A Re-organizational/Regular Meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on January 13, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Charles Oldick; Town Justice; Legislator, Dennis Korce; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Jesse Bucenec, Scott Todd, Gwen Gulley; Town residents, David George, Brittany Cotton Rick.

- Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

- Oath of office cards and code of ethics were signed.

RESOLUTION #1
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:

Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

- Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

- Highway Superintendent Cotton addressed the board, stating that he had a question, which was mainly for Clerk Regan. Superintendent Cotton questioned why Supervisor Marhaver’s statement about not allowing swearing at any future meetings didn’t make the minutes.

  Clerk Regan responded that the minutes were revised and the statement was added. Clerk Regan stated that the statement is there and that she would get him a copy of the minutes tomorrow.

- Legislator Korce addressed the board regarding the town’s interest in having work done to the Town’s portion of the Canal Trail, stating that grant money is available for such if the town is interested in pursuing this matter. Legislator Korce asked if the town would be interested in meeting with the Canal Trail committee to discuss this matter.

  Supervisor Marhaver stated that he is interested; however, the committee’s meetings are always held during the middle of the day which he can’t make at that time. Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town may be interested in this and that he would attend a meeting if one could be held early in the morning or late in the afternoon.

  Legislator Korce stated that he would contact the committee chairman and see if a meeting could be arranged to meet Supervisor Marhaver’s schedule.
- Supervisor Marhaver reported:
  - that there is a form that needs to be completed regarding the property tax cap for 2013/2014 that needs to be filled out and that the town is within the $1,000 figure, which is where we are supposed to be.
  - that the town ended the year approximately $25,000 under budget, that the end of the year looked good, and that we are close to where we should be.
  - that he has submitted his monthly report for the board’s review and approval.

RESOLUTION #2
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.

- Supervisor Marhaver reported that review of official’s records for last year has to be done and approved.

- Clerk Regan reported that her records for 2014 are complete and ready for approval. That she is submitting them tonight for review if anyone is interested in doing so, and that Councilman Klock has already reviewed and audited them.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that he and Justice Oldick will work on completing their 2014 records and will have them audited and ready for final approval at next month’s meeting.

- Supervisor Marhaver reported:
  - that Read’s will be doing the Town’s Annual Financial Report.
  - that a letter of request for the Town’s annual $100 donation to the Environthon had been received.
  - that Dr. Anthony Piana will be resigning as Health Officer for the Town, so if anyone knows of anyone that may be interested in the position to please let him know.

RESOLUTION #3
Environthon Donation

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver Aye
Councilman Beadle Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, on behalf of the Town of Little Falls, hereby approves of a donation of $100.00 to the Herkimer County Environthon.
RESOLUTION #4
Approval & Audit of Town Clerk End of Year Records

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was
ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

WHEREAS, Councilman Klock has examined the Records of the Town Clerk, and have, to the
best of his ability found them to be correct,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby accept as correct the
reports and records of the Town Clerk as presented.

RESOLUTION #5
Designated Banks

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following
resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that the following be designated the Official Depositories for the Year 2015: M&T
Bank for the Highway Fund, General Fund, and Trust and Agency Fund and Adirondack Bank
for Special Funds.

RESOLUTION #6
Designated Official Newspaper

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock the following resolution was
ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that the Little Falls Evening Times hereby be designated the Official Newspaper
for all necessary notices and advertisements.
RE-ORGANIZATIONAL/REGULAR MEETING TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, JANUARY 13, 2015-CONT.

RESOLUTION #7
Designation of Second Tuesday of the Month for Regular Town Board Meetings

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Gehring the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye  
Councilman Beadle  Aye  
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye  
Councilman Klock  Aye  
Councilman Gehring  Aye  

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby designates the Second (2nd) Tuesday of the month for the regular Town board meetings.

RESOLUTION #8
Re-imbursement For Travel

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye  
Councilman Beadle  Aye  
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye  
Councilman Klock  Aye  
Councilman Gehring  Aye  

RESOLVED that the reimbursement for travel by Town Officials and Employees, while on Town business, be at a rate of $.55 per mile.

RESOLUTION #9
Supervisor Authorization To Deposit Idle Monies

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Klock the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye  
Councilman Beadle  Aye  
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye  
Councilman Klock  Aye  
Councilman Gehring  Aye  

RESOLVED that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to deposit idle Town Monies in investments with the designated banks until needed as outlined in the Investment Policy of the Town of Little Falls.
RESOLUTION #10
Superintendent Authorized to Purchase Tools and Equipment

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Supervisor Marhaver, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye

RESOLVED that the Highway Superintendent be authorized to purchase tools and equipment not exceeding $2,000 without the prior approval of the Town Board.

RESOLUTION #11-A
One Year Appointments

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye

RESOLVED that the following appointments are hereby made for the term of 1 year beginning January 1, 2015:

Court Clerk-Dale Oldick
Budget Officer-Brian Marhaver
Deputy Town Clerk-Michael Regan
Dog Control Officer-Larry Ortlieb
Cleaner-Sylvia George
Town Historian-Linda Comstock
Deputy Tax Collector-John Sagatis
Codes Enforcement Officer-Philip Green
Deputy Supervisor-Eric Gehring

RESOLUTION #11-B
Yearly Salaries

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye
(Resolution #11-cont.)

RESOLVED that the salaries of the following appointed Town of Little Falls Officials for the year 2015 are as follows and do not exceed the amounts appropriated in the 2014 Town Budget:

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-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report: None

-Justice Report:
  Justice Oldick reported that all is going well, that he has been busy and has been giving thought to bringing on an assistant court clerk to help with filing, running around and looking up things. Justice Oldick stated that he is currently paying a person on his own to do this.

-Planning Board Report:
  Chairman Canastar addressed the board stating that the planning board has worked over a year on the Town’s Site Plan Law and that they have finalized and approved an amended Law for the board’s consideration. Chairman Canastar reported that three changes that had been made to the copies that town board had been recently emailed. Chairman Canastar detailed these changes.

  Attorney Macri stated that he had reviewed the proposed law and that he was fine with it. The town board had no objections to the new site plan law, moved to hold a public hearing on such and thanked the Planning Board for their work on the law.

RESOLUTION #12
Town Board Approval to Repeal Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2010 and Accept and Approve Proposed Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015
On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

- Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
- Councilman Beadle  Aye
- Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
- Councilman Klock  Aye
- Councilman Gehring  Aye

WHEREAS, the Town Board, of the Town of Little Falls, directed the Town Planning Board to review and revise the Town of Little Falls’ Site Plan Local Law #1 of 2010 to specifically meet the needs of the Town of Little Falls, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, of the Town of Little Falls, have reviewed and revised Site Plan Local Law, and presented the Town Board with amended Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Town Attorney, of the Town of Little Falls, have reviewed proposed Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015, as submitted by the Town Planning Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts and approves proposed Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon passage of Proposed Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015, Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2014 hereby be repealed and replaced with Site Plan Review Local Law #1-2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby schedules a public hearing to be held on such, with said public hearing to be held on February 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall and directs the Town Clerk to advertise said hearing, at her discretion, in the Evening Times Newspaper.

- Chairman Canastar thanked the Planning Board for their time and hard work on the law.

- Supervisor Marhaver reported that Planning Board Members, Chairman Canastar, Vice Chairwoman Cobb and Secretary Regan were re-appointed to their positions during the last Planning Board meeting.

- Dog Control Officer Report: None

- Legislator, Dennis Korce, addressed the board, stating that the minimum wage increase has hit the Humane Society hard. That they wanted to raise the town’s sheltering fees this year but he advised them to hold off doing so, to allow towns to plan for an increase in their budgets. Legislator Korce stated that the town will get a notice of an increase in July to allow the town to budget for this.
-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that NYMIR came to do an inspection and that he was told that the boilers need to be inspected. Discussion was held on this with the board directing Superintendent Cotton to go ahead and have this done.

-Attorney Report:
  Attorney Macri reported that he had spoken with High School, Attorney Mark Rose, and that Attorney Rose had stated that he was having some trouble with some descriptions but would forward the official documents as soon as they were available. Attorney Macri stated that he anticipates the documents coming soon and that he will get them to the town clerk when received.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported:
  - that re-appointments for George Keyser and Robert Stapf were needed. The board approved.
  -that the County’s deer depredation resolution is in effect.

RESOLUTION #13
Re-Appointment, George Keyser, to the Board of Assessment and Review

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver Aye
Councilman Beadle Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that George Keyser hereby be re-appointed to the Town’s Board of Assessment and Review for a five year term retroactive from 10/01/2014-09/30/2019.

RESOLUTION #14
Re-Appointment, Robert Stapf, to the Board of Appeals

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver Aye
Councilman Beadle Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that Robert Stapf hereby be re-appointed to the Town’s Board of Appeals for a five year term effective 01/01/2015-12/31/19.

-Councilman Beadle stated that a letter had been received by the town board regarding a personnel matter and that he would like to enter into an executive session to discuss this.
RE-ORGANIZATIONAL/REGULAR MEETING TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, JANUARY 13, 2015-CONT.

