

Town Board

December 19, 2023

In Attendance: Mark Smith – Town Supervisor Justin Gonyo – Councilman
 Arnold Stevens – Councilman Gene Arsenault – Councilman (zoom)
 Jean Comstock – Town Clerk

1. Pledge of Allegiance – led by John Sleckman
2. Call to Order the Regular Meeting – Supervisor Smith called the Meeting to Order at 7:00PM.
3. Approval of December 5, 2023 – Supervisor Smith – could I get a Motion to approve the December 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes?

RESOLUTION # 23 – 245

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to approve and accept the Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2023 and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Stevens. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

4. Scrap Metal Bid – Town Clerk noted that only one Bid was received; bid opened at the Scrapy Metal Contract was awarded to Dave Olden.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 246

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to accept the Bid and approve the award to Dave Olden and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Hoskins. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

5. Resolution to Set January 2, 2024 – Supervisor Smith asked for a Motion to set first Town Board Meeting and Organizational Meeting of 2024 for January 2, 2024 at 7:00PM at TPCC.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 247

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to approve setting the first Board Meeting/Organizational Meeting of 2024 for January 2, 2024 and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Arsenault. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

6. Water Rates – Supervisor Smith asked for a Motion to approve the water rates set forth from Cedarwood Engineering. Mr. Gonyo wanted it noted in the Minutes that there is a \$225 annual fee for single family residential, non-metered home.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 248

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to accept the noted water rates and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Hoskins. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

7. Rescind Hybrid Resolution (#23-241) – Supervisor Smith noted that Mr. Comstock received an additional proposal for the Salt Shed that is almost \$20,000 less than the Hybrid and still through Sourcewell. Could I get a Motion to rescind the original Resolution with Hybrid and the new contract can be signed with Britespan in 2024.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 249

Mr. Stevens made a Motion to approve rescinding Resolution #23-241 in favor of signing another contract for less money in 2024 and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Gonyo. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

8. Replace Doors at TPCC – Supervisor Smith is asking for a Motion to allow the purchase of two exterior doors for TPCC not to exceed \$10,000; this is something that needs to be updated.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 250

Mr. Hoskins made a Motion to approve the purchase and installation of two new exterior doors at TPCC and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Gonyo. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

9. Year End Budget Line Transfers – Supervisor Smith – we can't have less than 0 budget lines and don't want to carry it over; could I get a Motion on this.

RESOLUTION # 23 – 251

Mr. Hoskins made a Motion to approve the End of Year Budget Line Transfers and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Gonyo. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

10. Floor Resolution – Supervisor Smith – this is re: \$100,000 for Partial Design Work Phase 1; we are not voting again, the Board already voted to approve this; the basis is we're going to amend the previous Resolution from General Fund to a Capital Fund Could I get a Motion for this?

RESOLUTION # 23 – 252

Mr. Arsenault made a Motion to approve the amendment for the \$100,000 Partial Design Work Phase I to be a Capital Fund and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Stevens. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Smith, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 1 (Gonyo).

11. Lights on – Supervisor Smith noted the winners of the Lights On Contest (listing attached to minutes).

12. Supervisor's Report – Supervisor Smith, could I get a Motion to approve and accept the Supervisor's Report?

RESOLUTION # 23 – 253

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to approve and accept the Supervisor's Report and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Hoskins. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

13. Committee Reports – no reports.

14. Warrants – Supervisor Smith – I’ve reviewed the Warrants, any questions?

RESOLUTION # 23 – 254

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to approve the Warrants and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Arsenault. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

	<u>PRE-PAID</u>	<u>UNPAID</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$ 105.00	\$45,047.75	\$ 45,152.75
HIGHWAY FUND		\$ 32,143.10	\$ 32,143.10
WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	\$304,266.25	\$ 10,955.00	\$315,221.25
SEWER DISTRICT PROJECT		\$ 31,380.00	\$ 31,380.00
SKI BOWL MITIGATION PROJECT		\$ 46,643.57	\$ 40,643.57
LIBRARY FUND		\$ 1,251.77	\$ 1,251.77
WATER DISTRICT		\$ 1,812.27	\$ 1,812.27
TRUST AND AGENCY	\$ 870.96		\$ 870.96
		TOTAL	\$468,475.67

15. State of Emergency –Supervisor Smith – the Town declared a State of Emergency at 12:17PM and the County did as well a short time later; Fred Comstock - 40+ roads damaged; only a couple impassable; most should be passable by tomorrow; guys are all out working. Mark - \$250,000 needed through the County to disperse throughout the County.

16. Supervisor Smith – we’d like to recognize Gene Arsenault – read Certificate of Appreciation. Mr. Arsenault – it’s been a great honor and privilege; thank all the members of the Board I’ve served with; thanks to the community; thank you all it’s a great community.

17. Privilege of the Floor –

- Anna Bowers – I would like extend my thanks to those leaving – Mark Smith and Pete Hoskins thank you for stepping in; Justin Gonyo thanks for all of your years of service; Gene Arsenault has been such a great resource and source of information throughout the years; I will continue to reach out to you and Justin as well. Thank you all for all you’ve done for our community.
- Arnold Stevens – having served several years with Gene Arsenault it’s been a pleasure and honor; looked to him for guidance; thank you for your service to this Town; Justin Gonyo – it’s been an honor to serve with you as well; Pete Hoskins – thanks for stepping in; Mark Smith – you’ll be missed and thanks for your work and stepping in; the Town has been blessed with you all and the work you’ve done.
- Kelly Nettle – Many thanks to the Board has already been noted and I include my warm feelings toward them and all they have accomplished; thank you to anyone that steps up to run for an elected position we look forward to supporting the new Board.

18. Supervisor Smith – with no further discussion, could I get a Motion to Adjourn the final meeting of 2023 of the Town Board?

RESOLUTION # 23 – 255

Mr. Gonyo made a Motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:18PM and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Stevens. With the following Members voting in favor of the Resolution it is carried. Ayes – 5 (Smith, Gonyo, Stevens, Arsenault, Hoskins); Nays – 0.

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**THE NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE THE ORGANIZATION MEETING ON
JANUARY 2, 2024 AT 7:00PM AT TPCC WITH THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW.**

Lights On Decorating Contest - 2023

The town of Johnsburg Department of Public Property & Programs would like to thank all 19 local businesses, nonprofit organizations and families that entered our 2023 Lights On Decorating Contest. After careful consideration by our panel of five community judges, the following winners have been chosen:

In the **residence category**, the winner of the \$300 cash prize is the **Waldron Family** who live at 19 Osborne St.

In both the nonprofit and business categories, there were ties this year. Rather than break the ties, the judges wish to recognize the efforts of both organizations and split the prize.

Receiving a prize of \$150 each in the **nonprofit category**, the winners are the **Depot Museum and Johnsburg Central School**.

Receiving a prize of \$150 each in the **business category**, the winners are **Elderwood and Hudson River Trading Company**.

Thank you again to all who participated and congratulations to the winners! May everyone have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!