**The January 15, 2014 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
Walter F. Polak, Councilman
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman
Craig A. Hayner, Councilman
John P. Wasielewski, Councilman
Matthew J. Chauvin, Deputy Attorney
Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk

Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney - Excused

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PRESENTATION OF THE ABSOLUTE CHARTER FOR THE HALFMOON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This evening we have a special presentation of the Historical Society of the Town of Halfmoon. This is an event that I will call a big deal, a great thing that has happened here.

**Supervisor Tollisen invited Jim Bold, President of the Society and members of the Society to come forward.**

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Members of the Historical Society we have something to present to you. This is from the University of the State of New York, State Education Department. It is the Halfmoon Historical Society Absolute Charter and states:

**Supervisor Tollisen read the Absolute Charter and then in recognition of the Absolute Charter and the hard work of the Halfmoon Historical Society, the Town Board has decided that they would like to issue a Resolution and Proclamation honoring all of the Members of the Historical Society. Supervisor Tollisen read the Resolution.**

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The University of the State of New York

Education Department

**THE HALFMOON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
**ABSOLUTE CHARTER**

This Instrument Witnesseth That the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the Education Department of the State of New York at their meeting of November 19, 2013.

An application having been made by and on behalf of the trustees of The Halfmoon Historical Society, for its provisional charter to be amended and, as so amended, made absolute, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Regents that the conditions for an absolute charter have been met, it was

Voted, that the provisional charter of The Halfmoon Historical Society, located in Halfmoon, county of Saratoga, and state of New York, which was granted by action of the Board of Regents on September 24, 1993 be, and the same hereby is, amended to change the corporate address to 2 Halfmoon Town Plaza, Halfmoon, New York 12065 and, as so amended, made absolute.

**Granted, November 19, 2013 by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department, and executed under the seal of said University and recorded as Number 26,009.**

**Chancellor**

**President of the University and Commissioner of Education**

## TOWN OF HALFMOON
### TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Halfmoon Historical Society received their provisional Charter in September 24, 1993 from the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department; and

WHEREAS, the Halfmoon Historical Society has worked tirelessly to preserve not only as many artifacts they can preserve for our residents but also the stories of the extraordinary lives that have touched the Town of Halfmoon; and

WHEREAS, the Halfmoon Historical Society assisted the Town of Halfmoon in celebrating its two hundred and twenty fifth anniversary in 2013 by providing regular exhibits and information to Town residents documenting the history of the Town of Halfmoon complete with providing the minutes of the first Town Board meeting of the Town of Halfmoon; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department granted the Halfmoon Historical Society their Absolute Charter on November 19, 2013 ; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes and commends the Halfmoon Historical Society for all of their work in preserving the history of the Town in a manner that protects our history while sharing the same with our residents;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes the Halfmoon Historical Society and expresses deep appreciation for their contributions to the Town of Halfmoon and hereby officially congratulates them on receiving their absolute charter.

2. That a certified copy of this Resolution will be entered into the Town records proclaiming the Town of Halfmoon's recognition of the Halfmoon Historical Society.

3. That a copy of this Resolution be presented to the Halfmoon Historical Society.

Dated: January 15, 2014

KEVIN J. TOLLISEN, SUPERVISOR
TOWN OF HALFMOON

**Jim Bold - President of the Halfmoon Historical Society:** Thank you very much Sir. I also want to thank the Board members and Lynda is hiding back there, but she is a very active member of our group, and as you know any accomplishments of the group are only as good as the people that are working on them. I think that we have a pretty nice group of people here.

Just very quickly, just to make some of these dates that Kevin mentioned a little more meaningful. You pick up the 1993 date and the significance of that was at that time George Hansen was our President of the Society. More recently, Nancy Morris was the President and I have been honored with that position now for three years. It is through the leadership and the variety of people that this charter has come about. It is important to us. It now makes us a legitimate, functioning group in the eyes of both our local government and in the State Department of Education. Boy, we are really, really pleased to have that. I thank everyone for the support. Anybody who wants to join us, we more than welcome you there. Please come join us.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Before we conclude, Tom Lewis is here from Senator Marchione's office. He is her Deputy Chief of Staff. She, unfortunately is sick this evening, so Tom is here on behalf of the Senator.

**Tom Lewis – Deputy Chief of Staff for Senator Kathleen Marchione:** Thank you very much Supervisor Tollisen. I have been at this job for a long time; I think it has been thirteen days. The Senator, as I am sure most all of you know, is almost never ill, and even when she is ill she shows up. She was really under the weather so she asked me to come here to give her Congratulations, to thank Jim Bold, to thank the team, and if there is anyone who understands history of Halfmoon, it is Senator Marchione. She just wants me to apologize for her not being here and to thank all of you for ding what you have done. Thanks a lot.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Let's give one more round of applause for the Halfmoon Historical Society.

**Coucilman Polak:** Kevin, I would just like to say a few words as you are sitting down. I really commend Nancy, George and Jim, for as aggravating as it was dealing with New York State Education Department and the litany of letters and documents back and forth, I know the hard work that went into achieving this document. I want to thank you three especially and your entire group. You really put Halfmoon on the map. Not just with the presentation tonight but with all of the presentations that you have put on in the past years. It is gratifying to the Board, the residents of the community and especially the youth of the community. They see how Halfmoon was in the past, what we have achieved over the years and our forefathers and how they lived here in town. I think you brought a new aspect of education to everyone here and I want to thank you.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** We have one more proclamation that we would like to make this evening. Glenn Waldron if you would like to come up with your family. Glenn was an employee of the town, retired effective the end of December. I was kidding with him that he announced his retirement as soon as I came in. I am not really sure what that means. We do want to recognize Glenn for his years of service to the town.

**Supervisor Tollisen read the following**

RESOLUTION HONORING GLENN WALDRON

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Glenn Waldron (Glenn) began his career with the Town of Halfmoon on May 1, 2000, in the Parks Department as a seasonal Laborer, always working hard to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of his position; and

**WHEREAS,** Glenn became a part time cleaner for the Town of Halfmoon on August 14, 2000, again dedicating himself to his new position and the challenges it represented; and

**WHEREAS,** Glenn advanced to the position of full time Building Maintenance Worker on December 4, 2001, sacrificing some of his precious gardening time to further dedicate himself to his career with the Town of Halfmoon; and

**WHEREAS,** Glenn was often seen around Town Facilities with his familiar smile and ever present bottle of soda, taking time to cook chili for his fellow employees; and

**WHEREAS**, Glenn has been a dedicated public servant, devoting himself to fulfilling his responsibilities as an employee for the Town of Halfmoon in whatever position he held; and

**WHEREAS,** Glenn although Glenn will be greatly missed, the Town Board wanted to express their best wishes for his continued success and express their gratitude for his years of service;

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

1. That the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon recognize and commends Glenn Waldron for his years of service to the Town of Halfmoon; and it is further

2. That a copy of this Resolution be presented to Glenn Waldron in recognition of his dedicated service to the Town.

DATED: January 15, 2014

KEVIN J. TOLLISEN, SUPERVISOR
TOWN OF HALFMOON

**RESOLUTION NO. 31**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board Honors Glenn Waldron for his years of service to the Town of Halfmoon.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

TOWN MEETINGS:
**Town Board Meetings: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of month at 7:00 pm except May 7th at 2:00 pm**
**Zoning Board of Appeals: 1st Monday of month at 7:00 pm.**
**Planning Board Meeting: 2nd & 4th Monday of month at 7:00 pm.**
**Board of Assessment Review: 4th Tuesday in May**
**Senior Center Business Meeting: 1st Wednesday of month at 1:00 pm**
**Halfmoon Historical Society: Last Tuesday of month at 7:00 pm**
**Open Space & Trails Committee: Jan. 13 & Mar. 17 at 7:00 pm.**
**Zoning Review Committee: 3rd Thursday of month**

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

**Walter Polak;** 1) Liaison to Planning Board, 2) Liaison to Zoning Board, 3) Chair of Zoning Review Committee, 4) Chair of Personnel

The Zoning Review Committee will convene tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm in this room after our winter recess.

**Paul Hotaling:**1) Chair of Parks & Recreation, Infrastructure (Water, Highway, Building & Maintenance), 2) Chair of Committee on Not for Profit Organizations and Character Counts, 3) Chair on Committee on Baseball/Athletic Organizations

I would just like to say thank you to the Halfmoon Historical Society. I have been involved with them for several years and if you get a chance, the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm., over by the Senior Center is where their building is where they have their meetings. It is a great time, and great to learn about the history of the town and everybody pours their heart into it and I want to thank you for your efforts.

The week of February 18th, is Winter Camp for the kids. If you are interested, contact Amanda in Rec and the deadline to register is next Friday.

Thank you to our Highway guys and all of the guys who for worked so hard during the snow storms. They were back to back and they did a great job.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** The deadline to sign up is next Friday if you have children who want to attend Winter Camp. Please pay attention to the date because I know that

a lot of people sign up at the minute and we want to make sure that we have enough campers to do the program

**John Wasielewski;** 1) Chair of Ethics Committee, 2) Chair of Committee on Emergency Services and Public Safety (Emergency Corps, Fire Department, Police, Animal Control), 3) Chair of Committee on Resident Relations

Mr. Supervisor, I have a couple items tonight. I have been honored to be named Chair of the Ethics Committee for 2014 and as such, I would like to announce that I have a couple of openings on that committee. I am asking any interested members of the town, who feel that they can devote a few hours a month towards that committee, please submit your request through the Town Clerk's Office, would be glad to have you on board. It is a very important committee.

I'm also honored to be the liaison to the Resident Relations Committee. This is a brand new committee that I think can do some great things, interfacing between the residents of the town and the Town Board and Town government. I am looking at many openings, I have many openings on that committee as it is newly formed and has no members other than myself. Anyone who would like to reach out and become a liaison between residents and the town, also please submit your interest to the Town Clerk's office.

Lastly, I would like to announce, and probably do more frequently, but the town does have an ordinance for dog licenses. It is $10.00 a year if your dog is spayed/neutered and $16.00 if they are not, and $6.00 per year for seniors if your dog is spayed/neutered. Just a friendly reminder, that dog licenses are required for dogs in the Town of Halfmoon. That is all that I have at this point Mr. Supervisor, thank you.

**Daphne Jordan:** 1) Chair of Business and Economic Development, 2) Chair of Insurance (Liability and Medical), 3) Liaison to Open Space and Trails Committee

The first meeting of the Business and Economic Development Council will be Thursday, February 6th at 7:00 pm. If you are interested in joining this council, this committee, please submit your interest to the Town Clerk and it will be forwarded. This committee is charged with strengthening the economic base in Halfmoon. We are going to be looking at ways that we can work with our area businesses to help them to succeed; to see what we can do to help them. The other thing that the committee will be doing is to identify corridors or places in the Town of Halfmoon for businesses and to attract businesses to come to our area.

The second thing that I have is also our Insurance Committee, which is a new committee. Again, if you are interested in serving on that, please submit your interest to the Town Clerk's office. This committee is charged with examining the current medical insurance that we have and seeing how we can do better cost wise with respect to insurance, whether it be through the same company or through another company, without compromising the benefits the employee's already have. We are also going to be looking at how we can save the town costs in looking at new employee hires and what benefits they receive. The other thing the insurance committee is charged with is to put our liability insurance out to bid, so that we can do better with that.

The third item is that I was happy to attend as liaison, the Trails and Open Space Committee. It was the first meeting in which this combined committee was together, because before the Open Space committee and Trails committee were two separate committees. If you are interested in joining, you can attend the next meeting, which is listed on the agenda, on March 17th at 7:00pm. There are additional dates that aren't listed here for the rest of the year and they are Monday May 19th, Monday July 21st, Monday September 15th and Monday November 17th.

The committee is made up of enthusiastic and knowledgeable residents on the subject and they have a wealth of ideas. The first meeting was goal setting. All are welcomed to get involved.

**Lynda Bryan;** 1) Chair of Senior Programs, 2) Chair of Committee on Historical Archives

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Just an update from myself, as far as the town budget goes, I will tell you that I am constantly diligent with respect to the town budget and how we are faring with respect to projections for the given year. I will tell you that the budget projections that were made last year and were approved for this year, currently our mortgage tax we are receiving is below our projections. What I have done already as a corrective measure, is I have met with department managers and put a freeze on any non-essential Halfmoon spending. I will continue to monitor the town budget; I will continue to provide updates on a monthly basis. If anybody has any questions or if I can provide any additional information, I certainly will do that for you. With respect to the town budget, I am going to provide monthly reports so that everyone is aware of what is going on in the town. I am hoping the mortgage tax information that we are getting on a monthly basis will get better and the budget will actually meet expectations. It will meet expectations one way or the other, but I just wanted to provide that update.

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

**Deanna Stephenson, 7 Cindy Lane:** In regards to number 11, 12, and 13 on the agenda tonight, all I will ask is I know that there will be a lot of moving parts with in the grant. This is very exciting when I saw this and I noticed unmarked vehicles sitting at those two corners. I was ahead of this; I was very excited to see that happening. Having said that like I said I am sure that there are many moving parts to this, but regarding the infrastructure, I know that there will be a Planning Board meeting in Clifton Park on January 28th regarding the project that will be put up for public consumption that night. That project will be at the corner across from the Pods on The Crossings, so right there. If possible, Mr. Supervisor, if it would be at all possible to send notification to the residents that are, I know we have extended notification now, if we could do that to the residents of Halfmoon and at least let them know. I am not sure if everyone looks at the website for Clifton Park and perhaps they could attend that meeting and at least start to learn about the project that would, might be at that corner. Thank you.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** We will get to 11, 12, and 13, Deanna, but I do want to bring that up. This is a very exciting project. Supervisor Barrett and I and a few of our staff on each side have met to try to address the Sitterly Road congestion. Sitterly, Woodin Road, The Crossings, the first step in the process of Sitterly Road with respect to the grant that we are going to be looking to secure is to provide verifiable data to this grant company. Everyone knows that there is a ton of traffic on that road and at Christmas and the holidays it is worse and worse. The engineer we need to hire is to provide actual, calculable data that we can provide in our grant application. We believe that by partnering Clifton Park and Halfmoon together, that we have a much better chance of getting a grant. What this grant will do if we get it is it will help alleviate the issues of traffic congestion that will possibly include some turn lanes; it will include better traffic signals. Right now those traffic signals, despite whatever practices we try, they are so archaic, those two traffic signals, sounds weird, they don't communicate with each other, so it has to be done manually. Hopefully with this grant, this will make these two trigger better. It will provide some needed relief in that area as far as traffic. Halfmoon is actually doing some other things on our side of Sitterly Road as well to see if we can help with that as well. This process, just so everyone knows, is a 2-3 year process. The first step is getting the data and hiring the engineers. The engineering costs, they have agreed to give us a very low rate of $4,000, which that rate will be split between the two towns. So the cost for us to get the data that we need is $2,000 on our end and

$2,000 on Clifton Park's end, which we believe is very, very well spent money to get this grant going. It is a very exciting project. There are some other initiatives that Clifton Park and Halfmoon will be partnering together with on other area between the two towns and we believe together we can make a difference. When there is only a certain amount of money available, the fact that two towns are working together and two towns are saying the same thing that we have this need, gives us a much better chance of getting this grant. We are very happy about it. Thank you for your comments, Deanna.