RESOLUTION #15
Executive Session-Discuss Personnel Matter

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

- Regular meeting recessed at 7:42 p.m.
- Executive session commences at 7:42 p.m.
- Executive session ends at 7:52 p.m.
- Regular meeting resumes at 7:52 p.m.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that there was no action during the session and the matter discussed is declared a non-issue.

-Meeting recessed at 7:52 p.m. to audit the bills.
- Meeting resumed at 8:15 p.m.

RESOLUTION #16
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #1-15 in the amount of $6,278.72 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #17
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #1-20, in the amount of $28,439.29, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on February 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.-Councilmen Klock, Beadle

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A Special meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Jesse Bucenec, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consult, George Bunk; NYS Canal Corporation Trail Director, John Dimura; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith, David Schwasnick and James Stegich, approximately ten members from the East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting.

-NYS Canal Corporation Trail Director, John Dimura, gave a presentation on the canal trail stating that the trail will be 360 miles when completed and that 280 miles is now complete. Mr. Dimura stated that the trail offers multiple uses from hiking and biking to cross-country skiing and that trail surfaces consist of stone dust, gravel and asphalt.

Mr. Dimura stated that the Little Falls section from Rte 167 to Amsterdam, the section from Herkimer/Mohawk to the Fort Herkimer Church and the section from Lock 18 to Rte 167 are complete.

Mr. Dimura stated that there are some issues involved in the town’s portion by the Stegich property that would need backfill, fencing and railings; by the Schwasnick farm, backfill, embankments, railing, and gates for farm crossing; and that work would have to be done to a bridge in the area.

Mr. Dimura explained that a Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) will be available, and that details of this will be provided when they become available. Mr. Dimura explained that CFA funding can be utilized with in-house forces or by contract, adding, that considerable savings can be gained when using the in-house option. Mr. Dimura stated that if the town was to sponsor an application, the town is in a good position since the town’s portion has already been designed and evaluated.

Mr. Dimura stated that there is a gap of about 60 miles left and the cost to complete this is estimated at five million dollars and that the estimated maintenance per mile is $1,500.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned if it was a straight grant or a matching grant. Mr. Dimura stated that it is a 50% matching grant and that maintenance is the responsibility of the municipality.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town cannot afford this with the budget we have. Mr. Dimura stated that using the in-house option is more cost effective.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town doesn’t have that kind of a budget nor do we have the manpower to do or to maintain this.

Supervisor Marhaver asked if the town’s primary maintenance responsible was to mow it and asked who would fix the trail surface when needed.

Mr. Dimura stated that the town would be responsible to keep the trail mowed and fix the trail surface when needed, adding, that if asphalt was used, it usually lasts 20 years or so.
Resident, David Schwasnick said that there is flooding in his area that could affect any surface, especially if there was a flooding like there’s been.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town only has a three guy workforce and that they are too busy in the summer to mow it, adding, that the town could hire it done, but then you have the expenses involved with part-time laborers.

Mr. Dimura stated that the Canal Corporation in conjunction with the Office of Parks & Recreation might be programmed to maintain the trail.

Supervisor Marhaver asked what anyone thoughts were on this.

Councilman Schwasnick stated that he doesn’t see why they can’t jump around like they have in other areas and stay away from his and his cousin’s farm, and why they can’t use the old towpath.

Mr. Dimura stated that the old towpath is owned by National Grid, but there is a transportation reservation, which allows transportation on the trail, but utility and gas lines are a concern.

Legislator Korce questioned if the design could be relooked to perhaps satisfy everyone involved. Mr. Dimura stated that they could, but that the design they have is ready to go, as far as a grant submission.

Discussion was held on whether or not the town could deviate from the design once it’s been submitted on the application. It was decided that this would have to be researched prior to any application submission.

Legislator Korce stated that the design is from 2006 and thinks perhaps the design needs to be revalued.

Mr. Dimura stated that being that the design is now 10 years old, it would probably be relooked at. Mr. Dimura was asked how this happens. Mr. Dimura stated that if the town was to pursue this, somebody would take our plans and work on them.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that due to a scheduled public hearing, this meeting has to end. Supervisor Marhaver thanked Mr. Dimura for his attendance and his presentation.

Legislator Korce stated that he has contact information if the board is interested in pursuing this matter.

There were no further comments.

-Supervisor Marhaver closed the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A Public Hearing of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwarsnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Jesse Bucenec, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith, David Schwarsnick and James Stegich, approximately ten members from the East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

Notice of the hearing was published in the Evening Times Newspaper on January 23, 2015.

Supervisor Marhaver called the hearing to order.

Planning Board Chairman Canastar, addressed those present, stating that the planning board had worked on revising the Site Plan Law for over a year and with the help of Consulting Engineer Bunk, has presented the revised law for consideration.

Members of the snowmobile club questioned if there were copies of the law to look at. Clerk Regan responded that a copy was given to Mr. Davis and that she did have a couple of copies she could give out and would make more if needed.

The snowmobile club questioned why a new law was being adopted and asked what was wrong with the old one.

Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk, stated that he tried to make the law more functionable, easier to work with, and believes it to be a good tool for the town to use.

Planning Board Chairman Canastar stated that the planning board had also come up with an application and a checklist to be used in conjunction with the site plan law process.

The snowmobile club asked for and was given copies of both the application and checklist.

Snowmobile Club member, Dan Curney, stated that they didn’t know about this until tonight and questioned what the process was and what the time frame was for this matter.

Clerk Regan stated that the notice was published in the Evening Times on January 23rd. Attorney Macri stated that the proposed Law was presented to the board and this hearing was scheduled. After this hearing, the board can choose whether or not to adopt the law.
The snowmobile club asked if all the changes are outlined. Supervisor Marhaver stated they were not. Councilman Schwasnick stated that perhaps they should be.

The snowmobile club asked how they could know what changes were made. Clerk Regan stated that the old law is on the town’s website for comparison.

Snowmobile Club Member, Dan Curney, stated, although the notice was in the paper on the 23rd, they didn’t find out about this until tonight and haven’t had time to look over the law. Mr. Curney asked that the board consider giving them time to review the law before they adopt it.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the procedures were followed, everyone did what they were supposed to do, and the board can adopt the law tonight.

Councilman Beadle stated that he doesn’t see what the rush is, that he thinks this can wait another month, and feels that the club should be given time to review the law.

Planning Board Chairwomen, Cobb, stated that the reason for the planning board wanting to have the Law adopted now, was to have it done by spring, when building activity begins.

There were no more comments.

All those desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Regan
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, immediately following the public hearing on Local Law #1-2015, commencing at 7:12 p.m. with the following members present:

Present:  Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring  

Others Present:  Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith and James Stegich; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #18
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0  

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Laura Noble, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill, addressed the Board stating that she intends to re-open the Old Shumaker Mountain lodge under the name outskirts Bar & Grill and asked the board for permission to open her business.

   Clerk Regan stated that she had received Mrs. Noble’s notice of her application for a liquor license and that the town board isn’t the one that approves the license or the opening of the business. Clerk Regan stated that since Mrs. Nobile is opening a business, she needs to meet with the Planning Board, and having spoken to Mrs. Nobile on the phone about this, she and the Planning had expected her at last week’s Planning Board meeting.

   Supervisor Marhaver stated he had received a letter of intent from Mrs. Noble and that she doesn’t have to do anything. Clerk Regan stated that she should meet with the Planning Board so there is a record that she’s done so.

   Clerk Regan explained that her responsibility, as Town Clerk, is to inform the board of any notice received of someone’s intent to apply or renew a liquor license, which she had planned on doing later in the meeting. This gives the board notice that this is being proposed and allows the board to comment on such if they desire.
Supervisor Marhaver questioned if there was any comments from the board. The board asked Mrs. Nobile if the lodge had been opened. Mrs. Nobile replied that it has not been open for a few months now. The board questioned if there was any new construction. Mrs. Nobile stated that there was none. The board informed Mrs. Nobile that she should contact Codes Enforcer Green in case any inspections were needed, that had no problem with her opening the lodge, and that they wish her good luck.

There were no further comments.

Mrs. Nobile thanked the board and left the meeting.

-There were no further comments from the floor.

-Supervisor Marhaver Reported:
- that he has submitted his monthly report for the board’s review;
- that the county tax check has been received as well as one check from CHIPS

RESOLUTION #19
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that review of his and Justice Oldick’s 2014 records were submitted and audited by Councilman Klock and that Read’s Financial will be doing a complete review of his books to make sure everything is being done correctly.

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Supervisor Marhaver stated that he more information will be coming on these matters.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he has received documents pertaining to the power line extension project.

-Assessor Report: None
-Codes Enforcer Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that Codes Enforcer Green was unable to make tonight’s meeting but wants it reported that his 2014 records have been turned into the state and are on time.

-Justice Report: None

-Planning Board Report:
  Chairman Canastar reported that the planning board has discussed working on a comprehensive plan which would lead to zoning.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that the many people he has spoken don’t want zoning in this town.
  Chairman Canastar stated that he personally thinks zoning is the right way to go.

