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## TOWN OF WESTERLO TOWN BOARD MEETING OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

The Town of Westerlo Town Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6 PM at the Town Hall 933 CR 401, Westerlo, NY. Supervisor Kryzak opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 6:00 PM.

ATTENDING WERE: Supervisor Matthew Kryzak  
Councilman Peter Mahan  
Councilwoman Lorraine Pecylak  
Councilwoman Amie Burnside  
ABSENT: Councilman Joshua Beers

Also attending were: Highway Superintendent Jody Ostrander, Town Attorney George McHugh, Clerk to the Code Enforcement Officer & Clerk to the Assessor Claire Marshall, Planning Board Member Bill Hall, Hometown Heroes Committee Member/Confidential Administrator Lisa DeGroff, Westerlo Rural Cemetery President Betty Filkins, Fire Co. Members Chris Allen, Art Allen and Lisa Joslin, Town of Westerlo Justice Joshua Ostrander, Water District Operator Doug Story, Library Trustee Robert Wilcox, Court Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk Jaimee Motschmann, Town Clerk Karla Weaver and approximately six residents.

### **OPEN MEETING**

Councilwoman Pecylak made the motion to open the regular Town Board meeting. Councilman Mahan seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Supervisor Kryzak asked if the Town Board had the chance to review the draft Town Board meeting minutes of December 19, 2023, December 27, 2023, and January 2, 2024. There being no comments, questions, or concerns Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Burnside seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **TOWN CLERK REPORT DECEMBER 2023 & ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023**

Town Clerk Karla Weaver reviewed the Town Clerk report for December 2023 as well as the annual report for 2023. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to approve the Town Clerk report for December 2023 & the annual report for 2023. Councilwoman Burnside seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **BUDGET AMENDMENT**

Mr. Kryzak explained that all donations received by the Town for festivals/toy drives are vouchered in and out when expensed. That money needs to be transferred year to year which can be done because it was a donation and not funded by taxes. This transfer is included in the

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following Budget Amendment. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** the Town of Westerlo has had unforeseen expense in the following account; and
- WHEREAS:** the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper balances within various accounts, a budget amendment is necessary; be it hereby
- RESOLVED:** that the Town Board of the Town of Westerlo does hereby authorize Town Supervisor Matthew Kryzak to make the following transfers:

## General Fund (2023)

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$110.78	(A)7550.42 Decorations	(A)7550.44 – Donations
\$12,576.42 Equipment	(TE)19452 – Activities, Equipment	(A)7110.43 Parks – Parts, Repair, Capital Outlay (Hometown Heroes)
\$283,025.96	(A)2770 Unclassified Revenue	(A)7110.43 Parks – Parts. Repair Equipment

## Highway Fund (2023)

\$34,086.86	(A)200.2 Highway Checking	(A)7110.43 Parks – Parts, Repair
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- AND FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Town Board of the Town of Westerlo does hereby authorize Supervisor Matthew Kryzak to make the following transfer for 2024.

## Increase Appropriations (2024)

(A)2012 – Recreation Concession	\$635.00
(A)2705 – Donations	\$3,823.61

## Increase Revenue (2024)

(A)7550.44 Donations	\$4,458.61
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Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; a vote resulted as followed:

AYES: Councilwoman Burnside, Councilman Mahan, Councilwoman Pecylak,  
Supervisor Kryzak

NAYES: None

**RESOLUTION # 27 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

## PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS (DECEMBER 2023 & JANUARY 2024)

Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** the Town Board has audited the end of year bills, be it hereby

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**RESOLVED:** the following 2023 bills be paid Voucher # 697 through Voucher # 724 in the amount of \$187,191.17.00, and be it further

**RESOLVED:** the following January 2024 bills be paid Voucher # 1 through Voucher # 21 in the amount of \$156,200.59.

Councilwoman Pecylak seconded the motion, a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Pecylak, Supervisor Kryzak, Councilman Mahan,  
Councilwoman Burnside

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 28 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

### **INVESTMENT REPORT DECEMBER 2023**

Supervisor Kryzak reported that interest rates have exploded. The BOGC interest rate was 3.25% and in the month of December the Town received \$7,749.65 in interest. The Town collected \$12,481.51 for the year. He hopes to transfer some money to NYCLASS as the interest rates have gone up to 5.2839%. He will investigate how much money to move and will present it to the Town Board next month. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to approve the December Investment Report. Councilman Mahan seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT DECEMBER 2023**

