

**TOWN OF BLEECKER  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Councilman Winnie: Present

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Present

Councilman Smith: Present

Also in attendance were Larry Doubleday, Wayne Hutchins, Kathy Henry, Richard DiDomizio, and Robert Smullen.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Robert Smullen, Assemblyman for the 114<sup>th</sup> District, spoke to the Board. He outlined several areas of concern that he is working on, such as broadband access for rural communities and water quality projects that he would like to help with. Supervisor Howard asked about programs that help with bridges, and Mr. Smullen said that he would research some specific plans and get back to the Board.

Councilman Becker made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Winnie and passed; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

**Clerk Report:**

In September the Town took in 103.00; \$40 in Marriage Licenses, \$13 in Dog Licenses, \$30 in Transfer Station Permits, and \$20 in Building Permits. It was disbursed; \$22.50 to the NYS Dept of Health, and \$80.50 to the Supervisor.

**Code Enforcement:**

John Furlong reported one new permit, one inspection, and one Certificate of Compliance. He also attended a 3 hr. in-service training in Albany.

**Dog Control:**

No Activity

The Supervisor, Bookkeeper and Assessor's reports were submitted.

**Highway, Building, and Grounds:**

Paul Brink reported that the Engineer who inspected the Pinnacle Rd bridge has determined that we can weld a patch on the bridge that will bring its' weight load up to about 10-15,000 lbs, making it OK for emergency vehicles. That should give us five years to replace the girders and deck. He said that he would like to do the repair as soon as possible. Supervisor Howard told him that, as soon as there is a cost estimate, he will call a meeting to OK the contract.

The Board decided to schedule a Budget Meeting for Wednesday, October 23 to discuss the 2020 budget. Supervisor Howard warned that we will most likely go over our tax cap, so we should be prepared to go forward with a "Local Law to Override the Tax Cap".

**RESOLUTION #46-19**  
**Initiate Process for Overriding the Local Tax Cap**

Councilman Becker offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

**Whereas** the Tentative Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020 will go above the established Tax Cap limit issued by the State of New York, the Bleecker Town Board does hereby

**Resolve;** to initiate the Local Law process to override the Tax Cap in the event that the budget cannot be brought down into compliance.

It was seconded by Councilman Bartholomew and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

**RESOLUTION #47-19**  
**Authorization to Sign an Agreement with the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board**

Councilman Smith offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

**Resolved;** the Bleecker Town Board does hereby authorize Supervisor Howard to sign an agreement with the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board;

**Agreement**

This Agreement made October 10, 2019 between the Town of Bleecker, hereinafter referred to as the **Town** and the **Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board**, a Board duly organized and existing pursuant to the provisions of §803-a of the Executive Law of the State of New York, acting by and through its duly appointed members, hereinafter referred to as the **Review Board**.

**Whereas**, the Review Board was created by the Legislature of the State of New York and is composed of representatives appointed by the county legislatures of the counties lying in whole or in part within the Adirondack Park; and

**Whereas**, the Legislature of the State of New York has provided only partial funding for the **Review Board** to perform its statutory functions as outlined in Executive Law §803-a; and

**Whereas**, the **Town** has authorized an appropriation in the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) in support of the work of the **Review Board** in representing the interests of the local governments of the Adirondacks; and

**Now, Therefore**, it is agreed as follows:

1. The **Town** agrees to pay to the **Review Board** the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) for the services of the **Review Board** in representing the **Town** in matters relating to the Adirondack Park.
2. The **Review Board** agrees to provide to the **Town** the benefit of its services, including but not limited to, attendance at all meetings of the Adirondack Park Agency, attendance and participation at public hearings conducted by the Adirondack Park Agency on projects under review by said Agency, periodic reports on the activities of the Adirondack Park Agency to the Supervisor of the **Town**, especially as such activities affect the residents of the **Town** and generally to report on the administration and enforcement of the Land Use and Development Plan set forth in the Executive Law of the State of New York.

It was seconded by Councilman Winnie and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

**RESOLUTION #48-19**  
**Authorization to Pay General and Highway Fund Bills**

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

**Resolved;** the Bleecker Town Board has hereby audited and approved for payment General Fund bills #V-110 through #V-120 for a total of \$29,082.83 and Highway Fund bills #V-92 through #V-103 for a total of \$23,409.88

It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

Councilman Becker made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Recorded and Submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk

