

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE
TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETING
NOVEMBER 10TH, 2011

The Town of Elbridge Town Board met on November 10th, 2011, at 7:00 PM, at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Rte. 31, Jordan, NY to hold PUBLIC HEARINGS and conduct their regular meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Bush called the Public Hearing(s) to order at 7:00 PM and Conlan McGuire led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Councilor Vern Richardson, Councilor Bill Kuhn, and Supervisor Ken Bush.

ABSENT: Councilor Rita Dygert and Councilor Doug Blumer.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Kochman, Conlan and Tom McGuire, Mark Ramsden, Jack Horner, Historian; Leo Cooper, Outreach Worker; Dennis Pelmeur, Highway Superintendent; and Deb Stapleton, Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing #1

At the Town of Elbridge Town Board meeting held on October 27th, 2011 the board adopted a resolution to call for a PUBLIC HEARING on November 10th, 2011 the purpose of which is to enact a Local Law to override the 2% tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c.

Legal notice that appeared in the November 2, 2011 Eagle Observer was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this Local Law? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against this Local Law? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #1 closed at 7:02 PM.

Public Hearing #2

The Town of Elbridge, Onondaga County, New York for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2012 that the Preliminary Budget has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Municipal Building, Route 31, Jordan New York where it is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours.

Legal notice that appeared in the October 26, 2011 Eagle Observer was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge will meet and review said Preliminary Budget and hold a Public Hearing thereon at the Town Municipal Building commencing at 7:00 PM local time on the 10th day of November, 2011 and that at such Hearing any person may be heard in favor of or against the preliminary budget as compiled or speak for or against any item or items therein contained and

FURTHER NOTICE GIVEN pursuant to Section 108 of the Town Law that the following proposed yearly salaries of the Town Officials of the Town of Elbridge: Supervisor - \$11,400, Town Clerk - \$36,675, Highway Superintendent - \$46,055, Councilpersons (4) - \$5,400, Town Justices (2) - \$10,500. each.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of the Budget? No one.

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Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against the Budget? No one.
Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #2 closed at 7:05 PM.

Public Hearing #3

WHEREAS, A petition by John E. Bloodgood, Jr., has been filed requesting water service and for the extension of the Hart Lot Water District in the Town to be Bounded and described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land situated in Great Lots 92 and 93 of the Town of Elbridge, County of Onondaga, New York State, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the centerline intersection of Jordan Road and Nash Road, and thence along the centerline of Nash Road, N 74° 01' 17" W, a distance of 338.00 feet to a point, and thence N 75° 45' 00" W, a distance of 620.23 feet to the lands now or formerly of Kendrick- Bowser, at Book 3173 of deeds, Page 16 and thence N 14° 17' 15" 00" E, along the land of said Kendrick- Bowser, and other lands now or formerly of said Kendrick- Bowser, at Book 4066 of Deeds, Page 39, a distance of 1091.03 feet to the south line of the lands now or formerly of James Hill, and thence S 82° 03' 00" E, along the lands of said Hill and the lands now or formerly of Hourigan Farms, a distance of 1476.09 feet to the centerline of Jordan Road, southerly on a curve to the left having a radius of 180.00' and an arc distance of 221.20 feet to a point, (Chord Data=S 62°39" W, 207.54'), and S 27° 32' 19" W, a distance of 351.13 feet to a point, and thence S 38° 08' 49", a distance of 142.96 feet to a point, and thence S 41° 44' 47" W, a distance of 617.63 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 30.41 Acres of land. All bearings are based on Record North and all distances are level. Subject to all highway rights, rights of way and utility easements of record.

Reference is made to a survey and map prepared by Watkins Land Surveying, PLLC, WHEREAS, no improvements to the water distribution system are required; and WHEREAS, no public funds are proposed to be extended to service the petitioners property; and

WHEREAS it has been estimated that the cost to the Petitioner will be \$103 annually for district administration fees, and a one-time payment of \$500. for the meter and service hook up fee, plus metered water fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge shall be held at the Elbridge Municipal Building located at 5 Rte. 31 West, Jordan, New York on November 10th, 2011 at 7:00 in the evening of the day to consider the said petition and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same and for such other action on the vote of said Town Board with relation to the said petition as may be required by law or proper in the premises.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this petition? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against this petition? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #3 closed at 7:07 PM.

Public Hearing #4

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge set November 10th 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Route 31, Jordan, NY to consider entering into a contract

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for Fire Protection Services in District NO.1 for the year 2012 in the Town of Elbridge with the Village of Elbridge for the amount of \$134,681.00.

