

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE  
TOWN BOARD WORK MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**AGENDA**

*Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Reports**

**Supervisor**

- Resolution to Authorize the Supervisor to Execute an Agreement with Greene County for Installation of Repeater on Greene County Antenna

**County Legislator**

**Town Clerk**

- September 9, 2019 Town Board Regular Meeting

**Tax Collector**

**Historian**

**Agriculture (Chair R. VanEtten/Member Irving)**

**Ag Fest Liaison (Member Irving)**

**Animal Control (Chair Irving/Member Ruso)**

**Assessment (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)**

- Resolution to Appoint Member to the Board of Assessment Review
- Motion to Accept Resignation of Sole Assessor
- Motion for Special Meeting on Wednesday, October 2 at 6 PM on Law 2 of 2019 to Rescind Local Law 2 of 2000
- Resolution Setting Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 2 of 2019 to Rescind Local Law 2 of 2000 to Authorize the Participation of the Town of New Baltimore in a Coordinated Assessment Program with the Town of Cocksackie

**Audit and Budget (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)**

- Presentation of the 2020 Tentative Budget
- Motion to Schedule a Budget Workshop and Presentation of the 2019 Tentative Budget for October 16

**Buildings & Grounds/Recycling (Chair Irving/Member Briody)**

**Building Inspector/Code Enforcement (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)**

**Fire, EMS & Law Enforcement (Chair Dellisanti/Member Downes)**

- Resolution Authorizing Supervisor to Execute Agreement for General Ambulance Services with the Town of Cocksackie

**Grants/Promotions/Economic Development (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)**

**Greene County EMS (Representative Dellisanti/Deputy Ruso)**

- Resolution Authorizing Supervisor to Execute Agreement with Greene County Emergency Medical Systems, Inc.

**Greene County Planning Board (Member Irving)**

**Highway (Chair Ruso/Member Briody)**

- Resolution to Authorize the Highway Superintendent to Purchase Abrasives (Dry Screened and Washed) Used in Snow and Ice Control Until September 19, 2020
- Resolution to Authorize the Supervisor to Execute an Agreement for Waste Collection at the Highway Garage

**Insurance (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)**

**Personnel (Chair Ruso/Member VanEtten)**

**Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals (Chair Irving/Member Ruso)**

**Seniors (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)**

**Technology/Website (Chair Briody/Member Downes)**

**Town Courts Liaison (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)**

- Resolution to Appoint Part Time Deputy Justice Clerk

**Veterans and Memorials (Chair VanEtten/Member Irving)**

**Wastewater Treatment (Chair Irving/Member Briody)**

**Youth, Parks and Recreation (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)**

**Public Comment Period/Community Events**

- October 2, 2019 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting (If Needed) at 7:30 PM
- October 10, 2019 Planning Board Meeting at 7 PM
- October 16, 2019 Town Board Meeting at 7 PM
- October 24, 2019 Seniors Committee Meeting at 1 PM
- October 28, 2019 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM

**Audit of Claims****Adjournment**

**\*\*\*\* Agenda Subject to Change\*\*\*\***

**GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING TOWN BOARD MEETINGS**

1. The Supervisor shall preside at the meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Supervisor, the Deputy Supervisor shall be the acting Supervisor. In the event both the Supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor are absent, the other members shall designate one of their members to act as temporary chairman. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
2. Town residents who wish to speak shall fill out a card at the entrances of the meeting room listing their name, contact information, and the subject matter in which they would like to speak. These cards will be collected prior to the beginning of the Town Board meeting and given to the Town Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.
3. Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and then proceed to the lectern and state their name and address. They must limit their remarks on official town business to up to three minutes on a given topic and may not yield any remaining time to another speaker. They must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof and not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
4. Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents, or others. All speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity, and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering, or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
5. Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks, or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.
6. After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
7. The Town Supervisor, or in their absence the Deputy Supervisor, shall ensure compliance with these rules.

