

**The April 18, 2018 Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Tollisen in the A. James Bold Meeting Room at the New Town Hall with the following members present:**

Kevin J. Tollisen, Supervisor  
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman  
John P. Wasielewski, Councilman  
Daphne V. Jordan, Councilwoman  
Jeremy W. Connors, Councilman  
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney  
Cathy L. Drobny, Deputy Town Attorney  
Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PRESENTATION – HONORING EAGLE SCOUT JACOB SAVERY**

**Supervisor Tollisen** Honored Jacob Savery and his family and read the following Town Board Resolution:

**TOWN OF HALFMOON  
TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention of the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon that Jacob Savery is the recipient of the highest award a Boy Scout can receive, the Eagle Scout Award; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board recognizes the extraordinary dedication to the values and principles of scouting that is required to achieve this prestigious Award and want to show our gratitude for Jacob's service to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, a Town benefits when someone decides to provide exemplary service to their community, whether through participation in voluntary programs, through unique personal achievement or by demonstrating a willingness to give of themselves for their community; and

**WHEREAS**, Jacob Savery has demonstrated such dedication by completing his Eagle Project which involved beautifying the outside of the Veterans of Lansingburgh club in honor of his grandfather who was a WWII Army Veteran and all of the men and women who have served in the armed forces, sacrificing daily to keep our country safe; and

**WHEREAS**, Jacob Savery has had a long history of personal achievement as a Scout joining Cub Scout Pack 45 as a Cub Scout in 2011 then moving to Troop 277 out of Boght Hills Firehouse where he achieved the rank of Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and eventually Eagle completing many service projects during this process and earning 21 Merit badges, knowing that only 13 are required to reach the rank of Eagle Scout. He illustrates the composure, confidence and assurance required to reach the rank of Eagle Scout and is well known for taking younger Scouts under his wing to ; and

**WHEREAS**, Jacob Savery has also succeeded outside of Scouts. He is graduating this year and will be attending SUNY Canton in the fall. He has also accepted a position with the Rotary Scout Reservation in Poestenkill as a camp counselor and will be working as a life guard during the summer, continuing his service to our community.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon recognize and commends Jacob Savery as an outstanding citizen for his achievements and advances.
2. That a copy of this Resolution be presented to Jacob Savery.

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DATED: April 18, 2018

KEVIN J. TOLLISEN, SUPERVISOR  
TOWN OF HALFMOON

**RESOLUTION NO. 140 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board honors Jacob Savery for all of his many accomplishments and for obtaining the honor of Eagle Scout.

**PRESENTATION – HALFMOON SELF STORAGE CENTER PDD**

**Jeff Williams, Bruce Tanski Construction & Development**, I am to discuss the propose Halfmoon Self Storage Center PDD. Some important dates:

- **August 2017** - 1<sup>st</sup> introduced this project to the Town Board – referred to Planning Board
- **January 2018** – Consensual sign off from CHA
- **March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018** - Positive recommendation from the Planning Board

The PDD is located on 2 vacant parcels = 16.668 acres, Zoned AR, between Route 146 and Farm to Market Road. The concept has not changed since the Town Board last saw it. There is no change with the proposed number of storage units or the total area of the buildings. The biggest change is the orientation of the buildings due to our wetland investigation and preliminary grading plan.

We plan on reconfiguring the 2 existing lots:

- Create a 9.49 acre parcel on the eastern portion of the site to construct 48,000 square feet of self-storage units. This will be in the fashion of 8 individual buildings with the range of 3,600 square feet to 8,800 square feet. That will have a total of 312 storage units and have one managing office
- 6.63 acres on the western portion to construct 9 – 6,000 square feet buildings with at total area of 54,000 square feet. Each building will incorporate 4 – 1,500 square foot bays. Each bay will consist of an overhead service door and an entrance door and a bathroom. The proposed use will be for flex space for existing business or startup businesses.

We have had much discussion with the Planning Board on the proposed uses in the flex space portion. We submitted a letter explaining that there will be no outside storage. All work will be performed in the confines of each rental unit. There will be no customer or retail visitation in the site. We acknowledge that each of the proposed uses will be reviewed by the Planning Board for Change of Tenant Application review.

