

MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF GLENVILLE
OCTOBER 3, 2018
AT THE GLENVILLE MUNICIPAL CENTER
18 GLENRIDGE ROAD, GLENVILLE, NEW YORK

Supervisor Koetzle called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM;

Supervisor Koetzle asked the Town Clerk, Linda C. Neals, to call the roll.

Present: Supervisor Christopher A. Koetzle, Councilmen Michael Aragosa, Michael R. Godlewski and Councilwoman Gina M. Wierzbowski

Absent: Councilman John C. Pytlovany

Also present were Michael Cuevas, Attorney for the Town and Jason Cuthbert, Comptroller

Town Council Reports:

Councilman Godlewski – “I just want to thank everybody that helped out with Oktoberfest. That was last Saturday, it came off tremendously. It’s really, in my opinion, developed into a regional event at this point, it’s fantastic. I want to thank Vicki Hillis, the highway department and the police department.”

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – “I too had a fantastic time at Oktoberfest and would echo Councilman Godlewski’s comments. I also attended the Glenville Town Chiefs Association meeting last Thursday evening. They are still looking at options for the property on Vley Road for a possible training center location. So they are still doing some homework with that.”

Councilman Aragosa – “The Oktoberfest was a great event. I had a lot of fun and was there quite a bit on Thursday and Friday. I hope they invite me back next year.”

No one wished to exercise the privilege of the floor.

Supervisor’s Comments

Supervisor Koetzle shared the following information.

The budget was filed last week with the Town Clerk. The overall highlights of the budget essentially is we are under our state mandated tax cap which we have been each year since it was instituted. The overall tax rate increase is 2.37% proposed in this budget which is again below the levy on the cap. We are reducing the combined A B & D fund balance appropriations by \$20,000 from \$360,000 to \$340,000 between 2018 and 2019 and we are reducing the overall debt by \$811,000. Both of those, just to note, are far less than I originally would have liked but because of the needs of the budget unfortunately we had to allocate more fund balance this year than I would have liked and we are now reducing the debt load to the level I would like. This reduction of \$811,000 will bring us to a reduction of 10 million dollars over nine year and that’s still very impressive. So we should all be proud of that. This will have an increase to a typical village home around \$2.00 increase and outside the village for any town homeowner of \$19.00 increase for all funds, including special districts for that town resident, in 2019. In the Town General Fund, the A Fund, we are reducing the allocation of fund balance by \$10,000. We are going to keep our court revenues flat at \$195,000. In 2017 we collected \$213,000, this year we are on pace to end at about \$197,000 so I think it is prudent to keep it at \$195,000. We will increase our mortgage tax revenue by \$40,000, from \$540,000 to \$580,000. In 2017 we collected \$594,000 and for 2018 we are on pace for \$600,000. We have no CSEA Contract at this point for 2019 so there are no CSEA raises in the A Fund and as such there are no raises, as we always follow with CSEA for management, non-reps, appointed, elected all get the CSEA Contract so there is no raise for any of those