**This policy will be amended by Majority vote of the Town Board.**

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**OPENING OF REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Ruso opened the meeting at 6:59 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending Councilmembers Briody, Downes, Irving, and VanEtten, County Legislator Linger, Town Clerk Finke, Highway Superintendent VanWormer, and 4 members of the public who signed the attendance book. Absent: Deputy Supervisor Dellisanti and Tax Collector Jordan

***Supervisor***

The monthly financial reports for August have been forwarded to all Board members. Has everyone had a chance to review them? I will entertain a Motion to accept the August financial reports. Motion by Councilmember Downes seconded by Councilmember VanEtten to accept the August financial reports.

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**Supervisor Ruso:** I'd like to read the following statement. HBO TO FILM IN THE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE *The Plot Against America*, based on the Philip Roth novel, will be filmed in the Town of New Baltimore. This HBO series is set in the 1940s and is scheduled all day Tuesday, September 24. The two locations will be Reservoir Road near Valley View Drive and the Cocksackie Sportsmen's Club. This section of roadway will be covered in stone on Thursday or Friday, September 19 or 20 prior to filming. It would be helpful to avoid the area and we ask residents to use extreme caution. During the actual filming the section of road will be closed, it will be difficult to access the area, the set will be closed, production trucks will be prevalent, and no pictures or social media will be allowed. We appreciate the assistance of the Greene County Sheriff's Department for traffic control. The Town of New Baltimore welcomes HBO and it has been a pleasure working with all of you.

**Councilmember Downes:** Do we have a time on that?

**Supervisor Ruso:** That's all day. It's supposed to start first thing in the morning I read. The production crew is going to be there at daybreak.

**Councilmember Downes:** So anybody going to work can't take those roads.

**Supervisor Ruso:** Exactly the moment they're going to close the roads I can't say, but I would avoid that route.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 128-2019**  
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**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AN  
AGREEMENT WITH GREENE COUNTY FOR INSTALLATION OF  
REPEATER ON GREENE COUNTY ANTENNA**

***RESOLVED*** the Town of New Baltimore hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute an agreement with Greene County for the installation of equipment on the County Antenna on High Rock Road until May 31, 2022.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember Downes

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

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**Supervisor Ruso:** I'm going to sign that now. This has to be forwarded to the County where the County Administrator will also sign and he'll send us back a fully executed copy for both of us.

***County Legislator Pat Linger***

I would like to start my September report by thanking the over 250 volunteers who made The Vietnam Traveling Wall visit to Greene County a huge success. During the 4 days the wall was at the Historic Catskill Point, we saw over 8,500 visitors pass through the gates. Volunteers staffed the site 24 hours a day during that time, with guidance from the GC Tourism and Veterans offices. I also need to thank our B&G crew for the extra effort to make the site "the most beautiful presentation of the wall" according to the owners. Traffic flowed smoothly and the behind-the-scenes operations worked flawlessly, even with a broken sewer pipe the day before the wall arrived. The committee is still tabulating the donations, but they do believe they have nearly the entire cost covered, if not completely covered. The Traveling Wall was the top website hit during August. We are in full swing in developing our 2020 budget. One of the last remaining pieces will be finished later this week when we meet for a workshop Wednesday night. The discussion will include bail reform and the cost to Greene County taxpayers to meet the new discovery laws required of our District Attorney's office. The State DA Association is working with lawmakers to amend the laws due to unrealistic deadlines, but we have to plan for the rollout as written. The new radio system went live this month for all police and EMS agencies with very few issues. The system will go live for all fire departments within the coming weeks. This is the last major hurdle with our Emergency Communications upgrade. We continue to gain on uninterrupted radio communication, approving additional equipment and work at the Twilight Park AT&T communications tower, to cover dead spots in coverage. Paving work is nearly complete after a late start, and striping will follow. One of the projects I have been working to be approved since arriving on the Legislature is a storage building to protect our highway equipment and get it out of the elements. This month, we approved a 60x90 cold storage building to be installed at the Athens highway garage. We are working with the Windham School District to see if we can work out an agreement and location for a combined School District bus garage and County Highway facility. We both have buildings within the flood plain that need to be replaced and the timing leaves us with a potential opportunity to save taxpayers money. DEP has indicated their willingness to work with us on this. We approved the purchase of two service trucks, one for highway and one for solid waste. As our Solid Waste facilities are upgraded and our operation evolves, so will the equipment needed. We have approved the purchase of a new roll-off truck and three 45-yard containers to replace tired equipment. Last year, we moved over 65,000 tons of material through our four transfer stations. We are on track to surpass that in 2019. We also approved the bid for abrasives used in snow and ice control. When the In-Rem auction process began in May, there were over 200 properties that had taxes owed. The auction was held in September on the 39 properties that had not been reclaimed or re-purchased by the owners. The proceeds of the auction returned all funds owed to the County with over \$300,000 in profit. It's the fewest number of properties at the auction that Peter Markou could recall. Since his election to office, our Treasurer has had a policy of working with people wherever possible to keep the County out of the real estate business. It's been a successful policy, and this year's record low number is evidence of a strong local economy. The GC Jail project is full steam ahead with a projected substantial completion date of December 24, 2020. Site work is nearly complete and we should see vertical construction in the next 2-3 weeks. We have weekly meetings on site and a monthly update from the construction manager at our Public Safety committee meeting. Jail staff have begun meeting to revise all policies and procedures as is required by the Commission of Correction. Prior to occupancy, we will need to have approval from the Commission. We have been in contact with other counties, such as Sullivan and Schoharie, who have recently been through the same process.

