

The Theresa Town Board held a regular meeting January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Office at 215 Riverside Avenue and the following were present:

Steven Marcinkowski	Supervisor
Timothy Busler	Councilman
Kevin McCarthy	Councilman
Jamie Papin	Councilman
Kristopher Ryder	Councilman
Kim Delles	Town Clerk
Mark Savage	Highway Superintendent

Others present: Aimee Martini, Kim Alger - zoom

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Marcinkowski at 6:02 p.m.

Reports received and placed on file:

Town Clerk's & Building & Zoning December 2022 report
Transfer Site's December 2022 report
Supervisor's December 2022 report

Res. #1

Motion by: Kevin McCarthy
Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, that the minutes of December 27, 2022 be accepted as read.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – aye, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye,
Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #2

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder
Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the following bills be paid:

(2022)Vouchers #565-582 Total: \$53,843.32 (2023)Vouchers #1-10 Total: \$3,359.22

General	\$38,478.46 (2022); \$3,264.81 (2023)
Highway	\$15,364.86 (2022); \$94.41 (2023)

VOTE: Mr. Busler – aye, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye,
Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #3

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Theresa that the proposed Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established In General Municipal Law Section 3-c for the 2024 budget be introduced and be it

Further Resolved, that the Board hold a Public Hearing on February 8th, 2023 at 6:05 for the adoption of the Local Law.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – aye, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye,
Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

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Res. #4

Motion by: Kevin McCarthy
 Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the following resolution be passed on item and salary schedule and time of payments to be made in 2023, effective January 1, 2023:

- Board meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. All meetings will be at the Town Office, 215 Riverside Avenue, and will begin at 6:00 PM.
- Official Newspaper – Watertown Daily Times
- Official Online Newspaper - Newzjunky
- Depository for Supervisor, Building/Zoning Officer, Town Clerk/Tax Collector – Community Bank. Depository for Town Justice’s – Gouverneur Savings & Loan
- Historian: Timothy Minnick
- Town Board Member on Building Committee: Timothy Busler
- Account Clerk: Amy Vaadi
- Deputy Supervisor: Timothy Busler

Term	Name	Position	Wages/ Salary	Payment Schedule
1 year	Amy Vaadi	Bookkeeper P/T	\$39,620.00	\$761.92/weekly
4 year	Rachel Roberts	Town Justice	\$9,626.00	\$802.16/monthly
4 year	Rebeca Oblender	Town Justice	\$9,626.00	\$802.16/monthly
4 year	Steven Marcinkowski	Supervisor	\$18,000.00	\$1,500.00/monthly
4 year	Kim Delles	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$34,142.00	\$656.57/weekly
1 year	Kim Delles	Budget Officer	\$10,000.00	\$192.30/weekly
4 year	Mark Savage	Highway Supt.	\$68,946.00	\$1,325.88/weekly
4 year	Timothy Busler	Councilmember	\$1,395.00	\$116.25/month
4 year	Kevin McCarthy	Councilmember	\$1,395.00	\$116.25/month
1 year	Jamie Papin	Councilmember	\$1,395.00	\$116.25/month
3 year	Kristopher Ryder	Councilmember	\$1,395.00	\$116.25/month
6 year	Brad Millett	Assessor	\$29,548.00	\$568.22/weekly
1 year	Terry McKeever	Building & Zoning Off.	\$30,533.00	\$2,544.41/monthly
1 year	Scott Booth	Cemetery Supervisor	\$1,500.00	yearly
1 year	Mark Kaleel	Recreation Director	\$20.00/hour	weekly
1 year	Recreation Assistants		\$14.20/hour	weekly
1 year	Cemetery Laborer		\$16.33/hour	weekly

TRANSFER SITE:

Thomas Bievenour, MEO	\$22.27/hour	weekly
Larry Martin, Laborer	\$16.84/hour	weekly

HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES:

3 MEO’s	\$22.27/hour	weekly
1 MEO (Matt McCullouch)	\$23.27/hour	weekly
1 MEO (David Ebbrecht)	\$23.27/hour	weekly
1 MEO (Tanner Colvard)	\$21.68/hour (January thru May)	weekly
	\$22.27/hour (June thru December)	weekly
4 Laborers	\$16.84/hour	weekly

LIBRARY:

1 year	Kristy Perry	Librarian P/T	\$19.82/hour	monthly
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PLANNING/ZONING BOARD: Board Members - \$30.00 each per meeting
 Board Member/Secretary - \$60.00 per meeting
 Non-Board Member Secretary - \$30.00 per meeting

All Town Employees - \$.56 per mile

Blanket Bond for all Town Officials: Supervisor - \$70,000.00, Tax Collector - \$95,000.00 and all other Officials - \$10,000.00 each.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – aye, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye,
 Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

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Discussion:

Mail & Correspondence:

- Letter from County Legislator Allen Drake about not seeking re-election. (See attached)

Supervisor Marcinkowski told the Board that he waited until the new State Senator Walczyk and Legislator Gray were seated before asking for help with changing the speed limit on Route 37. A few months ago, a gentleman was killed in an accident at the intersection. He stated that everyone needs to come together to get this done. Superintendent Savage said that (2) petitions have been done in the past with thousands of signatures. The State sent someone to study it and he parked his state truck where people could see, so automatically people slow down. It was also not done in the summer when it is much busier. All the accidents at Ostrander's, Cooper's & West Corners were done to show the accidents and fatalities. They need to be updated. The Board agreed that a speed limit change would be easiest to pursue at this time but stop lights would be more helpful. The Board discussed other state highways with reduced speed limits. The Board agreed that they cannot take no for an answer this time. The Board would like the speed limit reduced from before Ostrander's Corner to past the bowling alley. Supervisor Marcinkowski to draft a letter to both the Senator and Legislator.

Highway update:

- The truck that was ordered last November has arrived in Watertown. Viking will need to harness up.
- The Town was very lucky last storm. Only one plow truck got stuck. The trucks were pulled off the road when visibility got bad.
- The first storm around Thanksgiving was declared an emergency by the state but this last storm (which was worse for Theresa) has not been declared yet.
- Mr. Savage is looking into a directional plow for the highway.
- The Town of LeRay made a policy that they are not responsible for hitting mailboxes. Mark would like to see the Town of Theresa do the same. Mailboxes are placed in the right of way and therefore are not the Town's responsibility to replace. Ninety percent of the time, the snow off the plow damages them.

The Town Board will audit the Town Clerk & Tax Collectors 2022 books at the February meeting and the Town Justice's book at the March meeting.

Councilman Ryder told the Board that (6) applications have come in for skating rink positions. Mr. Ryder and Mr. Kaleel will be interviewing applicants on Friday. The Board discussed the hours for public skating and hockey. Public skating will be 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Fridays, and 11:00 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday/Sunday. Hockey will be limited to Monday/Wednesday 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday mornings 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Mr. Ryder would like to see a skating clinic held to teach kids to skate. Also, he would like to see some projection lights/music on special days.

Supervisor Marcinkowski told the Board that Gibbs Hyde Lake closed their campground but still has cabins on the property. They called and asked him to force Mr. McKeever to sign that they are residential and not a business for National Grid purposes. Mr. McKeever will not sign because they still have cabins on the land and are advertised to sell the property as a campground with trailer lots and cabins. They told the Supervisor that their assessment has been lowered by the Assessor.

Res. #5

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Kevin McCarthy

Resolved, that the meeting be closed at 6:51 p.m.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – aye, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye,
Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,