folks either. Once the CSEA Contract is reached all of those people I just named except for elected can have their salaries adjusted appropriately. Elected, once this budget is adopted, cannot go back and raise their salary. All elected would go a year without a raise. UCC expense increases by 2%, from \$761,000 to \$776,000. We have no expected retirements in the A Fund, which has been helpful. We did increase the deputy town clerk's hours from 20 to 25. It wasn't what was requested but it's a start in the right direction. We did include in this budget one new year round part-time park's laborer. We also included funding for parks which included replacement of floodlights, electric panel at Indian Meadows Ice Rink, purchase of a zero turn mower, paving the rest of Indian Meadows baseball parking lot and softball parking lot and installing four security cameras between Indian Meadows and Maalwyck Park. We have increased the Yates Mansion funding from \$50,000 to \$72,000 with increased funding for Thursdays In The Park from \$2,000 to \$2,500. We started funding Glenville 2020 Celebration with a \$15,000 allocation. In the B Fund, we did not use any fund balance so will maintain zero allocation of fund balance in the B Fund. We are increasing our building inspection fees, they have been busy from \$122,000 to \$130,000, in the 2019 budget. This is the fund that takes the police contractual, wage increases, and the new police officers we had for both 2018 and 2019 and that is a \$200,000 impact to the B Fund. That is a lot of what is driving our tax rate right now. We do have expected retirements of at least three people in the B Fund and we have a potential for another three to retire that we believe will not retire. But this budget includes using \$100,000 in retirement reserve fund. This does include a raise for the police chief of \$4,000, it also includes one marked police car, and one marked police truck and one other police car. It also includes two full-time and one part-time employee in the building department. That's not new employees, that's taking them out of three full-times and going to two full-time and one part-time as we discussed there might be a retirement there soon in that office. It also allows for purchasing a new vehicle for town use between the building department and the assessor's office. It includes \$30,000 for the planning and grant administration contract that we talked about earlier. The highway fund we are reducing our fund balance appropriation by \$10,000 from \$195,000 to \$185,000. There is an appropriation of \$50,000, again this is another way of appropriating out of a reserve fund, so we are appropriating \$50,000 out of the capital reserve fund to augment our paving program and our total budget for paving in this budget is \$348,000. There are no highway raises either since there is no contract for highway at the end of 2019 same story as with CSEA. There is a retirement in highway, I believe, this includes a payout for that. It includes a new full-time laborer in the highway, it increases the equipment line, and it includes the purchase of a new leaf machine and a new pickup truck. We also increased our brush and tree line a little bit from \$39,000 to \$60,000 for tree trimming and removal. Basically that's driven off the DEC tree inventory that they did. They identified critical trees in the town and some of those trees are on town property so there is probably going to be more tree trimming. We increased salt expense by \$10,000 this year from \$200,000 to \$210,000. We do have a likely retirement in the sewer fund and the payout is budgeted there and we have a possible retirement in the water fund with payout budgeted there also. The capital expenses overall this budget calls for a BAN that would fund four things, a street sweeper of \$220,000, a roadside mower of \$130,000, a remote mower of \$50,000 and parks we would finally finish the Maalwyck Park improvements by building a pavilion, restore the restrooms and the concession stand, bring water, sewer and electricity to the pavilion, build a playground and build an education and cultural display regarding archeology work that we are doing there. Even with that BAN we still reduce our debt level line. That's the highlights. As you know we will be calling for a public hearing on October 17th and we will have the public hearing on November 7th."

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – "Thank you for your hard work on this budget, also to Jason Cuthbert our Comptroller and the department heads who worked timely on their submissions and who were able to compromise where compromise was needed. I'm sure that it's not easy to do that and I appreciate that everybody works together to try and put a good budget together. You mentioned the increase in paving, is that going to increase our CHIPS fund that we are going to receive?"

Supervisor Koetzle – "No, so the CHIPS funds that we anticipate, of course we won't know until the budget is done for 2019, but we anticipate that we will get the same. That's why we took the \$50,000 out of the capital reserve in highway to add a little bit more but we don't anticipate any additional CHIP money."

Councilman Aragosa – “I just want to say that I’m glad to see that Maalwyck Park pavilion and finishing that project are in there. I spent a lot of days sitting in the park when my kids were younger, playing soccer, it would be nice to see that done.”

Supervisor Koetzle moved ahead with the agenda items.

RESOLUTION NO. 156-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

A RESOLUTION providing a hearing to consider any objections which may be made to the assessment roll for **Water District No. 11 including Extension Nos. 10 through 48** of the Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GLENVILLE, NEW YORK:

SECTION 1. A hearing shall be held to hear and consider any objections, which may be made to the assessment roll for Water District No. 11 and Water District No. 11, Extension Nos. 10 through 48, Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York, which was filed with the Town Clerk on July 1, 2018. Such hearing shall be held on the 17th of October, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as they may be reached at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, NY.

SECTION 2. Notice of such hearing shall be published once in the official Town newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said hearing.