***Town Clerk Barb Finke***

10 Building Permits \$914.00, 2 Deck and Porches \$150, 1 Septic System Replacement \$40, 3 CO Searches \$45, 3 EZPass Tags \$75, 11 Hunting/Fishing Licenses \$49.22, 22 Dog Licenses \$150, 8 Late Dog Licenses \$40, 1 Junkyard License \$100, 2 Marriage Licenses \$35, 4 Park Rentals \$95, 2 Minor Subdivisions \$60, 4 Certified Copies \$40, 6 Photocopies \$1.50, Recycle Fees \$22, State, County & Local Revenues \$2,601.50,

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to New York State Agriculture and Markets for Spay/Neuter Program \$28, to New York State Department of Health for Marriages \$45.00, to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for Hunting/Fishing Licenses \$711.78, Total to Supervisor \$1,816.72 I attended a Columbia-Greene Town Clerk Association meeting in Austerlitz. We received a tour of their new beautiful and restored Town Hall that was accomplished by a local foundation at no cost to the taxpayers. A presentation was made by BAS on new program updates. We discussed the Governor's signing of bill that waives the state fee for marriage licenses for active duty members. Local governments have the option of opting out as well. I am awaiting further information from the New York State Town Clerks Association on this issue. I am sad to report the passing of Jim O'Connor from the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics. Jim was an honorary member of the New York State Town Clerks Association, attended every annual conference, and provided personal training to many of us including Marjorie, Diane, and me on a number of occasions. His unique sense of humor, our ability to call him on his cell phone at any time especially while babysitting his grandchildren, will be sorely missed and irreplaceable at the New York State Department of Health. This is a sincere loss to every Town Clerk across the State. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

**Supervisor Ruso:** On another note related to Town Clerk, I want to thank Barb particularly and Nick as well, as Deputy Supervisor, for helping to cover and keep an eye on things while I was out recovering from a minor procedure. I missed a whole week and I don't know what I'd do without you and I want to thank you.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The September 9, 2019 Town Board Regular Meeting submitted by Town Clerk Finke, Moved by Supervisor Ruso and was seconded by Councilmember VanEtten. The adoption of the foregoing Motion was duly put to a vote and vote was as follows:

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

***Tax Collector Diane Jordan***

Property/County Tax— Anyone still owing property/county taxes will now be required to call Greene County for amounts owed and information on how to pay the tax bill. Please call Greene County at (518)-719-3527. Sewer District # 1 -- The payments I receive in my office at town hall by October 31 ,will be processed as a paid payment. Any payment received after October 31 that is not post marked on or before October 31th, cannot be processed and will go to Greene County as a Relevy as of November 1, 2019. Water District # 2 --Water District #2-- The last and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter billing will go out by October 11<sup>th</sup> and is due by November 15. After November 15, there will be a penalty added to the bill. The last date to pay this bill will be December 15<sup>th</sup> after this date payment will not be accepted and the payment will go to relevy. Anyone with back payments will need to get them in before the December 15th date. Anyone with questions please call me at (518) 756-6671 x2 and I will be happy to help you any time.

