

**TOWN OF DELHI
BOARD MEETING
March 13, 2023
7:00PM**

Supervisor Tuthill called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Those present:

Councilmember's: Margaret Baldwin, Matt Krzyston, Christina Viafore, and Bill Cairns.

Highway Superintendent Daren Evans

Residents: Cynthia Cobbe, Brad Lockwood, Kimberly Cairns, Mathew Burkert, Vicky Klukkert, Kali Barnhart, Ann-Lis Glenn, Kathy Mario, Eileen Kline, David Kopecek, Matt VanBuren, Josh Morgan, Will Outsen

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Viafore.

Privilege of the Floor:

Ann-Lis Glenn introduced herself as SUNY Delhi's Director of Community Engagement Director. She is reaching out to the town for community service needs. She noted Community Service Day is Saturday, April 22, 2023 which is also Earth Day. She has emailed the board to see if there are any needs for the students to complete. Her email is glennae@delhi.edu.

Eileen Kline a Meredith resident, came before the board as a member of the Catskill 3500 club. She discussed her hiking of trails and fire towers, helping to maintain the Bramley Mountain Trail. She presented the town council a petition with over five hundred signatures. The petition was titled: "Demand that the Delhi Town Council members reconsider, negotiate and approve the contract with the New York State Department of Environmental Protection which will allow the reconstruction of the Bramley Mountain Fire Tower. We urge the Council members to focus on the many compelling reasons to move this project forward. The restored tower will provide our region with a vital recreational and educational resource. Finally, there is no doubt the fire tower will significantly increase tourism and that it will provide sizable benefit to business owners in Delhi." Kline went on to say they had obtained over 500 signatures thus far, 232 of them are Delhi residents 490 being Delaware County residents. Twenty-four Delhi business owners signed the petition thus far, more than 35 college students signed at this point as well. The petition displays widespread dissatisfaction with the council's February 13th discussion against going forward with the fire tower; given the public outcry with this discussion they sincerely hope that the council will reconsider. Kline handed Tuthill the signed petitions.

Brad Lockwood, stated the Bramley Mountain Fire Tower is incredibly important, he asked the board to reconsider. Lockwood stated he worked with DEP with Dirt Road Camp and you just have to talk to them and asked the board to please negotiate; talk to each other. We need destinations, people need places to go; you will attract massive spending locally. He further stated he owned Dirt Road Camp; he gave the board handouts and said that included were all the compliance documents from DOH, NYS DEP, the engineer structural reports, an award from Delaware County Chamber for best new business (the same day he received the award was the same day he was notified they were being closed down.) Lockwood said communicate with us, they had no notice what so ever that they were being shut down. Right now he is going to pay Delaware County their Occupancy Taxes; it's a massive shortfall because Delaware County is not going to collect any occupancy tax on Dirt Road Camp; we generate massive occupancy taxes and because the Town of Delhi and Dale Downin shut them down it is not being received. Lockwood then said Downin has his permit which are now stamped by an architect and that's hundreds of dollars and thousands of dollars in checks sitting in his hands for the Town of Delhi. Last year he mailed back their check it is frustrating; they are compliant with everyone. Lockwood went on to discuss holding tanks (he provided pictures) and went on to explain how they were delivered and how emergency vehicles have access; he does all the maintenance. Lockwood then stated he received a letter

after the last board meeting he attended which was dated February 14th, he received it February 24th which was sent by email to their lawyer. Further stating official documents are being issued by the code officer and he does not receive them; how is that for time sensitive information and how is he supposed to react to it as a business owner.

Town Supervisor Tuthill had to request Lockwood to address the board as it was not a public forum for Lockwood to get a story to the paper. Lockwood said he was trying to educate people. Lockwood then said on Wednesday morning his architect and NYS code officials will be onsite at Dirt Road Camp to review everything; Dale has basically outsourced all code enforcement to the state and to him. They have paid everyone, the code officer does not respond to them; half the time he doesn't respond to the town attorney whom asked for the documents. Wednesday morning they will get it done and at the end of the month they will go before the Planning Board and expect resolution.

Horace Lee stated three years ago the police told him to take pictures because of harassment; Town Supervisor Tuthill stated he really didn't want to get into this forum as we will be heading to potential litigation. Lee said he has taken pictures of the road and pictures don't lie.

