

Town of Niagara
Special Town Meeting
Budget Hearing
Regular Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, **October 18, 2022** at Town Hall

Special Town Meeting

1. Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance
 - a. The October 18, 2022 special Town Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM
2. Confirm everyone has signed poll listing
 - a. It was confirmed that there were 12 town electorate in attendance. See attached poll list
3. Town residents approve agenda
 - a. MOTION (LaLiberte/Jim Hallgren) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. No negative votes.
4. Approve the 2022 total town tax levy to be collected in 2023 pursuant to s.60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes,
 - a. MOTION (LaLiberte/Liebergen) to approve the 2022 town tax levy to be collected in 2023 of \$66,288 as allowed by the State of Wisconsin on the 2022 Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet. Motion carried. No negative votes.
5. Establish the compensation for elected town officers pursuant to s. 60.10(1)(b)1, Wis. Stat. including stipends and any extra wages for duties outside the statutory scope of office. Any changes will become effective for officials elected with the start of the new terms in April 2023.
 - a. MOTION (Hallgren/LaLiberte) to approve the compensation of all elected officials for a 5% increase of the current wage starting April 2023, after the annual meeting, and until April 2025, before the annual meeting. This equates to the following new annual wages: Clerk, \$11,139; Chairman \$5,141; Supervisors \$3,358 each. Motion carried. No negative votes.
 - b. MOTION (Hallgren/LaLiberte) to approve the stipends for meetings set at \$30 per event. Motion carried. No negative votes.
 - c. MOTION (Liebergen/Neil Johnson) \$15 per hour for small town duties outside statutory requirements (i.e. determine security deposit after hall rental, handle downed trees, etc.) Motion carried, No negative vote.
6. To discuss and act upon the request for the Town to seek the county sell a parcel of land (020-00223.004) to the Town of Niagara once it is in foreclosure, with the intent that the town will sell the parcel to the owners of one or more of the adjacent parcels.
 - a. MOTION (LaLiberte/Liebergen) to purchase the land (020-00223.004) once in foreclosure from the County and then sell the parcel to Andrew Angus, who will split the parcel according to the old understanding of the

parcel lines. Andrew Angus agreed to pay all costs and the town electorate has agreed to sell this parcel, once in town ownership, to Andrew Angus.
Motion carried, No negative vote

7. Adjourn Special Town Meeting

- a. MOTION (Liebergen/Sanicki) to adjourn the special town meeting at 6:30 PM. Motion carried. No Negative votes

Budget Hearing

1. Call to order

- a. The October 18, 2022 budget hearing was called to order at 6:30 PM

2. All electors must sign poll listing

- a. It was confirmed that 12 people signed the poll book

3. Discussion on the 2023 budget

- a. MOTION (Neil Johnson/LaLiberte) to approve the 2023 budget as presented by Chairman DeClark. With proposed expenses of \$410,519 which includes \$78,000 of ARPA fund expenditures for 1 ton truck. The total highway expenses (with this ARPA spending) are \$307,800. Motion carried. No negative vote.

4. Adjourn budget hearing

- a. MOTION (Liebergen/LaLiberte) to adjourn the budget hearing at 6:37 PM. Motion carried. No negative votes.

Regular Town Board meeting

1. Call to Order

- a. The October 18, 2022 monthly board meeting was called to order at 6:37 PM

2. Roll Call

- a. Chairman DeClark, Supervisor Neuens, Supervisor Sanicki, Treasurer Emond, and Clerk Johnson present.

3. Approve / Amend agenda items

- a. MOTION (Sanicki/Neuens) to approve the agenda items for the October 18, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried. No negative votes.

4. Approve / Amend minutes of September 20, 2022 Regular Town meeting

- a. MOTION (Neuens/Sanicki) to approve the September 20, 2022 regular Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried. No negative votes.

5. Treasurer's report

- a. MOTION (Sanicki/Neuens) to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried. No negative votes.

6. Public Comment: Non-discussion from Board

- a. No public comment

7. Discussion/Action on benefit package for full time employees after one year service

- a. MOTION (DeClark/Neuens) to table until next month when representatives from Danielson Insurance will attend next month’s meeting to explain benefits and field questions. Motion carried. No negative votes.
- 8. Discussion/Action on the 2023 budget
 - a. MOTION (Neuens/Sanicki) to approve the 2023 budget as presented. Motion carried. No negative votes.
- 9. Discussion/Action on paying retained security deposit to Mike Carpenter
 - a. MOTION (Sanicki/Neuens) to give Mike Carpenter the \$25 retained security deposit for the torn paint off wall. Motion carried. No negative votes.
- 10.Road Report
 - a. Scott Construction gave estimates of \$27,000 for West rd and \$22,000 for Town’s rd. to chip seal in 2023
 - b. Still cutting grass – gear box on mower was broken, replaced, broken again, and replaced again
 - c. Received another estimate from Monroe for inspection fee of \$750 for first truck and \$600 for each other truck
 - d. Barlow Lake Rd sign down again.
- 11.Standing Committees: (May include reports from other special committees)
 - a. Report Planning Commission: No activity (request for member-at-large to be approved at November meeting)
 - b. Report from Zoning Administrator: Report submitted
 - c. Report from Lake Shannon district received with dates for 2023 meetings.
- 12.Announce next meeting – Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM
- 13.Adjourn
 - a. MOTION (Sanicki/Neuens) to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM. Motion carried. No negative votes.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Johnson, Town Clerk _____

Chairman DeClark

Supervisor Neuens

Supervisor Sanicki