TOWN OF SPRINGWATER TOWN BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2024 APPROVED

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Babbitt Henry at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board – Present: Councilmember Kyle Mason, Councilmember Tracey Proctor, Deputy Supervisor Lawrence Gnau, Supervisor Deborah Babbitt Henry.

Absent: Councilmember Thomas Canute, Jr.

Present at Meeting – Town Clerk Joyce Nisbet, Highway Superintendent Matt Nisbet and one member of the public Pat Hillyard, Bob Wyatt signed in but left before meeting started.

Acceptance of Minutes

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to accept the minutes for the October 15, 2024, meeting as amended and the October 24, 2024. Special meeting, seconded by Councilmember Mason; motion carried with all ayes.

Public Hearing - Preliminary Budget for 2025

Preliminary Budget - Open at 7:01pm. The attending public was asked by Supervisor Babbitt Henry if they would like to speak on the Preliminary Budget for 2025, for the Town of Springwater. The Board Members were asked by Supervisor Babbitt Henry if they would like to speak on the Preliminary Budget for 2025. No questions were asked by the public or the Board Members on the Preliminary Budget for 2025

Abstract of Claims #11 of 2024 \$140,561.00

Approving the Abstract of Claims #11 of 2024 for Audit date 11/12/2024				
General Fund	\$	61,368.43	Vouchers	266 - 289
Highway Fund	\$	71,251.58	Vouchers	190 - 208
Sewer Fund	\$	6,002.09	Vouchers	130 - 145
Water Fund	\$	1,938.90	Vouchers	73 - 80

<u>Motion</u> made by Councilmember Mason, to approve abstract of claims #11 of 2024 for an overall total of \$ **140,561.00**, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll; Councilmember Mason, aye, Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

Supervisor's Monthly Reports –

- 1. The following monthly reports were distributed to the board: Assessor Report November 2024, Justice Report November 2024, Town Clerk Report November 2024, Supervisor Report November 2024, Sewer & water Report November 2024.
- 2. The NYMIR renewal is November 11, 2024, with an increase amount of \$6,266.75.
- 3. A letter was received from Livingston County Real Property Tax Services. There will be an increase in the Tax Collection System 2025 contract renewal of \$42.59.

- 4. An increase in the renewal premium rates for full time Highway Department employees who receive Excellus medical benefits. Single plan from \$877.83 to \$1,011.30 up \$133.47, Sub with spouse from \$1,755.66 to \$2,022.30 up \$266.94, Sub with child from \$1,492.31 to \$1,719.21 up \$226.90, Family plan from \$2,501.81 to \$2,882.20 up \$380.39; this is about a 14% increase.
- 5. Livingston County Dog Control Officer & Municipal Shelter sent the Inspection Report from NYS Ag and Markets, there were no issues found.

Old Business

- 1. Survey Monkey has paid and free versions. The free version is limited to 10 questions per survey.
- 2. A standardized form letter was sent out for several broken water meters, with no response from the letters.
- 3. The Highway Departments boom rotary mower had multiple issues shortly after warranty, believed to be bad original parts and damages by assemble install. Diamonds, the manufacturing company, would not stand behind their product, therefore, Stevenson Equipment, Inc., where mower was purchased, put in all new parts for close to half the cost.
- 4. Unpaid water and sewer bills for individuals or companies were sent to Livingston County and will be Relieved on the January 2025 Town and County Tax Bill.

NEW Business

- 1. Accept and sign new 2025-2027 for Snow and Ice Control on County roadways.
- 2. Resolution #44 providing Snow and Ice Control on County roads within the Town of Springwater,

<u>Motion</u> made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to approve **Resolution #44 of 2024** providing Snow and Ice Control on County roads within the Town of Springwater, and to authorize the Supervisor Babbitt Henry and the Town Clerk to sign, seconded by Councilmember Mason; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

- 3. Discussion on high deductible medical plans for highway personnel. December 15th 2024 is the last day for highway employee to sign up.
- 4. Sign letter of Agreement of Inter-municipal/ services sharing for equipment, machinery, tools and services with Livingston County Highway Department. Jan 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025.
- 5. Resolution #45 for the 2025 Intermunicipal Agreement for sharing services Extension.

<u>Motion</u> made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to pass **Resolution #45 of 2024** and to authorize Supervisor Babbitt Henry to sign any necessary paperwork, seconded by Councilmember Mason;

Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

NEW CONSENT/SEWER PROJECT

WIIA Awarded grant \$1,170,215.00 for new sewer project. The Town is applying for three more grants.

Supervisor Babbitt Henry asked again if anyone would like to speak on the Preliminary Budget for 2025, for the Town of Springwater. The Board Members were asked by Supervisor Babbitt Henry if they would like to speak on the Preliminary Budget for 2025. No questions were asked by the public or the Board Members.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING.

<u>Motion</u> made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to close the Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget for 2025 at 7:40pm, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

Motion to Adopt the 2025 budget.

<u>Motion</u> made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to adopt the 2025 Budget, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

Board Reports

Town Clerk - Nothing to report.

Councilman Proctor (Recreation, Town Clerk, Planning) - Nothing to report

Councilman Canute (Water) - Absent

Councilman Gnau (Sewer) - Discussion on the

Councilman Mason (Fire; Highway) – Councilmember Mason shared that the Springwater Fire Department will be holding their Christmas craft show December 14th, from 10am – 2pm. There will be pictures with Santa, food, beverages and fifty/ fifty tickets. The light up the night Christmas parade will take place at 4pm, starting at the Fire Department on North Main St., to Kellogg Rd, mill Street, School St. and back to the Fire Department. Councilmember Mason brought up late night activity at the Town Park; discussion commenced what other options to assist with the activity other than what is already in place. Deputy Supervisor Gnau brought to the Town Board on upgrading the park gate on Mill St. to make it easier for residents to access the park.

Motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discuss a matter related to the proposed acquisition sale or lease of Real Property or the proposed acquisition sale or exchange of securities but only when publicity that would substantially affect their value.

<u>Motion</u> made Deputy Supervisor Gnau to enter into Executive Session at 8:00 pm, seconded by Councilmember Mason; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> made Deputy Supervisor Gnau to leave executive session and to enter back into regular session at 8:47 pm, seconded by Councilmember Mason.; No action taken during executive session.

Motion to Adjourn:

<u>Motion</u> made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm, seconded by Councilmember Proctor; motion carried with all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce L. Nisbet Town Clerk