We envision the uses in the flex space to be warehousing/storage of materials and goods for wholesale, craftsmen or professional services such as carpenters, plumbers or masons to craft their product on the site to bring to the respective job sites. There may be a hobby enthusiast who will rent out the unit to store such as a vintage car. There are countless possibilities/uses that may occur at the discretion of the Planning Board.

We have located the wetlands and finished an archeological study for the state sign off. We have performed preliminary grading plans. We have 2 access points proposed off of Farm to Market Road and provided an extensive tree buffer along the extent of the site, evergreen buffer along the buildings that face Route 146 and maintaining all of the existing vegetation hedgerows that surrounds the site. We

have provide ample parking, all buildings will connect to municipal water and sewer and we will treat the storm water by following the latest state guidelines.

For the Public benefit, we wish to contribute to the towns planning and desire to improve the Route 146/236 intersection by offering a \$1,500 per EDU's that are derived by the proposed uses of the Halfmoon Storage Center PDD. This will be an added mitigation fee to the already required Halfmoon GEIS mitigation fee that is due to the site being in the GEIS study area.

We thank you for the opportunity to present tonight.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Jeff, just so that we are clear, I know that there was some confusion with respect to the vintage cars potentially...there will be no automotive repairs there or anything like that?

**Jeff Williams:** We are going to say that there is no client visitation to the site. There is no need for that; we don't want any in and out traffic.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** I know there was some confusion and I just wanted to clear that right up front. Any questions from the Board?

**Councilman Hotaling:** Jeff, did you guys have the local fire department review the site?

**Jeff Williams:** That I have not done but maybe Planning Board might go through that at Site Plan.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** Jeff, I had the pleasure of sitting through these Planning Board meetings for the project. We talked about burming the north Farm to Market side. What's the feasibility of doing that on the Route 146 side too? It was one of the Planning Board comments, we are very conscious of the appearance. The metal storage units...we want this to be as aesthetically pleasing as possible. So, what do think about burming?

**Bruce Tanski:** In answer to your question, it would not be cost effective because of the drop off from 146 down to the existing elevation. That is why we are leaving all of the natural vegetation. On the bigger units, I plan on doing partial brick fronts, they won't be metal buildings. My brother on the other end is doing part of the same thing on his to make it look good. I want the Board to be cognizant to the fact that we are going through the PDD process knowing that in a short time this will be converted to commercial. I am building 130 townhouses over there. I want these to look as esthetically pleasing as I possibly can. I will do whatever I can; we are going to blacktop them and we are going to make it look nice.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** They will look good on Farm to Market Road. I want to make sure that it is as appealing on the Route 146 side.

**Bruce Tanski:** I think that if we leave the natural vegetation, it's going to hide 90% of it all year.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** Thank you.

**Jeff Williams:** Can I add that we are adding an evergreen buffer in front of each of those buildings that are facing 146. That will give it a little more greenery in front of the buildings.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Would you mind giving us a schematic of what the building looks like with the brick that you are talking about? It would help the concerns of the Board.

**Bruce Tanski:** Absolutely.

**Councilwoman Jordan:** I have a comment. I wanted to remind some of the Board that even though the zoning is AR now, the Business and Economic Development Committee suggested with the natural progression of how things are going that it be zoned commercial.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** I understand that. I just wanted it to be pleasant looking. I don't want it to look like an industry as you come up the hill from Mechanicville into Halfmoon. I think whatever future commercial development; we will be as stringent with them to make sure that they put something appealing up.

**Bruce Tanski:** Right, and I think that the Board has to be cognizant with the fact that coming up 146 you have the shovel ready site of Abele's, who are here and you have across the street, that is all light industrial and you have the machine shop there. I think that we are a nice transition of zoning. If you look at what we did on Cemetery Road, we knocked that old house down and put a metal building up and I had somebody say to me, My God, this building is too nice to be on this road. I think that my track record speaks for its self.

