

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NORTH COLLINS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH 2019, AT 7:00PM IN THE NORTH COLLINS TOWN HALL, 10569 MAIN STREET, NORTH COLLINS, NEW YORK.

PRESENT:	Supervisor	John Tobia
	Councilmen:	Ellen M. Mathis
		Michael W. Perry
		Peter Robbins
		William Moritz
Town Clerk	Lynn M. DiVincenzo	
Town Attorney	Richard Schaus	
Highway Supt.	David J. Winter	

Item 1. Supervisor John Tobia called the meeting to order and led the Pledge to the Flag, and prayer.

Item 2. Approved the January Regular Meeting minutes and Organizational Meeting minutes as previously presented: Moved: Ellen Mathis. Second: Mike Perry
ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Robbins, Moritz, Tobia, Perry. Noes 0. Motion carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Item 3. Mike Perry Moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims, as set forth in Abstract # 2 and in the amount of \$103,467.03 are approved for payment by the Town Board:

A#27,28,29,30,31,33,34,35,36,37,38,41,42,43,44,45,46,48,49,50,51,53,55,56,57,58,60,6,62,79,81, 82,83,85,86,87,88,89,90,91,92,93,94

B# 28,33,35,54,57,59,63,80,89,90

DA# 57,64,65,66,67

DB# 38,39,40,68,69,70-78,91

SF# 32,52

SR# 47

SW1# 84

Second: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 4. **VISITOR:** - NONE

Item 5. **HIGHWAY-** Mr. Winter: We have had brutal storms. New York State DOT helped with roads. When using Google, it's sending trucks down Boston Road. A truck went off the road. Need to have a drainage committee with the county supervisor.

John Tobia asked, before anything is done with the county, to let him know so he can initiate some services by contacting Legislator John Mills.

Item 6. **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** - Phil Tremblay stated he is giving one certificate of occupancy to Peter Gabel. He had a 24-hour training, he will finish the rest of it up in April. Due to the storm, they canceled the third day of training.

LIBRARY - They thanked the town for painting the walls. They haven't been painted since it has opened. A report was given on list of activities. They can be seen on our website and Facebook.

HISTROIAN - Excused

RECREATION - After School Program

- January weather conditions caused quite a few school and/or after school activity cancellations. So, our Counselors are going to move some of the activities planned from January to February. They'll also be working on a few new activities including a Valentine's Day science experiment. Students will be building a snow volcano that erupts with Pop Rocks candy!
- **Open Track**
 - We started our first Open Track night on Tuesday, 2/5 and had a great turnout!
 - We'll continue to meet on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm at the High School thru the end of March. Calendars are available on the Town's website and FaceBook page.
 - Any cancellations that may occur due to weather will be communicated with the Recreation's Remind app. If you haven't signed up to receive messages yet, sign up directions are on the Town's website.

▪ **NEW Recreation Activities!**

- R.C. Toy Car Course*: On Saturday, 2/16/2019 from 8:00-9:00am we will be hosting a Remote Control Toy Course for kids to drive on! The event will take place in the Elementary Gymnasium. Kids are asked to bring their favorite R.C. Toy (i.e. car, truck, drone, etc.) so they can race against their friends or try out a course with different stunts.
- Family Movie Night*: On Thursday, 3/14/2019 from 6:30-8:30pm the Recreation Department will be presenting the movie Mary Poppins. There is NO admission fee, and everyone will be welcome to a free popcorn (thanks to the NCES PTA for use of their popcorn machine!) and drink. The event will be held in the Elementary Cafeteria.

Motion by John Tobia, seconded by Peter Robbins, to close the regular business meeting and go into executive session at 7:26pm and to invite Attorney Richard Schaus into the meeting to discuss personnel issues of a particular person. Carried

Motion by Peter Robbins, seconded by Ellen Mathis, to close executive session and open regular meeting at 7:49pm. Carried

Resolutions:

MOVED: John Tobia

WHEREAS Governor's Cuomo's proposed 2020 NYS Budget includes unprecedented cuts to unrestricted State Revenue Sharing program known as Aid and Incentives to Municipalities (AIM) in the amount of 49 million for all municipalities in the State of New York, effectively eliminating the program, and

WHEREAS this proposed cut would result in a loss of \$22,888 from the Town of North Collins general budget, and

WHEREAS, funding has not been increased in the last several years as unfunded mandates and cost of Town and Village services have risen, and

WHEREAS, if these cuts go through, a shocking 91% of Towns and Villages will permanently lose their AIM funding, and

WHEREAS, incentives for shared services, consolidation, and infrastructure remediation directed by consent orders in no way replace the needed financial assistance to fund and manage the increasing costs of day to day services and capital projects needed in sustainable Town and Village planning and management, and

WHEREAS, the proposal to eliminate AIM funding unfairly punishes State residents, making financial planning aligned with the NYS Tax Cap virtually impossible and

WHEREAS, the Governor is proposing to make the Tax Cap permanent, discontinue the \$65 Million in Extreme Winter Recovery Program and proposes no increase for CHIPs funding, for which there has been widespread vocal support, and

WHEREAS, the proposal to eliminate AIM funding is not proactive, but a method to cut a small percent from the State Budget, yet a significant amount of revenue to Town and Village budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Town of North Collins strongly opposes the elimination of AIM funding, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the AIM funding benefits all of our residents not only in the Town of North Collins but throughout New York State and eliminating it could result in reduction of services, program cuts and layoffs. Every dollar that the State shared is a dollar that doesn't have to be levied on backs of local taxpayers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Honorable Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Honorable Senator Patrick Gallivan, Honorable Assemblyman David DiPietro, Honorable Legislature John Mills and Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz.

