

**MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE
HELD MARCH 9, 2023 AT THE TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM**

Present: Benny Goldstein, Town Supervisor
Michael Muhlebeck, Deputy Town Supervisor & Councilman
William Armitstead, Councilman
Rodney Young, Councilman
John Peruzzi Sr., Councilman

Recording Secretary: Erica Hayes, Town Clerk

Others Present: Steve Oare, Town Highway Superintendent
Amy Kretser, Town Bookkeeper
Les Hassan, Town Code Enforcement Officer
Charlene Ruskowski, Town Sole Assessor
Mike Cole, Solar Committee Chair
Kirsten Dunn, Town Attorney
Brenden Becker, Lamont Engineering
Jay Summerson, Town Resident

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Goldstein, at 7:29 PM, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Accept the February 2023 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Muhlebeck, seconded by Mr. Peruzzi, that the minutes of the February 2023 meeting, as submitted by the Town Clerk, be approved. All in favor ayes, carried.

Recognition of Citizens Present

The Board recognized Mike Cole in regard to the Solar Meeting on March 29. The draft Solar Laws were reviewed by the Planning Board and are now being presented to the Town Board for review. The upcoming Solar Meeting will be held at the Village of Canajoharie Fire House, all residents are encouraged to attend.

Kirsten Dunn spoke to the Board about extending the Solar Moratorium, and this will be addressed, and voted on, 15 minutes prior to the Solar Meeting.

The Board recognized Brenden Becker of Lamont Engineering. He came on behalf of Milan Jackson to review the quote to submitted to provide grant administration for the Town's Salt Shed Grant. A vote to approve/deny this quote will occur just before the Solar Meeting takes place as well.

Jay Summerson was present to observe.

Town Code Officer

Mr. Hassan addressed the Board in regard to a new Wellness Center that was approved by the Planning Board. They are anticipating breaking ground sometime in the spring.

Court Financial Review

RESOLUTION #3 of 2023
Approval of Town Court Financial Books and Records for 2022

Sponsor: Benny Goldstein, Supervisor
Second: John Peruzzi, Councilman

Whereas, the Canajoharie Town Council was presented with the 2022 financial books and other records of the Town Court of Canajoharie during the Town meeting on March 10, 2022 and,

Whereas, the Town Council found these books satisfactory and complete,

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED that: the Town Council hereby approves the financial books and records of the Town Court for the year 2022.

VOTING	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT
Benny Goldstein, Supervisor	X		
William Armitstead, Councilman	X		
John Peruzzi, Sr., Councilman	X		
Michael Muhlebeck, Councilman	X		
Rodney Young, Councilman	X		

Town Bookkeeper

TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE-3/9/23
CASH REPORT February 28, 2023

CHECKING ACCOUNTS		MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS	
General	\$ 416,092.18	General	\$ 5,269.01
Fire District	\$ 39.85	Highway Town Wide	\$165,065.45
Highway Town Wide	\$ 341,249.29	Highway Part Town	<u>\$142,746.48</u>
Highway Part Town	\$ 507,161.21	Total	<u>\$313,080.94</u>
Trust & Agency	<u>\$ 32,967.71*</u>		
Total	\$1,297,510.24		

*\$31,859.96 Avangrid/Mohawk Solar Project Escrow

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Highway Cap Reserve	\$ 46,815.47
Gen-Cap Reserve-Garage	\$240,308.38
Gen-Cap Reserve-land	<u>\$ 14,622.46</u>
Total	\$301,746.31

Budget Transfers for FY 2022

From	To	Amount
B8010.4 Zoning Contractual	B8020.1 Planning Personal	\$ 124.37
DA9060.8 Emp Ben-Health Ins	DA9010.8 Emp Ben Retirement	\$1876.67
DA9060.8 Emp Ben-Health Ins	DA9030.8 Emp Ben Soc Sec Mcr	\$ 202.00
DA5130.4 Machine/Equip	DA5140.1 Misc Brush/weeds pers	\$ 720.00
A1990.4 Contingency	A5132.4 Garage Contractual	\$5739.51

BUDGET AMENDMENTS FY 2022

Increase Revenue	Increase Expenditure	Amount
B1120 Non Prop Tax	B8989.4 Consultants	\$ 819.17

Sincerely,
Amy S. Kretser, Bookkeeper

Authorization of Vouchers

The Town Clerk presented the following bill vouchers for approval:

General fund vouchers #76 through #106, totaling \$16,231.79

Highway fund vouchers #24 through #33, totaling \$18,659.11

On a motion by Mr. Peruzzi, seconded by Mr. Muhlebeck, the bill vouchers were unanimously approved for payment.

Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Peruzzi, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Hayes
Town Clerk