**Town Attorney Murphy:** Just for clarification, the entire project wouldn't be allowed in C-1 because you are proposing some manufacturing type uses, but the self-storage would. So you would need the PDD.

**Bruce Tanski:** OK. Do you want me to bring these pictures to the meeting or ahead of time?

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Ahead of time, provide them in advance and I will make sure that the Board gets them and the public to review if they want too, or you can bring it to the public hearing. Earlier would benefit everyone. I need to have a motion to schedule a public hearing for May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. as the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting is the afternoon meeting where we honor our seniors and typically we do not schedule public hearings at that meeting.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 141 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board schedules a Public Hearing for Halfmoon Storage Center on May 16, 2018 in the A. James Bold Meeting room at 7:00 pm or as soon as the agenda allows.

## **PRESENTATION – BETTS FARM PDD**

**Gavin Vuillaume with Environmental Design Partnership:** representing Abele Builders. Chris & Ed Abele are here with me this evening along with Wendy Holsburger who is from VHB and she was involved with some of the traffic mitigation and traffic study that we worked on with the Planning Board. I will give an update of the project:

- 2012-2013 was the last time we were before the Board and then spent time with the Planning Board. The PDD hasn't changed very much as far as the design
- We spent time on the environmental impacts of the project looking at wetlands, steep slopes, archeological artifacts and traffic. Expanded Environmental Assessment Form
- We went through several reviews with CHA & are proud of the results
- We feel that this is a very viable project that Town & the Developer can be proud of. Abele's tract record also speaks for itself.
- This is a similar project to Glen Meadows PDD that has been very successful.

Projected current map of project

- 2 entrances: Betts Lane & Hayner Road & will be connected at Phase I. Roundabout entrance & highly landscaped
- 153 Acre lot with 2 large cul de sacs. 75 acres of common open space. 56 acres of undevelopable land along McDonald Creek. There is no development along McDonald Creek – 200 feet away from that area.
- Have already installed sewer and water under McDonald Creek
- Providing pedestrian linkage to McDonald Creek to take advantage of the scenery along the creek.
- We are currently at 215 units & started with 222 or 236. We have reduced some density on the project and feel it is appropriate density for this project
- 130 single family & 84 two family units and one estate lot in the corner

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Does the Board have any questions at this point?

**Councilman Hotaling:** You did a real good job on Betts lane to make it look like Glen Meadows. What happened to Hayner Road, there's a lot of congestion there.

**Gavin Vuillaume:** There is a lot of land before you get to Hayner Road, so you really from Hayner Road you aren't going to see anything of this project. We have a very narrow strip of land in that access point. We will be doing some landscaping to kind of buffer some of the existing residences that are there. We've been in contact with the Hayner's as far as making sure that they are comfortable with the layout. As far as I know, the Hayner's are happy with the design as it is.

**Wendy Holesberger from VHB:** I will give a quick summary of the traffic studies that have been done

- First study in 2014 but there have been several updates as the site has changed & as we had worked back & forth with CHA answering questions
- Access points on Betts & Hayner were analyzed as well as intersection of Hayner & 236 and Lower Newtown Road: 146 trips am/ 186 trips pm. This is an acceptable condition with small increases in delays with 70% of the trips coming from Betts Lane and 30% coming out of Hayner Road. CHA has acknowledged this in their review letter

- This project is part of MOA with the Town of Halfmoon and every unit that is developed will be contributing towards the funding for the improvements identified by the MOA to be completed on Upper Newtown Road/Route 146 that is part of the public benefit of this project.
- Concerns that the barn at the end of Betts Lane was a site line issue and wondering when the barn was being utilized and operated as the farm equipment may be seen. There is an agreement that the barn will be taken down.
- Betts Lane will be reconstructed/upgraded with some widenings, leveling of some vertical curvature of the road ,and improvements with drainage

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Any questions of the Board?