Supervisor Kryzak reported, at the end of the month, the total balances in all accounts for the Town was \$3,218,516.25. The Town received \$435,032.57 and spent \$284,443.13. The monthly collateral statement from M&T is \$3,185,666.95. To date, the general fund has done very well. The Town has collected \$2,154,110.64 (134%) of the original budgeted amount of \$1,567,905.00 for estimated revenues which is \$536,205.64 over what was projected for 2023. The Town is awaiting the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter sales tax check before starting the AUD. On the expense line of the general fund, the town expended 97.8% of the budget and was \$34,255.53 under budget. Overall, the Town is very healthy. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to approve the Supervisor's Report. Councilwoman Burnside seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **JUSTICE COURT**

Supervisor Kryzak reported that the Town had received a report from the Justice Court which collected fees in December for Judge Carl in the amount of \$446.00 and for Judge Mackey in the amount of \$986.00.

#### **LIBRARY**

Robert Wilcox Library Trustee reported:

- Tomorrow night at 5 pm "Healthy habits in the new year" will be presented by Jill Martin and Savannah Wagoner from Hilltown Healthcare
- January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm "Getting started with Ancestry" with Town Historian Gayle Hannay
- February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm Mardi Gras Dessert Potluck
- March 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm "Financial fitness for older adults" presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension

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## **PLANNING BOARD**

Planning Board Member Bill Hall reported that the meeting was rescheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup> due to weather and will be discussing a subdivision.

## **LOCAL LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE (LLRC)**

LLRC Member Bill Hall reported that the LLRC just wrapped up reviewing Articles 9 & 10 of the zoning law which will be sent to CEO Jeff Pine for his input before going on to the Town Board. They will dig into the second half at the next meeting which should go quicker.

Councilwoman Burnside asked when the Museum meetings were. Mr. Hall indicated the second Thursday of the month at 6 pm.

## **HOMETOWN HEROES COMMITTEE**

Committee Member Lisa DeGroff reported:

- They did not meet in November or December but are meeting next week just to announce they are taking applications for veteran's banners, first responder banners, and re-hangs, which are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- They are always looking for sponsors.
- If there are any veterans or first responders that want a banner but can't afford it, submit an application and let the Committee know that a sponsor is needed.

## **HIGHWAY**

Highway Superintendent Jody Ostrander reported:

- The Town received \$283,000 back in CHIPS money.
- Received about \$35,000 back for the work on the stream bank at the park.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

CEO Jeff Pine submitted the following report:

Report - Building/ Zoning -Jeffrey Pine BI/CEO – for December 2023

Applications processed or pending before the boards

Special use – 1 / Variance request- 0 / Sub- divisions – 1

Building permits issued – 4

New houses – 1 / Swimming Pools – 0 / Additions, renovations - 2

Accessory structures – 1 Solar Pv – 0 / Other – 0 Cell tower / commercial - 0

Construction inspections- 16

Site visits – 6 / Fire calls – 0 / Fire safety inspections and follow ups - 1

0 - In-service Training hours. 25 hrs. YTD (24 hours required to maintain certification)

## **ASSESSOR**

Assessor Melanie Bunzey submitted the following report:

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## ASSESSOR'S MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

To: Westerlo Town Board  
From: Melanie Bunzey, Assessor  
Date: January 9, 2024  
Re: Monthly Report

The 2024 Property Tax Roll was prepared and generated so that tax bills could be printed and mailed.

A "New Sales Transmittal Report" was submitted to the State with 26 sales since last submittal (includes November and December sales.)

I met with Andy Joslin, Westerlo Fire Chief, regarding the new Firefighter's/EMS Exemption to clarify some questions on both ends. He will be generating a list for me of the potential eligible members to certify whether or not they meet the minimum requirements for the exemption.

Address changes are made on a regular basis as well as bank escrow information. Routine calls and emails are received and answered on nearly a daily basis.

The system is checked for property owners listed on death notices received, exemptions are then removed if necessary and notifications of exemption change mailed.

No new STAR reports have been received from New York State. However, STAR credits have been purged from the system so they are not inappropriately displayed on the town and county tax roll and individual tax bills.

I have been driving around Town over the last few weeks getting photos of structures, etc. that have been built and/or other changes to properties (according to Certificates of Completion/Occupancy.)

Respectfully submitted,  
Melanie Bunzey  
Melanie Bunzey, Assessor

### **APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to approve all Department and Committee reports.  
Councilwoman Burnside seconded; motion carried by those present.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – TO DISCUSS BIDS FOR FREESE HOUSE DEMOLITION**

Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to enter into executive session at 6:17 pm for the purpose of consulting with counsel regarding a question related to the bids received for the demolition of the Freese house. Councilwoman Burnside seconded; motion carried by those present.