SECTION 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Pytlovany

Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 157-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman Godlewski

A RESOLUTION providing a hearing to consider any objections which may be made to the assessment roll for **Sewer District No. 9 including Extension No. 7** of the Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GLENVILLE, NEW YORK:

SECTION 1. A hearing shall be held to hear and consider any objections, which may be made to the assessment roll for Sewer District No. 9 and Sewer District No. 9, Extension No. 7, Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York, which was filed with the Town Clerk on July 1, 2018. Such hearing shall be held on the 17th of October, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as they may be reached at

the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, NY.

SECTION 2. Notice of such hearing shall be published once in the official
Town newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said hearing.

SECTION 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and
Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 158-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Godlewski

A RESOLUTION providing a hearing to consider any objections which may be made to the assessment roll for **Sewer District No. 6** of the Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GLENVILLE, NEW YORK:

SECTION 1. A hearing shall be held to hear and consider any objections, which may be made to the assessment roll for Sewer District No. 6, Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York, which was filed with the Town Clerk on July 1, 2018. Such hearing shall be held on the 17th of October, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as they may be reached at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, NY.

SECTION 2. Notice of such hearing shall be published once in the official
Town newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said hearing.

SECTION 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and
Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 159-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

A RESOLUTION providing a hearing to consider any objections which may be made to the assessment roll for **Sewer District No. 1** of the Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE

TOWN OF GLENVILLE, NEW YORK:

SECTION 1. A hearing shall be held to hear and consider any objections, which may be made to the assessment roll for Sewer District No. 1, Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York, which was filed with the Town Clerk on July 1, 2018. Such hearing shall be held on the 17th of October, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as they may be reached at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, NY.

SECTION 2. Notice of such hearing shall be published once in the official
Town newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said hearing.

SECTION 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and
Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 160-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Godlewski

A RESOLUTION providing a hearing to consider any objections which may be made to the assessment roll for **Sewer District No. 2** of the Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GLENVILLE, NEW YORK:

SECTION 1. A hearing shall be held to hear and consider any objections, which may be made to the assessment roll for Sewer District No. 2, Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, New York, which was filed with the Town Clerk on July 1, 2018. Such hearing shall be held on the 17th of October, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as they may be reached at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, NY.

SECTION 2. Notice of such hearing shall be published once in the official
Town newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said hearing.

SECTION 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and
Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 161-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Glenville, New York, retained The Bonadio Group, Certified Public Accountants, to complete an independent audit of the Town's financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the audit of the Town's financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017 was completed on September 26, 2018 and was presented to the Town Board on September 28, 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby approves and formally accepts the Town of Glenville independently audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, prepared by The Bonadio Group, Certified Public Accountants, 6 Wembley Court, Albany NY.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 162-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Godlewski

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia has submitted a proposal to amend and extend the current agreement the Town of Glenville to provide fire protection and emergency medical services to the Town of Glenville Fire District No. 4 for a one year term commencing January 1, 2019 with an annual cost increase to Fire District No. 4 of 2%, resulting in the following annual cost to the district:
2019: \$461,980.65; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to hold a public hearing with respect to the proposed agreement to give taxpayers in the Town of Glenville Fire District No. 4 and others an opportunity to be heard of said fire protection district agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held by the Town Board of the Town of Glenville with respect to the approval of a proposed contract with the Village of Scotia to provide fire protection and emergency medical services to the Town of Glenville Fire District No. 4 for a term of one year, with an annual cost increase to Fire District No. 4 of 2%, resulting in the following 2019 cost to the district: 2019: \$461,980.65 at 7:00 PM on October 17, 2018, at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, New York, and it is further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause public notice of said hearing to be given as provided by law.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

Discussion...