***Historian Ted Hilscher***

No Report

***Agriculture***

No Report

***AgFest***

No Report

***Animal Control***

No Report

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***Assessment***

**ASSESSOR'S OFFICE UPDATE:** As we work through updating our files, we are also sending out letters to those who might be eligible for the Enhanced STAR exemption, due to age and income to encourage those to file for a better exemption, along with possibly qualifying for the Senior Citizen's exemption **SCHOOL TAX BILLS:** The School taxes have been mailed out. Any address changes which comes through the Assessor's office is updated and sent to the Tax Collectors (Town/School), Town Building department, Village of Ravena (water/sewer billing), etc for updating their records **EXEMPTION RENEWALS:** October will begin the mailing of some exemption renewal forms. Agricultural; Non-Profit; Clergy, will be the first, and in December the Senior Citizen's will be sent out, also noting they won't have to re-file for the STAR since the RP-425-IVP (Income Verification Program) was mandatory last year.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 129-2019**  
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**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW MEMBER**

**RESOLVED** that Donna Degnen is reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review until September 30, 2024.

**RESOLVED** that the Assessor's Clerk will contact said member within seven days of appointment and advise of the Oath of Office filing with the Town Clerk by October 23, 2019.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Assessor's Clerk will contact all members of the Board of Assessment Review to advise of the date and time of the Annual Grievance Day at least 30 days before said date.

Motion by Councilmember VanEtten seconded by Supervisor Ruso

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**Supervisor Ruso:** We have a Motion to accept the resignation of Gordon Bennett, our Sole Assessor. I would like to make a Motion to accept his resignation. I hope you all have an opportunity to review the resignation. It's attached. So I'll make that Motion. Do I have a second?

**Councilmember VanEtten:** I'll second.

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**Supervisor Ruso:** Mr. Bennett brought to our attention the need to rescind Local Law 2 of 2000 which authorized the participation of the Town of New Baltimore in a Coordinated Assessment Program with the Town of Coxsackie. I would like to make a Motion for a Special Meeting on Wednesday, October 2 at 6 PM for the purpose of addressing this local law and to have any other business to come before the Town. Do I have a second?

**Councilmember Irving:** I'll second.

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**Supervisor Ruso:** Local Law 2 of December of 2000 linked the Town of Cocksackie to the Town of New Baltimore Assessor. So technically when he resigned from ours he also resigned from Cocksackie which he does not intend to do. You can only be the assessor of both towns or none of them. We were unaware and we've certainly not proceeded as coordinated. He's been re-uped six years a number of times subsequent to 2000 and both Cocksackie and ourselves have proceeded in an independent fashion. I've spoken with the Town Supervisor of the Town of Cocksackie. They were similarly unaware of that. They would like to continue with Mr. Bennett and so in order for everything to work out well, we have to rescind Local Law 2 of 2000 technically. So we will be doing that on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 130-2019**  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 2**  
**OF 2019 TO RESCIND LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2000 TO AUTHORIZE THE**  
**PARTICIPATION OF THE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE IN A**  
**COORDINATED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM WITH THE TOWN OF**  
**COXSACKIE**

***BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall, 3809 County Route 51, Hannacroix, New York regarding proposed Local Law 2 of 2019, a Local Law to rescind Local Law 2 of 2000 to authorize the participation of the Town of New Baltimore in a coordinated assessment program with the Town of Cocksackie.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #2 of 2019**  
**A LOCAL LAW TO RESCIND LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2000 TO AUTHORIZE THE**  
**PARTICIPATION OF THE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE IN A**  
**COORDINATED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM WITH THE**  
**TOWN OF COXSACKIE**

***BE IT ENACTED*** by the Town of New Baltimore, as follows:

SECTION 1. Whereas the original intention of Local Law 2 of 2000 was to enter into a municipal cooperative agreement to appoint one assessor to hold office in the Town of New Baltimore and Cocksackie pursuant to Section 576 and 579 of the Real Property Tax Law and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law.

SECTION 2. As the Town of New Baltimore Assessor has submitted his resignation effective September 30, 2019 and Local Law #2 of 2000 is **HEREBY REPEALED**.