Approval of February 13, 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilmember Cairns to accept the February 13, 2023 minutes as presented. With Councilmember Viafore seconding the motion, motion carried.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

Supervisor Tuthill announced Local Law No. 001 of 2023 was a Type 2 action which will have no impact on the environment; as such will not have to do a state environmental review (SEQR) on it. No motion is necessary only noted that it has been checked into. A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to approve Local Law No. 001 of 2023; with Councilmember Cairns seconding. Local Law as follows with roll call:

Local Law No. 001 of 2023 Town of Delhi County of Delaware

A Local Law Changing from Elected Board of Assessors to Single Appointed Assessor for the Town of Delhi, Delaware County, New York

Section 1. Intent, Authority

The purpose of this Local Law is to permit the Town of Delhi, New York to change from an elected Board of Assessors to a single appointed Assessor. It is adopted pursuant to New York Real Property Tax Law Section 328 and New York Municipal Home Rule Law Section 10.

Section 2. Termination of Terms of Current Assessors

The terms of office for the present elected Assessors for the Town shall terminate on March 31, 2023 and from and after that date shall be one appointed Assessor for the Town.

Section 3. Appointment and Term of Office of Appointed Assessor

As set forth in Section 310 of the Real Property Tax Law. The single appointed Assessor shall be appointed by the Town Board. The term of office for the initial appointed Assessor shall be **the remaining current 6 year term through September 30th 2025.**

Section 4. Severability.

The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph or provision of this Local Law shall not invalidate any other clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof.

Section 5. Repealer; Supersession

All Local Laws or Ordinances or parts of Local Laws or Ordinances in conflict with any part of this Local Law are hereby repealed.

Section 6. Referendum Clause

This Local Law shall not be subject to mandatory or permissive referendum.

Section 7. Inconsistency

All other Local Laws and Ordinances of the Town of Delhi that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Local Law are hereby repealed; provided however, that such repeal shall only be to the extent of such inconsistency and in all other respects this Local Law shall be in addition to such other Local Laws or Ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered by this Local Law.

Section 8. Savings Clause

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, work, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder, thereof, but shall be confined in its operation of the clause, sentence, paragraph, worked section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Section 9. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the New York State Secretary of State as provided by law.

**Roll Call
March 13, 2023**

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mark Tuthill, Town Supervisor	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
William Cairns, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Margaret Baldwin, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Matthew Krzyston, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Christina Viafore, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

Local Law No. 001 of 2023 passed unanimously. The Town Clerk will file the local law with NYS; Tuthill explained that we have the end date for the elected positions for the end of this month and starting the appointed positions April 1st.

Supervisor Tuthill then presented Resolution No. 001 of 2023 with the following motions and roll call:

RESOLUTION NO. 001 OF 2023
TOWN OF DELHI
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF DELHI
TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO. 001 OF 2023

Councilmember William Cairns made the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Delhi for a public hearing to be held by said Governing Body on March 13, 2023 at 6:50pm at the Town Hall, 5 Elm Street, Delhi, New York 13753 to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law entitled “A Local Law to Change From Elected Board of Assessors to a Single Appointed Assessor for the Town of Delhi, Delaware County, New York;”

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in The Reporter, the official newspaper of said Town, on February 23, 2023 and March 2, 2023.

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on March 13, 2023 at 6:50pm at the Town Hall, 5 Elm Street, Delhi, New York 13753 and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said Proposed Local Law, or any part thereof, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Pat 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) it has been determined by the Town Board of Said Town that the adoption of said proposed Local Law would not have a significant effect upon the environment and could be processed by other applicable governmental agencies without further regard to SEQRA, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Delhi, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of said Town to adopt said Local Law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Delhi hereby adopts said Local Law Number 001 of the Year 2023 entitled “A Local Law to Change From Elected Board of Assessors to a Single Appointed Assessor for the Town of Delhi, Delaware County, New York, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be and she hereby is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Town of Delhi and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State of New York.

Resolution was seconded by Councilmember Baldwin.

