

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE  
TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARING & MEETING  
JULY 23rd, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 to conduct a Public Hearing and hold their regular meeting at the Jordan Elbridge Community Center, 1 Rte 31, Jordan, NY, at 7PM.

Supervisor Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Councilor Floyd Duger, Councilor Todd Platten, Councilor Doug Blumer, Supervisor Vern Richardson.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Timothy Frateschi, Supervisors Secretary McKensey Gonyea, Code Enforcement Officer Howard Tanner, Deputy Town Clerk Danielle Karlik, Debra Blasko, Jordan Mayor Dick Platten, Robert Hill, Keith Chilson, Kurt Schultz, Michelle Schultz, Doug Hiserodt, Robin Lindsay Hiserodt, Penny Dates, Ron Dates, Ray Eick, Sally Eick, Anna Bulger, Eleanor Noce, Dave Chilson, Carl G., Taylor Bottar & Alex Hess of Barton & Logudice.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge, Onondaga County, New York, will meet at the Jordan-Elbridge Community Center, 1 Route 31, Jordan, New York 13080, in said Town, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2020, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a certain map, plan, report, including an estimate of cost in relation to the proposed joint increase and improvement of the facilities of the Crossett Road Water District, Hartlot Road Water District, Sandbank Road Water District, Route 5 West Water District, Route 5 East Water District, and West Elbridge Water District, in said Town, being generally described as the (1) installation of two (2) new water storage tanks and booster pump stations, (one located at the City of Syracuse connection to create an initial system pressure zone and an elevated tank at the site of the existing Upper reservoir tank to address low pressures at the Jordan Elbridge High School); (2) strategic replacement water mains throughout the system; (3) a third conduit connection to the City of Syracuse transmission mains; (4) replacement of 28,000 LF of water main; (5) looping of dead end water mains; (6) replacement of asbestos cement water main; (7) replacement of 10% of valves and hydrants together with original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of Four Million Three Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Seventy-One and 56/100 Dollars (\$4,349,071.56), at which time and place said Town Board will hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same.

The public may mail, e-mail or fax comments to the Town Clerk by noon on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. If the present Orders of the New York State Governor concerning the COVID-19 pandemic are not lifted prior to that time, the Board shall convene using the telephone/video conferencing medium known as ZOOM which may be accessed by: ID# 876 2011 0513 and Password 796675.

Such cost shall be annually apportioned among such Districts in the manner provided by amounts so apportioned shall be levied and collected in each District in the manner provided by law. It is expected that the apportionment of cost between the Districts shall be as follows: Crossett Road Water District: Eighty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three and 35/100 Dollars (\$87,993.35); Hartlot Road Water District: Nine Hundred Fifteen Thousand One Hundred Thirty and 89/100 Dollars (\$915,130.89); Sandbank Road Water District: One

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Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six and 04/100 Dollars (\$184,786.04); Route 5 West Water District: One Million Two Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Four Hundred and 64/100 Dollars (\$1,262,704.64); Route 5 East Water District: Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand One Hundred Twenty Six and 74/100 Dollars (\$970,126.74); West Elbridge Water District: Nine Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Nine and 89/100 Dollars (\$928,329.89).

The improvements as described above have been determined to be a "Type I Action" pursuant to the regulations promulgated under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") as to which it has been determined that same will not result in any significant adverse environmental effects. The map, plan and report for said improvements prepared by a competent engineer licensed by the State of New York and SEQRA compliance materials are available for inspection at the office of the Town Clerk where they may be inspected during normal business hours.

Supervisor Richardson: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this proposal?

Robert Hill spoke in favor and suggested the line from Camillus through to Halfway road should also be included. Dave Chilson inquired about including Champion Park and Sunview Drive, Fikes Road, and Fowler Road. Several others concurred with this inclusion. Taylor Bottar from Barton and Logudice explained the particulars to include these roadways and the cost differences.

Supervisor Richardson: Does anyone wish to speak against this proposal?

None.

The Public Hearing was close at: 7:25 PM

Regular Meeting: 7:26 PM

**BUDGET MODIFICATIONS:** On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten the following Budget modification were approved:

From: A1355.4 Assessing Contractual	\$2,968.00
To: A1330.4 Tax Collector for the cost of bill printing	

From: A1355.4 Assessing Contractual	\$1035.00
To: A1355.12 Assessor Asst-Personal Service to cover part-time help	

**ADOPT MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Blumer the minutes from June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 were approved.

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS:** On a motion of Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Duger, General Bills Abstract #7, Vouchers #272-312, in the amount of \$61,403.24 were ordered paid, and Highway Bills, Abstract #7, Vouchers #1115-1135, in the amount of \$43,910.40 were ordered paid with a total disbursement of \$105,313.64.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

On a motion by Councilor Platten, seconded by Councilor Duger, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
          0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-77*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolves to recognize, thank, and congratulate Debra H. Stapleton, upon her retirement, for seven years as Deputy Town Clerk and 12 years as Town Clerk, with outstanding and dedicated service to the Town of Elbridge and its residents.

On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
          0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-78*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolves to the following:

**WHEREAS,** Joseph Patrick has served as the Town of Elbridge Director of Recreation on a temporary basis for the last two years:

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Patrick has recently taken the Civil Service test and qualifies to be appointed the Director of Recreation on a permanent basis;

**WHEREAS,** it is the desire of the Town Board to appoint and employ Mr. Patrick as the permanent Director of Recreation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** that Joseph Patrick is hereby appointed as the Director of Recreation for the Town of Elbridge at an annual salary of \$49,028 or as revised by the Town Board from year to year.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
          0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-79*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge authorizes the Town of Elbridge Supervisor to sign the seasonal contract with the Weedsport Winter Wanders to use the designated Town property as snowmobile trails for the 2020/21 season.

On a motion by Councilor Platten, seconded by Councilor Duger, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
          0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-80*

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**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge appoints Patti Maguire as full time Justice Court Clerk with an annual pro-rated salary of \$34,456.

On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-81*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge appoints Danielle Karlik as Town Clerk/ Tax Receiver effective August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 with an annual pro-rated salary of \$44,000.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-82*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge appoints Deb Blasko as full-time Deputy Town Clerk effective August 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 with an annual pro-rated salary of \$36,770.

On a motion by Councilor Platten, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-83*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge appoints Debra Stapleton as part time Deputy Clerk at \$18.19 per hour, effective August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Duger, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-84*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolves to advertise for letters of interest in regards to the Town of Elbridge Historian's position. Letters of interest and qualifications should be mailed to the Town Clerk's office by August 25<sup>th</sup>.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4      AYES: Richardson, Blumer, Duger, Platten  
0      NAYS

*Resolution 20-85*

**Resolved:** the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge approves the annual Operating Permit applications the following Mobile Home Parks, in the Town of Elbridge for August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to

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July 31, 2021: Elbridge Meadows MHP, Champion Homes MHC, Jack's Reef MHP, and Rolling Hills MHC

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilor Blumer: The Planning Board met this month with a couple of Site Plan reviews, one being the Route 31 church project, and a small subdivision. ZBA did not meet this month. Recognized Jack Horner's passing once again and acknowledged his years of dedication to the Town and the Historian's office. He will be sorely missed, and was a wealth of knowledge and will be difficult to replace.

Councilor Duger: 2021 Budget worksheets have come out and will be due by August 14<sup>th</sup>. Little League games have begun at Seymour Lofft with stringent restrictions. The Village of Elbridge was thanked for moving the bleachers as requested to accommodate these restrictions.

The pavilion looks great. No cameras have been installed, as of yet. The landscaping around the Community Center was completed, per the arrangements made last year. The Senior program is very active, despite the pandemic. 3,000 meals have been delivered, and survey sheets were included, from the Girl Scouts, to determine what seniors may enjoy doing while isolated.

The county has determined the Community Center as a food service site, and a safety plan has been approved. Farmer's Market coupon program is a possibility for the future. Possible small group activities, such as painting classes, may resume.

The Highway has been busy working at the pool, grinding at Kester road, and busy clearing debris, and wash-out areas from the record rainfalls. The trash program is going well and Tim Bell has been working hard painting and doing a lot of cleanup.

Councilor Platten: Nothing to report with Dog Control. Cemetery fences have been painted. The Environmental Commission received their second FOB. For future reference we may like to consider involving them with landscaping projects.

Spoke with Judge Betts, he thanked the Board for their support in his decision for the choice of full-time clerk. At this time the court has decided to hold off on moving forward with the hiring of a part-time clerk until the full-time clerk is fully trained. The first remote magistrate meeting went smoothly. Judge Weirs will be leaving the Village of Jordan court and court cases will flow to the Town court beginning in September, 2020.

Supervisor Richardson: Budget sheets are out. There were three water main breaks this month. The next stimulus package should include towns and villages. Call our representatives to express your support of this action. Nelson's tree service has been leaving branches, and Highway has been cleaning up after them. Would have liked to see someone from Sunview Drive at the Public Hearing.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** The water project was discussed with various inquiries by the board members. Taylor and Alex addressed them as best they could with the information they had. They will be having discussions with the Village of Jordan in the upcoming week.

**MONTHLY REPORTS ON FILE:** Highway, Supervisor, Codes

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**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the regular Town Board meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Karlik  
Deputy Town Clerk