-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that he has spoken with Health Officer Piana, who has stated that he is going to resign as health officer, but that he hasn’t formally done so yet and that Dr. Piana has asked if the town has found a replacement yet.
  Discussion was held on asking residential physicians if they would be interested in the position. Supervisor Marhaver will look into what physicians are in the town.

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that in regards to passage of the Site Plan Law, the board accepts the law as proposed, and to allow the snowmobile club time to review the proposed law, tables any decision on its passage until next month’s meeting.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that the state’s report on the town’s website wasn’t very good so, as recommended, he’s had the budget, the town’s procurement policy and the highway department’s union contract added to the website.

-Dog Control Officer Report: None

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that Highway Employee Korce, had an accident with a plow. Employee Korce explained that it happened at the intersection of Rte 170 and Yellow Church Road, explaining that while he was clearing snow, the plow went off the side of the road into a ditch, which caused no damage to the side of the truck, but banged up the sand box a bit.
  Highway Superintendent Cotton stated that while the plow was being towed out, some springs and parts broke.
  The board questioned what the cost of the damage was. Superintendent stated that it’s around $4,400 and questioned if the board wants to pay this or turn it into insurance.
  Discussion was held on this matter with the board deciding to have Supervisor Marhaver contact the insurance agent to see if this claim would raise the premium or not and to make a decision based on this finding.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan stated that the issue of the liquor license application notice had already been addressed, that she had nothing else to report.
- Attorney Macri reported that he had received the deed for High School Road from Attorney Rose which needs to be signed by Supervisor Marhaver. Attorney Macri stated that the deed would be filed and a copy given to Clerk.

- Supervisor Marhaver reported that he had asked the School about slurring the road and was told that although it was talked about, it was never committed to, will most likely not be done, and apologize for the misunderstanding.

  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town will have to clean out a couple of culverts and will most likely have to buy a few speed limit signs.

- Justice Oldick entered the meeting and reported that he had nothing to report other than he has been busy and that his 2014 records are complete and have been audited by Councilman Klock and are ready for approval.

RESOLUTION #20
Approval & Audit of Town Supervisor and Town Justice End of Year Records

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye

WHEREAS, Councilman Klock has examined the Records of the Town Supervisor and Town Justice, and have, to the best of his ability found them to be correct,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby accept as correct the reports and records of the Town Supervisor and Town Justice as presented.

-Meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 8:01 p.m.

RESOLUTION #21
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:

Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #16-29 in the amount of $2,663.43 hereby be paid.
RESOLUTION #22
Payment of Highway Bills
On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0
RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #21-36, in the amount of $56,010.77, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on March 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.-Councilmen Schwasnick, Supervisor Marhaver

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A Special meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Jesse Bucenec, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consult, George Bunk; NYS Canal Corporation Trail Director, John Dimura; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith, David Schwasnick and James Stegich, approximately ten members from the East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting.

-NYS Canal Corporation Trail Director, John Dimura, gave a presentation on the canal trail stating that the trail will be 360 miles when completed and that 280 miles is now complete. Mr. Dimura stated that the trail offers multiple uses from hiking and biking to cross-country skiing and that trail surfaces consist of stone dust, gravel and asphalt.

Mr. Dimura stated that the Little Falls section from Rte 167 to Amsterdam, the section from Herkimer/Mohawk to the Fort Herkimer Church and the section from Lock 18 to Rte 167 are complete.

Mr. Dimura stated that there are some issues involved in the town’s portion by the Stegich property that would need backfill, fencing and railings; by the Schwasnick farm, backfill, embankments, railing, and gates for farm crossing; and that work would have to be done to a bridge in the area.

Mr. Dimura explained that a Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) will be available, and that details of this will be provided when they become available. Mr. Dimura explained that CFA funding can be utilized with in-house forces or by contract, adding, that considerable savings can be gained when using the in-house option. Mr. Dimura stated that if the town was to sponsor an application, the town is in a good position since the town’s portion has already been designed and evaluated.

Mr. Dimura stated that there is a gap of about 60 miles left and the cost to complete this is estimated at five million dollars and that the estimated maintenance per mile is $1,500.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned if it was a straight grant or a matching grant. Mr. Dimura stated that it is a 50% matching grant and that maintenance is the responsibility of the municipality. Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town cannot afford this with the budget we have. Mr. Dimura stated that using the in-house option is more cost effective.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town doesn’t have that kind of a budget nor do we have the manpower to do or to maintain this.

Supervisor Marhaver asked if the town’s primary maintenance responsible was to mow it and asked who would fix the trail surface when needed.

Mr. Dimura stated that the town would be responsible to keep the trail mowed and fix the trail surface when needed, adding, that if asphalt was used, it usually lasts 20 years or so.
Resident, David Schwasnick said that there is flooding in his area that could affect any surface, especially if there was a flooding like there’s been.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town only has a three guy workforce and that they are too busy in the summer to mow it, adding, that the town could hire it done, but then you have the expenses involved with part-time laborers.

Mr. Dimura stated that the Canal Corporation in conjunction with the Office of Parks & Recreation might be programmed to maintain the trail.

Supervisor Marhaver asked what anyone thoughts were on this.

Councilman Schwasnick stated that he doesn’t see why they can’t jump around like they have in other areas and stay away from his and his cousin’s farm, and why they can’t use the old towpath.

Mr. Dimura stated that the old towpath is owned by National Grid, but there is a transportation reservation, which allows transportation on the trail, but utility and gas lines are a concern.

Legislator Korce questioned if the design could be relooked to perhaps satisfy everyone involved. Mr. Dimura stated that they could, but that the design they have is ready to go, as far as a grant submission.

Discussion was held on whether or not the town could deviate from the design once it’s been submitted on the application. It was decided that this would have to be researched prior to any application submission.

Legislator Korce stated that the design is from 2006 and thinks perhaps the design needs to be revalued.

Mr. Dimura stated that being that the design is now 10 years old, it would probably be relooked at. Mr. Dimura was asked how this happens. Mr. Dimura stated that if the town was to pursue this, somebody would take our plans and work on them.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that due to a scheduled public hearing, this meeting has to end. Supervisor Marhaver thanked Mr. Dimura for his attendance and his presentation.

Legislator Korce stated that he has contact information if the board is interested in pursuing this matter.

There were no further comments.

-Supervisor Marhaver closed the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
PUBLIC HEARING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, FEBRUARY 10, 2015-LOCAL LAW #1-2015

A Public Hearing of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Jesse Bucenec, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith, David Schwasnick and James Stegich, approximately ten members from the East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

-Notice of the hearing was published in the Evening Times Newspaper on January 23, 2015.

- Supervisor Marhaver called the hearing to order.

-Planning Board Chairman Canastar, addressed those present, stating that the planning board had worked on revising the Site Plan Law for over a year and with the help of Consulting Engineer Bunk, has presented the revised law for consideration.

-Members of the snowmobile club questioned if there were copies of the law to look at. Clerk Regan responded that a copy was given to Mr. Davis and that she did have a couple of copies she could give out and would make more if needed.

-The snowmobile club questioned why a new law was being adopted and asked what was wrong with the old one.

-Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk, stated that he tried to make the law more functionable, easier to work with, and believes it to be a good tool for the town to use.

-Planning Board Chairman Canastar stated that the planning board had also come up with an application and a checklist to be used in conjunction with the site plan law process.

-The snowmobile club asked for and was given copies of both the application and checklist.

-Snowmobile Club member, Dan Curney, stated that they didn’t know about this until tonight and questioned what the process was and what the time frame was for this matter.

Clerk Regan stated that the notice was published in the Evening Times on January 23rd. Attorney Macri stated that the proposed Law was presented to the board and this hearing was scheduled. After this hearing, the board can choose whether or not to adopt the law.
The snowmobile club asked if all the changes are outlined.
Supervisor Marhaver stated they were not. Councilman Schwasnick stated that perhaps they should be.
The snowmobile club asked how they could know what changes were made. Clerk Regan stated that the old law is on the town’s website for comparison.

-Snowmobile Club Member, Dan Curney, stated, although the notice was in the paper on the 23rd, they didn’t find out about this until tonight and haven’t had time to look over the law. Mr. Curney asked that the board consider giving them time to review the law before they adopt it.

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that the procedures were followed, everyone did what they were supposed to do, and the board can adopt the law tonight.

-Councilman Beadle stated that he doesn’t see what the rush is, that he thinks this can wait another month, and feels that the club should be given time to review the law.

-Planning Board Chairwomen, Cobb, stated that the reason for the planning board wanting to have the Law adopted now, was to have it done by spring, when building activity begins.

-There were no more comments.

