

A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON MARCH 10, 2021 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, 201 THIRD AVE, FRANKFORT, NEW YORK TO ADDRESS PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1, 2021, REGULATING CERTAIN SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT WITHIN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT. THE REGULAR MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED.

Present: Glenn D. Asnoe, Supervisor
Christopher Evans, Councilman
Michael Testa, Councilman
John Wallace, Councilman
Stg., Matthew Palumbo, Police OIC
Absent: Joseph Tamburro, Councilman
Arrived at 6:00PM: Ronald A. Testa, Highway Superintendent

PUBLIC HEARING—PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1, 2021

Supervisor Asnoe opened the Public Hearing at 5:35 PM. Town Clerk read legal notice published in both newspapers of the Town.

Public comments:

Kathy Haake, of EDF Renewables. Sr. Manager, Project Development informed the town board that they are looking at the Mohawk Valley landfill in Frankfort to develop a solar project, and had some question on the proposed solar law (read and attached). Also attached are site plans she supplied the town board but they are not set in stone. **John Piseck, Herkimer County IDA, Executive Director**, thanked the town board for allowing him to speak and appreciates the board moving ahead with solar energy. He informed the board that he is working with Charlestown and the EPA with help to further that development. Human Technology has location some property between 5S and Bleecker St. He informed the town board that the IDA he here to assist in anyway with POLIT's any additional legal work or talking to any references or anything that they can help with. He also said as a town resident he is very excited that the town is moving ahead with the solar energy law.

Supervisor Asnoe informed the board that he received two letters one from Our Generation, Dan Leary, Officer and one from Human Technologies, Timothy Giarrusso, President/CEO both are concerned with the setback requirements (attached and read). Supervisor Asnoe said the town will take a look at all of the recommendations and concerns. He also stated that the Town is waiting to hear back from Herkimer County and the Town Planning Board before the local law can move forward.

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to close the Public Hearing. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Public Hearing Closed at 5:45 PM.

Supervisor Asnoe opened the regular meeting at 6:02 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None, no public present.

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to enter into Executive Session with Mr. Piseck Herkimer County IDA and Mr. Bono, Herkimer County Chairman to discuss contract with development. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. 6:30 PM

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. 6:45 PM

No. 56 APPROVE SUPPORT HERKIMER COUNTY IDA, PROJECT 178

MOTIONS made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to support the Herkimer County IDA in regards to a project 178, to assist in making sure permitting and zoning variance and any and all Town documentations that needs to be done is completed within 60 days, and also to waive the Town's permit fees for expansion project 178. Second by Council Members Testa and Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 57 APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to approve the meeting minutes of February 24, 2021. Second by Councilman Testa. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORT / DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Sgt. Matthew Palumbo reported that the resolution for Ex. Order 203 Police reform plan is ready to be adopted by the town board. The 2014 ford police vehicle sold at auction for \$2,450.00. He also had the entry door lock and armory room door lock changed.

Hwy Superintendent Testa reported that the town should be receiving the rest of the FEMA money for Wilson road and the pump house very soon.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Supervisor Asnoe reported received a five year proposal from Brandan Kennedy, BST & Co. CPAs, LLP for all of the towns accounting, abstracts, budgeting, AUD's. They would be paying the bills through a bill paying system and balancing accounts (the cost is attached and read).

NO. 58 APPROVE BST & CO. CPAs LLP ACCOUNTING SERVICE AGREEMENT

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to enter into an agreement with BST & CO. CPAs LLP Accounting Services to the end of 2023 cost not to exceed \$3,995.00 a month as described in the contract and to get the data back if the town ends their services. The town board also authorizes Supervisor Asnoe to sign and execute any and all documents. Second by Councilman Testa. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

OLD TOWN HALL

Councilman Wallace has spoken to a party that is interested in purchasing the Old Town Hall.

NO. 59 APPROVE OLD TOWN HALL (140 S. Litchfield St.) SURPLUS PROPERTY

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to make the Old Town Hall Surplus Property, so the town can move forward if there is someone interested in purchasing it. Seconded by Council Members Testa and Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

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SALT SHED

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CHARLESTOWN

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WEST FRANKFORT WATER

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NO. 60 REQUEST BID—HIGHWAY FUEL (Propane)

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves, per specs submitted by Hwy Supt. Testa, to request bids for Liquefied Petroleum (Propane), with bids accepted up to 2 pm on April 14, 2021 and opened at 6 pm on April 14th. Contract period May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2024. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 61 REQUEST BID—HIGHWAY ICE CONTROL MATERIALS

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves, per specs submitted by Hwy Supt. Testa, to request bids for Ice Control Materials with bids accepted up to 2 pm on April 14th and opened at 6 pm on April 14th. Contract period June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022. Second by Councilman Testa. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

**NO. 62 ADOPT THE COLLABORATIVE REFORM AND REINVENTION COLLABORATIVE
PLAN OF THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT, NEW YORK PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 203**

MOTION made by supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to adopt the Collaborative Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Plan of the Town of Frankfort, New York Pursuant to the Executive Order 203 (attached and read). Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to adjourn. Second by Councilman Wallace. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorri DeRollo, Deputy Town Clerk

NEXT MEETING: Regular Board Meeting March 24, 2021