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Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to return from the executive session at 6:22 pm. Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; motion carried by those present.

**PROPOSED FREESE HOUSE DEMOLITION**

Supervisor Kryzak advised the Town Board discussed the bids for the Asbestos Air Monitoring and demolition of the Freese house. The Town received two bids for air monitoring, the lowest bidder was Paradigm Environmental at \$1,590.00 for three days and the second was Alpine Environmental \$3,875.00 for five days. For demotion, the lowest bidder was Cristo Demolition at \$37,000, second was M. Cristo Demolition at \$47,000.00 and the other bids went up from there with the highest bid at \$85,000.00. Supervisor Kryzak is looking to award and authorize the supervisor to sign a contract pending attorney review and approval. He explained, all expenses incurred will be assessed on taxes and reimbursed by the county to the Town. After the award is made tonight, the Town will go ahead and send a purchase order and contract and will collect a performance bond. Everything will be reviewed by the attorney, and the air monitoring and demolition companies will be issued a demolition permit. Work will be done when the weather is good. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** The Town of Westerlo Town Board has received bids for the air monitoring and demotion of the unsafe building in town known as the Freese house; be it hereby
- RESOLVED:** The Town Board awards the Asbestos Air Monitoring to Paradigm Environmental at a cost of \$1,590.00 and awards Cristo Demolition for the demolition at a cost of \$37,000.00; and further
- RESOLVED:** The Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the contracts pending attorney review and approval with the understanding that the costs will be assessed on the taxes and reimbursed by the county.

Councilman Mahan seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

- AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilman Mahan, Councilwoman Burnside
- NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 29 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

Highway Superintendent Jody Ostrander asked what happens if the air monitoring runs over three days. Supervisor Kryzak responded, it shouldn't take more than three days, but if it does, you just take that three-day number and make it a unit price and if there is an extra day, the Town will pay that unit price. Everything will be removed from the site and back filled.

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A BUILDING AND REPAIRS RESERVE FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE "TOWN OF WESTERLO CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE FUND"**

Mr. Kryzak indicated there has been a legal review of the proposed Capital Improvement Reserve Fund. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** the Town Board of the Town of Westerlo is desirous of establishing a Capital Projects Reserve Fund to be used for future Town related

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renovations, construction, repairs, improvements and associated expenses; be it hereby

**RESOLVED:** that pursuant to Section 6-c of the New York State General Municipal Law, as amended, there is hereby established a Capital Projects Reserve Fund to be known as the “Town of Westerlo Capital Projects Reserve Fund” (hereinafter “Reserve Fund”). The purpose of this Reserve Fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of Town related renovations, construction, repairs, improvements and associated expenses; and further

**RESOLVED:** that the Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby directed to deposit and secure the moneys of this Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. The Chief Fiscal Officer may invest the moneys in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with the investment policy of the Town of Westerlo. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the moneys so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Chief Fiscal Officer shall account for the Reserve Fund in a manner which maintains the separate identity of the Reserve Fund and shows the date and amount of each sum paid into the fund, interest earned by the fund, capital gains or losses resulting from the sale of investments of the fund, the amount and date of each withdrawal from the fund and the total assets of the fund, showing cash balance and a schedule of investments, and shall, at the end of each fiscal year, render to the Board a detailed report of the operation and condition of the Reserve Fund; and further

**RESOLVED:** that except as otherwise provided by law, expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from this Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing Board and such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law; and further

**RESOLVED:** that this Resolution is subject to permissive referendum pursuant to subdivision 4 of Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law.

Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilman Mahan, Councilwoman Burnside

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 30 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

The Supervisor explained that the public has the right to petition the resolution to put it on a ballot if they feel inclined. It does not automatically go to a ballot, only if someone does a petition in the next 30 days with 10% of total voters in the last numerator election in Westerlo.

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**PROPOSED-DRAFT FENCE LAW**

Supervisor Kryzak read the proposed fence law. Discussion ensued.

A resident commented that if a property owner is kept from access to their property, they need to be reimbursed for it. Supervisor Kryzak indicated there is only one parcel this effects in town.

A resident mentioned if a fence is erected, the best side of the fence is supposed to face the neighbor. He indicated it is the law and therefore the fence being discussed should be removed. Mr. Kryzak indicated that is not something within the Town that can be enforced.

