

**TOWN OF SPRINGWATER
TOWN BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2024 – CORRECTED
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.

Acceptance of Minutes

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to accept the minutes for the September 9, 2024, meeting and the September 25, 2024 Special meeting, seconded by Councilmember Mason; motion carried with all ayes.

Public Hearing

Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for the 2025 Fiscal Year - Open at 7:01pm. A copy of the Public Hearing Ad was provided to the Board Members. The attending public was asked by Supervisor Babbitt Henry if they would like to speak on the Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for the 2025 Fiscal Year. The Board Members were asked by Supervisor Babbitt Henry if they would like to speak on the proposed Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for the 2025 Fiscal Year. No questions were asked by the public or the Board Members on the Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for 2025 Fiscal Year.

Abstract of Claims # 10 of 2024 \$ 203,459.38

Approving the Abstract of Claims #10 of 2024 for Audit date 10/15/2024			
General Fund	\$ 16,815.76	Vouchers	238 - 265
Highway Fund	\$ 173,520.71	Vouchers	171 - 189
Sewer Fund	\$ 11,931.09	Vouchers	121 - 129
Water Fund	\$ 1,191.82	Vouchers	68 - 72

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau, to approve abstract of claims #10 of 2024 for an overall total of \$ 203,459.38 seconded by Councilmember Mason; Roll Call: 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 September 2024, Justice Report September 2024, Town Clerk Report September 2024, Supervisor Report September 2024, Sewer & water Report September 2024.

2. The NYS Supreme Court struck down the “even year election bill, saying it was unconstitutional.
3. Stop in and say goodbye to Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes at her Wayland office at, 110 N Main St Wayland on Thursday Oct 24, 2024 from 12pm – 2:00 pm.
4. An update was received from Charter Communications (Spectrum) on rate increase for new television customers.
5. Halloween will be held at the Springwater Town Hall, Thursday, October 31, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 8pm.
6. Townwide Trick or Treating will be held on October 31,2024, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau, to hold Townwide Trick or Treating on October 31, 2024 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm, seconded by Supervisor Babbitt Henry; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

7. The NYMIR renewal is November 11, 2024. The Town Supervisor is waiting on the renewal quote, an increase is anticipated.

Old Business

1. Light up Livingston, the state gave twenty-six million dollars to bring internet to those areas that didn't have it. They awarded the partnership with Empire Access. The public must sign up directly with Empire on the web:
WWW.empireaccess.com/livingstoncounty.
2. Springwater Town Supervisor Babbit Henery met with My Tech, Co., Casey Janke on October 8, 2024 at the Town Park to discuss placement and requirements for the new camera system. Anticipates similar number of cameras & system in use at town hall w/remote monitoring capabilities.

Motion made by Supervisor Babbit Henery, to authorize the purchase of the new camera system for the Town Park and a value not to exceed \$10,000.00, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

NEW Business

1. Livingston County approved rate increase for the Snow & Ice Control on County Roads. The County went from a five-year contract to a three-year contract increasing the rates in \$100 dollar increments each year, October 15, 2024-October 14, 2025 rate of \$4,900.00 per centerline mile, October 15, 2025-October 14, 2026, \$5,000.00 per centerline mile, and October 15, 2026 -October 14, 2027, \$5,000.00 per centerline mile.
2. A discussion with the Town Board Members from a letter received from MIRABITO, regarding the Town of Springwater using 100% kerosene vs fuel oil 7 fuel oil blend. The Board agreed they did not want to make the change to the 100% kerosene vs fuel oil blend.

3. A discussion with the Town Board Members on the Application for Water Service for property on 8106 S. Main Street. The property owner would have to put the service in or hire it to be done.

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau, to approve the water hookup on, 8106 S. Main Street with the stipulation that a property easement is signed by the property owner, seconded by Supervisor Babbitt Henry; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

4. Supervisor Babbitt Henry asked if anyone would like to speak before closing the hearing on overriding the Tax Levy Limit established in General Municipal Law 3C for Fiscal year 2025. No comments from the public or Board Members.

Motion made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry, at 7:32 pm to close the public hearing on, Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for the 2025 Fiscal Year, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry, to adopt Local law #1 of 2024, overriding the Tax Levy Limit for the Town of Springwater for the 2025 Fiscal Year, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

5. The Budget Workshop to be held at the Springwater Town Hall, Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 5:30pm.

Motion made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry, to set the Public Hearing for the Town Budget, Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Mason, aye; Councilmember Proctor, aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

6. The Highway Superintendent brought to the board that the Highway would like to purchase a new 10-wheeler by the end of 2026, one year earlier than done in the past to stay ahead of electric vehicle mandates.

NEW CONSENT/SEWER PROJECT

1. The Livingston County Water Authority is anticipating taking over the Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) by January 1, 2025.

Board Reports

Town Clerk - Shared information with the Springwater Board on donating Thanksgiving meals to the "Open Door Mission". Supervisor Babbitt Henry to check to see if flag money was donated to the Springwater American Legion this past spring.

Councilman Proctor (Recreation, Town Clerk, Planning) – Discussion with Board members on bringing back the Legion softball tournament to benefit the Vincent house to the Town Park

Councilman Canute (Water) – Absent

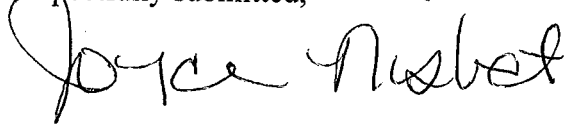
Councilman Gnau (Sewer) – Deputy Supervisor Gnau stated Livingston County Water Authority needs to clean up at the sewer plant before takeover is completed. The County has no use for the Bulk water system. Councilmember Gnau suggested to the Town Board keeping the bulk water system for the Town, updates would be needed by the Town to make usable.

Councilman Mason (Fire; Highway) – Councilmember Mason was unable to get onto the Empire Access Website to sign up for internet service. Supervisor Babbitt will let the County know the website is not working properly. Councilmember Mason, asked the board members thoughts on bringing ~~GEO-caching~~ Geocaching treasure hunt to the Town of Springwater. The Board supported the idea.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm, seconded by Councilmember Proctor; motion carried with all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joyce Nisbet". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Joyce L. Nisbet
Town Clerk