**Councilman Hotaling:** On your traffic study, where do you see most of the traffic going?

**Wendy Holesberger:** Again, there are 70% of the trips coming out of Betts Lane and of that 70%, 40% to and from the south and 30% of that to and from the north

**Councilman Hotaling:** Has the impact been looked at from the Guideboard Road/236 intersection?

**Wendy Holesberger:** We did not go farther than Betts Lane which has the most impact and the Hayner/236 intersection was also looked at. Typical guideline is when you hit 100 trips is when you include intersections and with these 2 intersections, we do not hit that number.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Any other questions of the Board? Hearing none, he asked for a motion to schedule a public hearing for May 16<sup>th</sup>

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 142 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board schedules a Public Hearing for Creekview Estates PDD on May 16, 2018 in the A. James Bold Meeting room at 7:00 pm or as soon as the agenda allows.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING – AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE FOR THE OWL CREEK CULVERT REPAIR AND THE ANGLE LANE WATER STORAGE TANK**

**Supervisor Tollisen** asked if anyone wanted the Public Hearing Notice read. Hearing from no one, he opened the hearing:

**OPEN – 7:32 pm**

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This project is to repair the Owl Creek Culvert located on the Champlain Canal. The culvert is in disrepair and has been recommended for repair/replacement by our engineers as it is a major water line feeding a lot of our town. We would not want that area to fail and have a problem with our water system. The monies are there to proceed without public borrowing; they are available in our Capital Reserve.

The second is an upgrade to the Angle Road Water Storage Tank. It needs to go under repair/rehabilitation every so many years and our Water Director has recommended that it be done as well. Again, monies are available without public

borrowing. These are good things that we are able to do and need to do and have retained enough monies in our cash to take care of these things when needed.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Hearing no other comments or questions, the Public Hearing was closed.

**CLOSED: 7:33 pm**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 143 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure for the Owl Creek Culvert Repair in the not to exceed amount of \$600,000 and the Rehabilitation of the Angle Lane Water Storage Tank in the not to exceed amount of \$700,000, subject to Permissive Referendum.

**Councilman Hotaling:** I have one comment. I have been to Owl Creek and at the water tank and these things definitely need to be taken care of.

**Councilwoman Jordan:** I will just comment that it was the Open Space and Trails Committee that made this an object of discussion several years ago and in that time that it has been studied, the condition has gotten worse. It is very necessary that it get repaired.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

The “BUY A BRICK” program for the Halfmoon Veterans Walk of Honor at the Halfmoon Veterans Memorial in the Town Park is now accepting orders. Create a lasting tribute for your veteran. For more information please call 371-7410 ext. 2200 or visit our website [www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov](http://www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov).

2018 Summer Camp Program Resident registration dates are April 14th & 21st from 9am-noon and April 17th & 24th from 6pm-8pm. All registrations are held at the Halfmoon Town Hall.

2018 Spring Clean-up dates: April 17, 20, 21, 24, 27, & 28 at the Transfer Station

13<sup>th</sup> Annual Canal Clean Sweep: Saturday, April 21st. Meet at Crescent Park at 10 a.m.

Senior Center Spring Bazaar – April 21, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Senior Center. Please come out and support our seniors with their spring fundraiser. They have many different crafts, Grandmas Treasurers, quilting and baked goods!

Two Town-One Book will be hosting their annual Books & Lunch on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Vista from 11:30 – 2:00pm. Topic is Energy Meets History: Renewable Energy Efficient Restoration of a Local 19th Century House. Cost : \$27.00 Reservations can be made through the Library

Sons of the American Legion Squadron #1450 on 275 Grooms Road will be hosting their Pancake Breakfast on April 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 – 11:30

National Children’s Book Week: April 30 – May 6 with Books for Babies at the Clifton Park – Halfmoon Library. All parents of newborns to 6 month olds, can pick up a Gift Packet at the front desk of the Library that contains a book for the baby and resources for parents!

## **TOWN MEETINGS:**

**Town Board Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month at 7:00 pm except May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm

**Pre-meeting at 6:30 pm**

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of month at 7:15 pm. Pre-meeting at 7:00 pm

**Planning Board Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of month at 7:00 pm. Pre-meeting at 6:00 pm

**Board of Assessment Review:** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in May

**Senior Center Business Meeting:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month at 1:00 pm

**Halfmoon Historical Society:** Last Tuesday of month at 7:00 pm

**Open Space & Trails Committee:** Feb 20, April 16, June 18, Aug 20, Oct 15, and Dec. 17, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday except Feb due to holiday.

