

At the Farmington Town Board Meeting, held in the Town Hall or by Phone/Video Conferencing on the 12th day of November, 2024, at 7:00 PM, there were:

PRESENT: Peter Ingalsbe – Supervisor
Mike Casale – Councilman
Steven Holtz – Councilman
Nate Bowerman – Councilman
Ron Herendeen – Councilman
Michelle Finley – Town Clerk

Also present in person: **Tim Ford** – Highway & Parks Superintendent, **Robin MacDonald** – Acting Water & Sewer Superintendent, **Dan Delproire** – Code Enforcement Officer, **Ron Brand** – Director of Planning & Development, **Bill Davis** – MRB Group, **Adrian Bellis** – Planning Board Member, and **Hal Adams** – Agricultural Advisory Committee Chairman, **Carol Trapasso** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association President, **John Weidenborner** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association Chief, **Dan Walton** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association Assistant Chief, **Matt Hauf** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association 1st Lieutenant and **Rosalie Bona** - Farmington Volunteer Fire Association Treasurer, **Annaliese Parker** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association Acting Secretary, **Ken Walton** – Farmington Volunteer Fire Association Board Trustee, **Don Giroux** – resident/Farmington Volunteer Fire Association member, **Sean Meenan** – resident, and **Brent WoodHouse** - resident

Also present by telephone/video conferencing was: **Michael Phillips** – resident, **John Piper** - Consultant

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2025 Town Budget: Supervisor Ingalsbe opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk read the legal notice. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that the tax rate for the General Fund and the Highway Fund is down 1.97%, which is approximately .686 per thousand of assessed value. He added that the budget is \$95,891 over the tax cap levy limit. He stated that at the Organizational Meeting held in January every year, the Board passes a resolution overriding the tax cap whether the town is over or under it because they do not necessarily trust New York States computations of their budget in a tax cap dollar versus the way the town figures it out. Supervisor Ingalsbe asked if anyone had any questions or comments, he closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Fire Contracts: Farmington and Manchester: Supervisor Ingalsbe opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The Town Clerk read the legal notice. Supervisor Ingalsbe asked is anyone had any questions or comments. Chief Weidenborner from the Farmington Volunteer Fire Association stated that they have had a couple of meetings with some of the board members and the fire department has outdated equipment and structures. He stated that they submitted a budget that was similar to what most other departments with the same call volume, same districts, same everything, have, which is 1.2 Million, which is double of what they ask now but at this rate they cannot afford to replace buildings, they cannot get a loan for a new building because the banks tell them that their budget cannot support a loan. He stated that the association has budgeted \$30,000 a year for a mortgage payment, and you can't even get a house mortgage for \$30,000 a year let alone a firehall. Chief Weidenborner added that they have worked with MRB to get grants and other agencies to get grants, and they are told that the tax base can hold a higher fire tax and that the town refuses to raise the fire tax. He added that they are \$1.75 below the average fire tax rate per 1,000 in the county, they are one of the lowest tax rates in the county, and at this rate they cannot sustain the way they are going as a fire department. He stated that they might not be able to afford the truck to replace their ladder truck, which in turn, when that goes, they will lose the capabilities of an aerial which will raise taxpayers monies in the long run, they will lose their ISO rating in the town, and it will drop down taxpayers insurance, while making it so they cannot respond and do the task that they need to do within the town. He stated that one of their biggest concerns is trying to get funding to replace the trucks and buildings in a timely manner and there is no way they can do it with the funding the town is providing them.

Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that the budgets between, Shortsville, Manchester, and Farmington, the tax rate is up over 15% for the 2025 budget, Manchester and Shortsville are getting a 4% increase, and they added additional money to the Farmington Fire Department in the 2025 budget and that is an 18.7% increase over the 2024 money. He added that they understand that they are not at the tax rate as other locations, but they cannot raise it all at once. Chief Weidenborner stated that they are getting 4% flat out increase just like every other department, and that they are getting the extra money but that is not an increase in their base amount, it is a one-time flat amount so it cannot be used next year to increase anything or be used of anything else, it is about a 4.3% increase from the base amount. He asked where is the other 10% going, is there a reason why they are not having the Ambulance Corp. there tonight because what they are hearing is that the money is going to them for their new station. Supervisor Ingalsbe replied that the increase from the 2024 budget to the \$791,131.00 in the 2025 budget is 18.7%, forget about the base. Chief Weidenborner stated that amount was not coming from the fire tax, Supervisor Ingalsbe replied that it was. Chief Weidenborner asked where the lump sum goes next year. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that they can adjust that every year. Councilman Holtz stated that the discussion was that it is not a lump sum, that is the increase is the increase, and that they did raise the fire tax. Chief Weidenborner stated that they get the lump sum every year, and they are presenting to raise the tax and they are told that is not their base tax and they came this year and they based it off the total budget and they were told that the extra \$150,000 was not part of the base amount, and had to start without that and that's their concern if they go to the bank and the bank says it's great that they got an extra \$150,000 but that's not guaranteed income and that they are told they do not have the money to get a mortgage and that's where they asked for a guaranteed line item in the budget for a new Station 2 so the bank can see that they have the money to pay a mortgage; and that is what gets them every year because that it not guaranteed money for them, it's a onetime lump sum payment. Councilman Holtz stated that in the past it has been specific items that the fire department has asked for and that is what they funded for, and this year they increased the line and increased the tax rate. Councilman Holtz stated that the fire tax went up.

Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that when the board met internally, they talked about the departments concerns and they agreed with the department and thought that the new number, the \$791,131, should probably be the new number going forward. Chief Weidenborner replied that if that is the case, they can write their budget showing that number is the new Station 2 and move forward with the plan and have that money for the loan but if they do not have that in writing it is going to be hard to show the bank that they're going to have the money to pay them back. Councilman Holtz commented that there was no specific line item

that they asked for as in years past such as for hoses, this time it was just an increase to the budget. Chief Weidenborner stated that he received an email stating something like they were getting a 4% increase with \$150,000 to go towards the new station so it was not an increase overall, it was two separate things, one lump sum and a 4% increase. Supervisor Ingalsbe replied that is only because that is how he defined it in the email after we had the budget discussions. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that the tax rate will go from .49 cents per thousand to .56 cents per thousand (14.74% increase overall). Chief Weidenborner stated that the 18% increase is what they will start out with next year, and they could guarantee to the bank that they have this money for a mortgage payment. Councilman Holtz stated that the \$150,000 is part of their budget. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that it is a lump sum and that originally the board was only going to put \$100,000, but they raised it to \$150,000, and his only suggestion is that they are encouraging the department to

Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that they met with MRB Architects, the same folks that the department met with, and MRB had a proposal back in April for \$146,000 to continue the design of the new Station 2 so the department could get to the position where they could get to grant capability plus something to give to the bank for a loan. He added that they were hoping with the extra money the department could work with MRB to work through the design in 2025 and then go forward with equipment or Station 2. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that the town has been saving money for the last couple of years for emergency services to help the fire department out, but they have to get the department to a comfortable place where the department likes what the building is going to be and MRB says what that dollar amount will be and then the town will have to come back and help them. Chief Weidenborner commented that is where they would like to be but their concern was that they spent the \$150,000 this year on plans then they're back where they were 20 years ago when this started, where we had plans for a new building two or three times since he became a member 23 years ago but they don't have the money to get the loan and then it was why is the department going to spend another \$150,000 on plans, which is not fiscally responsible to buy plans for a building they couldn't afford but now that they have the money, which is guaranteed, they can go back to the bank. President Trapasso commented that the proposal that is on the table with the building is still not something they can afford even with the additional \$150,000, and they need to come back to the table and find something that they can afford, and they cannot afford the building that is on the table right now, it is just not going to happen because they cannot come up with 8 Million dollars, it is not realistic goal at this point. She added that this has been in the works for 20 years and they have design after design and what they are finding is that they have to go look at other stations who have done Morton buildings (pool barns) and see how they were able to maneuver it and manage it and they may be something more feasible and affordable for them. She added that they appreciate the town giving them the increases, they are just trying to keep up with the purchasing of a new truck, which is 1.4 Million for an engine with a little bitty ladder on it, and then the next ladder so, they do not put the ISO rating up for the town and crush that, costs 2.4 Million truck. She stated that the trucks are over 20 years old, and they are trying to get into a cycle where they can handle that. Chief Weidenborner stated that they just replaced a 1994 Rescue within the past two years, and this year they are replacing a 1997-1998 Dodge Ram that was their Brush truck turned Utility truck. He added that they are running the vehicles as long as they can before replacing them, and they are trying to get where they can budget for them and get them on a replacement schedule so when they so sell them, they are making some money off from them. They are trying to be fiscally responsible and plan out the next 20 years out while assisting the town.

