

**TOWN OF COLUMBIA  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 12, 2023**

The Town of Columbia Town Board held a regular monthly meeting October 12, 2023, at the town building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Weiss, Councilmen Cotton, Doremus  
Learned

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Reed

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Woytowich, Clerk; Mark Buddle, Highway Supt.;  
also attending were some Planning Board Members and community  
residents

Supervisor Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.  
Pledge of Allegiance and prayer

A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman  
Learned, to accept the minutes of 9/14/23

**VOTE:** All members present voted.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Learned, seconded by Councilman  
Doremus, to accept the Supervisor and Town Clerk monthly reports.

**VOTE:** All members present voted aye.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

Supervisor Weiss opened the 2024 Preliminary Budget for discussion  
and questions. The Clerk stated that the Legal Notice was published  
in the Times Telegram on September 27<sup>th</sup>. With no further questions  
the hearing was closed at 7:22 P.M.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**-HIGHWAY:** Mark discussed the following:

-Sand & Salt DEC Grant in the bank. Final bill to JGK

-Done filling building

-Having State Contract for diesel & gas again -2024 Buell Fuels

-Huxtable Rd. soft spots rolled out-beauty of cold pave.

-Huxtable/Finger/Lake/Gay shoulders done. Thanks to Town of  
Richfield/NYS DOT shoulder machine. Sealing Sept. 21 -Thanks to  
Richfield/Warren/Frankfort.

-Loader

-2024 Mack is in Utica

-MSHA 10/17 @ Frankfort

-Trash Day - Thanks to Ed & Gene

Disposal cost \$1,861.80, scrap \$276.00/ Total cost \$1,585.80

**-PLANNING BOARD:** Draft minutes of 9/20/2023 were distributed

**-CODES/ZONING:** Ray absent

**OLD BUSINESS, NEW BUSINESS, DISCUSSION:**

**RESOLUTION #2023-14:**

Upon motion of Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Learned, the following *resolution* #2023-14 was introduced:

**RESOLVED:** The Town of Columbia hereby adopts the Preliminary Budget as the final Budget for the year 2024.

**VOTE:** Councilmen Cotton, aye; Doremus, aye; Learned, aye;  
Supervisor Weiss, aye  
Councilman Reed, absent

**RESOLUTION #2023-15:**

**RESOLVED:** *Resolution #2023-15* was introduced by Councilman Doremus, seconded by Councilman Cotton, to transfer \$300,000.00 from the \$500,000.00 funds received from New York State Grant. This will be from A General Fund to DA Highway Fund

**VOTE:** Councilmen Cotton, aye; Doremus, aye; Learned, aye;  
Supervisor Weiss, aye  
Councilman Reed, absent

**INPUT:** The Board received input from those attending.  
Cost of sand/salt building discussed.

**BILLS:** The Board audited the monthly bills. A **motion** was made by Councilman Doremus, seconded by Councilman Learned, to accept the following bills:

- General Fund, #147 - #156 for \$ 15,326.03
- Trust & Agency, #10 for \$ 342.80
- Highway, Item #1, #30 - #37 for \$ 67,187.81
- Highway, Item 3, #84 - #87 for \$ 231,653.90
- Highway, Item 4, #63 - #69 for \$ 23,860.11

**VOTE:** All members present voted aye.

Next meeting will be November 9<sup>th</sup>

A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Doremus, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Supervisor

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Town Clerk

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