**Resident Relations Committee:** TBD

**Business & Economic Development Committee:** April 25 at 7 pm.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of agenda topics)**

## **REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY**

**Kevin J. Tollisen (Town Supervisor)** Asked that everyone look at the Community Events and also wanted to mention:

- 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Mary's Church, Crescent. The commencement celebration will be this Sunday that I and some of our Board members will be attending this celebration
- Town of Halfmoon will be partnering with LifeSong for a Farmer's Market to open mid-June through the end of September. It will be near the Gazebo on the Harris Road side. Watch for more details on our website.
- June 9<sup>th</sup> will be the Grand Opening and Dedication of our Scentral Bark Park. Steve Caporizo from Channel 10 will be the MC for the ceremony. More details will be forthcoming.

I would like a resolution to authorize the expenditure in the not to exceed amount of \$10,000 to M.J. Engineering for a conceptual plan for a Community Center for the Town of Halfmoon and for the Supervisor to sign all documents necessary for the agreement on behalf of the town, to be paid from the Special Revenue fund Recreation Fees, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney. This is part of a long term strategic plan for the town and may not happen for several years but we want to get the ball rolling.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 144 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorize the expenditure in the not to exceed amount of \$10,000 to M.J. Engineering for a conceptual plan for a Community Center for the Town of Halfmoon and for the Supervisor to sign all documents necessary for the agreement on behalf of the town, to be paid for from the Special Revenue fund, Recreation Fees, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**Paul Hotaling (Deputy Town Supervisor):** (1) Chair of Town Infrastructure (Water, Highway, Building & Maintenance), (2) Chair of Recreation and Character Counts, (3) Chair of Personnel Committee, (4) Chair of Safety Committee

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## **2018 Spring Clean-up dates: April 17, 20, 21, 24, 27, & 28 at the Transfer Station**

Hats off to the Senior Express. Each month the number of rides and meals provided to our senior increases. It's people putting their hearts into taking care of our seniors. You can't ask for better care for our seniors than the Senior Express!

**John Wasielewski (Town Board Member):** (1) Chair of Ethics Committee, (2) Chair of Committee on Emergency Services and Public Safety (Emergency Corps, Fire Department, Police); (3) Co-Chair of Committee on Resident Relations, (4) Co-Liaison to Planning Board

**Resident Relations Halfmoon Hero's** program is just about ready to send out letters to the various organizations in town asking for them to submit nominations for any of their members. Anyone can nominate anyone who does an awesome job volunteering and giving of themselves in any capacity to our fellow residents in Halfmoon. Look for it in the next Navigator and shortly on our website. Looking forward to recognizing our local hero's, thank you.

**Daphne Jordan (Town Board Member):** (1) Co-Chair of Business and Economic Development (2) Animal Control (3) Liaison to Open Space and Trails Committee, (4) Zoning Board Liaison

I would like to acknowledge someone who has worked very hard for Halfmoon for many years who recently passed away and that was **George Hansen**. George was a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals and a Chairman for many years. He actually helped write the zoning for the town as he was one of the original members of the committee and served right up to the end. At the last meeting 2 weeks ago, he chaired the meeting as our Chairman was away on vacation. Shortly after that meeting he became very ill. He was also a member of the Trails and Open Space Committee from the inception and one of the original trailblazers! I just wanted to acknowledge George.

Because of his passing, we will also need to interview for the Zoning Board of Appeals. We are actually looking for two alternates. I would like the Town Clerk to post that on the website and wherever else you post things and to ask that letters of interest and resumes may be sent to the Town Clerk and forwarded to me.

