February 14, 2023

Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sparta was held February 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Supervisor Mark Schuster, Deputy Supervisor Deb Halpenny, Bill Smith, Mary Ellyn Calabrese and Aaron Schreiner.

Minutes of the Organizational Meeting were read. A motion was made by Deb Halpenny and seconded by Bill Smith to accept the minutes. All voted yes. Carried.

Minutes of the January 10, 2023 meeting were read. A motion was made by Bill Smith and seconded by Deb Halpenny to accept the minutes. All voted yes. Carried.

Supervisor Schuster declared the public hearing on Local Law No. 2-2023, A Local Law Providing a Partial Exemption from Real Property Taxes to Persons with Disabilities who have Limited Income and Local Law No. 3-2023, A Local Law Providing a Partial Exemption from Real Property Taxes to Certain Eligible Senior Citizens, to be opened at 7:05 pm.

Highway Superintendent Kevin Robinson reviewed his report.

A motion was made by Aaron Schreiner and seconded by Bill Smith to approve the 2023 Agreement to Spend Highway Funds. All voted yes. Carried.

The Town Board reviewed the Procurement Policy and Policy against Discrimination and Harassment.

The Town Board reviewed the Computer Policy.

A motion was made by Deb Halpenny and seconded by Mary Ellyn Calabrese to pass the following Resolution:

TOWN OF SPARTA RESOLUTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF A BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE OF \$92,852.00 FOR 2021 INTERNATIONAL HX520 6X4

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sparta met at a regular board meeting at the Town Hall located at 8374 Sparta Center Road, Dansville, New York on 14th day of February, 2023, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at which time and place the following members were:

Present: Supervisor Mark Schuster

Councilperson Deb Halpenny
Councilperson Aaron Schreiner
Councilperson Bill Smith

Councilperson Mary Ellyn Calabrese

Absent: None

WHEREAS, all Board Members, having due notice of said meetings, and that pursuant to Article 7, Section 104 of the Public Officers Law, said meetings were open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, in March 2021, the Town Board of the Town of Sparta approved the financing and purchase of a 2021 International HX520 SFA 6X4 (Serial number: 80260775) through a Bond Application Note (BAN No. 1 of 2021) for the amount of \$185,705.81; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board retained the services of Town Attorney David DiMatteo to request bid proposals for BAN No. 1 of 2021 from Five Star Bank, the Bank of Castile, Community Bank N.A., M & T Bank, and the Bank of Greene County and thereinafter the bid was awarded to the Bank of Greene County for 0.69%; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Town Board of the Town of Sparta paid down BAN No. 1 of 2021 by \$46,426.81 as principal and interest accrued at 0.69% per annum and thereinafter refinanced the remaining balance of \$139,279.00 in 2022 through Bond Anticipation Note Number 1 of 2022 (BAN No. 1 of 2022); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board retained the services of Town Attorney David DiMatteo to request bid proposals from Five Star Bank, the Bank of Castile, Community Bank N.A., M & T Bank, and the Bank of Greene County, and thereinafter the bid was awarded to the Bank of Greene County for 1.23%; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sparta now wishes to pay down BAN No. 1 of 2022 by \$46,427.00 as principal and interest accrued at 1.23% per annum and seeks authorization to refinance the remaining balance of \$92,852.00 for the 2021 International HX520 6X4 through Bond Anticipation Note Number 1 of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sparta seeks to retain the services of Town Attorney David DiMatteo to request bid proposals for BAN No. 1 of 2023 from Five Star Bank, the Bank of Castile, Community Bank N.A., M & T Bank, and the Bank of Greene County; and

WHEREAS, the note date of the \$92,852.00 Bond Anticipation Note Number 1 of 2023 is the 16th day of March 2023.

NOW ON MOTION OF Deb Halpenny which has been duly seconded by Mary Ellyn Calabrese, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Sparta hereby authorizes the refinancing of a Bond Anticipation Note used for the remaining balance of \$92,852.00 for the 2021 International HX520 6X4; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the above-mentioned note is being re-financed by the issuance of a Bond Anticipation Note, known as Bond Anticipation Note No. 1 of 2023, for \$92,852.00 dated March 16th, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Sparta will retain the services of Town Attorney David DiMatteo to request bid proposals for BAN No. 1 of 2023 from Five Star Bank, the Bank of Castile, Community Bank N.A., M & T Bank, and the Bank of Greene County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Sparta authorized the issuance of the bond anticipation note to refinance the 2021 International HX520 6X4.

All voted yes. Carried.

Supervisor Schuster declared the public hearing closed.

A motion was made by Deb Halpenny and seconded by Mary Ellyn Calabrese to pass Local Law No. 2-2023. All voted yes. Carried.

A motion was made by Bill Smith and seconded by Aaron Schreiner to pass Local Law No. 3-2023. All voted yes. Carried.

General Bills were audited and approved for a total amount of \$44,811.37. Highway bills were audited and approved for a total amount of \$66,423.00 Street light bills were audited and approved for a total amount of \$217.73. Agency bills were audited and approved for a total amount of \$24,356.00.

The 2022 books for the Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Justice were audited by the Town Board. There were no findings.

A motion was made by Deb Halpenny and seconded by Bill Smith to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Carried.

Next regular meeting will be held on March 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

TOWN CLERK

Sheila Duffy