

MINUTES

Special Meeting, Town of Massena

Date/Time: Wednesday November 03, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Location: Massena Town Hall

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Supervisor Steve O’Shaughnessy	X	
Councilman Albert Nicola	X	
Vacant		
Councilman Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X	
Councilwoman Susan Bellor	X	

ALSO PRESENT:

Brenda Mossow, Secretary/Bookkeeper; Jeannine L. Brouse, Town Clerk; Frank Diagostino, Airport and Highway Supervisor; Joe Savoca, Library Board; Eric Sharlow, Town Justice; Tim Ahfield, Massena Mayor; Members of the Press; Members of the Public.

The Supervisor opened the meeting with the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
Called to order at 4:30 PM

2022 Budget and Discussions

The Public Hearing Notice for the 2022 Budget was read by Supervisor O’Shaughnessy.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Massena for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022, has been compiled and filed in the office of the Town Clerk in Massena, New York, where it may be inspected by any and all interested persons during regular office hours, 8 am to 4:30pm and viewed on the massena.us web site.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Massena will hold a Public Hearing on Nov. 3, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Town Hall, and that at such hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against any items therein contained.

PURSUANT to section 108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers are hereby specified as follows:

Town Supervisor	\$15,500.00
Town Councilmen 4 @ \$6,000	\$24,000.00
Town Clerk	\$39,451.00
Town Justice 2 @ \$20,400	\$40,800.00

PURSUANT to Section 495, Chapter 258 of Real Property Tax Law, a report of all Exemptions and Payment in Lieu of Taxes will be posted on the Town Clerk bulletin board and will become part of the final budget

There were no Public Comments. The Adoption of the final 2022 budget will be on November 10, 2021.

Announcements/Notifications

- The resignation of Councilman Elsner was announced effective November 1, 2021. The Board unanimously thanked him for all of his hard work and dedication.
- Councilman Carbone addressed the Board to have Tom Miller fill the vacated seat of Town Councilman Elsner through until the 2022 Election. Councilwoman Bellor also objected to filling the vacant seat at this time.

Resolution 142 2021				
Appointing Tom Miller to the Town Council to fill the seat vacated by Robert Elsner; said appointment to expire December 31, 2022.				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Albert Nicola	X		
	Susan Bellor		X	
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Vacant			
Motion is Carried.				

Resolution 143 2021				
Adopting Local Law to allow the Town of Massena to Override 2022 Town Budget Tax Levy as established in General Municipal Law 3-c Section 1. Legislative Intent				
It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Massena, County of St. Lawrence pursuant to General Municipal Law 3-c, and to allow the Town of Massena, County of St. Lawrence to adopt a town budget for (a) town purposes, (b) fire protection districts and (c) any other special or improvement district governed by the Town Board for the fiscal year 2022 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law 3-c.				
Section 2. Authority				
This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board.				
Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override				
The Town Board of the Town of Massena, County of St. Lawrence is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2022 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the limit specified in General Municipal Law, 3-c.				
Section 4. Severability				
If in any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm, or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.				
Section 5. Effective Date.				
This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.				
Motion by:	Councilwoman Bellor	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Albert Nicola	X		
	Susan Bellor	X		
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Tom Miller			X
Motion is Carried.				

Resolution 144 2021				
Accepting 4-Year Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters Local 687 for Massena Public Library Employees.				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Albert Nicola	X		
	Susan Bellor	X		
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Tom Miller	X		
Motion is Carried.				

Resolution 145 2021				
Approving the Major Fishing League Worldwide Calendar for 2022 in the amount of \$2,500.00				
Motion by:	Councilman Carbone	Vote:		
Second by:	Councilman Nicola	Aye	Nay	Abstain
	Steve O'Shaughnessy	X		
	Albert Nicola	X		
	Susan Bellor	X		
	Samuel Carbone, Jr.	X		
	Tom Miller	X		
Motion is Carried.				

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion made by Councilman Nicola and Second by Councilman Carbone at 5:05 PM to conduct Executive Session to discuss Library contract. • Return to Open Session at 6:11 PM. • Next Scheduled Budget Session November 10, 2021 at 4:30 PM. • Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting is November 17, 2021 at 5:30 PM • Meeting adjourned at 6:12 PM by unanimous consent. |
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Respectfully Submitted,
Jeannine L. Brouse