

**TOWN OF BLEEKER
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
January 24, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Councilman Croucher: Absent

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Present

Councilman Smith: Present

Also in attendance was Kathy Henry

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Clerk Report:

In December the Town took in \$125; \$15 in Dog Licenses, \$100 in Transfer Station Permits, and \$20 in Building Permits. It was all disbursed to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement:

John Furlong reported 2 inspections, one new permit, and he completed 4 hours of in-service training.

Dog Control:

No Activity

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

Highway, Buildings, and Grounds:

Jeff Brooks has two pieces of equipment that he has bids for. Since he did not make the meeting, we will put off going over them until next month.

**RESOLUTION #20-24
Year-End Budget Transfers**

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

2023 Budget Year End Adjustment Transfers

FROM/ACCOUNT	TO/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
A1620.4H Buildings Heat C/E	A1450.4 Elections Cont./Exp	\$2,280.00
A1420.4 Attorney Cont. Exp.	A1910.1 Unallocated Insurance	\$1,000.00
A3520.4 Animal Control Cont Exp		\$1,000.00
A5182.4 Street Lighting Cont Exp		<u>\$ 195.00</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	\$2,195.00
A8160.1 Refuse and Garbage P/S	A1430.1 Personnel P/S Hourly	\$1,005.00
A1410.4P Town Clerk Postage	A1355.4P Assessor Postage	\$295.00

GENERAL NEW ACCOUNT SET-UP:A1680.0

Cybersecurity concerns called for a new computer system for all General Departments.

A9620.1 Budgetary Provisions Other Use	A1680.2 Equipment	\$2,475.00
A9620.1 Budgetary Provisions Other use	A1680.4 Contract Expense	<u>\$1,378.00</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	\$3,853.00

HIGHWAY NEW ACCOUNT SET-UP: DA2680 Insurance Recoveries Income \$20,962.15

A claim for Equipment that was damaged by the towing company to be fixed in Albany.

OFFSET EXPENSE Requires the following adjustments:

DA9620.1 Budgetary Provisions Other Use	DA5130.4M Major Equip Repairs	\$15,000
DA5130.2 Machinery & Equipment Purchase		\$2,851
DA5120.4 Bridge Contract Expense		\$ 500
DA5110.4 Maintenance Streets Cont. Exp.		<u>\$7,935</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	\$26,286.00

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

RESOLUTION #21-24
Authorization to Pay General and Highway Fund Bills

Councilman Becker 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-1 through #V-18 for a total of \$17,473.56 and Highway Fund bills #V-1 through #V-13 for a total of \$15,422.55.

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

Councilman Smith made a motion to go into executive session for a personnel matter.

It was seconded by Councilman Bartholomew and approved; in Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

The Board went into Executive session at 7:10

Councilman Bartholomew made a motion to come out of Executive Session. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7: 20

RESOLUTION #22-24
Resolution accepting Leave of Absence for David Winnie

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

WHEREAS; Town Highway employee David Winnie has requested a medical leave of absence from his employment with the Town; and

WHEREAS; the Town Board is desirous of establishing a policy with regard to this leave of absence, it is now hereby

RESOLVED; THAT THE Bleecker Town Board hereby approves a leave of absence without pay for Mr. Winnie for a period of sixty (60) days effective immediately, and it is further

RESOLVED; that the Town shall continue to pay eighty (80) percent of the monthly health insurance premiums for Mr. Winnie during his leave of absence and Mr. Winnie shall pay to the Town twenty (20) percent of the cost of the monthly premiums, with said payments to be made to the Town Clerk no later than the 7th day of each month, and it is further

RESOLVED; that the Town Board shall revisit this leave of absence policy for Mr. Winnie in sixty (60) days time.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25

Recorded and submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk