

REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 17, 2017

A Public Hearing and the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Hampton, County of Washington and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 2629 State Route 22A, Hampton, New York on the 17th day of August, 2017.

PRESENT: David K. O'Brien-----Supervisor  
Tamme Taran-----Councilwoman  
Donald Sady-----Councilman-came at 7:45pm  
Andrea Sweeney-----Councilwoman  
Roger Weeden-----Councilman-absent  
Rebecca Jones-----Town Clerk  
Camilla Shaw-----Tax Collector/Deputy Town Clerk-came at 7:29pm  
Herbert Sady, Jr.-----Highway Superintendent

Planning Board Member(s): Bonnie Hawley

Also present: see attached list

The Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor O'Brien at 7:15pm.

Town Clerk Jones read the Legal Notice of Public Hearing (copy attached), which was published in The Granville Sentinel and Whitehall Times on 08/10/17, on proposed Local Law 1 of 2017 titled "*A Local Law Providing for the Increase of the Term of Office of the Town Clerk, Town Tax Collector, and Town Highway Superintendent, from two years to four years effective January 1, 2018 subject to Mandatory Referendum*".

Supervisor O'Brien opened the floor for comments. Several residents spoke and asked questions about the different positions. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:45pm.

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Supervisor O'Brien at 7:45, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Location of Fire Exits were given. Quorum of board members present.

Supervisor O'Brien asked for a moment of silence in memory of Shelby McEachron, 21 year old, who was involved in a bad car accident on July 17<sup>th</sup> and passed away on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**RESOLUTION NO. 58-2017**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilwoman Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Sady, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

Ayes 4 O'Brien, Sady, Sweeney, Taran  
Nays 0  
Absent 1 Weeden

RESOLVED, that the Regular Town Board Minutes for July 20th, 2017 are approved.

**RESOLUTION NO. 59-2017**  
**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilman Sady, seconded by Councilwoman Sweeney, the following resolution was ADOPTED: Ayes 4 O'Brien, Sady, Sweeney, Taran  
 Nays 0  
 Absent 1 Weeden

RESOLVED, that the Special Town Board Minutes for August 3rd, 2017 are approved.

Larry Carman, Dog Control Officer submitted his report, which was read by Supervisor O'Brien, copy of report is attached for 07/17/17-08/15/17. Also received a "Satisfactory" report from NYS Department of Ag and Markets.

Camilla Shaw, Tax Collector submitted Bank Statement to the Board for review and signatures.

Planning Board Report.... Bonnie Hawley

- Final Draft of RV/Campground Ordinance
- Solar Ordinance...waiting to hear back from Town Attorney
- Next meeting will be September 13th, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall

Herbert Sady, Jr., Highway Superintendent submitted his report, copy of which, is attached.

**RESOLUTION NO. 60-2017**  
**APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT**

On a motion of Councilman Sady, seconded by Councilwoman Taran, the following resolution was ADOPTED: Ayes 4 O'Brien, Sady, Sweeney, Taran  
 Nays 0  
 Absent 1 Weeden

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor's Monthly report be accepted as submitted for **JULY 2017**.

	06/30/17			07/31/17
<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
General Fund	\$ 72,768.31	\$ 2,094.79	\$ 5,205.38	\$ 69,657.72
Highway Fund	\$139,979.79	\$ 105.44	\$ 69,812.41	\$ 70,272.82
Equipment Reserve	\$ 76,584.26	\$ 3.25	\$ 0.00	\$ 76,587.51
Fire #1	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
Fire #2	\$ 2,650.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,650.00
Cemetery	\$ 1,689.13	\$ 1.07	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,690.20
Totals	\$313,671.49	\$ 2,204.55	\$ 75,017.79	\$240,858.25

All Board Members present signed Supervisor's Report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Broadband.... No new dates, three (3) companies maybe bidding, different areas of Hampton.
- Comcast proposal for Franchise Agreement. Need to hold a public hearing before an agreement can be entered into.

Need to set the Public Hearing on the above Franchise Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 61-2017**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON COMCAST FRANCHISE AGREEMENT**

On a motion of Councilman Sady, seconded by Councilwoman Taran, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

Ayes 4 O'Brien, Sady, Sweeney, Taran  
Nays 0  
Absent 1 Weeden

RESOLVED, to set the Public Hearing to discuss the Comcast Franchise Agreement for September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at 7:15pm.

