

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Public Hearing on Alternative Veterans Exemption**  
**THE TOWN OF MOHAWK**

December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Town of Mohawk  
Richard A. Papa Office Building  
2-4 Park St.  
Fonda, NY 12068

A Public Hearing for the Alternative Veterans Exemption was called to order on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7:00pm.

No one from the public wished to speak.

*A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Collins and seconded by Pavlus, motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly M. Sullivan  
Town Clerk

Town of Mohawk  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011at 7:10 pm

The regular monthly meeting was held on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Richard A. Papa Office Building, 2-4 Park St. Fonda NY 12068.

Present: Supervisor Greg Rajkowski, Councilmen: Bette Papa, Nancy Collins, James Hoffman and Bruce Pavlus. Also present, William Holvig, Supt. of Highways, Sole Assessor Stella Gittle, Town Attorney Robert Kruger and Kimberly M. Sullivan, Town Clerk.

The meeting was opened with a flag salute.

*A motion to approve the minutes of the 11/10/2011 meeting was made by Papa and seconded by Hoffman. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

No one from the public wished to speak.

Correspondence was read and placed on file as follows:

1. NYS DOT completed their traffic study on Stoners Trail Rd. and determined that a 35mph speed limit is suitable between St. Route 5 and Mohawk Drive.
2. NYS DEC informed us that effective Dec. 5, 2011 there is a ban on disposing of rechargeable batteries in NYS. They should be brought to area retailers for disposal.
3. NYS Dept. of Public Service Commission's winter outreach and education campaign sent flyers to inform people how to cut energy costs.

Payments made prior to this meeting to avoid late payments: Total: \$9,199.01

General A: \$9,166.61

Highway: \$32.40

The Money Market Account as of 011/30/2011: **\$930,075.71**

Report from the Highway Superintendent as follows:

1. The men have been busy with routine ditch maintenance. The weather has been cooperating and it's been saving on overtime, sand and salt.
2. FEMA paperwork has been completed and the front entrance to the dumpster area (off Broadway) will be completed in the spring after hearing from FEMA.
3. Holvig would like permission to put an A-Arm Mower out to bid.
4. Holvig contacted NYS DOT in Utica regarding the removal of the barriers on Broadway RR crossing. They informed him that they are not removing them and added that CSX has every intention to close them permanently once the new bridge is operational. This could pose a hardship for town residents as the response time for our plowing and sanding could be hindered. Supervisor Rajkowski will be contacting local government to discuss this matter.

*A motion to allow Highway Supt. to put an A-Arm mower out to bid was made by Hoffman and seconded by Pavlus. All voting in favor, motion carried.*

Stella Gittle Sole Assessor reported that the Enhanced Star Exemption renewals have been mailed out and need to be returned to her no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

*A motion to reappoint Clark Subik to the board of Assessment Review was made by Papa and seconded by Hoffman. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

*A motion to appoint Jerry Fryc to the vacant Planning Board position was made by Hoffman and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

*A motion to set the Organizational Meeting for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 5:00 pm was made by Papa and seconded by Hoffman. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

**Resolution #52 The Town Board enacts Local Law #2 allowing change in level factor to be applied to the current eligible funds exemptions was made by a motion from Collins and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion Passed.**

**Resolution #53 The Town Board enacts Local Law #3 allowing change to Veteran's Alternative Exemption Scale was made by a motion from Pavlus and seconded by Papa. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

**Resolution #54 The Town Board authorizes approval to conduct a Public Hearing to enact a Local Law pertaining to Town Zoning Ordinance Changes was made by a motion from Collins and seconded by Papa. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

**Resolution #55 to audit and order paid the monthly bills as follows: (Total) \$17,819.49**

**General A: \$6,911.16**

**Highway: \$7,032.88**

**General B: \$2,544.42**

**Street Lights: \$1,331.03**

**A motion was made by Pavlus and seconded by Hoffman. All present voting in favor, motion passed.**

In further business: Michael Scott, a FFCS student in Participation in Government, asked the board when the completion of the new bridge would be complete and what would happen to the existing bridge. Supervisor Rajkowski told him that the bridge would be completed next year and the old bridge would be taken down.

Supervisor Rajkowski took a few minutes to recognize the 24 years of service given by Councilwoman Nancy Collins. She decided not to seek re-election and is stepping down. She was congratulated for her excellent years of service and will be sorely missed.

*A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Teamster Negotiations was made by Hoffman and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

*A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Papa and seconded by Hoffman. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

*A motion to adjourn the regular monthly meeting was made by Collins and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly M. Sullivan  
Town Clerk