**Jack Henry,** I live on Ponderosa Drive and I am the person that authored the #3 Correspondence. It seems as though there are issues in the town regarding traffic. I have tried in the past regarding this speed limit on Ponderosa Dr. and the volume of traffic that is on the road and when you couple the two together, we've got a condition that is pretty significant that needs to be looked at and I thank you for your letter as quickly as it was received. I was on vacation, I think that there would have been other people in my community that may have been here tonight, but I was on vacation and wasn't in town and didn't get the letter until I came back. It is something that I am glad that the town is willing to hear it, review it and turn it over to the state, so on and so forth to get it resolved, hopefully.

Just to let you know what's happening on the other side, from the legal standpoint, is the Sheriff is making regular patrols in that area. They were there tonight as a matter of fact. Because of the traffic coming from the Northway and Route 9, there are a lot of cars there. Actually, the town did a study probably 3 or 4 years ago and there were 200 cars a day plus that go through there. When you look at the majority of it that are coming through at the peak hours, it is just a line of traffic both trying to get off Ponderosa on to Woodin and especially at Grooms Road. There are actually people in the neighborhood, two people as a matter of fact that park their vehicles at the end of their driveway so that their kids can play in the driveway. It is pretty unsafe. I myself have had two incidents where cars have been up on my front lawn. Again, I thank you for responding. I thank you for considering this. Hopefully the state agrees with what I am claiming and go along with it. I think it would be valuable not only for my street, but also other thoroughfare streets to maintain the safety. Thank you.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Thank you for your letter and your interest in getting that done. Per my letter, I told you as of tonight's meeting, this will be referred to the county and the state for a reduction request. I have also referred it to our Highway Superintendent for his information as well to see if there is anything at the town's level that we can do at this point for you as well.

**Pete Bardunias – President of the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce:** It is always a pleasure to be here and Congratulations to the Historical Society on their achievement tonight. I just wanted to speak on behalf of Halfmoon's local Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber of Southern Saratoga County. On resolution #11, to say that I am wholeheartedly in support in anything that involves such collaboration between yourselves and the Town of Clifton Park. I think it is a great idea to explore that and any way that we can help, if we can provide letters of support or if you would like us to work with our business community to help garner letters of support from some of the businesses there. Obviously, Ellis Medicine and places like that would probably have an interest in seeing the traffic situation there be kept reasonable. So, whatever we can do to help, I just wanted to, for the record, state our support and pledge our support to your efforts.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Peter, thank you. I will tell you that we will take any and all help because I think that this is something that is absolutely necessary for the towns. I am not afraid to grovel, so I definitely appreciate

**Peter Bardunias:** Groveling not needed, we are all working together and are partners. Thank you.
**Supervisor Tollisen:** Thank you very much.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – month of December
1. Town Justice Wormuth
Total # Cases -223 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - $24,867

2. Senior Express Total # Riders – 295 Total # Meals - 401

3. Town Clerk Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - $7,294.14

4. Building Total # Permits - 53
Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - $6,825

5. Fire Total # Permits - 8
Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - $376

6. Water Report, Building & Maintenance Departments, Planning Department, Town Clerk's Office, Grants Coordinator, Assessor's Office, Recreation Office, IT LAN Administrator, Director of Code, Highway Department and Animal Control

**Supervisor Tollisen:** If anybody wants to review these reports they are available in the Clerk's office.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – 2013 Year End Report
1. Town Justice Wormuth
2. Town Justice Ciulla
3. Animal Control

CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Received** from the Office of the Sheriff a copy of the reports for the month of November for the Clifton Park/Halfmoon Patrols and the Halfmoon Patrols.
***Received & Filed***

2. **Received** from Ellen Keegan from Books for Troops, a thank you letter from her & the troops thanking the Town for their support in 2013.
***Received & Filed***

3. **Received** a letter from Jack Henry, a concerned resident about the expansion of the Kensington development and looking to have the 30 MPH speed limit reduced to 20 MPH on Ponderosa Drive.
***Referred to the Highway Superintendent and a letter to the state which I believe are ready to go.***

4. **Received** from Chuck Hoffman, a PDD Amendment Application for Oakbrook Commons PDD.
***Received & Filed***

5. **Received** from CAPTAIN Youth and Family Services, their 2014 Budget and a thank you for the continued support of the Town of Halfmoon.
***Received & Filed***

NEW BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION NO. 32**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves and orders paid Vouchers numbered 12 through 115 as detailed.

**========== FUND TOTALS ==========**

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| 10 GENERAL FUND | $2,548,154.03 |
| 20 HIGHWAY FUND | $44,824.11 |
| 30 CONSOLIDATED WATER | $104,722.92 |
| 35 MISC. CAPITAL FUNDS | $39,750.00 |
| 65 LIGHTING DISTRICT | $414.73 |
| ABSTRACT TOTAL: | $2,737,865.79 |

**RESOLUTION NO. 33**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board End of Year meeting of, December 31, 2013 as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 34**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board Organizational and Regular Meeting of, January 2, 2014 as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 35**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board appoints David Maxfield as part time night cleaner, Grade 1 Base Pay $12.69/hr. effective immediately, per completion of all pre-employment testing.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Just for comment purposes, this is for less than 20 hours per week and what the part time night cleaner will be doing is replacing Mr. Waldron who was full time with a part time night cleaner who will actually be on site when we have meetings. There are a lot of different meetings that go on at night; baseball, Home Bureau, different types of community meetings and we want to make sure that we have staff available. So this job is a night job so that we have a staff person here at all times.