**Trails & Open Space Committee** is looking for two new members and I will ask that same be done for this as well.

**The Colonie Landfill** and its expansion: I did come across something today that isn't directly related or for the landfill in particular, but DEC is having a public hearing for public comments on its Mohawk River Basin Action Agenda. It's a public meeting 6:00 – 7:30 on April 24 at Peebles Island State Park. The DEC says that the goals of the Mohawk River Basin Action Agenda are to improve water quality to create a swimmable Mohawk River, improve fisheries and habitat to create a fishable Mohawk River and plan for resiliency in the Mohawk River Watershed, according to DEC.

I guess my point in making this statement is that I don't think that we could have a swimmable or healthy Mohawk River if the landfill is to be expanded. So, I would encourage Halfmoon to go to this meeting and bring up the landfill. That is all that I have.

**Jeremy Connors (Town Board Member):** (1) Co- Liaison to Planning Board; (2) Chair of Committee on Not for Profit Organizations; (3) Co-Chair of Business and Economic Development Committee (4) Chair of Parks and Athletic Organizations

Weather permitting the opening of softball is this Saturday: 9:30 for the girls 5-7 year olds and 12:00 for the girls 8-18 year olds. This is so that they do not overload the ballfields and give all age groups a proper welcome to the upcoming season. I know that the Director of Softball Mr. DePasquale is excited about the upgrades that have been done to the ballfields this past year and is looking forward to upgrades that will continue throughout the year.

**FASNY will be hosting Recruit NY Event** from April 28-29. Recruit NY is important as Mr. Wasielewski can attest to as well being a volunteer fire fighter that this is much needed to bolster the rolls of a volunteer fire service. I sit on the Board for FASNY and the Recruit NY program. It is very important throughout the state as volunteers save us millions of dollars annually and provides a much needed service. We have an outstanding group of men and women who provide such a service tour community throughout our four departments: Clifton Park – Halfmoon, West Crescent, Halfmoon – Waterford, and Hillcrest Fire Departments. They go out day in and day out to providing this service. If you are interested, I strongly encourage you to look up your local fire department and join. There is a job for everyone and not responding on the big red trucks.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** I would just like to add to Councilman Connors Comments. The Fireman's Association of the State of New York FASNY estimates that volunteer firefighters saves \$3 billion dollars a year for the taxpayer's throughout the state.

**Councilman Connors:** That's a pretty substantial savings. You see our departments out there, the Chief's vehicles and the fire trucks, they do an extraordinary job annually maintain budgets and yet still being able to maintain a service that is paramount. I thank all who volunteer their time.

**Lynda Bryan (Town Clerk):** (1) Chair of Senior Programs, (2) Chair of Committee on Historical Archives, (3) Co-Chair of Committee on Resident Relations

**Senior Center Spring Bazaar** –This Saturday April 21, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Senior Center. Please come out and support our seniors with their spring fundraiser.

**Halfmoon Historical Society** will be hosting their April meeting next Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend and learn more about Halfmoon's rich history. The Historical Society is also going to miss George Hansen. For many years he was President of the Society and continued to be a member up to and including attending last month's meeting. It was at one of those early Society meetings that he, Henny O'Grady and Jim Bold started what is now the Trails and Open Space Committee. George has a very long history with the Town of Halfmoon and will be very much missed.

**Lyn Murphy, Esq., (Town Attorney)**

**Cathy Drobny, Esq. (Town Attorney)**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of agenda topics)**

**Carl Benanati, 31 Hayner Heights:** I was here at the last meeting and talked about the Dog Park and the speed of the vehicles on my road and I want to thank the whole Board because they put an electronic speed sign there. I'm not sure if it is helping or not but I want to thank you for doing that. The speed is 30 mph. Who makes up the speed limit as I think 30 mph is too fast for that road.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** NYS DOT is the agency that takes care of all speed limits. I can tell you that they don't reduce speed any lower than 30 mph. I know that the speed monitor was there and we will continue to have conversations with the Sheriff's Department as I know that there has been some enforcement going on.

**Carl Benanati:** Do you know how long you intend to keep the monitor up? After that, will there be a speed sign put up?

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Typically 2 weeks, then compile the information and forward to the Sheriff's so they can see what is going on. There should be a speed limit sign there and I will double check with our Highway Supervisor on it. If there is anything else my office can do, don't hesitate to contact me.

