

BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BUTTERNUTS

SPECIAL MEETING
December 22, 2021
Municipal Building

Final
Approved: 2/9/22
Posted: 2/12/22

Meeting was called to order at 6:51 PM by Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor.

Minutes recorded by Rebekah Huff, Town Clerk.

Agenda: See Appendix A.

Attendees: Bruce Giuda - Supervisor & Board Member, Keith Lilley - Board Member, Scot Lueck - Board Member, John Hill - Board Member, Paul Irwin – Board Member, and Rebekah Huff - Town Clerk.

Visitor Sign-In Sheet - see Appendix B.

Privilege of the floor:

Resident has inquired on whether there was a Town Building Use Policy, which the Town Clerk noted that nothing had been found when researching whether one existed.

New Business – Agenda Item 1 – Approve Vouchers

Motion to approve vouchers 21458 to 21473 in the amount of \$141,973.173:

Introduced By:	Bruce Giuda	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Paul Irwin			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

New Business – Agenda Item 2 – Financial Statements October 2021 & November 2021

Motion to approve October and November 2021 Financial Reports (Appendix C):

Introduced By:	Keith Lilley	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Scot Lueck			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Motion to make a budget amendment from A1990.4 to A1460.4 in the amounts of \$70.42:

Introduced By:	Bruce Giuda	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Keith Lilley			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Old Business – Agenda Item 1 – Renewable Energy Systems Local Law

The Board discussed the need for a letter of credit or other financial instrument to cover the costs of decommissioning the instruments used for renewable energy as necessary, including a 2% escalation charge to account for increasing of costs each year. This is due to the need for a consideration of decommissioning these assets, as the average lifespan of approximately 20 years and the lack of ability to recycle blades and other equipment and such's impact on the Town needs to be considered appropriately.

Motion to accept Local Law 2021-1 – Renewable Energy Systems Law as presented:

Introduced By:	Scot Lueck	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Bruce Giuda			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Board Discussion:

The Board discussed the status of the Town's backhoe, including an invoice for repairs that is being investigated, the ride control function not working on the machine, and the repainting of the front hood being covered under warranty. The Town Supervisor is to contact the Service Manager at Monroe Tractor to move forward with resolving these matters.

The Board discussed meeting dates for 2022, including holding the Annual Reorganizational Meeting on January 5, 2022 at 6:45 PM and the possibility of holding monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month.

Motion to hold Annual Reorganizational Meeting on January 5, 2022:

Introduced By:	Bruce Giuda	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	John Hill			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Public Comment:

The Town Supervisor and Town Board expressed thanks to Scot Lueck for his eight years of hard work on the Board. Scot Lueck, outgoing Councilman, expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to work on the Board.

Privilege of the floor:

County Representative Michelle Farwell thanked the Board for the last four years that she'd had the opportunity to work with them and specifically, Scot Lueck for his eight years of service on the Board. She noted that funds were included in the County's budget for the purchase of an old Town Building. She noted that some of State Highway 51 was in the process of being dedicated to Dick Walton and signs will be installed in the coming months.

Resident inquired of the feasibility of allowing a Wilderness Training Session for Emergency Personnel to take place, with special space rented at Copes Corners Park early in spring 2022. The event would be for approximately 30 people and would include tent camping as well certain activities in the adjacent terrain.

Motion to enter Executive Session:

Introduced By:	Bruce Giuda	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Scot Lueck			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Motion to exit Executive Session:

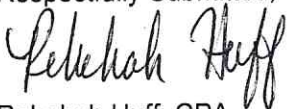
Introduced By:	Keith Lilley	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Bruce Giuda			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn at 7:56 PM:

Introduced By:	Bruce Giuda	Yes	No	Abstained
Seconded By:	Keith Lilley			
Bruce Giuda, Town Supervisor		X		
Keith Lilley, Board Member		X		
Scot Lueck, Board Member		X		
Paul Irwin, Board Member		X		
John Hill, Board Member		X		
Motion Carried	Yes	5		

Respectfully Submitted,



Rebekah Huff, CPA
Town Clerk, Town of Butternuts