Supervisor Kryzak advised there are now survey pins at this location which are in line with where the fence is currently. He mentioned, there is only one lot in town that has an issue with the lot proximity to a home. So, unless you are that one person, this law with not apply to you.

Confidential Administrator Lisa DeGroff indicated right now we only have one property this affects, but it could come up in the future, it would be great to protect the rest of the residents.

Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** The Town Board discussed holding a public hearing regarding proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2024 known as the Fence Law, be it hereby
- RESOLVED:** The Town Board sets the public hearing for February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm and authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise.

Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilman Mahan, Councilwoman Burnside

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 31 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

**PROPOSED TRANSFER OF TOWN OF WESTERLO LAND TO THE TOWN OF WESTERLO FIRE CO.**

Supervisor Kryzak indicated the Fire Co. land transfer contract was given to the Town Board last week. With there being no questions from the Town Board, Supervisor Kryzak indicated he would like to have permission to enter into a contract with the Town of Westerlo Fire Co. for the purpose of a land transfer moving forward. There have been specific conditions set aside within this contract/Memorandum of Agreement. The contract is for the purchase of 3 acres of property from the Town of Westerlo for zero dollars which has already been surveyed behind Town Hall. Section 8 of the contract discusses the transfer being contingent on the subdivision of land and in the event the property is not suitable to build a firehouse, there should be a revisionary clause where said property reverts back to the Town. There will also be an easement. Section 10 lists conditions of what can be built there, which is only a firehouse. There is no time limit with this transfer. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

- WHEREAS:** The Town Board discussed and received a copy of the Contract or Memorandum of Agreement for transferring 3 acres of Town of Westerlo



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Town Hall land located at 933 CR 401 to the Town of Westerlo Fire Co. for the purpose of erecting a new fire house, be it hereby

**RESOLVED:** The Town Board authorizes Supervisor Matthew Kryzak to sign the land transfer contract/Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Westerlo and the Town of Westerlo Fire Co.

Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilwoman Burnside, Councilman Mahan

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 32 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

Town of Westerlo Fire Co. president Adam Alvarez who is also an attorney, wondered if the Town is putting in the language that it is a gift. Supervisor Kryzak responded; no, it's just a zero-dollar purchase price. Mr. Alvarez indicated if there is no dollar amount, it is a gift under the law. Town Attorney McHugh indicated the transfer authorization falls under 72-H of the General Municipal Law (GML).

### **OLD CR 401**

Mr. Kryzak provided an update on Old CR 401. The Town is unsure if taking over the road is subject to permission referendum or not. The County is looking into it and will let the Town know.

### **UTILITY BID UPDATE**

Mr. Kryzak advised that the Utility Repair Crew bid packets were sent out and are due back on February 15<sup>th</sup>. It was advertised and notices were sent to Flach, Trinity and SMK. This bid is for emergencies only and is not a service contract. The Town does not currently have a service contract.

### **BROADBAND UPDATE**

Supervisor Kryzak gave an update on Broadband. He indicated the Town is waiting on mapping and licensing. It's still ongoing.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **COMMUNITY GUIDEBOOK**

Mr. Kryzak expressed an interest in having a community guidebook which would be in addition to the Town's newsletter. This guidebook will provide information about the town and would be distributed to 4,000 households in Westerlo as well as Berne-Knox-Westerlo school district. There will also be other content which the Town will supply. He indicated there is zero cost to the Town of Westerlo with add on options. Also included at no cost is a quarterly full-page ad in the Pioneer. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS:** The Town Board discussed a community guidebook which is available to the Town of Westerlo at zero cost; be it hereby

**RESOLVED:** The Town Board approves the Town developing a guidebook with the Town controlling the content.

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Councilwoman Burnside seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilwoman Burnside,  
Councilman Mahan

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 33 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

### **WEBSITE – UPDATES**

Supervisor Kryzak mentioned he has had several people contact him with questions on the website as to where they can find certain things. He received a complaint that the home button was too small. He would like the Town Clerk, webmaster and some town employees to get together to add a few details and ways to present the information in a better format. He would like laws, tax bills and events front and center on the home screen. He mentioned someone wondered why the Town doesn't have reminders on the website about transfer station permit renewals and dog licenses. Would like some tech savvy volunteers to work with the Town Board, Town Clerk, Confidential Administrator, and the webmaster to try to come up with some good ideas to get information out there. The website is good because it has a lot of information, but it is difficult to navigate for some so he would like to try to make it more user-friendly. Town Clerk Weaver spoke to the webmaster about pop-ups, and it was not recommended as it drops the Town down on a website search. Confidential Administrator wondered if a crawl would be an option. It was mentioned that the codification will plug right into the website but in the interim, Mr. Kryzak would like to make it easier for people to find local laws.