Supervisor Koetzle – "I gave each one of you a map as to what has been worked out between National Grid, the property owners and the Town at this corner of Route 50 and Glenridge Road. This is a multi-year discussion that is finally coming to a

point to where people are comfortable. So if you look at the red line on the map in front of the First National Bank of Scotia that is the current line going down Route 50, it crosses Glenridge and over to the other side of Glenridge. Everything in red would be eliminated and you would take a right hand turn between the Glenville Queen Diner and the First National Bank of Scotia that would be underground between those two. It would then come back up and because of costs if we wanted to keep it under ground as it takes a left hand turn out to Glenridge in between the bank and the post office, that cost was prohibitive, they would have to do a manhole and a bunch of other things. So they will come back up at that point, overhead between the bank and the post office out to Glenridge Road. They have identified, and the bank has agreed to eliminating the maples that are there, which is actually breaking my heart because they are beautiful trees but the bank has talked about planting some that National Grid would accept to try to shield the post office because that is not the most beautiful property that we have in Town Center. So that is the map and plan of the actual project. There are two letters because \$82,393.00 of this project would be actually place through National Grid on the electric bill of every rate payer in the Town. The other letter is \$41,779.47 and that actually started as a \$91,000 charge to the Town and I was able to negotiate a \$49,000 credit with National Grid. The argument to the Public Service Commission was that these poles went up without the town's knowledge, without any input from the town and so I believe National Grid has to put some skin in this game because although by rights they don't have to talk to the community I think they should and Grid conceded with a \$49,933.00 credit. I couldn't get the \$50,000. Of the \$41,779.47 the First National Bank of Scotia is going to split that with the Town. So their board has authorized sharing that expense. So we have gotten our \$91,000 down to about \$20,000 to make this project happen. The only additional, we are still waiting on, is a contract with Spectrum and that would potentially be as high as a potential \$20,000 split over the bank and the town. So our total project exposure would be \$21,000, which is budgeted in the 2018 budget in the READY Fund."

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – "So the \$82,293.00 that would be spread over all of the rate payers in the town is that a onetime charge to their bill?"

Supervisor Koetzle – "Well we can request anything we want so we will have to talk about that when we get to what we want to do. We will have to do the math on that."

RESOLUTION NO. 163-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

WHEREAS, The Town of Glenville, together with the State of New York, Schenectady Metroplex Authority and private sector partners, has invested significant resources into the improvement of the Town Center corridors of NYS Route 50 and Glenridge Road; and

WHEREAS, a focal point of the Town Center district is a four-sided street clock and the Rotary sign in front of the 1st National Bank of Scotia at the intersection of NYS Route 50 and Glenridge Road; and

WHEREAS, there are plans to replace the Rotary sign board with a new, community information sign board; and

WHEREAS, currently the view of aforesaid park-like setting for the sign and clock is obstructed and diminished by several large, unsightly electric utility poles; and

WHEREAS, the Town, Metroplex and the 1st National Bank of Scotia would like to improve the appearance and safety of said intersection by moving the electric utility poles; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has negotiated agreements with National Grid to move certain utility poles and to place certain utility lines underground and has secured cost-sharing participation of the other parties,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville, hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into the two attached letter agreements with National Grid for the relocation of certain electric utility poles and the movement underground of certain electric utility lines.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstention: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 164-2018

Moved by: Councilman Godlewski
Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

BE IT RESOLVED that the **Monthly Departmental Reports** for August, 2018 as received from the following:

Assessors Department
Economic Development & Planning Department
Justice Department
Police Department
Receiver of Taxes
Town Clerk's Office

be, and they hereby are accepted, approved for payment and ordered placed on file.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 165-2018

Moved by: Councilman Godlewski
Seconded by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on June 20, 2018 are hereby approved and accepted as entered.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 166-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Godlewski

WHEREAS funding has been made available under a competitive grant process through the NYS Justice Departments Justice Court Assistance Program for

funding of municipal court security projects,

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Town of Glenville to apply for available funding to assist with the financing of such projects for the Town Court,

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Glenville approves the application for funding under the 2018-2019 Justice Court Assistance Program with a request amount not to exceed \$30,000,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Christopher A. Koetzle, Supervisor of the Town of Glenville, is authorized to execute all necessary documentation for the 2018-2019 application for court funding under the NYS Justice Departments Justice Court Assistance Program.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 167-2018