**RESOLUTION NO. 62-2017**

MOTION BY: Councilman Donald Sady  
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Andrea Sweeney

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW NUMBER 1 OF 2017 PROVIDING FOR THE INCREASE OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, TOWN TAX COLLECTOR, AND TOWN HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT, FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018 SUBJECT TO MANDATORY REFERENDUM**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law and Section 24-a of the Town Law of the State of New York, the Town Board of the Town of Hampton (the "Town") has the authority to adopt local laws increasing the terms of office of the Town Clerk, Town Tax Collector and Town Highway Superintendent from two years to four years, which local law must be subject to mandatory referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town scheduled a public hearing to be held before the Town Board on August 17th, 2017 at 7:15pm at the Offices of the Town of Hampton, 2629 State Route 22A, Hampton, NY 12837, to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law to increase the term of office of the Town Clerk, Town Tax Collector, and Town Highway Superintendent, from two years to four years; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of said public hearing was duly posted and then published in The Granville Sentinel and Whitehall Times, the official newspapers of the Town on August 10th, 2017, pursuant to and in conformance with the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was duly held before the Town Board on August 17th 2017 at 7:15p.m. at the Offices of the Town of Hampton, 2629 State Route 22A, Hampton, NY 12837, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to the proposed local law; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT:**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board, upon due deliberation of the proposed Local Law to increase the term of office of the Town Clerk, Town Tax Collector, and Town Highway Superintendent, from two years to four years and subject to mandatory referendum, finds the same to be in the best interests of the Town of Hampton; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Local Law to increase the term of office of the Town Clerk, Town Tax Collector, and Town Highway Superintendent, from two years to four years, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof is hereby adopted subject to mandatory referendum; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to and in accordance with Municipal Home Rule Law Section 23, Local Law No. 1 of 2017 shall be subject to mandatory referendum at the next general election on November 7th, 2017, whereby Local Law No. 1 of 2017 shall become operative only if approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the Town voting upon this proposition; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to enter Local Law No. 1 of 2017 into the minutes of this meeting and file the same, along with an appropriate abstract, with the Washington County Board of Elections. Upon approval by the electors of the Town, the Town Clerk is directed to file Local Law No. 1 of 2017 with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

DATED: August 17, 2017	Supervisor O'Brien	AYE
	Councilman Sady	AYE
	Councilwoman Sweeney	AYE
	Councilwoman Taran	NAY
	Councilman Weeden	ABSENT

**NEW BUSINESS**

Town Assessor Mary Ellen Hill-Pierce....Equalization rate was down, NYS has agreed with Mary Ellen's info and raised the rate back up to 100%.

Warren Cemetery.....at the grave marking held at the Warren Cemetery earlier this summer, Supervisor O'Brien met David Griffin of the Vermont Cemetery Association. Discussed conditions of the stones and repairing them. Need between 20-30 people for help. Supervisor may check with Alternative Sentencing for some help and to pick a Saturday in September to do the work.

Cemetery mowing....Supervisor O'Brien suggested alternatives for mowing town cemeteries...part-time worker or hiring out? Will discuss at future meeting.

Health Insurance....renewal rates are up 4.6% with current plan (MVP), other plans are higher. Will discuss further with highway employees.

Budget Forms for 2018 were handed out. Will start working on budget at September meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Regarding article in Whitehall Times about towns combining together....Governor is pushing for towns with villages to consolidate, not neighboring towns.

Tax Cap rate for 2018 is 1.84%.

The Town Clerk's report for July 2017 was submitted to the Board. The Town Clerk had Board Members review and sign bank reconciliation statements for the Town Clerk Account and Special Town Clerk Account dated July 31st, 2017.

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-2017**  
**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

On a motion of Councilwoman Taran, seconded by Councilman Sady, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 4 O'Brien, Sady, Sweeney, Taran

Nays 0

Absent 1 Weeden

RESOLVED that the bills have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund	No.80 through No. 89	\$ 2,274 .68
Highway Fund	No.101 through No. 117	<u>\$15,458.82</u>
Total both funds		<u>\$17,733.50</u>

On a motion of Councilwoman Taran, seconded by Councilman Sady, the meeting adjourned at 8:50pm. All in favor Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca S. Jones, RMC  
Town Clerk