SECTION 3. This local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

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***Audit and Budget***

**Supervisor Ruso:** I would like to make a Motion to schedule a Budget Workshop and Presentation of the 2019 Tentative Budget for October 16, 2019. Do I have a second?

**Councilmember Briody:** Second.

**Supervisor Ruso:** I know you've just seen much of this in the past hour, but you have a couple weeks to look it over. So we're going to have the Tentative presented, the next budget will be the Preliminary and certainly the last one will be the Final and that's won't be until November, the last one. A couple steps along the way. Any questions?

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

***Building & Grounds/Recycling Center Operator Kirk Trombley***

11 Tires Up To And Including 16" Without Rims \$22, 60 Gallon Bags of Plastic (No Hard Plastics) 13, 13 Bundles of Magazines and Phone Books, 80 Bags and Bundles of Newspaper, 48 Boxes and Bundles of Cardboard, 1 Air Conditioner 7/9, Total Income \$22

***Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Allan Jourdin***

Summarization of Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer activities for August 2019 is as follows: Building Inspections: 26 Building Permits (Total) Issued: 12 Building Permits Renewed: 2 Building Permit Renewal Letters Sent: 1 First Notice; 2 Second Notice = Total 3 Certificates of Compliance Issued: 2 Certificates of Occupancy Issued: 1 Certificate of Occupancy Search Requests: 2 Manufactured (Mobile) Home Permits Issued: 2 New Building Permit Applications Received: 14 New Building Permit Applications Awaiting Permit Issuance: 4 Open Building Permits: 106 Pool Permit Applications Received: 1 Pool Permits Issued: 1 Septic Permit (New) Application: 1 Septic Replacement Applications Received: 1 Application Fees for August, 2019: \$1,104.00 Total Fees for Year to Date: \$8,186.42

***Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement***

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**RESOLUTION 131-2019**

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT  
FOR GENERAL AMBULANCE SERVICES WITH THE  
TOWN OF COXSACKIE**

**RESOLVED** the Town of New Baltimore hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute an agreement with the Town of Coxsackie for General Ambulance Services for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 for \$17,968.

**Supervisor Ruso:** Just as a point, last year's cost was \$21,013 so it's a difference of \$3,045 dollars.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember Downes

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**



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***Grants/Promotions/Economic Development***

No Report

***Greene County EMS Representative Nick Dellisanti***

The regular monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2019. There were 10 EMS calls in July and 8 EMS calls in August for a total of 61 for this year 2019. We had 102 calls for all of 2018.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 132-2019**  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT  
WITH GREENE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC.**

***RESOLVED*** that the Town Board does hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute an agreement with Greene County Emergency Medical Systems, Inc. for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 for \$18,827.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember Briody

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**Supervisor Ruso:** For 2018 it was \$19,119 so there's a saving to the Town of \$292.

**Councilmember Downes:** Should it say 2019?

**Supervisor Ruso:** No, not this one. They're not behind like Coxsackie.

***Greene County Planning Board Representative Jean Horn***

9/18/19 County Planning Board Agenda 1. Village of Tannersville...NYS Rt 23A Driveway/Leach field Site Plan Review...Approved 2. Village of Tannersville...Sal's Pizza NYS Rt 23A Site Plan Review...Approved 3. Village of Tannersville...McGunnigle/Nadaland, NYS Rt 23A Site Plan Review...Approved 4. Village of Tannersville...McGlinthy Solar Installation, NYS Rt 23A Site Plan Review...Approved 5. Village of Tannersville...Leach field Site Plan Review...Approved

***Highway Superintendent Alan VanWormer***

Highway Report August 26- Sept. 23 2019 Patched washouts on dirt roads with item 4; Mowed along roads; Repaired roller on roadside mower; Mowed parks and cemeteries as needed; Serviced all lawn mowers; Replaced broken cable on boom mower; Returned drag broom borrowed from the Town of Windham; Removed guard rails and posts from District 2 park; Blacktopped Gill Road and Featherbed lane where we replaced culverts; Cut 2 bent over trees on Birchwood lane; Cleaned up brush on HighMount Road from wind storm; Worked on sand shed, tightened cover with help from County Highway Bucket truck.; Cleaned up fallen tree on Paradise Hill Road; Grader Patched roads with blacktop where needed; Took 2016 F350 to T&T sales to have dump body installed; Dug out and put stone dust under bleachers at District 2 park; Hauled in washed screenings from Callahan for winter; Repaired fuel leak on Grader; Cleaned up fallen tree on Medway Earlton Road; Replaced rotted metal culvert pipe on High Rock Road

