

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023 AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Miranda Herringshaw-Town Clerk, Jeffrey Meyer-Attorney for the Town, Mark Miller-Enforcement Officer

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Smith to approve tonight's agenda.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Stark, to accept the Regular Town Board Minutes of July 10, 2023.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Hall stated that the Old Stone Library is in need of some major repairs, due to the age of the building and the areas of concern being classified as the building being in "Critical State" these issues qualify the Town to be eligible for grant money through the state for historical structures. The Town received a quote on the main areas of concern (electrical, main supports, cellar floors, reinforcement of the fireplace, etc.) the total of the estimate will be around \$300,000.00, the grant that the Town is applying for (if approved) would give the Town half of the money, and the Town would need to match that amount.

RESOLUTION#70-2023

RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO OLD STONE HOUSE LIBRARY

On motion of Councilwoman Witherell, seconded Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO OLD STONE HOUSE LIBRARY"

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

RESOLVED, the Fort Ann Town Board hereby does approve and endorse the application for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act for a historic preservation project known as Old Stone Library Restoration located on lands owned by the Town of Fort Ann. In addition, the Town Board pledges to provide the local match which will be equal to the amount awarded in the grant.

RESOLUTION#71-2023

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FEES CHARGED PURSUANT TO LOCAL LAW 4 of 1990 - SITE PLAN REVIEW AND LOCAL LAW 5 of 1990 - SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

On motion of Councilman Sexton, seconded Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled “Resolution amending the fees charged pursuant to local law 4 of 1990 – Site Plan Review and Local Law 5 of 1990 - Subdivision Regulations”

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

RESOLVED, the Town Board, hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the Town to amend the respective fees schedules for the aforementioned local laws to cover the increased publication costs: to wit, a fee in the sum of Forty Dollars (\$40.00), or the actual publication charges as established by the town newspaper, shall be borne by the Applicant and paid on or before any approval may be granted; and be it further

1:12PM- Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Sexton to enter into executive session in regards to pending litigation.

Motion was carried unanimously.

1:45PM- Motion was introduced by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Smith to exit executive session in regards to pending litigation.

Motion was carried unanimously.

1:46PM- Motion was introduced by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to adjourn.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Miranda Herringshaw, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York

Dated: July 24, 2023