WHEREUPON, the Resolution was put to a vote and recorded as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT
Supervisor Mark Tuthill	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Councilmember Matthew Krzyston	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Councilmember Viafore	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Councilmember William Cairns	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Councilmember Margaret Baldwin	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

Resolution No. 001 of 2023 passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to appoint D. Joseph Gifford as Sole Assessor and James Corcoran as clerk to the assessor at a salary of \$24,450 each appointments to be effective March 31, 2023. Councilmember Krzyston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Supervisor brought forth Resolution No. 002 of 2023 a resolution which we were asked by Watershed Affairs to agree with Delaware County and with the New York State Department of Health on the findings of the Academy of Science; who came to Delaware County and spoke to several departments. NYS Department of Health has to issue a letter on the filtration avoidance because negotiations will be starting up on

the next FAD water supply permit and the Department of Health has agreed with the National Academy of Sciences on several of our issues; one being the land acquisition program which we would like to see go away, there is a significant cut proposed in this resolution. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to approve Resolution No. 002 of 2023 with Councilmember Viafore seconding:

Resolution No. 002 of 2023

Town of Delhi

**Resolution of the Town of Delhi Supporting the
December 2022 Revised FAD**

WHEREAS, in the Spring of 2022 the New York State Department of Health (DOH) released for comment a draft Revised Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD) as part of the mid-term review of the 2017 FAD; and

WHEREAS, the West of Hudson Communities (including, but not limited to, the Coalition of Watershed Towns, Delaware, Greene, and Schoharie Counties, the Towns of Windham, Ashland, Lexington, Prattsville, Jewett, Olive, Shandaken, Conesville, Gilboa, Roxbury, Middletown, Andes, Bovina, Stamford, Kortright, Tompkins, Harpersfield, Walton, Delhi,) submitted comments/Board resolutions to DOH (the “West of Hudson Communities Comments”) which focused upon (1) the need to end the core land acquisition program as recognize in the 2020 findings of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM) of its study of the watershed protection program; (2) the need to revise the Streamside Acquisition Program (SAP) to require local governments consent for participation in the program; (3) support for a community based streamside protection program in which the land owners are compensated for stewardship; (4) a requirement that the Conservation Easement granted by the City to NYSDEC for all fee acquisitions be modified to incorporate the requirements and the objectives of the 1997 Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) ; and (5) assure greater compliance by New York City with its MOA obligations as exemplified by the 2022 dispute regarding the acceptance of septage waste at City-owned wastewater treatment plants and a sustainable contract administration process and

WHEREAS, in December 2022 DOH issued the final Revised FAD (together with a Comment/Response Document) which directly incorporated and responded to the West of Hudson Comments and specifically stated as follows:

- (1) “NYSDOH agrees that strategic, well-reasoned acquisition of water quality protective parcels should be the focus of the LAP, while allowing future community growth to occur in a manner that is consistent with the existing character and planning goals of each of the Watershed communities.”
- (2) **“NYSDOH agrees that changes to core LAP are necessary in the West of Hudson watershed, as guided by the recommendations of the NASEM expert panel. The program should be focused on the most sensitive areas for water quality protection, including floodplains, riparian areas, wetlands, and steep slopes. NYSDOH agrees that both the Long-Term Land Acquisition Plan and the successor Water Supply Permit should be shaped by the NASEM Expert Panel recommendations and stakeholder input.”**
- (3) “The reduction in LAP solicitation goal from 300,000 acres to 200,000 acres through 2024 is based on recommendations of the NASEM Expert Panel as well as stakeholder input. Solicitation beyond 2024 is contingent upon re-issuance of a WSP authorizing continuation of the LAP beyond 2025.”
- (4) NYSDOH understands that there are several areas of interest that stakeholders have regarding the current and future implementation of SAP. NYSDOH encourages stakeholders to engage in productive discussions with the City and CCCD to integrate common-sense program modifications

which will position SAP to operate with wide-spread municipal support in the future. To encourage the resolution of these issues, the Revised 2017 FAD now includes a requirement for a dedicated SAP workgroup and a specific reporting requirement on the workgroup's recommendations. While the determination for the expansion of the Pilot SAP to the remainder of the WOH watershed has not yet been made by NYSDEC, as described in Special Condition 29 paragraph (f), NYSDOH notes that paragraph (f) states that "Such written determination shall include addressing NYCDEP recommendations."