Supervisor Ingalsbe commented that when the town tax bills come out in January, he probably will not get more than one phone call inquiring why the fire tax rate increase. He added that the town board knows that they have to raise that every year to help the department out. He added that the town has been saving money and setting it aside specifically for the fire department expenses down the road. There was discussion on areas that have Morton style buildings and pole barn style buildings. Chief Weidenborner stated that they are really looking for those that type of building, but the biggest issue now is that they do not know if the new truck will fit in the firehall, and the one the department already has barely fits inside the firehall. He added that from a Chief's standpoint volunteers are dwindling and a lot of departments are finding new ways of doing it, one is to have duty hours, where someone would come in hang out or spend the night, instead of being available 24/7, but the stations do not have bunk capabilities for people to spend the night, and that is something they would like to do to get more volunteers before going the career route. He stated that they would like to explore other options first, but they cannot with what they have so they do not need anything special they just want to expand and keep the department volunteer and keep it the way it has been since 1949. Mr. Davis, MRB Group, stated that the architect team went to the Town of Groton Fire Department to see their station and it was a steel frame building which is a cheaper option. He added that they hear the Town Board and Fire Department in regards to the price and they just got through the programming stages and next week they will start to get into the details and that they can refine the building types, and refine the cost at the same time. He stated that the invite still stands if the department wants to go look at any of the other departments. Mr. Davis stated that he heard back regarding the grant, and was told it was very competitive, and that it was almost there as far as funding goes, Laurie will be reaching out to get more on that and see what else they can do to enhance the application for next time. He stated that once they saw how many people were involved, they knew it was a long shot to get. President Trapasso commented that she received the letter also and agreed that they said it was competitive, and then listed the companies that did receive it, very few to none in our area. She stated that they keep pushing the grants and keep pushing only to find out that the town income is too much for one of the grants and a lot of paper work to get to, so it is not that they are not pursuing it, and they are working with Laurie from MRB Group and they have a team over there that they have invested money into to help them continue looking for grants, and they have gone out and talk with legislators, which tell them that they might be able to get you money but it could take years to come in. She added that the legislators told them not to bank on that money being there and it might take five years, which is hard to pay a mortgage on that. She added that the department takes pride in being volunteers in the town and would like to keep it that way as long as they can, and they're trying to be realistic and still get the equipment they need because everybody knows with the number of calls, they receive every single day. She stated that they have taken some tough calls this year, which takes a toll on the folks doing it. Chief Weidenborner stated that they try to raise their own money by having a series of pancake breakfasts (which only brings in a couple \$1,000) but from a Chief's aspect, they are great, people show up for those, but then go home and when a call comes in, they might not come back because they just spent hours away from their families, so for him, he would rather have them show up for the calls. Chief Weidenborner commented that it cost about \$10,000 per firefighter for turn out gear. He added that they will be close to the 550-600 mark for calls this year, and that is just fire only calls, and they are one of the only departments that do not run EMS yet, and that is because if they were to run mutual aid calls for Victor-Farmington Ambulance, they would run another 600 calls per year, and if they were to run all ALS calls, they would be up to 1,000 calls. Plus, it would run the volunteers ragged.

Supervisor Ingalsbe asked if anyone wanted to speak, hearing none, he closed the public hearing at 7:23p.m.

Fire Contract for Shortsville Fire Dept. – Supervisor Ingalsbe opened the public hearing at 7:24 p.m. The Town Clerk read the legal notice. He asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against, hearing none, he closed the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by **Councilman Casale** and seconded by **Councilman Bowerman** that the minutes of the October 22, 2024, Town Board Meeting, and the Joint Water Meeting Minutes from October 22, 2024, that were previously given to members for review, be approved. All Voting “Aye” (Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, Herendeen, and Ingalsbe). Motion **CARRIED**.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Sean Meenan stated that he appreciates the volunteer fire fighters and what they do is amazing and in saying that he thinks they need to start having the discussion of paid staffing. He added that as a taxpayer he has no concern increasing the fire tax rate, he said they could go to \$2.00 per thousand. He felt that if they approached the community and told them that they are going to get some paid folks in there and not do away with the volunteers because he does not think anybody would want that, so whether that looks like if it is Monday – Friday 7- 4 or 8 to 5, when it is harder to get people. He added that is what the Village of Victor Fire Department is doing, and it is working out quite well. He felt that they need to start having that talk with the community as a Town Board and as a Fire Department and asked ourselves what we can do to better serve our residents. He understands the pressures that are put on our volunteers and he thanks them very much for that but thought it is time to consider it going forward to see what a paid department would look like and engage the community in that, and he might be the only one in the community that is okay with raising the tax rate in the town, but he doubts it. He offered to do research on it if anyone wanted him to. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that him and Sean did exchange conversations back and forth, and he invited him here tonight to put his comments on the record. Supervisor Ingalsbe stated that he told Mr. Meenan that the decision to go to a paid department is the fire departments decision and not the Town Boards.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None.**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:****Public Works Committee: Councilman Herendeen reported:****Water & Sewer:**