-All those desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on February 10, 2015 at the town hall, immediately following the public hearing on Local Law #1-2015, commencing at 7:12 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Planning Board Members Tom Canastar, Elaine Cobb, Scott Todd; Planning Board Engineer Consultant, George Bunk; County Legislator, Dennis Korce; Town residents, Rick Smith and James Stegich; Lora Lee Nobile, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #18
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Laura Noble, operator of Outskirts Bar & Grill, addressed the Board stating that she intends to re-open the Old Shumaker Mountain lodge under the name outskirts Bar & Grill and asked the board for permission to open her business.

   Clerk Regan stated that she had received Mrs. Noble’s notice of her application for a liquor license and that the town board isn’t the one that approves the license or the opening of the business. Clerk Regan stated that since Mrs. Nobile is opening a business, she needs to meet with the Planning Board, and having spoken to Mrs. Nobile on the phone about this, she and the Planning had expected her at last week’s Planning Board meeting.

   Supervisor Marhaver stated he had received a letter of intent from Mrs. Noble and that she doesn’t have to do anything. Clerk Regan stated that she should meet with the Planning Board so there is a record that she’s done so.

   Clerk Regan explained that her responsibility, as Town Clerk, is to inform the board of any notice received of someone’s intent to apply or renew a liquor license, which she had planned on doing later in the meeting. This gives the board notice that this is being proposed and allows the board to comment on such if they desire.
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, FEBRUARY 10, 2015-CONT.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned if there was any comments from the board. The board asked Mrs. Nobile if the lodge had been opened. Mrs. Nobile replied that it has not been open for a few months now. The board questioned if there was any new construction. Mrs. Nobile stated that there was none.

The board informed Mrs. Nobile that she should contact Codes Enforcer Green in case any inspections were needed, that had no problem with her opening the lodge, and that they wish her good luck.

There were no further comments.

Mrs. Nobile thanked the board and left the meeting.

There were no further comments from the floor.

-Supervisor Marhaver Reported:

- that he has submitted his monthly report for the board’s review;
- that the county tax check has been received as well as one check from CHIPS

RESOLUTION #19
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.

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-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he has received documents pertaining to the power line extension project.

-Assessor Report: None
-Codes Enforcer Report:
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-Planning Board Report:
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-Dog Control Officer Report: None

-Highway Superintendent Report:
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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, FEBRUARY 10, 2015-CONT.

-Attorney Macri reported that he had received the deed for High School Road from Attorney Rose which needs to be signed by Supervisor Marhaver. Attorney Macri stated that the deed would be filed and a copy given to Clerk.

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Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town will have to clean out a couple of culverts and will most likely have to buy a few speed limit signs.

-Justice Oldick entered the meeting and reported that he had nothing to report other than he has been busy and that his 2014 records are complete and have been audited by Councilman Klock and are ready for approval.

RESOLUTION #20
Approval & Audit of Town Supervisor and Town Justice End of Year Records

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver   Aye
Councilman Beadle     Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock      Aye
Councilman Gehring    Aye

WHEREAS, Councilman Klock has examined the Records of the Town Supervisor and Town Justice, and have, to the best of his ability found them to be correct,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby accept as correct the reports and records of the Town Supervisor and Town Justice as presented.

-Meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 8:01 p.m.

RESOLUTION #21
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #16-29 in the amount of $2,663.43 hereby be paid.
RESOLUTION #22
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #21-36, in the amount of $56,010.77, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on March 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.-Councilmen Schwasnick, Supervisor Marhaver

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on April 14, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Town residents, Rick Smith, Peter Campione and John Cancelino.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #31
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Town resident, John Cancelino, addressed the board regarding the poor condition that his neighbor’s property was in. Mr. Cancelino stated that he doesn’t like to cause problems but the junk around the property is really an eyesore and believes it is attracting rats and rodents. Mr. Cancelino submitted pictures to the board.

   Codes Enforcer Green stated that a 14 day warning notice has been sent to the owner to get the property cleaned up.

   Mr. Cancelino thanked the board for their attention. Codes Enforcer Green will follow up with matter and report back to the board at next month’s meeting.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported:
   -There will be a canal trail cleanup day on 4/25 if anyone is interested.
   -That he has submitted his monthly report for the board’s review.

RESOLUTION #32
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.
-There were no further comments from the floor.

-Assessor Report-None

-Codes Enforcer Report:
  Codes Enforcer Green reported that other than the compliant that was previously discussed, there wasn’t much going on at this time.

-Justice Report:
  Justice Oldick reported that all is good and that things have slowed down.

-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that due to a lack of a quorum, no official meeting was held, but that Mrs. Noble had come before the board, regarding her restaurant business at Shumaker and submitted her documents that the planning board had requested.
  Clerk Regan stated that she should be all set as far as the planning board goes.

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town is still looking for a health officer if anyone is interested.
  Clerk Regan stated that she would contact Dr. Adamson and Dr. Auhlulwahia.

-Dog Control Officer Report: None

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Superintendent Cotton stated that back in October he had obtained some truck quotes and is wondering if the board was going to look at purchasing a new truck.
  The board questioned Superintendent Cotton what truck he recommended.
  Superintendent Cotton stated that he would prefer the Mack because they are closer than the Syracuse dealers.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that he would like to have a subcommittee review the quotes and make recommendations to the board. Councilmen Beadle and Gehring will review the quotes and report the differences to the board.

-Discussion was held on purchasing a new mower. Superintendent Cotton stated that a new one would cost around $120,000.
  Discussion was held on the possibility of purchasing and/or leasing a new truck and/or new mower.
  Superintendent Cotton and Supervisor Marhaver will look into both purchasing and leasing options. This matter was tabled.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that notice of the Town’s spring cleanup will be run in the Evening Times Newspaper three times, which was the least expensive option at $273.88.

-Meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 8:01 p.m.
RESOLUTION #33
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #36-51 in the amount of $6,892.44 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #34
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #47-74, in the amount of $31,031.13, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on May 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.-Councilmen Schwasnick, Supervisor Marhaver

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A special meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on May 17, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. to consider the purchase of a used mower, with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
         Councilman Allan Beadle  
         Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
         Councilman William Klock  
         Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order.

-Discussion was held on purchasing a used 2005 John Deere 6420 Tractor with a 2014 Alamo Flail Mower.
   Superintendent Cotton reported that he had went and looked at the tractor and mower, stating that the cost will be $48,500. Superintendent Cotton submitted pictures of the tractor and reported on the condition of it and the additional equipment that will come with it.
   Superintendent Cotton stated that he believes it to be a good deal and recommends the purchase.

-Discussion was held on purchasing this used one for $48,500 versus buying a new John Deere, at $107,545, per a quote received from HRT tractor company.

-After discussion, the board agreed to purchase the used tractor and mower. Superintendent Cotton is to make arrangements to have it picked up or delivered and Supervisor Marhaver was authorized to execute the purchase.

RESOLUTION #41  
Authorization to Purchase Used 2005 John Deere Tractor and Mower

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye  
Councilman Beadle  Aye  
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye  
Councilman Klock  Aye  
Councilman Gehring  Aye

WHEREAS, the Town is in need of a tractor and mower, and has considered purchasing a used one versus a new one, and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a written quote for a new John Deere Tractor from HRT tractor company and has researched prices for used tractors and mowers from various resources, and
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, MAY 17, 2015-
PURCHASE USED MOWER

WHEREAS, the Town has located a used John Deere tractor and mower and the Highway Superintendent has gone and inspected such and has found said tractor and mower to be in good condition and recommends the purchase, and

WHEREAS, the Town, finds that said purchase of the used tractor and mower will save the Town several thousands of dollars versus the purchase of a new one,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, as recommended by Highway Superintendent, the Town Board does hereby approve the purchase of a used 2005 6420 John Deere Tractor with a 2014 Alamo Flail Mower for $48,500 from Bruce Orchitt, 1044 Andover Rd., Chester, VT 05143, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the town Supervisor and the Town Highway Superintendent hereby be authorized to execute said purchase, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Highway Superintendent hereby be responsible for pick up and or delivery of said tractor and mower.

-The board thanked Councilman Gehring for his time in locating said tractor and mower.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.-Councilmen Klock, Beadle

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan
Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on May 12, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Town residents, Tom Sherman and Peter Campione.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #35
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present. There were no comments.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported:
-That the sales tax from the county is about $3,000.00 Less than last year due to the decrease in gas prices.
-That he has submitted his monthly report for the board’s review.

RESOLUTION #36
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he had contacted some leasing companies regarding leasing a new truck and a mower and that an example of such is attached to his monthly report package for the board’s review.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that it is something to think about when deciding to purchase equipment.
-Assessor Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that he had received the tentative tax roll which is in his office and that grievance day will be held at the end of the month.

-Codes Enforcer Report:
  Codes Enforcer Green reported that he has a couple of court cases coming up next week and that a building permit has been issued to Chris’ Collection for his expansion project.
  The board questioned Codes Enforcer Green as to what was going on with the neighbor’s property that Mr. Cancelino addressed the board about last month.
  Codes Enforcer Green stated that this is one of the cases that will be addressed in court next week.

-Judge Report:
  Justice Oldick reported that due to the increased volume of traffic and criminal cases, it has become necessary for the court to request additional staffing.
  Justice Oldick stated that he has submitted a letter requesting that the board approve the appointment of an individual to assist, as needed, in the preparation of the monthly court calendar and to insure a smooth and orderly appearance process.
  Justice Oldick stated that the compensation for this person be set at $100.00 a month.
  The board questioned who this person is, how he came up with the $100.00 figure, and what that figure is based on.
  Justice Oldick stated that the assistant is his daughter, Jennifer DeCarlis, that she will be working on court nights and will work at home on the computer.
  Councilman Beadle asked if Ms. DeCarlis was a town resident and if the position was advertised in the paper. Justice Oldick that she is not, and no, it was not advertised in the paper.
  Councilman Beadle stated he thinks the position should be advertised in the paper.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated he doesn’t think it’s necessary to advertise this.
  The board explained that there has been previous discussions on hiring and appointing people and that the board believes that town residents should be given the opportunity for a position over others and positions should be advertised to make the availability of a position known.
  Supervisor Marhaver asked if there is a policy for this. The board stated that there isn’t a formal policy, but rather an understanding on this.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that we are not talking a lot of money here, that Jennifer has already been assisting the Judge, that the Justice has money in his budget for this, and that he believes in this case, that this position doesn’t need to be advertised.
  Discussion was held on the pay and what Jennifer would be doing. Justice Oldick stated that the assistant would be present on Monday court nights, would work on the computer at home, and would do a lot of the leg work involved in cases.
  After discussion, the board agreed to appoint Ms. DeCarlis at an hourly rate of $10.00 for a maximum of 10 hours a month, with said pay and hours to be approved by the Justice and submitted monthly to the Supervisor.
RESOLUTION #37
Justice Assistant Appointment

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver   Aye
Councilman Beadle     Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock      Aye
Councilman Gehring    Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, of the Town of Little Falls, as requested by Town Justice Oldick, hereby appoints Jennifer DeCarlis, as part-time court assistant, at an hourly rate of $10.00 for a maximum of 10 hours a month, with the appointed term to be at the board’s pleasure, with said pay and hours to be approved by the Justice and submitted monthly to the Supervisor.

-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that no meeting was held this month.

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town is still looking for a health officer if anyone is interested.
  Clerk Regan stated that a town physician had asked what’s involved in the job and that she isn’t sure what the exact duties are. Clerk Regan questioned what the legal process was in having a physician from the town versus an outside physician, what kind of physician was allowed for the position, and if it the board could act as a board of health rather than having a health officer.
  The board directed Attorney Macri to look into and report back to the board.

-Dog Control Officer Report:  None

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported:
  -That another inspection had been done by NYMIR.
  -That the Town’s Spring Cleanup went well, noting that the town may have to look at whether or not electronics should be allowed for next year.

-Discussion was held on the purchase of a new tractor and mower. Councilman Gehring reported that he had located a used tractor and mower on Craig’s list for $52,000 and thinks the town should consider looking into this.
  Councilman Beadle we, (himself and Councilman Gehring) sat down and looked over the quotes and information for a new truck as well as a mower and that they feel it is it worth looking into rather into buying a used tractor and mower than spending $107,000.00 or so on a new one.
  Superintendent Cotton agreed to go and look at the tractor and will report back to the board. This matter was tabled.
-Discussion was held on purchasing a new plow truck. Councilmen Beadle and Gehring stated that they reviewed the specifications and quotes from Mack-$109,400, Tracy Western Star-$102,014, Tracey Freightliner-$98,222, and Stadium International-$99,987 and if choosing by price, they would have to recommend the Freightliner being that it is the lowest price. Superintendent Cotton was asked what his thoughts were on this.

Superintendent Cotton stated that if based on price, he would choose the International, stating that they have had good luck with this brand.

Discussion was held on the reliability and specifications of the brands, the service from the vendors, and whether to lease or purchase.

After discussion, based on the above factors, the board, as recommended by Highway Superintendent Cotton, decided that for the minimal price difference between the Freightliner and International, they will purchase the International, and as recommended by Supervisor Marhaver, they will lease rather than purchase the equipment.

RESOLUTION # 38
Approval to Lease-Purchase New 2015 International

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Superintendent Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, of the Town of Little Falls hereby approves the purchase of a new 2015 International 7600 SFA 4x2 truck, for $99,987.00 from Stadium International Trucks, through Onondaga County Contract #7823, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor and Highway Superintendent to lease said purchase for a five-year period.

-Town Clerk Report: Nothing at this time.

-Meeting recessed at 8:05 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 8:20 p.m.

RESOLUTION #39
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #52-58 in the amount of $20,602.40 hereby be paid.
RESOLUTION #40
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #75-89, in the amount of $3,462.27, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on June 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.- Supervisor Marhaver, Councilman Klock

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on June 9, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock

Absent: Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Town resident, Tom Sherman.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #42
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present. There were no comments.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he has submitted his monthly report for review, adding that he doesn’t have the monthly gas usage report printed out but that he will do so and get a copy to the board.

RESOLUTION #43
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he had received a Time Warner Cable franchise contract and that he was unsure what to do with it.

Attorney Macri stated that he believes Time Warner wants to be the exclusive provider for the area and that the agreement would bind the town to this for a specific length of time.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that he thinks the contract would be for a term of 15 years. The board stated that they believe that 15 years is too long for anyone to have an exclusive service contract and would prefer a five year contract.
Supervisor Marhaver stated that he would contact Time Warner and tell them that the Town is opposed to a 15 year contract, but is be willing to consider a 5 year one.

Attorney Macri stated that he would look over the contract and advise the board on its contents.

This matter was tabled.

Supervisor Marhaver reported that an inspection was done at the Herkimer County Humane Society and that they failed the inspection for numerous reasons and that they will be working on correcting the violations.

Assessor Report:
Supervisor Marhaver reported that grievance day was held and that Assessor Meeker was supposed to have contacted him with a report, but that he hadn’t heard from her yet.

Codes Enforcer Report:
Codes Enforcer Green reported:
- That a building permit for a deck had been recently issued.
- That the Cancelino compliant case is being addressed and cleanup is beginning.
- That the Reardon case has to the 18th to address their issue or they will be given an Appearance ticket.

Town Justice Report: None

Planning Board Report:
Clerk Regan reported that a meeting was held and that they are requesting that the board considers attending a meeting in future to hear a presentation on comprehensive planning.
Clerk Regan reported that the presentation would be presented by people from the state and that the meeting was for informational purposes only.

The board agreed that they may be interested but would like more information on what exactly the presentation was about.

Clerk Regan stated that she will inform the planning board of this.

Supervisor Marhaver reported that he and Attorney Macri had obtained information on having a health officer and that the officer doesn’t need to be a doctor, but is required to have minimal education. Supervisor Marhaver stated that everyone should ask around to see if anyone is interested.

Dog Control Officer Report: None

Highway Superintendent Report:
Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that he had obtained a price for plow equipment for the new truck, that the equipment can be purchased through state contract, from Viking Cives for $55,163.40, and that he would like the board to consider this purchase.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that he had obtained a leasing agreement through First Niagara Leasing, Inc., for payment for the new 2015 International truck and plow equipment. Supervisor Marhaver reported that the lease for $155,150.00, the interest rate is 2.76%; the yearly payments will be $32,742.22 for five years for a total payout of $163,711.10.

The board reviewed the specifications of the new plow equipment and approved the purchase.
RESOLUTION #44
Purchase of New Plow Equipment for the 2015 International Truck

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, of the Town of Little Falls, hereby approves the purchase of a new single axel, 450-U Patrol Mount Plow equipment from Viking Cives at a cost of $55,163.40, through state contract, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor and Highway Superintendent hereby be authorized to execute said purchase.

RESOLUTION #45
Lease Approval for New 2015 International Truck and Plow Equipment

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, of the Town of Little Falls, hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute a Lease Agreement through First Niagara Leasing Inc. for payment of a new 2015 International 7600 SFA 4x2 truck for $99,987.00 and new plow equipment for $55163.40 with said lease to be as follows: the lease amount of $155,150.00, at an interest rate of 2.76%, with yearly payments being $32,742.22 for five years for a total payout of $163,711.10.

-Town Clerk Report:
Clerk Regan reported that Tom Canastar needs to be re-appointed to the Planning Board. The board approved the appointment.

RESOLUTION #46
Planning Board Re-Appointment-Tom Canastar

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Supervisor Marhaver, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick  Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye

RESOLVED that Tom Canastar hereby be re-appointed to the Planning Board for a seven year term, effective 7/1/2015 to 6/30/2022.
-Councilman Beadle stated that he recalls discussing the purchase of a utility trailer for the highway department and would like to re-address this issue. Councilman Beadle stated that he doesn’t believe that town should be using employee’s personal equipment and would like to re-address this issue.
  
  Discussion was held on this matter. The Board and the Highway Superintendent will look into pricing for a utility trailer.
  
  This matter was tabled.

-Meeting recessed at 7:30 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:43 p.m.