**RESOLUTION NO. 36**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves placing the 1999 Plymouth Voyager that the town no longer has use for, be placed on Auction's International to the highest bidder.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This again is a van that has long out lived its usefulness. It spits smoke, all these things that we don't want any more. So we are going to present this to the auction and see what money we can get for it.

**RESOLUTION NO. 37**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves the Town of Halfmoon sends a letter of support to the Saratoga County IDA for the Halfmoon Assisted Living/Memory Care Facility.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Apparently with the IDA, the requirement now is that the town show its support in order to receive any IDA enhancements. This was a project that was approved by the town and in so doing the next step in the process with IDA is to send a letter of support. I did not want to submit a letter of support without the approval of the Town Board that is why we have this resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 38**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into an agreement with the Town of Clifton Park for coverage for the Halfmoon Animal Control on a case by case basis, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This again, we have a full time Animal Control Officer, but her duties since our part time Animal Control Officer had resigned, have been 24/7/365. There is money in our budget for a part time Animal Control Officer, however based upon some good work of the Town Board and talking with Supervisor Barrett. We believe that partnering with the Town of Clifton Park on an on call as needed basis. So what that means is, instead of us hiring an employee at a certain amount, which I think was $14,000 in our budget, we actually believe, based upon our analysis, that we can save money by contracting with Clifton Park when our full time Animal Control Officer is off on weekends, vacation or sick. We will not be paying Clifton Park unless they were actually responding to a call. It is n agreement that was approved by the Town Attorney's and written in such a manner that it is up for renewal in August of this year, we can then analyze and make sure that we are indeed saving money. We do believe that this is a cost saving move for the town and we do believe that it will be good for our town residents. So that is why we are moving this forward.

**RESOLUTION NO. 39**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes Town employees to attend the Association of Towns 2014 Training School and Annual Meeting in New York City on February 16th – 19th, 2014 and authorize payment of $100.00 registration fee for each employee attending, subject to the review and approval of the Town Supervisor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 40**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Supervisor present a Resolution for the Halfmoon Fire Companies acknowledging their dedication and service to the Town of Halfmoon at their Annual Inspection Banquets.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** What this is, first of all Halfmoon Fire District #1, Hillcrest is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year as a district fire department. We have asked to attend and certain Board members have been asked to attend the annual banquets. We believe that it is only proper that we commend the volunteer firefighters, who every day put their lives on the line for the safety of the community. These resolutions will be individually provided at the banquets to the firefighters of our town.

**RESOLUTION NO. 41**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board amends Resolution #2013-277 of extending the part time position of Haylie Sullivan in the Town Clerk's Office until the vacancy is filled permanently.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Again, this is an interim position to help Miss Bryan in her office until we actually fill that position of Deputy Town Clerk which has been vacant.

**RESOLUTION NO. 42**

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

**WHEREAS,** the Town Board of Halfmoon wishes to collaborate with the Town of Clifton Park to submit a joint Transportation Improvement Project (TIP) Grant application to undertake potential design improvements to the intersections of Crossing Blvd. and Woodin Road at Sitterly Road, where the design will be predicated on improving traffic movements and reduce the "stacking" of waiting vehicles at the identified intersections along the Sitterly Road corridor, and as Sitterly Road is the primary alternate route to State Routes 9 and 146, connecting both Towns and is experiencing increasing traffic volumes causing significant delays,

**WHEREAS,** Sitterly Road is the primary local connector road to the business, commercial, and retail centers of both Towns and connects the locally shared emergency medical services to both communities; and travels through a densely populated residential area, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Supervisor is authorized to work jointly with the Town of Clifton Park to retain the engineering services of MJ Engineering, to design and prepare roadway improvements and a detailed cost based budget for the Traffic Improvements on Sitterly Road at Crossing Blvd. and Woodin Road, at a cost not to exceed $2,000.00 per Town, to be allocated from A1440.40 (Engineering Services), be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon joins in application of the Town of Clifton Park to the Capital District Transportation Committee for TIP funding on behalf of both municipalities, be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon commits the necessary matching funds for the joint Sitterly Road – Intelligent Transportation Design project with Clifton Park, as may be needed or necessary.

**Councilman Hotaling:** I would like to thank Supervisor Tollisen, our staff, Clifton Park staff and Phil Barrett for working on this.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** We are excited about this and if this comes to fruition, and obviously it is a process of 2-3 years.

**RESOLUTION NO. 43**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon authorizes hiring MJ Engineering, to design the Intelligent Transportation Systems Improvements on Sitterly Road at a total cost of $4,000. Cost to be split evenly between the Towns of Halfmoon and Clifton Park.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Again, this is the first step in the process hiring MJ Engineering for a cost for the Town of Halfmoon not to exceed $2,000.