1. Discussed the final pump rotary lobe.
2. Bio Tower 5 was flushed.
3. Discussed quote for the belt press auger box lower bearing and sensor.
4. Discussed U.V. parts list.
5. Discussed clarifiers.
6. Discussed Lift Stations – routine maintenance.
7. Placed order for Bioxide parts.
8. Repaired Bioxide pump at PS-30.
9. Replaced gauges at PS-30 and PS-32.
10. Valve and Hydrant Maintenance ongoing.
11. Discussed replacing valve at the intersection of Church Avenue and Allen Padgham Road – that will be scheduled for the Spring.
12. Hydrant installed on Stonefield Lane closer to the pump station.
13. Discussed letter of intent for a Flusher Truck.
14. Discussed resolutions on agenda.

Highway & Parks:

1. Highway- equipment maintenance, removed and replaced 15 flags of sidewalk on Marion Way and Hood Road, installed 10 Ton bridge sign, two trucks helping the Town of Phelps, boxed out and installed turn around for plow and school buses on Wood Drive, installed asphalt path to pavilion and drill at Pumpkin Hook Park, cleaned gutter behind townhomes on Running Brook Drive, cleaned fuel island, mounted wings on single axle truck, and annual safety training at County Safety Building.
2. Parks- mowing parks and mowing leaves, winterizing park buildings, brought benches, garbage cans, and park equipment in for the winter, setting up for winter operations, building maintenance, annual training at County Safety Building, and grinding stumps.
3. Discussed boiler at Mertensia Lodge.
4. Discussed resolutions on agenda.

Town Operations Committee: Councilman Bowerman reported:

1. One resolution on agenda.
2. TAPS/Sidewalk and Trail Update. Engineer reports that it is 82% completed, waiting for delivery of the bridge.
3. FEMA – the 90-day review period continues, it ends January 11th, check town website and the burden to appeal falls on the property owners and this may result in them needing to buy flood insurance.
4. The Director of Planning and Development met with the County Agricultural Enhancement Board to meet regarding the overlay district map.
5. Parks & Recreation Update Committee -there will be a public informational meeting on November 18th at 6:30 p.m.
6. Environmental Conservation continues to work on the Open Space Index.

Town Finance Committee: Supervisor Ingalsbe reported: None.**Town Public Safety Committee: Councilman Holtz reported: None.**

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS:**Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe reported:**

1. Now that the 2025 Budget passed, he will provide a cover letter on the budget prior to posting on it on the website.
2. Highway Superintendent to provide Town Board the 284 form that lists how the 2025 highway funds will be expended, this is an annual agreement between the town and the Highway Superintendent that reflects the funds approved in the budget versus how they will be spent by the Highway Department.
3. Ontario County Economic Development Corporation met and there are two new businesses, one in Victor and one in Naples, that are looking for funds to expand their businesses.
4. "Eagle Fund" – a small business loan for Ontario County businesses with loan amounts between \$5,000 - \$25,000, low interest rate and payment terms will be 1-5 years, CNB will receive the applications and approve the loans.
5. Blood Drive was held at the Town Hall yesterday, was very successful, with 41 people donating.

Highway & Parks Superintendent Tim Ford reported:

1. Installers will be here tomorrow to start installing the playground equipment at the Pumpkin Hook Park.

Town Clerk Michelle Finley reported:

1. Officiated five weddings since last board meeting, four more within the next two weeks.
2. County Tax Collectors meeting is next Wednesday.
3. Webinar this Thursday with DocuPet.
4. Discussed printing fee for Hunting and Fishing Licenses. We can now charge \$1.00 per licenses, it is optional. To date we have issued 82 licenses. Board opted to not charge the printing fee at this time but may in the future.

Acting Water & Sewer Superintendent Robin MacDonald reported:

1. Purchasing a Plughug, it cleans fire hydrants and gets them ready to paint and can use it for snow removal.

Code Enforcement Officer Dan Delpriore reported:

1. Total Permits for October – 463, total permit inspections – 664, and total fire inspections – 9. Over 1500 permits for hail damage.
2. Drone came in today.
3. Code support in the Town of Manchester.