**Carl Benanati:** Thank you very much.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS – month of**

1. Town Clerk Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$6,469.29
2. Senior Express  
Total # Riders – 436 Total # Meals – 607
3. Building Permits – Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$8,176
4. Fire Inspections – Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$2,580

**DEPARTMENT MANAGER MONTHLY REPORTS – (Can be viewed at the Town Clerk's Office) Parks, Assessor, Tech Dept., Animal Control, Highway**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Received from the Town Planning Board Resolutions approved at the April 9, 2018 meeting: Approval of a Sign Application for Halfmoon Executive Park, 1524 Route 9 and for a Change of Use/Tenant & Sign Application for DiSiena Garden Center, 1470 Route 9.

***Received & Filed***

2. Received from Kathy Marchione, State Senator, 43<sup>rd</sup> District, a copy of the letter she submitted to NYS DEC requesting a 30 day delay of DEC action on Town of Colonie Landfill Expansion Application.

***Received & Filed***

3. Received from Mr. Jeffrey M. Everitt, a copy of a letter sent to State Environmental Conservation Commissioner Mr. Basil Seggos, stating his concerns about the effects the expansion of the Colonie Landfill will have on his property.

***Received & Filed***

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Supervisor Tollisen recused himself for the next two resolutions and authorized Deputy Supervisor Hotaling to proceed with the meeting**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 145 -2018**

**Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board and the Director of Water awards all Mueller Brass and American Made Brass Bid to low bidder Ferguson Waterworks, 612 Pierce Road Clifton Park, NY, per the review of the Water Committee

**NO LEAD MUELLER BRASS**

		<u>Ferguson</u>	<u>Core &amp; Main</u>
SIZE	ITEM		BID PRICE
5/8"X3/4"X3/4"	Angle Meter Stop -H-14258	36.40	38.48
3/4" x 3/4"x1"	Angle Meter Stop -H14258	40.20	42.52
1"x1"	Angle Meter Stop -H-14258	49.75	53.24
3/4"	Meter Tail Couplings H-10890	8.50	9.00
1"	Meter Tail Couplings H-10890	13.00	13.83

**NO LEAD AMERICAN MADE BRASS FITTINGS**

SIZE	ITEM		BID PRICE
3/4"	Ball Valve	9.50	20.75
1"	Ball Valve	12.60	26.15
1 ½"	Ball Valve	25.00	80.95
2"	Ball Valve	34.90	120.85

**RESOLUTION NO. 146-2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board and the Superintendent of Highways awards Fuel Bids of Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel, Unleaded Regular Gasoline and Kerosene to low bidder G. A. Bove & Sons Inc., 76 Railroad Street, Mechanicville NY, per the review of the Highway Committee.

**G.A. Bove Fuels:**

Ultra low Sulfur Diesel Fuel - \$2.28 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.20  
Unleaded Regular Gasoline - \$2.11 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.20  
Kerosene (Diesel/Kerosene Blend) - \$2.40 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.20

Delivery date within 24 hours upon receipt of order

**Mirabito Energy Products 49 Court Street, P.O. Box 5306, Binghamton, NY 13902**

Ultra low Sulfur Diesel Fuel - \$2.29.99 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.25  
Unleaded Regular Gasoline - \$2.10.25 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.25  
Kerosene (Diesel/Kerosene Blend) - \$2.48 per gallon + a firm differential of \$.25

Delivery date within 48 hours upon receipt of order

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 147-2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board meeting of April 04, 2018, as presented.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 148 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with Halfmoon Celebrations to provide family-fun events to the residents of the Town of Halfmoon and surrounding regions that build on a foundation of a strong, neighborly community and authorizes the Supervisor to execute said agreement, subject to the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 149 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoints Cathleen Thomsen as a part time clerk for the Senior Center at Grade 1 Step 6, \$17.01 per/hr. retroactive to April 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 150 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoints Paula Ruff as a part time clerk for the Senior Center at Grade 1 Base, \$14.74 per/hr. retroactive to April 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 151 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the seasonal hours of operation for the Water Department to be from 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m. 4 days a week and there will be a minimum of 2 workers on the 5<sup>th</sup> day to better accommodate the needs of the residents, effective until October 31, 2018, subject to the review and continued approval of the Town Supervisor.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** On the motion Mr. Supervisor, by doing this are there any overtime for that department?