RESOLUTION #47
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
  
  Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
  
  Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #59-71 in the amount of $1,372.12 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #48
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
  
  Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
  
  Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #90-99, in the amount of $60,538.12, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on July 14, 2015.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.- Councilman Klock, Schwasnick

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on July 14, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Town residents Tom Sherman, Joanne Miller, Ronald Goldstein, Mary Frederico, Kim and Rudy Schrader.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #49
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:  
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Town residents Joanne Miller, Ronald Goldstein, Mary Frederico, and Kim and Rudy Schrader approached the board and questioned what they can do to have the speed limit reduced on State Route 5s. The residents stated that is speeding cars on the road and now that the road has been newly paved, the cars are traveling even faster than before and it has become dangerous. The residents cited numerous accidents that had happened on the road, stating that there isn’t any law enforcement on the road.

- The residents stated that they were just looking for guidance in this matter.
- Supervisor Marhaver stated that since the road is a state road, there isn’t really anything the town can do.
- Attorney Macri recommended that the residents contact Senator Butler who may be able to help them.

- The residents thanked the board for their time.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he has submitted his monthly report for review.

RESOLUTION #50
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:  
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.
-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report:
   Codes Enforcer Green reported:
   -That building permits have been coming in.
   -That there are a few properties in town that will be receiving notices about their grass
     being too high. If the grass isn’t mowed, he will then have it mowed and send the owners
     the bill.
   -That the Reardon case has been turned over to the attorney who is waiting to hear from
     the judge.

-Town Justice Report: None

-Planning Board Report:
   Clerk Regan reported that no meeting was held this month.

-Dog Control Officer Report: None

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town is still looking for a health officer.

-Highway Superintendent Report:
   Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that he doesn’t have anything to report other
   than he has submitted his agreement to spend money on roads.

-Councilman Beadle questioned if there was any information on purchasing a trailer for the
   highway department.
   Highway Superintendent Cotton stated that he hadn’t obtained any prices yet. This
   matter was tabled until next month.

-Town Clerk Report:
   Clerk Regan requested that the board approve a resolution honoring Joan Cotton for her
   years of service. The board approved.

RESOLUTION #51
Honor For Service For Joan Cotton

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution
was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Roll Call: Supervisor Marhaver Aye
          Councilman Beadle Aye
          Councilman Schwasnick Aye
          Councilman Klock Aye
          Councilman Gehring Aye

WHEREAS, a Divine Providence has removed from among us, our friend and former
Town Historian and Registrar of Vital Statistics, Joan Cotton and

WHEREAS, we, the members of the Town Board and Town Officials of the Town of Little Falls
feel the loss that has come to us as well as the whole community, and we, who have known her
well, desire to publicly express the esteem and affection in which we held her and to show our
appreciation for the many years during which she well and faithfully served the Town of Little Falls as it’s Town Historian and Registrar of Vital Statistics

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon our minutes, and a copy thereof be forwarded to the family of Joan Cotton.

-Meeting recessed at 7:16 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:30 p.m.

RESOLUTION #52
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #72-80 in the amount of $6,152.91 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #53
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #100-110, in the amount of $57,160.74, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on August 11, 2015.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.- Supervisor Marhaver, Councilman Beadle

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on August 11, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Attorney Nicholas Macri, Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Town residents Rick Smith and John Vancott.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #54
Minute Approval
On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Town resident, John VanCott, addressed the board stating that he would like to expand his property and asked if the town would consider selling him 25 feet or so.

The board questioned Mr. VanCott what he needed the extra land for.

Mr. VanCott stated that his new septic system took up much of his land and that the extra footage would allow him to have a bigger driveway and a pool. Mr. VanCott stated that the water from the pool could be used by the town if there was ever a fire.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned if Mr. VanCott had a price in mind. Mr. VanCott responded that he knew the town only paid $1.00 for the land so he would ask for a fair price.

Attorney Macri stated that, by law, the land would have to be sold at the fair market price and that Mr. VanCott would be responsible for any surveying that would be needed.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the board would take the request under consideration.

Mr. VanCott thanked the board and left the meeting.

There was no further discussion on this matter.

-There were no further comments from the floor.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he has submitted his monthly report for review.

RESOLUTION #55
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s monthly report as submitted, hereby be approved.
-Supervisor Marhaver Reported that the town has received a funding request from the Adirondack Folk School. Supervisor Marhaver stated that the school offers 200 classes, is a 5 year organization, and is asking for a $50 to $500 donation.

It was the consensus of the board that the town is not interested at this time. This matter was closed.

-Supervisor Marhaver stated that the budget process starts now and that he will send out budget requests September 1st.

-Assessor Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the final assessment is complete and he will have it on file in his office.

-Codes Enforcer Report:
  Codes Enforcer Green reported:
  -That building permits continue to come in.
  -That the Reardon case is ongoing.
  -That he had LP Services mow some properties and the bill for such has been received.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated he will send a letter and the bill to the property owners and that if the bill is not paid, it will be put on the owner’s taxes.

-Town Justice Report:
  Justice Oldick reported that everything is going well and the court remains busy.

-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that no meeting was held this month.

-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town is still looking for an appointee.

-Dog Control Officer Report:  None

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that he doesn’t have anything to report, that everything is working well.

-Councilman Beadle questioned if there was any information on purchasing a trailer for the highway department.
  Highway Superintendent Cotton stated that he hadn’t obtained any prices yet. This matter was tabled until next month.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that the DEC has again changed the sporting license system and that the system has had nothing but problems. Clerk Regan stated that she receives emails all the time that the system is down. Clerk Regan stated that she has not issued any sporting licenses and doesn’t plan on doing so until the DEC gets the system working. If you’re in the middle of issuing a license and the system goes down, you’ve got a problem. Clerk Regan reported that several Clerks have opted out of the system due to the difficulties with the system. Clerk Regan stated that other than it being a courtesy service, the town makes so little money on this, she doesn’t feel it’s worth the stress you get working with the system.
Clerk Regan stated that on a $22.00 hunting license, which is the most popular license, the town makes only $1.21, and only $.83 and $.55 and lower on the others, stating, money wise, it’s not worth the aggravation.

Clerk Regan stated that she will continue to work with it, but just wanted the board to be aware of what’s going on.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:27 p.m.

**RESOLUTION #56**
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #81-87 in the amount of $1,677.16 hereby be paid.

**RESOLUTION #57**
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #111-117, in the amount of $6,172.96, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on September 8, 2015 at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.- Councilman Klock, Supervisor Marhaver.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on September 8, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Town residents John and Cary VanCott.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #58  
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:  
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Town resident, John VanCott, asked the board if they had made any decision on selling him any land.

  Supervisor Marhaver told Mr. VanCott that when he had received a grant from the town, part of that agreement was that he would clean up his property. Supervisor Marhaver stated that it is the consensus of the board that he complete the cleanup and that the fence he intended to put up be put up.

  Councilman Beadle informed Mr. VanCott that the town is just not interested in selling the land, that the 25’ he’s requested would be right next to the town’s fuel pumps.

  Mr. VanCott left the meeting.

There was no further discussion and this matter was closed.

-There were no further comments from the floor.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported:
  -that he didn’t have his monthly report but would submit it at next month’s meeting.
  -that he had spoken with some people who may be interested in looking at our back field to put up solar panels which could save the town some money and that he would have them price out the project.
  -that he has distributed salary request sheets and that today is the first day of the budget process.
  -that the retirement cost will increase from $42,000 to $43,449.
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015-
CONT.

-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report:
  Codes Enforcer Green reported:
  -that building permits continue to come in.
  -that the Reardon case is ongoing.
  -that the expansion project at Chris’ Collision has begun.

-Town Attorney Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that a claim has been filed in connection with the
drowning accident in the Salada pond on Route 5, and that Attorney Macri may have more
information on this at the next meeting.

-Town Justice Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the funds for the Justice Grant have been used.

-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that no meeting was held this month.

-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that the town is still looking for an appointee.

-Dog Control Officer Report: None

-Highway Superintendent Report: Nothing at this time.

-Town Clerk Report: Nothing at this time.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:27 p.m.

RESOLUTION #59
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution
was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #88-90 in the amount of $573.28 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #60
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following
resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #118-127, in the amount of $20,957.81, hereby be paid.
- Discussion was held on having a special meeting to review the budget. Supervisor Marhaver stated that he should have a copy of the budget for the next meeting. It was decided to hold a special meeting to review the budget at 6:00 on October 13th, with the regular monthly meeting to follow.

- The next regular meeting will be held on October 13, 2015 at the town hall.

- Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.- Councilmen Gehring and Klock

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, OCTOBER 13, 2015-2016 BUDGET

A special meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on October 13, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Town resident Rick Smith

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order.

-Supervisor Marhaver distributed copies of the budget to the board. Review was held on the budget with Supervisor Marhaver stating that the 2016 budget calls for 0.59% increase which will amount to a $.02 per thousand tax increase.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the budget calls for $880,600.00 for appropriations; less $512,257.00 for estimated revenues; less $75,000.00 for unexpected fund balance, for a total of $293,343.00 to be raised by taxes.