- (5) "Under the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), administered by the US Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency and the Watershed Agricultural Council, farmers can receive annual rental payments in exchange for removing environmentally-sensitive land from production and installing conservation practices like vegetated streamside buffers, exclusion fencing, and animal crossings. These rental agreements usually run for 10-15 years, unlike watershed conservation easements which run in perpetuity. The commentors are suggesting a similar program be explored as an option for owners of non-agricultural land. **This potential program should be explored in the context of the streamside acquisition workgroup**"
- (6) "NYSDOH and the City acknowledge the existing conservation easement language may need to be revised in light of some recent conflicts with public benefit projects. The City agrees to work with the communities to explore potential language changes to future conservation easements which would allow for such activities to take place. The Revised 2017 FAD has been updated to reflect this new activity"
- (7) NYSDOH supports the recreational use of protected land in the Catskill/Delaware Watershed where such use does not threaten to have an adverse impact on NYC water quality. Paragraph 72 of the 1997 Memorandum of Agreement included mountain bicycling as a recreational activity not likely to be allowed on City land. The City has opened over 135,000 acres of watershed lands to other recreational opportunities, where it can be demonstrated that recreational use will not harm water quality. **The City may consider requests to open specific City-owned parcels to connect existing or planned trail networks where municipal and organizational partners have the capacity to effectively steward the activities and ensure no threats to water quality."**

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Town Board of Delhi hereby thanks the Department of Health for carefully considering the comments of the West of Hudson Communities and incorporating those comments in the Revised FAD and accepts the Revised FAD as a reasonable compromise to assure the continued protection of New York City's water supply while recognizing the needs of the watershed communities; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Delhi is committed to continuing to work with the other watershed stakeholders to develop a revised LAP and SAP that is consistent with the MOA, the NASEM findings, the Revised FAD and the evolving needs of the watershed communities.

WHEREUPON, the Resolution was put to a vote and recorded as follows:

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Supervisor Tuthill	<u>X</u>	_____	
Councilmember Krzyston	<u>X</u>	_____	
Councilmember Baldwin	<u>X</u>	_____	
Councilmember Viafore	<u>X</u>	_____	

Resolution No. 002 of 2023 passed unanimously. The Town Clerk will send the approved resolution to the agencies per the request of Watershed Affairs.

The two bids for mowing were opened and read by Supervisor Tuthill, the following were received:

- Velten's Landscaping LLC., Walton NY – areas included Town Hall, Highway Garage and the Town of Delhi Pool/Playgrounds. Weekly trimming, blowing all sidewalks and parking areas May 1st – October 1st. Out of scope will be charges at \$80/hr plus any material. Invoicing in three installments May, July and September. Price: \$6,500 which included tax; Tuthill stated as we are a municipality the amount would be without the tax making the price \$5980.
- Natural Advantage LLC., Bloomville NY – Services: Recreation and Pool Area \$175, Town Hall \$75, and the Highway Department \$50 Total for services \$300 per mowing.

Both bidders sent the appropriate paperwork. The council discussed the bids and awarded the bid to Natural Advantage at \$300 per mowing services, with Councilmember Baldwin making the motion and Councilmember Cairns seconding; motion carried. The clerk will contact both bidders.

Councilmember Viafore made the motion to approve Town Highway Supervisor Evans to bid for grit hauling fees, diesel fuel and heating fuel for two weeks advertising. Councilmember Cairns seconded the motion. Motion carried, the clerk will advertise the bids with the bid opening at the April meeting.

Highway/Machinery: (Councilmember's Baldwin & Cairns) Written report from Superintendent Evans provided to councilmembers. Evans discussed the equipment repairs and said crews have worked very hard. He also stated the repairs have been completed since his report was issued except for the Terrastar which is waiting for a part. Evans also stated there was a typo on his report for the 2015 International Terrastar; the correct cost for the DPF filter was \$5,100 not \$1,500. This is the only truck we have down at this time.

Evans discussed the bridge replacement project on Arbor Hill Road will take place this year. This is a DPW project which will not close the road but will cause expected delays. As the project nears Evans will have it announced on the town's website.

Personnel: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): Councilmember Baldwin stated they are working on a Friday noon gathering of employees. Baldwin asked Justice Burkert if he had pricing for the air conditioner for the court room. The justice court system will not cover it through the justice fund.

Recreation/Health/Youth: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): Councilmember Baldwin thanked PAC for their work. The concrete walkway into the playground will be getting ready for bidding. She is waiting for the schematics. The chairlift they are waiting for Aquatec to get back to them. Baldwin stated the pool cover comes off May 13th it is a process; Todd of Aquatec is scheduled to come if not that same day, shortly thereafter. Baldwin then announced we have received an anonymous donation of \$325.00 for putting a ramp on the pool shed; the Amish Barn Company has quoted an estimate of \$325.00. Councilmember Baldwin then made a motion to accept the anonymous donation of \$325 for the purpose of purchasing the ramp for the pool shed. Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion; motion carried.

