

**MINUTES**

**Regular Town Council Meeting, Town of Massena**  
**Date/Time:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 5:30 PM  
**Location:** Massena Town Hall

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Supervisor Steve O’Shaughnessy	<b>x</b>	
Councilman Albert Nicola	<b>x</b>	
Councilman Thomas Miller	<b>x</b>	
Councilman Samuel Carbone, Jr.	<b>x</b>	
Councilwoman Melanie Cunningham	<b>x</b>	

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Brenda Mossow, Pamela Catanzarite, Jeannine Brouse, Frank Diagostino, Eric Gustafson, Members of the public, Members of the media (See attached sign-in sheet)

The Supervisor opened the meeting with the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

The Supervisor continued the meeting with a **15-Minute Public Comment Period**.

- Janet Otto-Cassada spoke on behalf of the Bassmaster Tournament, requesting \$2,500 from the Town, to help cover costs associated with the Tournament, and inquired if the Board had come to a decision regarding the contribution.

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>					
<b>Authorizing the Town to Contribute \$2,500 toward the 2018 Bassmaster Tournament.</b>					
<i>Councilman Carbone suggested that a table should be made available to display information on Massena.</i>					
Motion by:	Councilman Miller	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O’Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is Carried</b>					

**Presentations and Discussions**

- BlockChain: The Company is looking for a letter of interest from the Town Board regarding a certain project consisting of the purchase of property from the Town, and the construction of a facility to house a bitcoin mining operation and a call center. The project is expected to create 500 full-time jobs. The Company is also looking for tax incentives. Councilman Carbone recused himself from further discussion, citing his employment with NYPA. He noted he would check with NYPA to determine what discussions he can participate.

**Executive Session**

Councilman Nicola motions to Conduct an Executive Session to discuss the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof. Motion seconded by Councilman Miller.

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing the Town of Massena to Sign a Letter of Intent with Block Chain.</b>				
Motion by:	Councilwoman Cunningham	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Miller	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O’Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.			X*
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is</b>	<b>Carried</b>	<i>*Councilman Carbone abstains, citing his employment with NYPA.</i>		

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing WCT Surveyors to Survey Property Associated with a Letter of Intent with Block Chain for Certain Property within the Town of Massena</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O’Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is</b>	<b>Carried</b>			

**Presentations and Discussions (continued)**

- Discussion regarding the addition to the Town Code of a “Technology Park”: The Town Attorney will create the necessary documents relating to the process of revising the Town Code.

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing the Town Attorney to Create Documents Necessary Relating to the Revision of the Town Code to include a Technology Park.</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O’Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		

**Motion is Carried**

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing \$5,500 in Tribal Compact Funds to Be Used Toward the Purchase Pagers for the Massena Volunteer Fire Department</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller			X*
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is Carried</b>		<i>*Councilman Miller abstains, citing his association with the Fire Department.</i>		

**Presentations and Discussions (continued)**

- Potable Water to East Massena Sewer Repair: Mr. Diagostino spoke with Pat Hulzinski regarding assisting the Town with the water tower on North Racquette. The cost to seek grant funding and complete necessary paperwork is about \$2,000.

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing \$2,000.00 in Town Funds to Retain the Services of Pat Hulzinski to Assist the Town in Seeking Grant Opportunities and Applying for Grants Relating to the Water Tower on North Raquette.</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is Carried</b>				

<b>Resolution # - 2018</b>				
<b>Accepting Minutes of the August 16, 2017, August 30, 2017, and January 4, 2018 Town Meetings</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		

<b>Motion is</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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<b>Resolution #            39 - 2018</b>					
<b>Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways Agreement to Spend Highway Funds, and to Execute the Hold Harmless Agreement.</b>					
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is</b>		<b>Carried</b>			

<b>Resolution #            40 - 2018</b>					
<b>Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute a Service Agreement with the Burke Group to Perform a GASB45 Valuation Report for Fiscal Year Ending December 2017, Said Agreement in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,850.00</b>					
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilwoman Cunningham	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is</b>		<b>Carried</b>			

<b>Resolution #            41 - 2018</b>					
<b>Accepting a Lease-Purchase Agreement with Leasing 2 for a 2018 International 760 SFA Dump Truck with Tenco SS Plow for a Total Sum of \$219,130.00, Said Total Sum Representing \$184,768.92 with an Annual Interest Rate of 4.35%, To Be Repaid in 5 Annual Payments of \$49,710.94 Each, With the First Payment Due March 1, 2019, And Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute and Deliver Any and All Documents That May Be Required to Effectuate the Transaction Contemplated by this Resolution.</b>					
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is</b>		<b>Carried</b>			

