preliminary Budget and to hold a public hearing on November 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilwoman Wood questioned the status of a paid EMS squad and whether or not we should be placing money into the 2022 budget? Supervisor Cetta stated that it was not necessary at this time because we do not have figures to go by and if it became necessary, the Town could go out to bond.

Councilman Govern reported the district has establish a required 12 hour a month coverage calendar and this has helped with the number of dropped calls. The committee is still assigned with investigating the best plan to move forward.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronda Williams  
Town Clerk