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**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 133-2019**  
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**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO  
PURCHASE ABRASIVES (DRY SCREENED AND WASHED) USED IN SNOW  
AND ICE CONTROL UNTIL SEPTEMBER 19, 2020**

**RESOLVED** the Town Board hereby authorizes the Highway Superintendent to purchase Abrasives (Dry Screened and Washed) used in Snow and Ice Control per Greene County Resolution 271-19 until September 19, 2020. The Highway Superintendent will inform the Town Board of cumulative expenditures and unused balance for this product.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember Downes

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 134-2019**  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE  
AN AGREEMENT FOR WASTE COLLECTION AT THE HIGHWAY GARAGE**

**WHEREAS** the current service agreement for waste collection at the Highway Garage expired and two quotes were procured.

**RESOLVED** the Supervisor is authorized to sign an agreement with Waste Management for a monthly cost of \$128.91, administrative fee currently \$6.50, and \$20 one-time installation for service beginning November 1, 2019.

**Supervisor Ruso:** We have been paying, just so you know, \$185 a month and the new price is \$135 so that comes to \$50, about \$600 a year.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

AYES: Ruso, Brody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

***Insurance***

**Supervisor Ruso:** I'm getting quotes now for our health insurance for 2019, an increase of 8% but the increase is actually higher than that because we have -- I don't have every dollar in front of me -- but we have an estimate in our budget but that's all that is. We are covering more lives now than we have been. So the cost of insurance is up by 8 percent, but when you add more people it looks like our costs are probably going to be up by about 30-35 percent. We have cost of retirees that have occurred within the last year, year-and-a-half and their replacements are taking insurance and that's what the issue is. Each person that has retired has family, two people and that's \$15,000 just themselves. So we carry on their cost, but then their replacement now has to have health insurance.

***Personnel***

No Report

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***Planning Board Chair Rob VanEtten***

The Planning Board met on September 12, 2019 with the following business transacted: Public Hearing was held on the Jeffrey Carlson, Sr. and Donna M. Carlson Minor Subdivision Application. In the Regular Monthly Meeting that followed: ...The Carlson Minor Subdivision was approved. ...Approved the Boundary Line Adjustment Application for Alan and Stephanie Livingston and Mansion Street Development, LLC for a 0.14 of an acre transfer from each parcel to the other. ...Approved Minor Subdivision Map for filing in Greene County Clerk's office correcting coordinate errors from a 2007 survey map submitted for the subdivision of lands owned at that time by Paul Schiller and filed in Greene County Clerk's office following the 2007 approved subdivision ...Discussed with surveyor and attorney representing landowners the two submitted minor subdivision applications to correct the non-conforming status of two parcels off of Route 144, owned by New Baltimore Station, LLC, created by the transfer of property from these parcels in 2015 to bordering parcel owned by Paul Schiller. Required Public Hearing has been scheduled for 7 p.m. October 10, 2019. ...Continued discussion with representatives from DG New York CS, LLC, a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, their plans for a 5 MW Solar and Energy Storage Project on property on W/S of Route 9W. Discussion will be continued at the October 10 Meeting. ...Discussed with property owners on Acquetuck Road, the process for combining two parcels they own. ...Discussed with the authorized representative for 12498 U.S. Route 9W, LLC, better known as New Baltimore Family Dentistry, their Site Plan Application to add an additional 13 parking spaces. The additional parking is needed in view of proposed expansion adding five more examining rooms in current facility basement. Since the proposed parking increase would result in more than the 30% parcel coverage allowed per Town Code, application was denied and applicant referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals. ....Discussed with Town resident, Charles Hudson, Special Use Permit application submitted for a residential ground mount solar system greater than 200 square feet in size. Required Public Hearing has been scheduled for 7:15 p.m., October 10.

***Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Pat Linger***

The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet on September 4, 2019, since there were no applications to come before the Board.

***Seniors***

**Councilmember VanEtten:** We're having a meeting on October 24 to discuss the upcoming Christmas Party in December which will be here before we know it.

***Technology/Website***

**Councilmember Briody:** Nothing for this one, next meeting.

***Town Court***

In June, Court fees were \$11,999.25 of which \$7,388 was sent to the State Comptroller and the Town retained \$4,611.25. Justice Farrell \$4,625.25 Justice Meacham \$7,374 In July, Court fees were \$15,627 of which \$9,125 was sent to the State Comptroller and the Town retained \$6,502. Justice Farrell \$8,556 Justice Meacham \$7,071

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 135-2019**  
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**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PART TIME DEPUTY JUSTICE CLERK**

**WHEREAS** a vacancy exists in the Justice Court and the Town has advertised the position of Part Time Deputy Justice Clerk, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Lynne Layman-Wallace is hereby appointed to the position of Part Time Deputy Justice Clerk at an hourly wage of \$12.00 per hour for a maximum of 20 hours per week and upon satisfactory six month probationary period the salary will increase to \$12.50.

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Motion by Councilmember VanEtten seconded by Councilmember Downes

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT

**Motion Carried**

***Veterans and Memorials***

**Councilmember VanEtten:** We had a nice Memorial yesterday to the Jennings -- Charles and Olive Jennings. They were the former Tax Collectors back in '31-'59 with Charles Jennings and Olive took over after that sometime in the '70s, I want to say '76.

**Ellie Alfeld:** Almost a total of 50 years combined.

**Councilmember VanEtten:** We had a good crowd, the weather was beautiful, that was nice. Also, while we're on the Veterans, too, I want to thank Cossackie Transport for the use of their bus. That was really very nice of them.

**Ellie Alfeld:** If I may I'd like to thank the Town Board for providing the cake and the drinks and stuff. Shelly (VanEtten), Barbara (Finke), and I don't know who else. But Barbara (Carras), she was thrilled to death I want to tell you. She really was and she did talk to Ted (Hilscher) and I think we're going to see some of those tax records go to his department.

***Wastewater Treatment***

**Councilmember Irving:** I talked to our Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator today. He said that the upgrade is on schedule with no major problems.

***Youth, Parks and Recreation***

**Supervisor Ruso:** I have written an article for the *News-Herald*. It will be in this upcoming edition and it is on a discussion of our Parks, come of our plans for renovation with our parks and renovations that have already occurred. So you can see that in the *News-Herald* this coming Thursday.

**Ellie Alfeld:** Will it also be on the computer?

**Supervisor Ruso:** Yes, of course. They want us to let them publish it first then we can share it.

***Public Comment***

None

***Community Events***

- October 2, 2019 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting (If Needed) at 7:30 PM
- **October 2, 2019 Special Meeting on Local Law 2 of 2019 at 6 PM**
- October 10, 2019 Planning Board Meeting at 7 PM
- October 16, 2019 Town Board Meeting at 7 PM
- October 24, 2019 Seniors Committee Meeting at 1 PM
- October 28, 2019 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM

**Supervisor Ruso:** New Baltimore Food and Fellowship on October 9, 2019 Noon-2 PM and that's at the New Baltimore Reformed Church.

**Ellie Alfeld:** We've started our season again.

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**RESOLUTION 136-2019**  
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**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS**

**WHEREAS** the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review, and

**WHEREAS** the Town Board has audited claims 2019b-09-01 to 2019b-09-25, it is

**RESOLVED** that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2019b-09-01 to 2019b-09-25.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until November 30, 2019.

Motion by Supervisor Ruso seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

General \$8,884.44, Highway \$9,363.34, Sewer 1 \$388.98, Sewer 2 \$139.06, Ambulance 2 \$17,968, Total \$36,743.82

Motion by Councilmember Briody seconded by Councilmember Downes to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM

AYES: Ruso, Briody, Downes, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**Motion Carried**

**Supervisor Ruso:** Good night everybody.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara M. Finke RMC  
Town Clerk