**RESOLUTION NO. 44**

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

**Whereas**, the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) is soliciting grant applications for *Pavement Preservation for Non-State Roads* through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and

**Whereas**, Sitterly Road qualifies for the *Pavement Preservation for Non-State Roads* funding, and

**Whereas,** paving Sitterly Road is on the Town of Halfmoon Highway Department road paving schedule,

**Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon authorizes the Town Supervisor to apply for TIP funding for Pavement Preservation for Non-State Roads from the CDTC in the not to exceed amount of $450,000 and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement and all other necessary documents with the CDTC and other agencies as necessary, per the approval of the Town Attorney.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This particular resolution #13 is strictly only on the Halfmoon side that we are also applying for some improvements to the Halfmoon side that only affects Halfmoon which includes some paving and different things

**RESOLUTION NO. 45**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board amends Resolution 2-20-2014 to reflect pay increases for Walter Polak, Deputy Supervisor - $1,349, Jacqueline Bigelow, Court Clerk Grade 3 Step 7 - $17.93/hr, Greg Burke, Part time Court Officer $19.56/hr, Christine Phillips, Clerk to the Town Justice, Grade 4 Step 9 - $44,711, Raymond Anuszewski - $21.77/hr. and Part-time Highway Laborer to work only when needed

at current Grade and Step: Raymond Keller, part time, Grade 3, Step 2 - $15.10, Trails and Open Space Committee.

**Councilwoman Jordan:** It wasn't necessarily to add the year 2014, but it was listed as the Trails Committee whereas the new name is the Trails and Open Space Committee.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This basically acknowledges when the minutes were done, they went through about 57 different reviews and revisions and some of the steps were missing and didn't get up dated, so this is just a resolution to clarify the pays. It doesn't mean anyone is getting any pays beyond their rate and their step and their 2% raise.

**RESOLUTION NO. 46**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with the American Red Cross to provide services/training for employees to obtain certifications as required by law, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**RESOLUTION NO. 47**

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

**WHEREAS,** a project Pruyn Hill Sidewalks, PIN 175961 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 US. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 100% Federal funds;

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Halfmoon desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of Construction,

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon duly convened does hereby

**RESOLVE,** that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby authorizes the Town of Halfmoon to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Construction work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

**RESOLVED,** that the sum of $259,000 is hereby appropriated from the Recreation Fund and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Town of Halfmoon shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, and it is further

**RESOLVED,** that the Supervisor be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the Town of Halfmoon with the New York State

Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

**RESOLVED,** that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project and it is further

**RESOLVED,** this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This is basically a grant for down at the Mechanicville schools to provide sidewalks for safety purposes. This is a New York State Transportation of Federal Highways Regulation requires the Town Board to create this resolution. There is a couple of things with this resolution, the Town has to outlay the money to the contractors and is then is reimbursed fully for the costs of providing the sidewalks for the safety of the children. While we are putting the money out, we are getting it back. The only thing is any cost overruns; we are responsible for without getting reimbursement.

**Councilman Polak:** I just wanted to say that they are all in Halfmoon.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** That is correct. That's right. If anyone wants to look at the map of this, basically, it goes down from the school right down Pruyn Hill area basically to the Mechanicville city line.

**RESOLUTION NO. 48**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board increase the field use fees as follows:
Baseball Season Max $1,200
Soccer Season Max $900

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Again, this is not, and Mr. Hotaling could probably clarify this more but, this is not a change in per use of the baseball fields or the soccer fields, but it is a per season change. Currently, if they are using it for the whole season, this will be the change, but per field, per use is not going to change.

**RESOLUTION NO. 49**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with the Tri-City ValleyCats for a summer camp field trip, August 8, 2014, for all full day campers, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**RESOLUTION NO. 50**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to accept a quote from HP Public Sector Sales, off State contract, for the purchase amount of $588.00 for each computer and to execute any necessary documentation per review and approval of the Town Attorney.

**RESOLUTION NO. 51**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board designates Kevin J. Tollisen, Town Supervisor to attend the Annual Business Session of the Association of Towns and to cast the vote of the aforesaid Town, and Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk as the Alternate.

**RESOLUTION NO. 52**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to execute the 5 year agreement with the Clifton Park – Halfmoon Ambulance Corps.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** Proud to say that after many months of negotiations, the Town in conjunction with the Clifton Park – Halfmoon Ambulance Corps has reached a six year agreement. It is actually for 2014 and then a separate five year agreement. We have already approved the contract for 2014. It really is the best of both worlds. We have negotiated a 10% reduction in the 2014 Ambulance tax rate for Halfmoon residents and 2% each year for the years 2015 through 2019. So in effect, not only are we getting excellent ambulance service, the best in the Capital Region, I believe, but at the end of 2019, it will cost 20% less than it costs today. I think that that is fantastic. I thank the Ambulance Corps for their cooperation and the work of my fellow Board members to make this happen.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Mr. Wasielewski, you did a ton of work on this and we appreciate your efforts.

**RESOLUTION NO. 53**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves the Water Report for the January 2014 billing, as submitted by the Director of Water.

**RESOLUTION NO. 54**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board to appoint the Employee Services Clerk as American with Disabilities Coordinator, effective January 1, 2014.