Legal notice that appeared in the October 26, 2011 Eagle Observer was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this contract? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against this contract? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #4 closed at 7:08 PM.

Public Hearing #5

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge set November 10th 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Route 31, Jordan, NY to consider entering into a contract for Fire Protection District NO.2 for the year 2012 in the Town of Elbridge with the Village of Jordan for the amount of \$134,681.00.

Legal notice that appeared in the October 26, 2011 Eagle Observer was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this contract? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against this contract? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #5 closed at 7:09 PM.

Public Hearing #6

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge set November 10th 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Route 31, Jordan, NY to hold a Public Hearing to consider entering into a contract for emergency medical Ambulance Service for the year 2012 in the Town of Elbridge with Jordan Ambulance for the amount of \$98,077.00.

Legal notice that appeared in the October 26, 2011 Eagle Observer was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this contract? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against this contract? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared Public Hearing #6 closed at 7:10 PM.

Councilor Doug Blumer entered the meeting at 7:11 PM.

REGULAR MEETING:

PRESENT: Councilor Vern Richardson, Councilor Bill Kuhn, Councilor Doug Blumer, and Supervisor Ken Bush.

ABSENT: Councilor Rita Dygert

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Kochman, Conlan and Tom McGuire, Mark Ramsden, Jack Horner, Historian; Leo Cooper, Outreach Worker; Dennis Pelmeur, Highway Superintendent; and Deb Stapleton, Clerk.

Travis Glazier entered the meeting at 7: 15 PM.

Deb Blasko entered at 7:19.

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Eagle Observer reporter Amanda Wada entered at 7:25.
James Rowley entered at 7:25.

ADOPT MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Kuhn, seconded by Councilor Richardson the minutes from the October 27th meeting were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) A letter of request from the Town Historian, Jack Horner, regarding a Sabbatical from 11/20/11 through 4/20/12.
- 2) Annual maintenance permit renewal with NYS DOT.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following budget modifications were approved:

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS:

From: DB5110.4 Road Repair- contractual 5000.

To: DB5110.1 Road Repair- Pers. Services

From: A1990.0 Contingency 1500.

To: A1110.12 Justice-Asst. Clerk Pers. Services

From: A1990.0 Contingency 600.

To: A8810.4 Cemeteries- Contractual (Town of Brutus-canal mowing)

From: B1990.0 Contingency 525.

To: B9030.8 FICA- Pers. Serv. 400.

B9031.8 Medicare- Pers. Services 125.

From: DA9060.8 Hospital/Medical Ins. 5000.

To: DA5130.1 Machinery- Pers. Serv.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

On a motion by Supervisor Bush, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush

Nays 0

Resolution 132-11

Resolved:

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to enact a Local Law to override the 2% Tax Levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c.

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On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolution 133-11

Resolved: the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge, on the 10th day of November 2011, commencing at 7PM, held a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget approved by this Board and filed with the Town Clerk for fiscal year 2012, and having heard all persons desiring to be heard on the matter of the budget for such year, having discussed and considered, now therefore

Be it further resolved: that the Preliminary Budget, be adopted and established as the Final Budget of the Town of Elbridge for the fiscal year beginning January 1st, 2012 and that such budget be entered in detail in the minutes of the proceedings of the Town Board

Resolved: that the Town Clerk shall prepare and certify as provided by law duplicate copies of said Annual Budget hereby adopted and shall deliver them to the Supervisor of the Town who shall deliver one copy to the Onondaga County Legislature for the levy of taxes.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolution 134-11

Resolved:

WHEREAS, a petition dated September 29, 2011, was filed by John E. Bloodgood, Jr. requesting the extension of the Hart Lot Water District; and

WHEREAS, a plan, map and report was prepared by Ken Kaufman, dated October 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board adopted a resolution on the 27th day of October, 2011, reciting the filing of said petition, the boundaries of the proposed water district extension Elbridge Municipal Building as the place where the Board would meet to consider the petition and to hear all persons interested; and

WHEREAS, such order was duly posted and published as required by law; and

WHEREAS, a hearing in the matter was duly held on the 10th day of November at 7:00 p.m.;

NOW, upon the evidence given upon such hearing and the motion of Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn it is

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that (a) the district extension is a Type II action as provided for in 6NYCRR 617.5 (c) (11); (b) the petition is signed and acknowledged as required by law and it complies with the requirements of law as to sufficiency of signers and it is otherwise sufficient; (c) all of the property and property owners within the proposed district are benefited thereby; (d) all of the property and property owners