### **FIRE, SECURITY & SOUND (FSS)**

Mr. Kryzak indicated FSS is coming on January 30<sup>th</sup> to inspect. They will be working with CEO Jeff Pine.

### **ADDITIONAL PARKING AT TOWN OF WESTERLO VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK**

Supervisor Kryzak already spoke with Highway Superintendent Jody Ostrander regarding adding parking to the area in the park near the creek to help with events. It would be a 3-season lot which will not be plowed. Shouldn't be too much of an expense and can use money from the park fund for material from the PILOT money. Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS:** The Town Board discussed adding additional parking at the Town of Westerlo Veterans Memorial Park; be it hereby

**RESOLVED:** The Town Board approves the Highway Department developing a seasonal parking area at the Town of Westerlo Veterans Memorial Park to be funded from PILOT money within the park fund.

Councilwoman Pecylak seconded; a vote resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Kryzak, Councilwoman Pecylak, Councilwoman Burnside,  
Councilman Mahan

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION # 34 - 2024 was thereby duly adopted.**

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### **EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

Mr. Kryzak indicated the Town Board has the most recent copy of the employee handbook. He asked that everyone look it over and they can discuss it at the next workshop meeting and potentially make a decision at the next regular Town Board meeting.

Councilwoman Burnside indicated she received feedback regarding some of the events that have basket raffles. She indicated raffled items should be new and donated food needs to be controlled. Mr. Kryzak commented on quality control and making sure items are covered under the Town's health permit. He expressed it's hard to control donations.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Confidential Administrator Lisa DeGroff advised that a representative from Albany County Veterans Service Bureau will be at the Town Hall all day tomorrow from 9 am – 11:30 am. In February the VA will be at Town Hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

Fire Co. Member Lisa Joslin asked questions regarding the land transfer contract between the Town of Westerlo and the Town of Westerlo Fire Co. She asked if the contract had been signed between the Town and the Fire Co. yet; Supervisor Kryzak indicated yes. Mrs. Joslin wondered what date it had been signed; Mr. Kryzak responded January 10<sup>th</sup>. She indicated she had been a civil officer of the Fire Co. for eight years as treasurer and indicated the Fire Co. usually swears in their officers at a Pomp and Circumstance meeting at their annual banquet in January/February. Their fiscal year runs from 1/1-12/31. Mr. Kryzak indicated Christine Allen signed the contract and Mrs. Joslin commented that it is not a legally binding contract. Mr. Kryzak mentioned that the Fire Co. can work that out and he will not sign anything in the meantime. Mrs. Joslin indicated that because there is so much contention with building the fire house within their department, she wants to make sure there are no possible legal recourses for anyone to come back to the Town or the Fire Co. and say that this contract was not legal, and you cannot do it. The new Fire Co. President is Adam Alvarez. Mrs. Joslin also wasn't sure if signing the contract was voted on by their Board of Directors at the January meeting, approving the transfer. She indicated the president cannot sign a contract like that without the signature from the Board. Mr. Kryzak asked Mr. Alvarez who is also an attorney, if this contract would be enough to base the writing for a grant; Mr. Alvarez responded maybe. Mrs. Joslin indicated that many grant projects need to be shovel ready, meaning all the testing and design has to be done. Councilwoman Burnside was confused since the Fire Co.'s Attorney wrote the contract. Mr. Kryzak explained that Mrs. Joslin wants to make sure that the presidents signature that is on this contract is the person who was legally voted in per the Fire Co.'s by-laws to be able to sign this document.

A resident commented that if the Town had an electronic sign, we wouldn't need pop-ups on the website. Councilwoman Burnside indicated one sign will cost over \$30,000.00. Mr. Kryzak believes they will come down in price, it's hard to justify the cost right now.

Councilman Mahan wondered why the Town is taking over Old CR 401 and what the advantage is to the Town. Mr. Kryzak responded there is not a direct advantage to the taxpayer. The road

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will be under the Town's control. The Town receives CHIPS money. Mr. Ostrander indicated the County just recently blacktopped it and it's .40 of a mile.

There being no further public comment, Supervisor Kryzak made a motion to close the meeting. Councilman Mahan seconded the motion, carried all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karla Weaver, Town Clerk