Moved by: Councilmen Godlewski
Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on July 18, 2018 are hereby approved and accepted as entered.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 168-2018

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Aragosa

WHEREAS, Scotia Glenville High School participates in a program titled the "Pre-Vocational Experience Program", the goal of which is to provide students with educational opportunities in a community workplace setting, and

WHEREAS, the Glenville Senior Center affords students such an educational opportunity in the form of an unpaid internship experience, and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with Federal and State Labor Department and NYS Education Department laws and regulations a memorandum of agreement that satisfies such requirements has been developed by the Scotia Glenville School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Glenville is hereby authorized to sign a Memorandum of Agreement between the Scotia Glenville School District and the Town of Glenville (attached) to participate in the "Pre-Vocational Experience Program" thereby affording an unpaid internship experience to a specified high school student while satisfying all local, state and federal legal requirements.

Ayes: Councilmen Aragosa, Godlewski, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Pytlovany
Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

New Business

Councilman Aragosa – “I hope everyone is coming out to the Yates Mansion Gala on October 18th.”

Councilman Godlewski – “I will be going to the Yates Mansion Gala and I just wanted to add to Councilman Aragosa’s comments earlier with respect to the Maalwyck Park project. The budgeted pavilion, bathrooms and playgrounds at our parks commission meeting, that was brought up as we hear that would be included in the budget and the Parks Commission was very happy to see that.”

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – “Next week on October 11th at Wolf Hollow Brewery there will be the annual Battle of the Bartenders. The celebrity bartenders will be Ray LeGere versus our own Alan Boulant. The event is from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and this year it is a fundraiser for Scotia Glenville Kiwanis. I encourage you all to go and support this event.”

Supervisor Koetzle – “I just want to join my colleagues in thanking all of the volunteers, Vicki, Jamie, Heather, and Dave for all of their hard work on the 9th Annual Oktoberfest. I think it was the most well attended so far and I have been at every one of them. It was just an extraordinary event from start to finish and as Councilman Godlewski said it is a regional event and I am just so proud that Glenville kind of shines. I talk to people coming in, they are coming from Catskill, from the Hudson Valley area, from Lake George and they said this is the best Oktoberfest in the entire area. Most family friendly, most to offer and so we are very proud of that and what we have been able to build here in Glenville. Thank you to the 130 volunteers that made it all happen.

Lastly I want to at least get on your radar and get you thinking about it before the work session next week on October 10th. Things are moving and we talked about it during the budget forums, fairly quickly on our capital needs. Seems as though there is a lot of interest by a lot of folks that want to come and help us do what we want to do with building a new facility. There will be potentially three, there are three PUD’s related to a new facility and some other mixed use stuff going on at three different areas in town. There’s also the fourth option, still always, of staying where we are and doing what we want to do on this property. What I would like to do next week, and I have talked with our comptroller about this extensively, is I don’t believe that there is anyone here, myself included, or anyone on staff that has the expertise to really evaluate for the town these particular proposals. I’ve been talking with a firm that does this kind of stuff that will evaluate the pros and cons of each proposal that will do all of the cost analysis, what makes sense and what doesn’t make sense. So I want to bring that up but I also want to bring everyone up to date on the different proposals. One of them is already out there, going nowhere very fast, but it is out there and there are others coming in. We have to start evaluating where we want to be and I think this firm will help us do that. I think it is well worth the investment in having them do the research and present what the best option is. So that is for next week’s work session.”

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – “I like the idea of an independent entity evaluating proposals. I think it creates a layer of transparency that we recognize that it is a big decision for the town no matter how you look at it. I’m certainly not qualified to make that decision on my own.”

Supervisor Koetzle – “I will tell you each and every one of them have their pros and have their cons. It’s not going to be an easy decision.”

Supervisor Koetzle asked for a motion to adjourn; motion to adjourn;
Moved by Councilman Godlewski; Seconded by Councilman Aragosa, everyone being
in favor the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

ATTEST:

Linda C. Neals
Town Clerk