Director of Planning and Development Ron Brand reported:

1. Town Operations Report available on website and filed with the Town Clerk.
2. TAP project is moving along, contractor is in compliance with federal and state terms of agreement.
3. Waiting for picture on the water tower on Purdy Road.
4. Parks and Recreation meeting Monday night.
5. Attended County Agriculture Enhancement Board meeting and presented the draft Agriculture Conservation Overlay District and the draft Official Zoning Map showing the overlay sites.

Assessor Donna LaPlant reported: None.**Town Engineer Bill Davis reported:**

1. Updated on the following projects: Collett Road and Mertensia Road Watermain Replacement Project, Brickyard Road Water Tank is progressing well, working on drainage issue at Running Brook.

Fire Chief reported: None.**Planning Board Member Adrain Bellis reported:**

1. Last meeting was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum to conduct the meeting.
2. Special meeting tomorrow night for a project that needs a continuation before the next scheduled meeting on November 20th.
3. Next meeting after that – 6 lot subdivision on County Road 8 and Collett Road, final 3-lot subdivision plat on Rushmore Road, a final two lot subdivision plat along Allen Padgham Road, and a Preliminary Site Plan for a contractor on State Street, in Farmington, near the Manchester Town Line.

Zoning Board of Appeals, Thomas Yourch reported: None.**Recreation Advisory Board, Bryan Meck reported: None.****Recreation Director Mark Cain reported: None.****Ontario County Planning Board Member reported: None.****Conservation Board Chairperson reported: None.****Town Historian Donna Herendeen reported: None.****Swap Shop Update: Councilman Holtz reported: None.**

Agricultural Advisory Committee Chairman Hal Adams:

1. Attended the County Agriculture Enhancement Board meeting with Mr. Brand.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Service Order and Completion Notification from FirstLight for upgrade to Highway internet speed.
2. Letter to the Town Supervisor from Christopher Koetzle of Association of Towns. Re: 2025 Training School and Annual Meeting.
3. Memo to 2024 Joint Water Budget Members from the Town Supervisor. Re: Annual Water Meeting.
4. Letter to the Town Supervisor from BHE GT&S. Re: Natural gas pipelines.
5. Farmington GIS Task Tracking – Subdivision & Site Plans.
6. Letter to the Assessor from NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services. Re: Assessor’s Report and Assessment Roll completed in 2024.
7. Email to the Town Clerk from Ontario County. Re: Notification of Action on Property: 28.04-2-62.000 in Victor.
8. Letter to the Town Supervisor from Judge Thomas. Re: Internal Audit Services.
9. Letter to the Code Enforcement Officer from Beth Karolewski of InStream. Re: FileBound Support Agreement.
10. Letter to the Town Supervisor from Bob Snihur of Danyamark LLC Headstone & Monument Cleaning. Re: Headstone and monument cleaning.
11. Letter to the Victor Town Clerk from the Acting W&S Superintendent. Re: Designation of the Victor Town Board as Lead Agency for the Lehigh Place Planned Development District under SEQR.
12. Letter to the Victor Town Clerk from the Town Supervisor. Re: Reply to the General Municipal Law §239-nn notification, Final Subdivision Plat Public Hearing, Stone Brook Subdivision Application.
13. Email to the Town Clerk from Ontario County. Re: Notification of Action on Property: 56.02-1-4.200.
14. Letter to the Town Supervisor from Kendall Larsen of NYS DOH. Re: Public Water Supply CFWD Completed Works Approval – DiFelice Complex WM.
15. Certificates of Liability Insurance from: North Eastern Pools, Inc.; McKenna Builders, Inc.; Walworth Hardware Service, LLC; Empire Fence Co, Inc.; Seneca Stone Corporation.
16. Certificate of Workers Compensation Insurance from: Empire Fence Co., Inc.