**RESOLUTION NO. 55**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes a 50% down payment to Gracecom for the new phone system

**Supervisor Tollisen:** This again is under the Capital project and just moving forward to bring that to completion.

**RESOLUTION NO. 56**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves to putting the Town's Liability Insurance out to bid.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** As far as putting the Town's Liability insurance out to bid, there is a book that is available that the Town Clerk has and will have copies of the specs. Miss Bryan if you could send out letter to our current carriers and anyone else that has expressed interest in that already. I know that we have gotten a few letters expressing that as well.

**RESOLUTION NO. 57**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board schedule a public hearing, for February 5th's Town Board meeting, to amend local laws relating to zoning.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** As far as discussion, there are a number of items that are in the current town zoning that I have asked our Director of Planning to review. There seems to be a few inconsistencies in a few of the items and we are going to button those up. We are going to make sure that they are cleaned up and proper. There are a number of amendments, one is a PDD referrals. One of the changes I have requested is a policy, any PDD's that are submitted to the town must have the public benefit listed on the application. Any applications received by the town where the public benefit is not delineated will be deemed incomplete and returned to the applicant. There will be no action taken until the public benefit is on the application. I don't want a situation where the Town Planning Board is reviewing an application and there is no public benefit defined, because that creates confusion and a lot of the issues that the Planning Board may bring up maybe resolved with the public benefit being provided. So that is one of the issues.

Second issue with respect to PDD referral under our current laws, current zoning PDD's and PDD amendments when they come to the Town Board are required to be sent to the Planning Board, whether or not the project is favorable to the Town Board or not, by our legislation is required. We are looking to change that because if there is a project or projects that are deemed unacceptable to the Town Board, they don't need to be submitted to the Planning Board.

Back to PDD's as far as density, the language will be clarified regarding calculation of maximum density. It will be based on actual buildable land, not gross acreage. Additionally, there are a few other items that are smaller. This is certainly available at the Town Clerk's. We have made some copies if anyone wants to take those. This is a first step in the process of making some changes to zoning; there will be some other ones that are coming down the road. There are some construction related noise changes. One of the other issues is parking requirements. There are a few areas in our town where the parking regulations do not allow for total build out of certain, whether it be Strip Mall or complex based upon the actual parking spots needed. This would give the Planning Board some flexibility to wave up to 10% of the parking requirements. As far as the Town Board is concerned, this would allow the Planning Board the flexibility they need to approve projects and to work with the applicants based upon on the actual parking spaces that they are going to use.

For example, there is one on Halfmoon Executive Park. I have met with the owner of the property. There are 25 spaces and he used 8. He can't use his other piece of office space because the zoning doesn't allow it and so therefore that space remains open. We don't want that to happen. This is an example of why this is changing. These are the changes that we are looking for. They are available up here, please take them and there will be a public hearing on that on February 5th. We invite your comments and if you want to submit your comments ahead of time, that is certainly acceptable too and make sure that they are part of the record. That will be at 7:00 as soon thereafter.

**RESOLUTION NO. 58**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to make the attached Transfer between Appropriations.

Transfers between Appropriations for 2013:

| **From Account** | **To Account** | **Amount** | **Reason** |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10-5-9030.80 Benefits- Social Security | 10-5-9010.80 Benefits- State Retirement | $12,800 | To cover expenses thru year end |
| 10-5-5010.41 Sr Van- Contractual | 10-5-5010.12 Sr Van Personal Services | $385 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 10-5-1410.10 Town Clerk- Personal Services | 10-5-1410.40 Town Clerk- Contractual | $7,250 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 10-5-1310.10 Finance- Personal Services | 10-5-1410.40 Town Clerk- Contractual | $4,700 | To cover expenses thru year end |
| 10-5-8020.20 Planning- Contractual | 10-5-3610.40 Code Enforcement- Contractual | $300 | To cover expenses thru year end |
| 20-5-5130.20 Machinery- Equipment | 20-5-9010.80 Benefits- State Retirement | $2,200 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 30-5-1620.20 Buildings- Equipment | 30-5-9010.80 Benefits- State Retirement | $2,905 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 30-5-8340.40 Trans & Dist- Contractual | 30-5-9030.80 Benefits- Social Security | $230 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 30-5-8340.40 Trans & Dist- Contractual | 30-5-8320.43 Source of SP&P- Contractual-Mtn | $2,100 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 30-5-8310.40 Adminstration- Contractual | 30-5-8320.41 Source of SP&P- Contractual-Mtn | $8,600 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |
| 30-5-8320.20 Source of SP&P- Equipment | 30-5-8320.41 Source of SP&P- Contractual-Mtn | $700 | To cover expenses within own budget thru year end |

**RESOLUTION NO. 59**

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

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to go into Executive Session to discuss an employee issue at 8:03 No action was taken and the meeting resumed at 8:29.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** We are just going to delay that so we can have Public Comment first so if people don't want to stay while we are in Executive Session, although I don't believe it will be long. Let's do Public Comment for anything not on the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of non-agenda items)**

**Chris Marchand, 91 Devitt Road:** Good evening, thanks for the opportunity to speak tonight. I am here tonight respectfully asking the Town of Halfmoon to permit the use of snowmobiles on the Champlain Canal Trail way, or which the snowmobilers affectingly refer to it as the Towpath. It appears over the past few years it has been a new gate every year to the Towpath and now the trail has been rendered impassable to snowmobiles. I believe that we are being unfairly discriminated against and I think that we are just as deserving of the right to use the trail and enjoy it as anybody else. If I could take a few minutes, and I just want to give a brief history of my experience on the Towpath.