-There were no comments on the budget.

-Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.-Councilman Beadle, Schwasnick

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on October 13, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring  

Others Present: Sandra Regan; Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; Town residents Rick Smith and Dan Casler; County Legislator, Dennis Korce.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #61  
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Dan Casler, candidate for County Legislator, introduced himself to the board, explained why he was seeking the position, outlined his qualifications and explained his intentions if elected.

-Supervisor’s Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported:
  - that he has submitted his monthly report for September and October.
  - that Mohawk Valley Economic Development will be holding an informal luncheon on October 29 on grants and funding opportunity.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that a special budget meeting had been held at 6:00 and that the 2016 budget calls for 0.59% increase which will amount to a $.02 per thousand tax increase. Supervisor Marhaver stated that the budget calls for $880,600.00 for appropriations; less $512,257.00 for estimated revenues; less $75,000.00 for unexpected fund balance, for a total of $293,343.00 to be raised by taxes.

RESOLUTION #62  
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0
RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s Monthly Report, as submitted, hereby be approved and placed on file.

RESOLUTION #63
Adoption of 2016 Preliminary Budget

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick   Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring   Aye

RESOLVED that the Budget Officer’s Tentative Budget for the calendar year 2016 as presented and amended by the town board hereby be adopted as the Town of Little Falls Preliminary Budget for the calendar year 2016.

RESOLUTION #64
Scheduling Public Hearing on Adoption of 2016 Budget

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick   Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring   Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of a Public Hearing to be held on the 2016 budget on November 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report:
   Codes Enforcer Green reported that building permits were strong this year and that pending issues are being taken care of.

-Attorney Report:
   Supervisor Marhaver reported that Attorney Macri had sent him a letter informing him that he would be on vacation and was unable to make tonight’s meeting.

-Town Justice Report:
   Justice Oldick reported that the Reardon case has been transferred to the Town of Manheim and that the new signs for the town have been received.

-Planning Board Report:
   Clerk Regan reported that there was no planning board meeting in September.
-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town is still looking for a health officer.

-Dog Control Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the Humane Society is now in compliance with the State.

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported that a meeting was held on inventory of the Town’s roads and that the town’s road footage for Lakeview Drive and Lyle Road, has to be amended. Superintendent Cotton stated that this needs to be done by resolution.
  -That the truck will not be here until next year.

RESOLUTION #65
Amendment to Distance of Road Footage for Lakeview Drive and Lyle Road

On motion of Supervisor Marhaver, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver
Councilman Beadle
Councilman Schwasnick
Councilman Klock
Councilman Gehring

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation Local Road listings for the Town of Little Falls needs to be amended in that Lakeview Drive, which is a Town Road within the Town of Little Falls, has an actual distance of 2,130.00 feet; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation Local Road Listings for the Town of Little Falls needs to be amended in that Lyle Road, which is a Town Road within the Town of Little Falls, has an actual distance of 1,952.00 feet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Little Falls that the Town of Little Falls acknowledges and accepts by this resolution that Lakeview Drive is a distance of 2,130.00 feet and Lyle Road is a distance of 1,953.00 feet for purpose for the New York State Department of Transportation Local Road Listings.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Town of Little Falls Town Board.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that he had talked with the solar company and that they do not want to deal with the town because we are too small. Supervisor Marhaver stated that he didn’t think this is a good idea at this time, that he had talked with four companies and they all talk a good game.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that fuel bids were needed for next year.
RESOLUTION #66
Authorization to Advertise For 2016 Fuel Bids

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was
ADOPTED: Vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk and Highway Superintendent hereby be authorized to advertise
for sealed bids for the purchase of Diesel Fuel for 2016 in the Evening Times Newspaper at their
discretion with said bids to be opened at the next regular town board meeting to be held at the
town hall on November 10, 2015, immediately following the public hearing on the 2016
Preliminary budget.

-Meeting recessed at 7:34 to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:55

RESOLUTION #67
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was
ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #91-99 in the amount of $7,960.90 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #68
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following
resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #128-146, in the amount of $27,806.86, hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on November 10, 2015 at the town hall, immediately
following the public hearing on the 2016 Preliminary budget, scheduled for 7:00 p.m.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m. - Councilmen Klock, Gehring

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A public hearing of the Little Falls Town Board was held on November 10, 2014 at the town hall commencing at 7:00 p.m. on the town’s 2016 budget with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
Councilman Allan Beadle
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
Councilman William Klock
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan, Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; Charles Oldick, Town Justice; East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club President, Jesse Davis and four other members.

Notice of the hearing was published on 11/20/2015 in the Evening Times Newspaper.

Supervisor Marhaver called the hearing to order stating that the 2016 budget was presented to the board and has been reviewed and is ready for adoption.

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the proposed budget is under the tax cap and read the budget figures as follows:

- Appropriations $880,600.00
- Less Estimated Revenues $512,257.00
- Less Unexpected Fund Balance $ 75,000.00
- Amount to be Raised by Tax $293,343.00

Supervisor Marhaver stated that the budget is just under the tax cap and that the 2016 budget calls for an approximate $.03 per thousand tax increase.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned if there were any comments for or against the budget. There were no comments.

All those desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
RESOLUTION #69
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snow Mobile Club President, Jesse Davis, addressed the board and stated that the club’s reason for being at the meeting was to let the board know that a town official had a private person do a demolition on his property. Mr. Davis stated that the town official had obtained a residential demo permit, but used a contractor, which takes him off the residential permit.

Mr. Davis stated that this town official is not following the law and we think he should be removed from office.

Mr. Davis stated that they are following the laws and they think he should too.

The town board questioned Codes Enforcer Green if he had given instructions on demolition.

Codes Enforcer Green stated that he had received a call to get a demolition permit and that he did explain the options involved in doing a demolition on your own or with a contractor. Codes Enforcer Green stated that the permit he issued says “Only owner can demo. Must be treated as hazardous materials.”

Mr. Davis stated that they were concerned about the possible health risks associated with any hazardous materials that could be there and that they want this matter addressed.

Councilman Beadle stated that at this time, it is only hearsay on whether or not a contractor or anyone else was involved.

Attorney Macri stated that there are a lot of aspects in this matter and requested that the board enter into an executive session to discuss this matter. The board agreed.

Mr. Davis stated that their property is only feet away from that building and they are concerned about the safety of the demolition materials.
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, NOVEMBER 10, 2015-
CONT.

RESOLUTION #70
Executive Session

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was
ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby enter into an executive session to discuss personnel.

-Regular meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m.
-Executive session commenced at 7:20 p.m.
-Executive session ended at 7:35 p.m.
-Regular meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that no action was taken during the executive session, that the board has instructed him to talk with the town official to see what he wants to do.
   Mr. Davis questioned if the town was going to contact the state.
   Supervisor Marhaver responded no, that the board would let the town official decide what he wants to do, and that the town board will address this matter.
   There were no more comments on this matter.

RESOLUTION #71
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was
ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s Monthly report, as submitted, hereby be approved and placed on file.

-Supervisor Marhaver motioned for the adoption of the town’s 2016 budget.

RESOLUTION #72
Adoption of 2016 Budget

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was
ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver Aye
Councilman Beadle Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Budget for the Town of Little Falls, for the Year 2015, hereby be adopted, and be it further

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, NOVEMBER 10, 2015-
CONT.
RESOLVED that the Town Clerk deliver two certified copies to the Supervisor with all convenient speed.

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-Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town’s equalization rate is 74%.

-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report: Nothing more at this time.

-Town Attorney Report:

   Attorney Macri reported that he had looked over the Time Warner Cable Agreement and the only issue he can see that the board may have is with the 15 year term. The board was in agreement to approve the proposed contract as is and scheduled a public hearing to be held prior to next month’s meeting.

RESOLUTION #73
Acceptance of Time Warner Cable Proposed Contract and Scheduling of Public Hearing

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle   Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock     Aye
Councilman Gehring   Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board, hereby accepts the proposed Time Warner Cable Franchise Agreement, as reviewed by the Town Attorney and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board, hereby schedules a Public Hearing to be held on said agreement on December 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk hereby be authorized to publish said notice in the Evening Times Newspaper at her discretion.

-Town Justice Report:

   Justice Oldick reported that the new town signs have been installed.
-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that due to Election Day, there was no monthly meeting.

-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town is still looking for a health officer.

-Dog Control Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that DCO Ortleib has acquired a sheriff’s ID badge.

-Highway Superintendent Report: Nothing at this time.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that three fuel bids had been received.