<b>Resolution # 42 - 2018</b>				
<b>Accepting a Lease-Purchase Agreement with Leasing 2 for a 2018 Ford F-350 Super Cab 4x4 Pickup Truck for a Total Sum of \$34,971.00, Said Total Sum Representing \$29,979.49 with an Annual Interest Rate of 5.37%, To Be Repaid in 5 Annual Payments of \$8,117.62 Each, With the First Payment Due March 1, 2019, And Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute and Deliver Any and All Documents That May Be Required to Effectuate the Transaction Contemplated by this Resolution.</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is Carried</b>				

<b>Resolution # 43 - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing the Town Clerk to apply for a Grant for Security Renovations for the Town Clerk's Office.</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilwoman Cunningham	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is Carried</b>				

**Presentations and Discussions (continued)**

- Case 17-F-0598L Application of North Side Energy Center, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law for Construction of a Solar Electric Generating Facility Located in the Towns of Massena, Brasher, and Norfolk, St. Lawrence County.

<b>Resolution # 44 - 2018</b>				
<b>Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of a Pump and De-Icer at the Airport, at a Cost Estimated to be \$1,700.00 (Pump: \$972 + Engine: \$840 + Labor: \$1,000)</b>				
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Councilman Nicola	X		
	Councilman Miller	X		
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X		
<b>Motion is Carried</b>				

**Resolution # 45 - 2018**

**Authorizing Budget & Cash Transfers and Amendments**

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**BUDGET & CASH TRANSFERS AND AMENDMENTS**

**CASH TRANSFERS:**

TRANSFER \$5,423.40 from MBIA/CLASS A/C#\*\*\*\*0024 from Museum Savings to MBIA/CLASS A/C#\*\*\*\*0001 Massena, Town of

This transfer will cover the cost of the new Museum Furnace installed by Trane.

TRANSFER \$156,948.82 from Town of Massena—Rescue Squad Billing A/C#\*\*\*\*5913 to the Town of Massena General A/C#\*\*\*\*8489 at NBT Bank

This transfer will reimburse the Town of Massena for Rescue Squad expenses for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2017.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

INCREASE A/C A.7540.400 Museum Contractual \$5,423.40

DECREASE A/C A.0909.000 Unreserved Fund Balance \$5,423.40

This budget amendment represents costs associated with the replacement of the Museum furnace.

Motion by:	Councilman Miller	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is</b>	<b>Carried</b>				

<b>Resolution # 46 - 2018</b>					
<b>Authorizing Warrant #2</b>					
<p><b>TOWN OF MASSENA</b>  <b>TOWN BOARD MEETING</b>  <b>February 21, 2018</b></p> <p><b><u>WARRANT #2</u></b></p>					
<b>FUND</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>			
A	GENERAL	\$268,055.51			
B	GENERAL OUTSIDE	66,475.87			
DA	HIGHWAY	99,365.88			
DB	HIGHWAY OUTSIDE	10,306.90			
HRP	HOMERUN REIL PAPI CONSTRUCTION	9,427.45			
HTR	TAXIWAY A REHAB PHASE I	1,516.42			
L	LIBRARY	24,387.23			
SF	FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT	89,500.00			
SSM	SOUTH MAIN STREET SEWER	176.95			
SWA	E MASSENA CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT	31,301.61			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$600,513.82</b>			
	<b>WARRANT #1 CHECK #'S 43325 - 43401</b>	<b>\$510,046.17</b>			
	<b>MANUAL CHECKS</b>	<b><u>90,467.65</u></b>			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$600,513.82</b>			
Motion by:	Councilman Nicola	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Miller	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Supervisor O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Councilman Nicola	X			
	Councilman Miller	X			
	Councilman Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Councilwoman Cunningham	X			
<b>Motion is</b>	<b>Carried</b>				

**Financial Reports for January 2018**

Supervisor O'Shaughnessy provided the Revenue/Expense Report and the Year-To-Date Fund Summary for the period ending January 2018.

**Committee Reports**

Town Board Members reported on their assigned-Committees.

**Announcement of Next Town Board Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2018 at 5:30 PM.

**15-Minute Public Comment Period (Closing Comments)**

**There were no comments.**

**Executive Session**

Councilman Nicola motions to Conduct an Executive Session to discuss the medical and financial history of a particular employee. Motion seconded by Councilman Carbone. The Board then went into Executive Session, adding that action after the Executive Session was possible.

**Adjournment**

The Board returned to Open Session, and immediately adjourned by unanimous consent at \_\_\_\_\_ PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Pamela A. Catanzarite**  
**Town Clerk**