SECONDED: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

MOVED: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED, North Collins Town Board approves Supervisor John Tobia to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of North Collins for Snow Plowing for year 2019.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of North Collins will pay \$2,300 by April 15th 2019.
Seconded Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Abstained Perry. Motion carried.

Moved: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of North Collins, NY authorizes the Town Supervisor to contract Dirt Busters Cleaning, Inc. of Hamburg, NY for weekly janitorial services for the Town Hall at the cost \$675 per month.

Seconded Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Moved: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED the North Collins Town Board accepts Judge Ricotta's and Judge Stevens's internal audit done by Councilmen Ellen Mathis, ending fiscal year December 31st 2018.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Clerk will send a copy of the audit and Board Resolution to Joan Casazza, Internal Control Liason, NYS Office of Court Administration.

Seconded: Mike Perry

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Moved: John Tobia

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of North Collins retains the firm of Lumsden & McCormick to assist in the final preparation for the 2018 AUD.

Seconded: Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Moved: John Tobia

Be it resolved, the Town of North Collins approves \$75.00 per diem, per day, for the Town Clerk, Town Supervisor and Highway Supervisor for Training in NYC.

Seconded Ellen Mathis

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 8, **COUNCILMEN**

Moritz -

Ross spoke with Ed Major, got an email back, they're going to be setting up a meeting to discuss some options with the Emergency Squad. Also spoke with Jason. We are most likely to get a green energy certification. Ross went over the values and how much it would cost in offering incentive programs. Also spoke with National Grid. It would be no money up front. We would save upwards of \$20,000 the first year going with National Grid. May be the best at this time. We would save \$9,200 just converting to LED.

Robbins -

Peter recommends that people come to the parks committee meeting on February 28th. They're planning for the summer. Spoke with Dan Stroud. He's going to come on the 28th. LED lighting for field lighting input and the buildings around the parks. Looking forward to seeing you on February 28th. Also we have 8 picnic tables coming for the New Oregon Park.

Mathis -

Parks meeting on February 28th in room 116 at the elementary school at 6pm.

We have three signs coming into the town: one in the town, one that is the Francis Dankner Park sign and one for the Community Center. They have a service agreement that will keep the signs looking great. If there's anything wrong, they'll take care of them which would be \$300 per year. More information to come.

Community Center rental form: the proof of liability insurance \$500,000.00 general liability, if applicable for such as big events.

Had a meeting with the guy about pickle ball. They're going to get that started. Pete Robbins will talk about the picnic tables, he ordered eight of them.

We're going to be painting the courtroom, the hallway and the clerk's office.
Ellen did the audits for the judges for 2018.

Issue with Meals on Wheels: It's a mess at the community center. Painting of the walls is necessary. Would like to get a name and number to speak to who is in charge of Meals on Wheels.

Native Pride is going to New Oregon Park to look at and to fix the driveway.

Buildings at Marion Fricano Park will be coming down and when we have quotes, they will be brought up next month.

Perry –

Mike there's a leak at the senior building. A screw came out of the roof. They will plug it when the weather is better and when it stops snowing.

Item 9. SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor report will be available in February for the month of January.

Motion by Peter Robbins, seconded by William Moritz, to accept the Supervisor reports for January and February. Carried

Supervisor Tobia would like to schedule a meeting with the Lawton's Water tax people to discuss their Billing System and to apologize that they were not notified about the charge on their 2019 Town and County tax bills.

The National Flood Insurance FEMA wrote a letter stating that they're not eligible Richard suggested that if we adopt a local law then the residents can purchase flood insurance but you have to be careful because if somebody buys a house they may need they may not get a mortgage if they need flood insurance because it's expensive.

Item 9. TOWN CLERK:

Monthly Town Clerks Report – Total Revenues \$3290.00, Dog \$27.00, DEC \$23.62, Supervisors \$ 3239.38

We could sell EZ PASS at the Clerk's Office. The town can make \$4.00 on every EZ pass sold.

Clerks desks in the office have been replaced. 1 desk is damaged and unusable and 2nd desk is still useable. I would like it to be taken off town clerks assets and deem it surplus.

Dog Control reports were submitted.

Water Program has been installed. I need the addresses of the people who are having the water units.

Item 10. ATTORNEY –

Moved: Mike Perry

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board approves legal counsel, if needed, for eminent domain on a property on Seneca Street in Lawtons, NY.

Seconded William Moritz

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Robbins, Tobia, Moritz. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 11. ADJOURNMENT. Motion to adjourn at 8:30pm by John Tobia . Second: Mike Perry. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Lynn DiVincenzo
Town Clerk