REPORTS & MINUTES:

1. Associates in Employee Assistance Utilization Report – April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024.
2. Farmington Senior Citizens Meeting Minutes – October 7, 2024.
3. Conservation Board Meeting Minutes – September 23, 2024.
4. Victor-Farmington Volunteer Ambulance Monthly Report – October 2024.
5. Ontario County Sheriff Monthly Report – October 2024.
6. Ontario County Sheriff Traffic Report – October 2024.
7. Farmington Senior Citizens Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2024.
8. Monthly Report – Judge Lew – October 2024.
9. Monthly Report – Judge Thomas – October 2024.
10. Victor Fire Department Chief’s Report – October 2024.
11. Monthly Report – Camden Group – WWTP – October 2024.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:**RESOLUTION #385-2024:**

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Holtz**:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2025 TOWN BUDGET

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held November 12, 2024, for the 2025 Town Budget, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was advertised in the Town’s legal newspaper on November 1, 2024, now therefore be it

WHEREAS, the Town’s General and Highway tax rate will decrease by 1.97% to .686 per thousand dollars of assessed property value and the total tax levy of all funds is over the New York State Property Tax Cap by \$95,891.00 and,

WHEREAS, the Town Board nevertheless voted at its annual Organizational Meeting, held in January 2024, to override the state’s 2 percent Property Tax Cap as a precautionary measure should any errors in calculation be found subsequent to the budget’s adoption, or changes in interpretation of the state legislation occur after the Town Budget’s adoption, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Farmington Town Board adopts the 2025 Town Budget as attached, and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to furnish two copies to Ontario County along with a certified copy of this resolution adopting the budget.

All Voting “Aye” (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Herendeen, Bowerman, and Casale), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #386-2024:

Councilman Herendeen offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Holtz**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN FARMINGTON FIRE CONTRACT FOR 2025

WHEREAS, the Farmington Town Board held a public hearing on November 12, 2024, for its proposed contract for 2025 with the Farmington Volunteer Fire Association, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was advertised in the Town’s legal newspaper on November 1, 2024, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Farmington Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached contract in the amount of \$791,131.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward two copies of the signed agreement to the attention of the President at the fire department and provide copies to the Accountant I and the Supervisor's Office.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Herendeen, Bowerman, and Casale), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION 387-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN MANCHESTER FIRE CONTRACT FOR 2025

WHEREAS, the Farmington Town Board held a public hearing on November 12, 2024, for its proposed contract for 2025 with the Manchester Fire Department, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was advertised in the Town's legal newspaper on November 1, 2024, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Farmington Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached contract in the amount of \$71,142.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward two copies of the signed agreement to the attention of the Chief at the fire department and provide copies to the Accountant I and the Supervisor's Office.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #388-2024:

Councilman Bowerman offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Holtz**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN SHORTSVILLE FIRE CONTRACT FOR 2025-2027

WHEREAS, the Farmington Town Board held a public hearing on November 12, 2024, for its proposed contract for 2025-2027 with the Shortsville Fire Department, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was advertised in the Town's legal newspaper on November 1, 2024, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Farmington Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached contract, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward two copies of the signed agreement to the attention of the Chief at the fire department and provide copies to the Accountant I and the Supervisor's Office.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #389-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Herendeen**:

RESOLUTION DECLARING MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT FROM THE TOWN SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE AS SURPLUS SO IT MAY BE DISPOSED OF AT AUCTION OR DISCARDED

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor's Office has asked that the following items be declared surplus so that they may be disposed of and/or discarded

One (1) Dayton Storage Cabinet – Inventory #897
Five (5) Blue Conference Room Chairs
Whirlwind AV Equipment
Panasonic Omnivision TV
Panasonic KXB520 Electronic Print Board
Two (2) Keyboards (1 Verbatim, 1 LogiTech)
One (1) Epson C88 Printer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes that miscellaneous equipment from the Town Supervisor's Office be declared surplus and disposed of and/or discarded, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward copies of this Resolution to the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #390-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION RESCHEDULING THE DECEMBER 24th, 2024 TOWN BOARD MEETING

WHEREAS, Christmas Eve falls on a normally scheduled Town Board meeting date, December 24th, 2024, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the meeting of December 24th, 2024 at the Town Hall is rescheduled to Monday, December 23rd, 2024 – the day before - at 6 p.m. at the same location, and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk provide copies of this resolution to Town Department Heads the Town's legal newspaper. All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #391-2024:

Councilman Bowerman offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Herendeen**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR FOR OCTOBER 2024

WHEREAS, Town Law states the Town Board must approve/reject the Supervisor's Monthly Report, and

WHEREAS, the Accountant I submitted the Monthly Report of the Supervisor for October 2024 to the Town Supervisor on November 1, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor approved and executed the Monthly Report of the Supervisor for October 2024 on November 1, 2024,

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor submitted said Monthly Report to the Town Board for approval via email, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the Monthly Report of the Supervisor for October 2024, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk give a copy of this resolution to the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #392-2024:

Councilman Holtz offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Casale**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIGHWAY/PARKS SUPERINTENDENT TO FILL ONE (1) POSITION IN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Highway/Parks Superintendent has a vacant MEO position in the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the Highway/Parks Superintendent has interviewed Sean Murphy and found him to be a qualified candidate; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Highway/Parks Superintendent to fill one (1) vacant MEO position with a start date of November 18th, 2024 at a rate of \$23.50 per hour; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward copies of this Resolution to the Highway/Parks Superintendent, Accountant I, and the Supervisor's Office.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #393-2024:

Councilman Holtz offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Herendeen**:

RESOLUTION TO PAY SIEWERT EQUIPMENT FOR REPAIR OF A T-10 PUMP AT PS-6 PUMP STATION AT 6502 PLASTER MILL RD. VICTOR NY

WHEREAS, The Water and Sewer Superintendent has identified the need to repair said T-10 Pump, and

WHEREAS, The Water and Sewer Superintendent has received a Repair Proposal for said T-10 in the amount of \$5,831.00; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmington Town Board authorizes the Water and Sewer Superintendent to pay this bill for parts and labor at cost not to exceed \$5,831.00 from account codes SS8130.4V with a reimbursement of half of the invoice from the Town of Victor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be supplied from the Town Clerk to the Acting Water and Sewer Superintendent, and the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Bowerman, Holtz, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #394-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

CONFIRMING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO KOESTER ASSOCIATES FOR A GS6 ROTATING ASSEMBLY AND DELIVERY FOR PS-11 EMERGENCY REPAIR

WHEREAS, the Water and Sewer Superintendent has recognized the need for the mentioned repair as there is currently only one functional pump at PS 11; and

WHEREAS, the quote from Koester for the emergency repair includes a direct replacement assembly for the 6" GR Super T pump and shipping at a cost not to exceed of \$ 4,478.14; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the funds will be expensed from the 2024 budget from code SS8120.4V; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk provides a copy of this resolution to the Acting Water/Sewer Superintendent, the Town of Victor, and the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Bowerman, Holtz, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #395-2024:

Councilman Bowerman offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Casale**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIGHWAY/PARKS SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM CROSBY BROWNLIE FOR REPLACEMENT OF BOILER AT MERTENSIA LODGE

WHEREAS, the Highway/Parks Superintendent has identified the need to replace the boiler at Mertensia Lodge; and

WHEREAS, the Highway/Parks Superintendent requested quotes from Crosby Brownlie (\$8,551.00), Landry Mechanical Contractors (\$8,800.00) and Emcore, who did not reply; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Highway/Parks Superintendent to accept the Proposal from Crosby Brownlie for the replacement of the boiler at Mertensia Lodge at a cost not to exceed \$8,551.00 to be expended from A1620.2; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward copies of this Resolution to the Highway/Parks Superintendent and the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #396-2024:

Councilman Bowerman offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Herendeen**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT REGARDING COOPERATION TO COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL PHASE II STORMWATER REGULATION IN ONTARIO AND WAYNE COUNTIES

WHEREAS, Ontario-Wayne Stormwater Coalition has supplied the Town with an Intermunicipal Agreement regarding cooperation to comply with the Federal Phase II Stormwater Regulation in Ontario and Wayne Counties, and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall be from February 1 2025- January 31, 2030 and the Membership Fee will be \$5,000.00 annual, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Farmington authorized the Town Supervisor to sign an Intermunicipal Agreement for regarding cooperation to comply with the Federal Phase II Stormwater Regulation in Ontario and Wayne Counties, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk supply a copy of this resolution and agreement to the Supervisor's Office and send the executed original agreement to Diana Thorn at the Ontario-Wayne Stormwater Coalition, 480 North Main Street, Canandaigua, NY 14424 and the building department.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #397-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND HIGHWAY FUND

WHEREAS, the following budget amendments are needed to cover expenditures,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Farmington hereby authorizes the following budget amendments:

Debit: A3089 State Aid	\$2,500	
Debit: A2001 Park & Rec Charges	\$8,600	
Debit: A2590 Permits	\$5,000	
Credit: A1620.2 Buildings Equipment		\$8,600
Credit: A1930.4 Judgements & Claims		\$2,500
Credit: A5132.4 Garage Contractual		\$5,000
Debit: DA5142.1 Snow Removal Personnel Services	\$75,600	
Debit: DA5120.1 Bridges Personnel Services	\$5,000	
Credit: DA5110.1 General Repairs Personnel Services		\$75,000
Credit: DA5110.11 Seasonal		\$600
Credit: DA5140.1 Brush Personnel		\$5,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be submitted by the Town Clerk to the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #398-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE SEWER FUNDS

WHEREAS, budget amendments are needed in contractual expense lines,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Farmington hereby authorizes the following budget amendments:

Debit: SS2401B Interest & Earnings	\$18,000	
Debit: SS2401Q Interest & Earnings	\$5,000	
Debit: SS8130.2 Equipment	\$75,000	
Credit: SS8120.44 Engineering		\$9,000
Credit: SS8120.44V Engineering		\$9,000
Credit: SS8130.4 Contractual		\$75,000
Credit: SS8130.461 Engineering		\$5,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be submitted by the Town Clerk to the Accountant I and the Water and Sewer Department.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #399-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Bowerman**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE LIGHTING FUND

WHEREAS, an invoice has been received from P&CG for repairs to a pole on Elizabeth way

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Farmington hereby authorizes the following budget amendment:

From: SL1-599 Appropriated Fund Bal	\$300	
To: SL1-5182.561 Pole Contractual		\$300

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be submitted by the Town Clerk to the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Ingalsbe, Holtz, Bowerman, Casale and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

RESOLUTION #400-2024:

Councilman Casale offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Holtz**:

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A	GENERAL FUND	52,445.15	1982-1993,1995-2009,2011-2016,2018,2019,2021-2025, 2027-2030,2033-2038,2093,2095
DA	HIGHWAY FUND	16,405.50	1981,2001,2006,2013,2034,2040-2053
HK	SIDEWALK CAP PROJ	1,440.00	2094
HT	TOWN HALL CAP PROJ	573.00	2031
HW	WATER TANK REPAIR	2,500.01	2032
HY	RT 332 & COLLETT	0	
HZ	TOWNLIN CAP PROJ	0	
SD	STORM DRAINAGE	394.76	2006,2054,2086
SL1	LIGHTING DISTRICT	1,775.79	2020,2024
SM	SIDEWALKS	159.00	2010
SS	SEWER DISTRICT	95,623.99	1997,2006,2019,2034-2035,2037,2055-2087
SW1	WATER DISTRICT	29,087.03	1997,2006,2019,2034-2035,2056,2057,2064,2066,2067, 2069-2072,2077,2079,2080,2082,2085-2092
TA200	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS(TA85UNI,TA20,TA20D,TA86)	97.64	1994,2017,2026,2033
	TOTAL ABSTRACT	\$ 200,501.87	

All Voting "Aye" (Holtz, Ingalsbe, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

WAIVER OF THE RULE: No Objections

RESOLUTION #401-2024:

Councilman Herendeen offered the following Resolution, seconded by **Councilman Holtz**:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BADGER ENCODERS AND ENDPOINTS FROM SCHMIDT'S WHOLESALE, INC.

WHEREAS, the Water & Sewer Department has identified a need to replace encoders and endpoints; and

WHEREAS, a quote was received from Schmidt's Wholesale Inc. for Badger encoders and endpoints in the amount of \$64,502.39; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of Badger encoders and endpoints from Schmidt's Wholesale Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$64,502.39 with the following budget amendment:

From: SW1-599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$64,502.39	
To: SW1-8340.1	Trans & Dist – CE – Meters		\$64,502.39

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk forward copies of this Resolution to the Highway/Parks Superintendent and the Accountant I.

All Voting "Aye" (Holtz, Ingalsbe, Bowerman, Casale, and Herendeen), the Resolution was **CARRIED**.

DISCUSSION: None.

TRAINING AT OR UNDER \$100.00:

1. Dan Delpriore, Augie Gordner, John Hargather, Cadin Lloyd, Paula Ruthven to attend “End of the Year” NYUS Code Official Training Certified Classes by YOBO (Yates Ontario Building Officials) on November 21st, 2024 at Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack at a cost not to exceed \$50.00 per person.
2. Dave Orians to attend the 2024 Finger Lakes Water Works Conference December Meeting on Tuesday, December 3rd at a cost not to exceed \$35.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilman Casale made a motion to enter into executive session at 8:02 p.m. to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation, **Councilman Bowerman** seconded the motion, motion **CARRIED**.

Councilman Casale made a motion to exit executive session at 8:35 p.m., **Councilman Bowerman** seconded the motion, motion **CARRIED**.

With no further business before the Board, **Councilman Herendeen** offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m., seconded by **Councilman Holtz**. Motion **CARRIED**.

Michelle A. Finley, MMC, RMC -Town Clerk