Baldwin announced Dustin White will be joining the pool again as Certified Pool Operator, he worked out well last year. Baldwin then made a motion to hire Dustin White as Certified Pool Operator at a salary of \$3,200 from May 13th through September 15th. Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion; motion carried.

Baldwin requested that we hold off on the allergen sign until we speak with the insurance company to see what is best.

Councilmember Baldwin wished to share with the board that the day after the meeting that the council voted against signing the proposal for the Bramley Mountain Fire Tower Councilmember Cairns and she discussed what they could do to help them. Together they questioned if this was a local issue, county issue where does this all start; they believed it really started from NYC acquisition plan and that we were suddenly strapped with not having the jurisdiction or authority to govern on NYC property; we were stuck. She and Cairns reached out beyond our borders and took it to Albany and approached it from a different direction and received favorable feedback from it. They have two other situations they are going to bring to Albany or NYC,

and those people have already met with the DEC. She wanted it known that the board was never against them but the board's hands were tied as the land belongs to NYC; Baldwin wanted to assure the members of the fire tower; Ann Roberti of the Catskill Mountain Fire Tower is somewhat aware of this. What the board would like to do is turn everything the town has put together (which a lot is Ann's and the Friends of Bramley Mountain) and give this information and the contacts that Baldwin has spoken to and hand it over to the Friends of Bramley Mountain Fire Tower so they can pursue it further. Baldwin didn't realize they had only tried to work within the DEC and NYC as residents and citizens. Baldwin then said she and Councilmember Cairns felt it was their obligation to try and perhaps through the municipality to have some strength to put something beyond our borders. Baldwin wanted everyone to understand the board has never been opposed. Baldwin will share with Ann and get her over all the paperwork. Baldwin added she worked on the pool for years and understands patience, the people she reached out to understand the issues with NYC. Baldwin added this is the only tower she is aware of the will be re-built and is not erected already Tuthill added it's the only one proposed to be built on city land. Tuthill said there are other towers that are on NYC land that already existed when the property was purchased and they were grandfathered in. This is the first attempt to actually build something on NYC property. Tuthill believes this is an issue with the state, DEC and DEP; they need to find an answer to this. Baldwin said hopefully they can get the help.

Horace Lee questioned if the tower was going to be totally rebuilt or was the old structure going to be put up. Tuthill said the only structure there is the concrete bases which can't be used as they torched the bolts off; there is no way to anchor to that. Lee questioned if the actual metal structure was being totally rebuilt or is the old metal going to be re-used; Tuthill stated their plan is to re-use the old metal which Tuthill added causes some other issues. Lee then stated re-galvanizing does not repair the damage done to the metal by previous rust nor does it correct any metal weaknesses. The structure will be weaker; Tuthill said that's why it needs to go into the hands of NYS, DEC because the NYS codes says you can't build a structure out of used parts. Tuthill added he isn't saying you can't get a variance to do that but that's way over our expertise. There is still a lot of questions to be answered and communications have been poor.

Economic Development/Shared Services: (Councilmember Cairns & Krzyston): Councilmember Krzyston stated he and Councilmember Cairns had a shared services committee meeting at the village yesterday and they discussed common priorities. Some of the discussions included building conditions and the future investments both will make being smart about them. Also, discussed was the housing study which was done which had some traction for a while and they would like to reignite that and try to attract some attention from developers on the three potential spots that the building experts said could be developed in the village. Also discussed was shared recreation, the idea of a shared recreation department and how that could benefit both municipalities. Further Krzyston stated he had been looking for the village to own the pool which is something we have discussed but that has no traction at the moment.

Krzyston also stated the Flood Commission has not met in quite a while; there is a project pending on Woolerton Street which is in the hands of Delaware County Soil and Water; they are going to hire a qualified consultant to provide us a redesign of the Woolerton Street crossing over Steel Brook. We need to have another meeting with Soil and Water participation. The money is allocated through a grant for the redesign.

Krzyston announced the St. Patrick's Day Parade is this Saturday, it's an opportunity to spend a lot of money in the village.