For over 40 years snowmobilers have enjoyed the trail without incident. It has allowed residents to go from Halfmoon and Waterford north to Stillwater, Saratoga all the way to Lake Sacgandaga. Over those 40 years or so the snowmobilers invested countless hours into maintaining it. When I was a kid, I was a member of the Country Trailblazers snowmobile Club. We would be out there every fall putting bridges in, brush hogging, clearing brush, putting culvert pipes in. We donated fuel for the chain saws. We donated excavating equipment and we all had permission from the City of Mechanicville. The Towpath is a major corridor and a funny thing happened when the Town of Halfmoon purchased the Towpath from Mechanicville to run a water main, the preverbal door was slammed in our face and we weren't allowed to use the trail. The snowmobile club had spoken with certain people, I wasn't involved in those discussions at the time, and this was a number of years ago, maybe even ten years ago. The town officials, we believe had said; we are putting a water main in, it is unsafe during construction. Once construction is over, the trails are open for public use. And now, as I say, there is a new gate there every year and we can't get through. It just seems as if people are allowed to snowshoe on it or cross country ski, we should be allowed as well. When I was a member of the club, the very first elected position, if you want to call it was Trail Boss. It was my responsibility to go through every fall, put up signs and I was given a key to some gates at Upper Newtown, Lower Newtown and Brookwood Road. When there was some snow on the trails, I would open the gates up and when the snow started to melt, close the gates. That is what I am kind of looking to do now, if we can come up with some sort of agreement that if we got 4 inches of snow, the gates are open and when the snow starts to melt, someone is responsible for closing the gates so that if the town wants to keep ATVer's or Motorcycles off the trails, so be it. I feel that snowmobilers are motorized vehicles, but they are an exception to the rule in the way that we don't damage the property. We are riding on the snow, we are not rutting up farmer's fields. What happened was when Halfmoon said No to the Snowmobile Club, the Snowmobile Club broke up. Without that corridor, a lot of the other landowners gave us permission, there was no way to get to their property. We were just landlocked and kind of trapped and I am looking to change that. I think that it is a viable way to seeing the town. Talk about the trails being a way to enjoy the beauty of that this town has to offer. I love snowmobiling for years and would like to be able to continue to enjoy it and have my kids someday enjoy it. Right now, it just seems like it is getting harder and harder. I would be glad to discuss this in

further detail outside of the meeting, but I wanted to at least bring my concern to the Board.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** We appreciate your concerns and I will refer this to Miss Jordan. This will be referred to the Open Space and Trails Committee, and if you at some point could speak with her, we can look into that for you, OK?

**Chris Marchand:** OK, thank you.

**Jack Henry:** Spoke from the audience and was not recorded, but asked about noise ordinances.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Sure, Mr. Henry. If you would like, there is an actual copy of it up here. Basically, the purpose of the construction related noise prevision is to establish some time limitations on construction related activities when they are located adjacent to or near residential neighborhoods. We are looking to have some time limitations of when that can occur so that we are not stopping the construction, but we are limiting it so that it is not interfering with residents who may be sleeping or residents early in the morning, things like that.

**Jack Henry:** Thank you, I appreciate that. The Kennsington project creates a tremendous amount of noise for us on Ponderosa Drive.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** I will tell you that we are aware of that and we have been working with the applicant on that to try to alleviate some of those noise concerns for you. I have gotten a number of complaints and believe me we are working on it.

**Doug Goglia, Stage Run:** Just following up on the last gentleman's comments. Is there any possibility of considering an overall noise ordinance restricting the use of all power equipment for instance in residential areas within the same time constraints. I don't think it is merely construction that raises a problem, at least where I live; it is simply power tools late into the evening, power lawnmowers early in the morning especially on Saturday and Sundays

**Supervisor Tollisen:** OK, we can certainly look in to that.

**Doug Goglia:** Thank you.

**Dan Hoyt, 201 Farm to Market Road:** Just a quick question. I don't understand why or I do not know if it has to do with the town, but how come the Town of Halfmoon doesn't have their own zip code? We use Waterford's, Mechanicville and Clifton Park's zip code. The town's growing and I think that we should have our own, not borrowing off of other neighboring towns. Thank you.

**Councilman Wasielewski:** I second that motion, Mr. Supervisor.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** I will tell you that if you talk to the last several Supervisor's going back to, and I believe, Mr. Dudek, which is some time back, each and every supervisor has tried and tried and tried to get our own zip code for the Town of Halfmoon. We have our own Post Office and DeVoe's has created another satellite Post Office in our town. We have tried to get our own zip code and believe it or not, the US Postal Service says "just because your town is that big, so what, it doesn't matter". They are the ones that assign the zip codes and they have been unwilling to give us our own zip code. There are literally communities with 50 residents and they have their own Post Office and zip code and then there are communities like ours. We are made up of many different zip codes. So, that is an ongoing item, certainly willing to renew that fight, but understand that this has been going on for decades and we have been unsuccessful at it. I remember that because when Mr.

Dudek was in and talking about it, I was a little kid, way back when, a long time ago.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on a motion by Councilman Jordan and seconded by Councilman Polak, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk**