

**MANCHESTER TOWN BOARD - REGULAR MEETING**  
**2020 Preliminary Budget - 6:00 P.M.**  
**November 12, 2019 - 6 P.M.**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Manchester Town Board was held tonight, November 12th, 2019, 6:00 p.m. at the Manchester Town Hall with the following members present:

<b>Jeffery Gallahan</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>
<b>David Phillips</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>Donald Miller, Jr.</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>Jaylene Folkins</b>	<b>Councilwoman</b>
<b>Kevin Blazey</b>	<b>Councilman</b>

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jill Havens, Town Clerk; Steve DeHond, Code Enforcement Officer; Willie Murphy, Deputy Highway Superintendent/Water Superintendent; Jennifer Fagner, Assessor; Kevin Lyke, Deputy Water Superintendent/Highway Employee; Isaac VanBortel (newly elected Councilman) & Francis Vanderwall, Town Resident(s)

**ABSENT:** Jason Lannon, Highway Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER:** **Supervisor Gallahan** called the November 12, 2019 Regular Board meeting to order at this time, 6:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:** Supervisor Gallahan opened the public hearing for tonight at this time, 6:00 p.m., with the reading of the Legal Notice, no objection. The Legal Notice was published in the Daily Messenger and posted in the Town Hall as follows:

**LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MANCHESTER RESIDENTS**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UPON 2020 PRELIMINARY BUDGET, SPECIAL**  
**ASSESSMENT ROLL, EXEMPTION REPORT AND REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING,**  
**NOVEMBER 12th, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the preliminary budget, special assessment roll and exemption report of the Town of Manchester for the fiscal year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk at 1272 Co. Rd. 7, Clifton Springs, N.Y., where it is available for inspection by any person at all reasonable hours.

**FURTHER NOTICE** is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Manchester will meet and review said preliminary budget and hold a public hearing thereon, at the Manchester Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. on the 12th day of November, 2019, and that at such hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against the preliminary budget as compiled or for or against any item or items therein contained.

**FURTHER NOTICE** is hereby given, pursuant to Section 108 of the Town Law, that the following are the proposed yearly salaries of Town Officials of this Town:

Supervisor (Includes Budget Officer)	\$24,500.00
Councilman:	\$ 3,691.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector:	\$53,599.00
Town Highway Superintendent:	\$37,131.00

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

DATED: October 22, 2019

*Jill A. Havens, Town Clerk*

**PUBLIC HEARING 2019 PRELIMINARY BUDGET:** **Supervisor Gallahan** asked if anyone wished to speak regarding the 2019 Preliminary Budget, repeated three times, hearing none, CLOSED the Public Hearing at this time, 6:02 p.m. and continued with the Regular Meeting.



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**At this time, Supervisor Gallahan asked Town of Manchester Resident, Francis Vanderwall of 4167 Hackett Road to address the Board.**

**Francis Vanderwall:** The problem is, the ditch is on the wrong side of the road. The Town came out ran a transit down the other side of the road but they have to get the permits. The stagnate in front of my house and the ditch next door to me has ruined my well. Also because of the ditch in front of my house, I go through two (2) sump pumps a year and that's getting kind of expensive, seeing as they are about \$150 a piece. What I am here to see is if the Town of Manchester would waive the fee to hook me up to town water? I will pay for everything else but I cannot pay the \$1,600-\$1,700 to hook up to the water and I can't drink my water. My well is contaminated and, in the summertime, I can't even go outside because of the mosquitoes. It's ridiculous. The Town came out and I have to give Jason and Willie a lot of credit, they have done more in the last 2 months than the previous highway superintendent in the whole time he was in office. Now, I still have 6-10 inches of standing water in my front yard. My sump pump runs almost 24 hours a day, got to do something about it. Jason explained to me that they have to get permits to do any ditch work on the other side of the road. But what I want to see about tonight, is hooking up to the Town water.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** Do you have reports from anyone that tested your well that you can present to the Board?

**Francis Vanderwall:** No.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** We would need to see that before we could even consider your request.

**Francis Vanderwall:** No problem, I will bring them in,

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** Ok, then we will bring it up at the next meeting.

**Francis Vanderwall:** Ok, thank you.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** Do any board members have questions for Fran before he goes?

**Councilman, Dave Phillips:** I guess I am not sure where you are located?

**Francis Vanderwall:** Hackett Road, 4th house on the south side. There is no place for the water to go. When it does fill up out there it seeps into DeBrock's field which is turning that into a swamp. The mosquitoes will carry you away in my yard.

**Councilwoman, Jaylene Folkins:** Is there something that has changed the situation so that now there is an issue?

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** I don't know of anything that has changed on Hackett Road since I have been sitting on the board for the last 14 years.

**Councilwoman Folkins:** What has changed with your property? Has it always been this way?

**Francis Vanderwall:** Yes, and I have talked to Wayne Holtz, the former Highway Superintendent and nothing was done until finally Jason and Willie have started doing something about it. Well, they are trying to. Like I said, I have sump pumps running 24/7 because of the standing water and if was run down the other side of the road, it would be taken care of.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** Fran, did you build that house?

**Francis Vanderwall:** No.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** When did you move in?

**Francis Vanderwall:** 1988

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** Where was the ditch then?

**Francis Vanderwall:** It ran across Captain's field along the end of the road.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** There was no ditch in front of your house?

**Francis Vanderwall:** Well, if you want to call it that. The road was higher than my front yard but then Wayne had Fish come out and dig the ditch and now it's a mess. On the end of my property, Fish dug a pond and when the water shoots out from across the road, it washes the bank away. Now the bank is going back farther and farther.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** That is on the west end of your property?

**Francis Vanderwall:** Yes. That ditch originally, up by Eddinger's house, where the pipe goes under the road, that ran all the way across the field, down to Black Brook. It was diverted from running across that field to down my side of the road

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** So, that was a buried pipe that ran across that field?

**Francis Vanderwall:** No, it was an open

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** It just ran across that field

**Francis Vanderwall:** Right. The ponds on the east side on 21 drain over onto Eddinger's and then it runs on a pipe underneath the road and it did run in a pipe all across the field down to Black Brook. Now, I don't know why, they diverted it and it comes right down in front of my house and ends on the end of my property. Right now, you wouldn't want to walk down through there because you would have to put hip boots on.

**Supervisor, Jeff Gallahan:** When was that work done?







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**JUSTICE REPORT:** The monthly reports from Justice Denosky and Justice Schaertl for the month of October 2019, were submitted and reviewed by the Board at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There was no other business before the Board at this time. Supervisor Gallahan moved to adjourn the meeting, 7:02 p.m., seconded by Councilman Blazey, unanimously APPROVED.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Jill A. Havens, Town Clerk*

**\*\*Next Meeting(s):**

- *Regular meeting: December 10, 2019 - 6:00 P.M.*