

Special Town Council Meeting, Town of Massena
Date/Time: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 1:00 PM
Location: Massena Town Hall
 The Meeting was also VIA ZOOM and Facebook

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Supervisor Steve O'Shaughnessy	X	
Councilman Albert Nicola	X	
Councilman Robert Elsner	X	
Councilman Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X	
Councilwoman Susan Bellor	X	

ALSO PRESENT:

Jeannine Brouse, Town Clerk; Brenda Mossow, Secretary; James Murphy, BDC; Joe Savoca, Library Board President; Austyn Allen, IT; Members of the Public and Press.

The Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance . Called to order at 1:00 PM
Introductions/Discussions The Town Supervisor introduced the in-person and Zoom attendees.

Resolution 127 - 2021					
Engaging David E. Daniels of the law firm of Daniels, Porco and Lusardi, LLP as legal counsel in Town of Massena and Massena Memorial Hospital v. St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties School District Employees Medical Plan and Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute the Mediation Agreement.					
Motion by	Councilwoman Bellor	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Susan Bellor	X			
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Robert Elsner	X			
	Albert Nicola	X			
Motion is Carried					

Resolution 128 - 2021					
Setting a Public Hearing for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 5:30 PM in Room 30 of the Massena Town Hall to Discuss Increased Funding for the East Massena Water District.					
Motion by	Councilman Nicola	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Elsner	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Susan Bellor	X			
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Robert Elsner	X			
	Albert Nicola	X			
Motion is Carried.					

Resolution 129 - 2021					
Transfer of Badenhausen Brasher Library Services to Town of Brasher					
<p>WHEREAS the Badenhausen Brasher Library operations originated with an annual five-year donation under the Town of Massena Library which said funding ended with fiscal year 2021, and</p> <p>WHEREAS for the Town of Massena to continue the unfunded Badenhausen Brasher Library operations would result in an additional tax burden to the Town of Massena taxpayers resulting in the Town of Massena making arrangements to close said operations, and</p> <p>WHEREAS the Town of Brasher has expressed to the Town of Massena their interest in continuing the operations of the Badenhausen Brasher Library, and whereas the Town of Massena is agreeable to the transfer of services under the following conditions: the Town of Brasher provides the Massena Town Board with a letter of intent and Town of Brasher board resolution to take over the Badenhausen Brasher Library operations no later than October 31, 2021; the Town of Brasher secures a formal lease agreement through St. Regis Realty or any other agreeable location to the Town of Brasher for the continued housing of the Badenhausen Brasher Library that begins effective January 1, 2022; and whereas the Town of Brasher assumes all costs relative to the Badenhausen Brasher Library, including but not limited to: continued rent and maintenance, relocation costs, utilities and insurance, payroll and related liabilities, cost of inventory and supplies, contractor and audit expenses, etc.,</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED if the Town of Massena receives said confirmation from the Town of Brasher as stated, the Town of Massena will transfer all related Badenhausen Brasher Library functions to the Town of Brasher, effective midnight of December 31, 2021. If any donation funds remain after an audit of the five-year funding period is completed and all known expenses related to the Brasher Library have been satisfied, including the expense of the audit, said funds will be transferred to the Town of Brasher.</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if the Town of Brasher does not provide confirmation of transfer of Badenhausen Brasher Library services, the Town of Massena will: notify Badenhausen Brasher Library employees to discontinue all further purchases of supply and inventory effective November 1, 2021 and if said items are needed they will prepare a request and submit same to the Town of Massena Secretary to the Supervisor; discontinue the rental and related expenses of Badenhausen Brasher Library space effective 12/31/2021; transfer all existing library inventory and equipment to the Town of Massena public library no later than 12/31/2021; and terminate any other resources as related to the operation of the Badenhausen Brasher Library effective 12/31/2021.</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution becomes effective immediately upon the majority adoption of the Board of the Town of Massena.</p>					
Motion by	Councilwoman Bellor	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Elsner	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Susan Bellor	X			
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Robert Elsner	X			
	Albert Nicola	X			
Motion is Carried.					

Resolution 130 - 2021					
Setting a Public Hearing for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 5:30 PM in Room 30 of the Massena Town Hall to Discuss the Dispensing of Cannabis in the Town of Massena					
Motion by	Councilwoman Bellor	Vote:			
Second by:	Councilman Elsner	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X			
	Susan Bellor	X			
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X			
	Robert Elsner	X			
	Albert Nicola	X			
Motion is Carried.					

Resolution 131 - 2021				
Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Execute a Contract with Monroe Tractor Relating to the Purchase of a Front-End Loader, Bucket and Pallet Fork for Massena International Airport in the Amount of \$346,000 through Grant FAA AIP 3-36-0054-91-21; the Town's share of the cost of said Loader is \$00.				
Motion by	Councilman Nicola	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Carbone	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Susan Bellor	X		
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Robert Elsner	X		
	Albert Nicola	X		
Motion is Carried.				

<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Murphy (BDC) will submit a Pre-Application to seek Grant or Stimulus funds for a new Highway Garage. • Two members of the Town Council will attend the Village of Massena's upcoming public hearing regarding the pot dispensaries.
<p>Executive Session: Councilman Elsner motioned to conduct an Executive Session to discuss the employment status of a particular individual. Motion seconded by Councilman Nicola. The Board went into Executive Session at 1:26 PM.</p>
<p>Return to Open Session and Adjournment: The Board returned to Open Session at 1:45 PM and Adjourned at 1:54 PM by Unanimous Consent.</p>

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeannine L. Brouse