

**TOWN OF BLEECKER
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Present

Councilman Smith: Present

Also in attendance were Kathy Henry and Paul Brink

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Smith made a motion to adopt the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved, In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Clerk Report:

In January the Town took in \$764.80; \$15 in Dog Licenses, \$450 in Transfer Station permits, \$274.80 in Building Permits, and \$25 for a Games of Chance License. It was all given to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement:

John Furlong reported 2 inspections and 1 Certificate of Occupancy for a Single Family dwelling.

Dog Control:

No Activity

Highway, Building, and Grounds:

Paul Brink told the Board that we will be losing our Mechanic in May due to retirement. We need to start looking for a replacement soon, maybe we will need to advertise. Supervisor Howard said that he and Paul will get together and come up with a plan and the requirements for a new hire.

RESOLUTION #22-22
New Senior Citizen Exemption Recommendations

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

Whereas the Bleecker Town Assessor has recommended adding three more income levels to the current income guidelines for the Aged exemption (RP467) for Town purposes only, the Bleecker Town Board hereby

Resolves; the income ranges shall be as follows:

<u>Income Range</u>	<u>Exemption %</u>
0-24,000	50%
24,000.01-25,000	45%
25,000.01-26,000	40%
26,000.01-27,000	35%
27,000.01-27,900	30%
27,900.01-28,800	25%
28,800.10-29,700	20%
29,700.01-30,600	15%
30,600.01-31,500	10%
31,500.01-32,400	5%

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

RESOLUTION # 23-22
Resolution Regarding Centralized Arraignments

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

Whereas, Fulton County is submitting a plan for counsel at initial appearance coverage for arraignments in local courts; and

Whereas, the plan provides for a central arraignment part conducted twice a day at the Fulton County Jail rather than at the Town location of the arrest; and

Whereas, this plan requires the cooperation of the various local Town Justices; and

Whereas, this plan should assure consistency in representation as well as in the afterhours schedules of the various Town Justices; and

Whereas, this program will promote efficiencies among the Town Justices as well as county operations providing for mutual cooperation of the County's municipalities; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Town of Bleecker hereby indicates its support for the County's plan for counsel at initial appearance coverage for arraignments in local courts.

It was seconded by Councilman Bartholomew and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0
Councilman Becker: Yes
Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

RESOLUTION # 24-22
Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan

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

Whereas, the Town of Bleecker, with assistance from Albany Visualization and Information Labs, has gathered information and prepared the Fulton County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

Whereas, the Fulton County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

Whereas, the Town of Bleecker is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

Whereas, the Town of Bleecker has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Town of Bleecker adopts the Fulton County Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the plan.

It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0
Councilman Becker: Yes
Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew asked about the status of the current vacancy on the Town Board. It was decided that we would leave the seat vacant until the next election cycle in November.

RESOLUTION #25-22
Authorization to Pay General, Fire, and Highway Fund Bills

Councilman Smith 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-18 through #V-27 for a total of \$4,174.46, Highway Fund bills #V-8 through #V-13A for a total of \$5,433.70, and Fire Fund bill #V-1 for a total of \$41,466.00.

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Recorded and Submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk