

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN VOULNTEER FIRE COMPANY

PRESENT: Supervisor Samuel J. Hall
Councilman Michael Sexton
Councilman George F. Smith
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilwoman Deborah Witherell

ABSENT: Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent
Christine Milligan, Historian
Miranda Herringshaw, Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Michelle Stark- Deputy Town Clerk, Jeffrey Meyer-Attorney, Mark Miller- Enforcement Officer Chad Wilson, Bill Bailey, Penny Gould, Katelyn Moskos, John Moskos, Shelbie Paulson, Lyle Washburn, Barb Burch, Joan Degener, Jo-Jo DeVecchi, Don Bedeaux

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of silence was held for Fort Ann residents Lois Barrett, Jim Carter, Judith Ladd, Hollis Paige, Sue Reynolds and Sharon Wagner.

On motion of Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to approve tonight’s agenda.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to accept the Regular Town Board Minutes of January 9th, 2023.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to accept the Annual Audit Meeting Minutes from January 17th, 2023.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Hall read the December 2022 monthly financial statement.

Checking Account Balances

General Fund	\$ 164,019.89
Highway Fund	\$ 265,342.21
Youth Commission	\$ 10,013.14
Hadlock Dam Project	\$ 240.09
Hadlock Park District Fund	\$ 7,637.07
Consolidated Health District	\$ 370.48
Trust & Agency Fund	\$ 3,410.60
Medical Reimbursement Fund	\$ 5,685.56

Savings Accounts

NYCLASS - General Fund	\$ 751,776.47
NYCLASS - Highway Fund	\$ 1,405.74
NYCLASS – Hadlock Park District Fund	\$ 77,268.68

Motion was introduced by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to pay the bills as warranted and audited.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Public Comment opened at 6:02 p.m. for agenda items.

Public Comment closed at 6:03 p.m. with no comments.

Supervisor & Town Board Member’s Reports:

Supervisor Hall stated he has been working with budget officer, Helen Denno to close out end of year books, he also stated that the inspection of Hadlock Dam has been completed and a copy of the report was given to Councilman Smith to provide to the Hadlock Association.

Councilman Sexton- no report

Councilman Smith- no report

Councilwoman Stark stated that the Hadlock Fishing Derby had been canceled this year due to the ice being unsafe. She also stated that they were working on putting up signage for bike trail.

Town Clerk’s Report was given for January 2023

Highway Superintendent Report: Not present

Enforcement Officer Report: Paper copy of his report was given to the town board members for January 2023.

Historian: Not present.

Old Business: Nothing new to report.

New Business:

RESOLUTION #36-2023

ADOPTING THE AUDITING OF THE FINANCIAL RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN

On motion of Councilwoman Stark, seconded by Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled “Resolution Adopting the Auditing of the Financial Records of the Town of Fort Ann.”

ADOPTED	AYES 4	Smith, Stark, Witherell, Hall
	Abstain	Sexton

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Fort Ann has audited the financial records of the Town Clerk, Town Justice, and Supervisor for the fiscal year January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 at a special meeting held on January 17th, 2023.

**RESOLUTION #37-2023
TO POST TOWN ROADS TO 8 TONS**

On motion of Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled “Resolution to Post Town Roads to 8 Tons.”

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sexton, Smith Stark, Witherell, Hall

RESOLVED, the Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Fort Ann is hereby authorized to post signs on all Town Highways and publish notice of the same.

**RESOLITUON #38-2023
REAPPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW**

On motion of Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled “Reappointing a member to the Board of Assessment Review”

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sexton, Smith, Stark, Witherell, Hall

RESOLVED, that Duane Vaughn is hereby reappointed as a Member of the Fort Ann Board of Assessment Review for a term extending from February 13th, 2023 through September 30th, 2027.

7:07 p.m. Open Public Discussion

Jo-Jo DeVecchi stated that she was unhappy with how all of her concerns regarding Boo-Town have been handled. Supervisor Hall advised her that the attorney, the Town Board, The Planning Board, Code Enforcer, and himself are working on the issues at hand.

Lyle Washburn asked if Short Term Rental Laws were still being worked on to which Supervisor Hall stated yes, they are still working on these laws.

7:15 p.m. Closed Public Discussion

7:16 p.m. Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Sexton to adjourn.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Total Abstracts:	General:	\$ 30,544.08
	Highway:	\$ 51,452.88
	Youth Commission:	\$ 854.70

Respectfully submitted,

Miranda Herringshaw, Town Clerk
Town of Fort

Dated: February 25, 2023