**Supervisor Tollisen:** No, the goal is to not have that and they would be able to start earlier

**Councilman Wasielewski:** OK, it wasn't clear to me on the resolution, thank you.

**Councilman Hotaling:** One of the things that it does is that it gets to the residents before they go to work. It has been very successful in the past especially for the water meters.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 152 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the seasonal hours of operation for the Highway Department to be from 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday. The Transfer Station and Senior Dispatch hours will remain the same to better accommodate the needs of the residents, subject to the review and continued approval of the Town Supervisor.

**Councilman Hotaling:** There will always be a light staff on the 5<sup>th</sup> day.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** And that will also result in no extra overtime, correct?

**Supervisor Tollisen:** No extra overtime unless it is in the winter

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 153 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the April 2017 Water Report for usage as submitted by the Director of Water.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 154 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the Comptroller's Report for the Month of January 2018.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 155 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Town to enter into contract with CHA, Inc. for the annual environmental monitoring of the of the landfill in the amount of \$6,500, and for the Town Supervisor to sign said Agreement on behalf of the Town, subject to the review and approval of the content of said agreement by the Town Attorney.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 156 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Clarkson CEM Consulting Group (C3G) of Clarkson University for inventorying signs and culverts along Town roads and to authorize the Supervisor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the Agreement, subject to the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**Councilman Hotaling:** Is there any costs associated with this?

**Supervisor Tollisen:** I don't believe so yet but once we move forward with it there may be and then we will authorize the Board to do so unless it is within budgeted funds.

**Town Attorney Murphy:** It is either \$6,550 or \$7,000 flat fee for all of the town roads and is within John's budget. He has already accounted for that through the Highway budget.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This is something that the Highway Superintendent is really looking to do. He has pictures of the culverts but this is a better way of inventorying and cataloging for future review and potential repairs.

**Town Attorney Murphy:** It documents things to prevent lawsuits and things.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 157 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board waive the fees for a building permit for the Saratoga County Sewer District #1 to rehabilitate the SCSD #1 pump station off Route 9, located at the end of the Birch Briar Village Apartments driveway.

**Councilman Hotaling:** That is also known as Martindale Pump Station

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 158 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoint Leonard Micelli as a member on the Zoning Board of Appeals effective immediately to serve until December 31, 2019.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 159 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Lifesong, Inc. pursuant to which Lifesong, Inc. will operate and assist in the organization, promotion, and management of the Halfmoon Farmers' Market and authorize the Supervisor to execute any documents necessary to enter into the Agreement, subject to the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 160 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor accept a conservation easement from Shirley M. Bold limiting development on 105 Harris Road, Halfmoon, New York 12065, and authorizing the Supervisor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the conservation easement, subject to the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**Councilwoman Jordan:** I just wanted to comment that when Jim Bold served on the Trails and Open Space Committee, the conservation easements were something he brought up regularly for the town to have more open space. It is so nice to see this done in his honor after his passing. I thank them for this.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 161 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes payment in the not to exceed amount of \$3,000 to the Bonadio Group, Albany, NY, CPAs, Consultants & More, representing one half of the cost of the additional review of documents to complete the audit of the books and records of First Garden Mobile Home Park to be utilized to defend an Article 7 lawsuit regarding proper assessed value, and to authorize the Supervisor to execute any documentation necessary to continue the audit. The balance of the other half of the cost shall be paid by the Shenendehowa School District.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 162 -2018**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the Comptroller's Report for the month of December 2017.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of non-agenda items) No one came forward**

**THE NEXT HALFMOON TOWN BOARD MEETING ON MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> WILL BE HELD AT 2:00 PM IN HONOR OF OUR SENIORS**

There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on a motion by Councilman Connors and seconded by Councilman Wasielewski, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk**