

**DRAFT**  
**MINUTES**  
**OF**  
**THE TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE TOWN BOARD**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 18, 2014**

The Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville held a Special Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014 at 6:30 in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Lounsbury and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Valerie Lounsbury  
Councilman Robert Bolte  
Councilwoman Margaret Sedlmeir  
Councilman Gerald Wood  
Councilwoman Marion Cooke  
Town Clerk Victoria H. Kraker

There were two interested citizens present as well as Highway Superintendent Randy Bates.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to adopt the 2015 Budget and to address any other matters before the Board.

Supervisor Lounsbury stated that she believes the budget is at a point where it is ready to be passed with a 1.3% increase.

Marie Dermody pointed out an error in Central Print and Mailing: the 'change' column should be \$500 not \$5,000. Supervisor Lounsbury thanked Mrs. Dermody for noticing the typographical error.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Sedlmeir to adopt the 2015 budget; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Bolte.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

Supervisor Lounsbury checked into whether or not the Town would have to repeal the Tax Cap Law in order for residents to receive the tax credit. It does in fact need to be repealed. She has spoken to the attorney for the Town and he will draw up the revised Local Law. It can be passed at the December meeting as it does not need to be completed until January 21, 2015 when Supervisor Lounsbury certifies that the Town was under the tax cap and the Local Law was repealed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to repeal Local Law No. 1: the Tax Cap Override; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Wood.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

**TRANSFERS:**

Councilwoman Cooke had questions regarding the billing for the Town of Rensselaerville compared to other Towns. Councilman Bolte questioned whether or not the Town could reduce its number of polling locations in order to reduce costs. Supervisor Lounsbury will make some phone calls to find the answers to these questions.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to pay the Board of Elections bill, based upon confirmation of the accuracy of the billing; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Sedlmeir.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

A motion was made by Councilman Bolte to approve the following transfers:

From 'General Medical' A 89060 to 'CDPHP' A4179 in the amount of \$5,000.00;

From 'Highway Medical' DA 89060 to 'CDPHP' A4179 in the amount of \$5,000.00;

From 'Contingency' A1990E 44999 to 'Zoning' A8010E 44999 in the amount of \$400.00 for legal fees;

From 'Bayard Park Checking' A7140PHR to 'Park Contractual' A7140PHE 44999 in the amount of \$209.79 for plaques for the memorial benches. (The plaques were donated, however, when the donations are received the funds are deposited into the checking account.);

From 'FEMA' A 4960 to 'Park Contractual' A7140PHE 44999 in the amount of \$330.00 to cover the plaques for the benches that were replaced due to the flood; and

From 'Contingency' A 1990E 44999 to 'Elections' A1450E 44047 in the amount of \$7,972.07 to cover the bill for the 2012 elections.

The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Sedlmeir.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

**HEALTH INSURANCE:**

Erin Nevins from the Nevins Insurance Agency presented the Town Board with comparisons of some other insurance companies and their rates, co-pays, and deductibles for the Town's retirees. After some discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Lounsbury to keep the Town's retirees insured with the current Medicare supplement plan with Blue Shield Forever Blue Medicare PPO 799; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Bolte.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Bolte to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Sedlmeir.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0)*

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED;**

Victoria H. Kraker  
Town Clerk