Buildings: (Councilmember Cairns & Krzyston): Councilmember Krzyston announced the building near the pool; the "concessions building" which we received grants for to make it a space where someone can come with a food truck and plug it in or with a cooler and plug it in during pool hours to sell their items; the college has initiated their work at the level of meeting NYSE&G down there. There are \$10,000 in grants \$1,500 was scheduled for electrical fixtures but the building needs new electrical service which is going to consume almost \$3,000 to get from the pole to the building so the budget needs to be reworked as it's the most important part of the project, Krzyston is letting the board know he is moving the budget in a way to allow for buying the parts/materials required for the college to do the work. They wanted him to get the approval to get

the \$2,800 for the new electrical service. Councilmember Cairns made the motion to allow the work as it was being paid for through the grant, Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilmember Cairns stated he would be placing new hardware on the assessor's office.

IT: (Councilmember Viafore & Krzyston): Councilmember Viafore stated she has looked at the proposals for upgrades briefly; Tuthill asked Viafore to send him the information and he will have someone look at it. He explained coordinating the work necessary. Viafore announced we now have 132 Nixle subscribers.

Codes: (Councilmember Cairns & Krzyston): Councilmember Cairns stated in February there were: 4 building permits were issued, 11 inspections / meetings, 6 in-office conferences, 6 c/o letters, 1 violation and he drove 173 miles.

CODES Monthly Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston to accept the codes report for February 2023 Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justice Court Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston to accept the February 2023 Justice Court Reports. Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk's Monthly Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to accept the February 2023 report and seconded by Councilmember Viafore. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Financial Report:

Supervisor Tuthill presented the board with the 2022 Year End Report along with the January and February Supervisors Report. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to accept all three reports with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried.

Supervisor Tuthill requested a motion to purchase the ramp from the Amish Barn Company at the cost of \$325 using the donation received. Councilmember Krzyston made the motion per Tuthill's requested motion, with Councilmember Cairns seconding. Motion carried. Councilmember Krzyston made the motion for Tuthill to sign the estimate from Amish Barn Company with Councilmember Baldwin seconding. Motion carried. Baldwin will follow through with Amish Barn.

Supervisor's County Report:

Supervisor Tuthill stated progress has slowed to a crawl on the building at the corner of Main and Bridge. They are lacking the floors and finished ceiling, there are conflicting stories on why it is not done. Discussions on the governor's proposals of passing the Medicaid costs onto the counties. There is opposition state wide as we are talking hundreds of millions of dollars that it will cost counties around the state, Delaware County the cost would be somewhere around one million dollars. The Board of Elections has moved to their new location on Main Street.

Councilmember Krzyston questioned the SUNY aid for the village; Tuthill stated the resolution was passed and sent to the state. Further Tuthill said all of our local reps are going to push it as they work in areas with state universities as well. Krzyston asked is the time right or just setting a stage; Tuthill said hopefully it gets the budget amended before it's adopted, there are some other funding we would like to see put back before the budget gets passed but the governor doesn't seem too likely to take it out on her own so it is going to be up to the legislature as the budget is supposed to be adopted shortly.

Councilmember Cairns asked if there was any exit plan for the property at the end of Page Avenue, Tuthill responded there is nothing in the works yet. Cairns would like to see it back on the tax rolls somehow.

Councilmember Baldwin stated she forgot to bring this up during Personnel, she stated the pricing of the fire proof cabinets that were requested in the fall came in a roughly a third higher than they were earlier. The

town clerk was able to negotiate with the company and get them down lower then originally quoted price. It was a significant drop. She further stated the clerk's office is one of the busiest in the county as is our court.

Abstracts:

Councilmember Krzyston made the motion to approve Abstract #003 – 2023 accounts A – DB Voucher No. 0068 - 00108 equaling \$47,541.15 and account TA Voucher No. 00100 – 00102 equaling \$13,826.71. Total vouchers presented equaled \$61,367.86. Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston at 8:06pm to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual. Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion, motion carried. Town Supervisor Tuthill requested Town Justice Burkert to remain.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cairns to exit executive session at 9:08pm with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Reconvened to regular meeting at 9:09pm. A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to hire Kali Barnhart as Recreation Director the time span of April 15th through September 15th at a salary of \$7,000; Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilmember Krzyston made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm, Councilmember Cairns seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Schmitz

Elsa Schmitz, Town Clerk, Town of Delhi