-Sealed bids for the purchase of fuel were opened and read as follows:
  Three Sealed bids for the purchase of Diesel Fuel & Gasoline were opened and read as follows:

1. Mirabito Fuel Group, Sidney, NY:
   Normal Diesel Fuel  1.5736 gal.
   Firm Differential    .0957 gal.
   Winter Mix         1.6960 gal.
   Firm Differential    .1307 gal.
   Unleaded Gas        1.6506 gal.
   Firm differential   0.4200 gal

2. Superior Plus, Canajoharie, NY:
   Normal Diesel Fuel  1.6504 gal.
   Winter Mix         1.7200 gal.
   Unleaded Gas        1.5789 gal.
   Firm differential   0.2500 gal

3. Harbor Point, Frankfort, NY
   Normal Diesel Fuel  1.533 gal.
   Firm Differential    .22 gal
   Winter Mix         1.567 gal.
   Firm Differential    .022 gal.
   Unleaded Gas        1.585 gal.
   Firm differential   .15 gal

-All bids received were accepted as submitted.
REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, NOVEMBER 10, 2015-CONT.

RESOLUTION #74
Acceptance of Fuel Bids for 2016

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that all sealed bids received for the purchase of Diesel Fuel and Regular Unleaded Gas, as submitted, hereby be accepted.

-Review on the bids was held and the board approved purchasing fuel for 2016.

RESOLUTION #75
Bid Award-Purchase of Diesel Fuel and Regular Unleaded Gasoline for 2016

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver Aye
Councilman Beadle Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock Aye
Councilman Gehring Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby awards the purchase of Diesel Fuel and Regular Unleaded Gasoline to the lowest responsible supplier, Harbor Point, Frankfort, NY for one year, from 01/01/16 to 12/31/16 as bid.

- Supervisor Marhaver reported that Susan Anaker will do the Town’s survey at $1,100.

-Meeting recessed at 8:03 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 8:16 p.m.

RESOLUTION #76
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #100-109 in the amount of $50,485.79 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #77
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #147-168 in the amount of $14,666.38 hereby be paid.
-The next regular meeting will be held on December 8, 2015, immediately following the public hearing on the Time Warner Cable Franchise Agreement schedule for 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.-Councilmen Klock, Beadle

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A public hearing of the Little Falls Town Board was held on December 8, 2015 at the town hall commencing at 7:00 p.m. on a contract between the town and Time Warner Cable with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Eric Gehring  

Others Present: Sandra Regan, Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club President, Jesse Davis and nine members; Town residents, Tom Sherman, Rick Smith, Peter Campione; Planning Board Vice Chairwoman, Elaine Cobb.

-Notice of the hearing was published on 11/18/2015 in the Evening Times Newspaper.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the hearing to order stating that this hearing was being held to hear any comments for or against the town entering a 15 year contract with Time Warner Cable and asked if there were any comments on the contract.

There were no comments.

-All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing was closed at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Regan, Town Clerk
A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on December 8, 2015 at the town hall, commencing at 7:06 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver
        Councilman Allan Beadle
        Councilman Kirk Schwasnick
        Councilman William Klock
        Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Sandra Regan, Town Clerk; Donald Cotton, Highway Superintendent; Nicholas Macri, Town Attorney; Phil Green, Codes Enforcer; East Herkimer Sno-Riders Snowmobile Club President, Jesse Davis and nine members; Town residents, Tom Sherman, Rick Smith, Peter Campione; Planning Board Vice Chairwoman, Elaine Cobb.

-Supervisor Marhaver called the meeting to order directing the Clerk to call the roll.

RESOLUTION #78
Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Beadle, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month’s meetings, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Jessie Davis, President of the East Herkimer Sno-riders Snowmobile Club, asked what became with the Planning Board official.
    Supervisor Marhaver stated that he had spoken with the official and that he has given his resignation.
    Mr. Davis asked if the town planned on pursuing any future actions regarding the breaking of the law.
    Supervisor Marhaver stated that on Attorney recommendation, the town considers this matter closed with his resignation.
    There were no further comments.

RESOLUTION #79
Supervisor Monthly Report

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor’s Monthly report, as submitted, hereby be approved and placed on file.
RESOLUTION #80
Time Warner Cable Franchise Contract Approval

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was
ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver  Aye
Councilman Beadle  Aye
Councilman Schwasnick Aye
Councilman Klock  Aye
Councilman Gehring  Aye

WHEREAS an application has been duly made to the Board of the Town of Little Falls, County
of Herkimer, New York, by Time Warner Cable Northeast LLC (“Time Warner Cable”), d/b/a Time
Warner Cable; a limited liability company organized and existing in good standing under the laws of
State of Delaware doing business at 120 Plaza Drive, Suite D, Vestal, New York 13850 for the
approval of an initial agreement for Time Warner Cable’s cable television franchise for fifteen (15)
years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission. The Franchise
Renewal Agreement would bring the franchise into conformity with certain provisions of the Federal
Cable Communications policy Act of 1984, as amended, and certain court rulings, and

WHEREAS a public hearing was held in the Town of little Falls, New York on December 8,
2015 at 7:00 p.m. and notice of the hearing was published on the Evening Times Newspaper on
November 18, 2015,

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of the Town of Little Falls finds that:

1. Time Warner Cable has substantially complied with the material terms and conditions of its
   existing franchise and with applicable law; and
2. Time Warner Cable has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide these services,
   facilities and equipment as set forth in its proposal attached; and
3. Time Warner Cable can reasonably meet the future cable-related community needs and
   interests, taking into account the cost of meeting such needs and interests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board of the Town of Little Falls hereby grants the Cable
Television franchise of Time Warner Town of Little Falls for fifteen (15) years commencing with the
date of approval by the Public Service Commission and expiring fifteen (15) years hence, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of the Town of little Falls hereby confirms acceptance
of this Franchise Renewal Agreement.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported:
   - that the town’s equalization rate is down to 74%. Supervisor Marhaver stated that he had
     attended a meeting with officials from surrounding municipalities and that discussion was held
     on holding a re-evaluation. Supervisor Marhaver stated that if we do it together we can possibly save
     money and everyone would be somewhat near each other.
   -that there is NYMIR information if anyone is interested in reading it.

-Assessor Report: None

-Codes Enforcer Report: Nothing at this time.
-Town Attorney Report: Nothing at this time.

-Town Justice Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the deposit has been made.

-Planning Board Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that no meeting was held.
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that Planning Board Chairman, Tom Canastar, had submitted his resignation and that the town is looking for a replacement if anyone is interested.
  Planning Board Vice Chairwomen Cobb stated that she has an objection to any member of the snowmobile club becoming a member of the planning board due to the issues involved with the club and doesn’t think anyone with opposing views should be appointed to the board.
  The snowmobile club responded that Mr. Canastar was appointed to the board and he had an agenda.
  Planning Board Chairwoman Cobb and Supervisor Marhaver informed the club that both Mr. Canastar and Mr. Todd had been informed, at the time of their appointments, that they could not vote on the snowmobile club.
  There were no more comments.

-Health Officer Report:
  Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town is still looking for an officer.

-Dog Control Officer Report:
  Councilman Klock reported that he has had several calls from residents concerning dog complaints and that Mr. Ortlieb doesn’t show up or return phone calls. Councilman Klock stated that he has called him and he doesn’t return his calls.
  Clerk Regan stated that she would call Larry regarding this matter.

-Highway Superintendent Report:
  Highway Superintendent Cotton reported all is going well and that the truck won’t be delivered until 2016.
  Supervisor Marhaver stated that there is $32,000 in the budget to help pay for the truck but that the lease won’t be ready until January.

-Supervisor Marhaver reported that the electrical bill is high so National Grid’s been called to come look at what is going on.

-Town Clerk Report:
  Clerk Regan reported that she had attended a town clerk’s meeting and that a law involving the town’s right to opt out of assessment exemptions for Solar Farms was discussed and that this is something the town may want to look into.
  Attorney Macri was given a copy of the law to review and will advise the town on this matter at the next meeting.

-Meeting recessed at 7:21 p.m. to audit the bills.
-Meeting resumed at 7:36 p.m.
RESOLUTION #81
Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Gehring, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #110-124 in the amount of $5,814.01 hereby be paid.

RESOLUTION #82
Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Schwasnick, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:
Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #148-162 in the amount of $9,095.99 hereby be paid.

-Councilman Gehring stated that a letter of appreciation should be sent to Tom Canastar. Clerk Regan stated that she would send a letter to Mr. Canastar. Supervisor Marhaver stated that this was already done, that he had already sent one and would forward a copy to the clerk.

Planning Board Vice-Chairwomen Cobb stated that it will be hard to find a person as knowledgeable as Tom was. Clerk Regan stated that she agreed. That in addition to his knowledge, he was very active and dedicated. The board agreed.

-Clerk Regan informed the board that she will be looking to purchase a new computer and monitor. The board recommended that she purchase what she needs this year since there is money in the budget to do so.

RESOLUTION #83
Town Clerk Authorization to Purchase New Computer

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Supervisor Marhaver, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:
Supervisor Marhaver   Aye
Councilman Beadle    Aye
Councilman Schwasnick   Aye
Councilman Klock   Aye
Councilman Gehring   Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk hereby be authorized to purchase a new computer, monitor and accessories, at her discretion, not to exceed the cost of $500.00.

-The next regular meeting will be held on January 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.-Councilmen Klock, Gehring

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Regan, Town Clerk