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benefited are included within the limits of the proposed district; (e) it is in the public interest to grant the relief sought; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that the extension of the Hart Lot Water District as proposed in said petition by approved, and shall be bounded and described as set forth on the attached Exhibit A; and it is further

RESOLVED that the improvement proposed may be installed by the petitioner at its sole expense and who shall also be responsible for all of the costs incurred by the Town regarding this district formation; and it is further

RESOLVED, that John E. Bloodgood, Jr., the petitioner shall pay to the Hart Lot Water District the same tax levies as all other parcels pay which are situate within this district.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution135-11

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to approve a joint fire protection contract with the Village of Elbridge and the Village of Jordan, paying each of them \$134,681 for services for 2012 wherein the Elbridge Fire Department will be responsible for District #1 and will provide mutual aid to District #2 and the Jordan Fire Department will be responsible for District #2 and will provide mutual aid to District#1 and the total sum of \$269,362 shall be apportioned to the taxpayers of both districts such that the tax levy shall be the same rate for each district, subject to the execution of a written agreement to be drafted by counsel.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution 136-11

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to enter into a contract for medical emergency Ambulance Service for the year 2012 in the Town of Elbridge with Jordan Ambulance for the amount of \$98,077.00.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution 137-11

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The Elbridge Town Board resolves to accept the Town Historian, Jack Horner's request for Sabbatical, without pay, from his position from 11/20/11 through 4/20/12.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution 138-11

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to reappoint Mr. Bruce Foote to the Board of Assessment Review for the Town of Elbridge effective immediately through September 2016.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution 139-11

The Elbridge Town Board resolves, pursuant to §6-c of General Municipal Law a capital reserve fund for the Hart Lot Water District, Rte. 5 East Water District, West Elbridge Water District, and Sandbank Road Water District.

On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn the following resolution was:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Richardson Kuhn Blumer Bush
Nays 0

Resolved:

Resolution 140-11

The Elbridge Town Board resolves, pursuant to § 6-c of General Municipal Law a capital reserve fund for the purchase of town highway equipment.

GUEST: James Rowley, Chief Fiscal Officer of Onondaga County regarding the Sales Tax distribution.

The Town Board appreciated Mr. Rowley and Mr. Glazier coming out to talk to address the meeting. There were questions, explanations, and discussion for nearly 45 minutes. Highway Superintendent Pelmeier wanted to discuss the plowing of County Roads and the financial aspect, and safety issues regarding this matter.

REPORTS:

Assessor: report on file. Applications are out for STAR renewals.

Highway Superintendent: report on file. PESH will come in for training. Still compiling data on trash program, which was very successful.

Code Enforcement Officer: report on file

Dog Control Officer: no report

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Senior Program Director: report on file

Outreach Worker: Dept. of Aging held a Public Hearing that was very well attended. Will be going to a meeting on the HEAP program on Tuesday. People from Oklahoma saw Project ROSE on the Internet and called.

Historian: Jack passed out brochures to the board called “A Donor’s Guide”, which enables people (families) to pass on valuable historical information. It explains what may be essential- collections can be protected and cataloged so generations can enjoy down the road. There’s a form called “Stuff in this Box” that folks can donate items to the historical office. Jack also showed the board a large map that Nate Fiacco, a Boy Scout from Troop 52, in Elbridge, did as an Eagle Scout project –mapping the Jordan Cemetery (Quince Street). Many hours went into this venture and all were appreciative.

Recreation Director: report on file

Planning Board: nothing to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Dygert: Absent

Councilor Richardson: would like to put a “workplace safety” training session together for office staff. Hart Lot water district extension is done.

Councilor Kuhn: has a meeting planned for Wednesday with engineers re: building renovations. Discussed dog control and spoke with another agency that does 16 municipalities that is less money.

Councilor Blumer: cemeteries are done with this years contract, and will look into lawn care services for next year- Speedy has submitted his.

Supervisor Bush: Congresswoman Ann Marie Buerkle will be at a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, Nov.22 at 6:00 PM at the Community Center. And the 3rd annual Jordan Turkey Trot will be held on Thanksgiving morning- registration is at 8:30 am at the Masonic Lodge and the entrance fee is a donation for the food pantry. You can walk or run. The next project is to complete and revamp the codebook.

MONTHLY REPORTS ON FILE: Supervisor, Town Clerk, Water Superintendent, Codes, Historian, Recreation, Outreach Worker, Senior Program Coordinator, Assessing, and Highway Superintendent.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Tom McGuire commented that the county came and filled in the potholes on the Towpath, where he lives.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Kuhn, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton
Elbridge Town Clerk