

**TOWN OF COLUMBIA
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2022**

The Town of Columbia Town Board held a regular monthly meeting November 10, 2022, at the town building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Weiss, Councilmen Burke, Cotton,
Learned and Reed

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Woytowich, Clerk; Mark Buddle, Highway Supt.;
Donna Rubin, Planning Board Vice President and Historian;
Assemblyman Robert Smullen; Ray Donley, Codes/Zoning and County
Legislator; several residents.

Assemblyman Smullen arrived early to meet and be introduced to
the Town Board and residents.

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

A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman
Learned, to accept the minutes of October 13, 2022.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

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

VOTE: All members voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

-**HIGHWAY:** Mark discussed several items with the Board.

-A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman
Learned to approve sale of the following items from Auctions
International sale ending 11/09/22: Steel pipe \$440.00 and tire
\$300.00, total \$740.00.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

-Herkimer County Hazard mitigation submitted - first step?

-New Tandem delivered November 3rd.

-A motion was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Reed,
to approve Supervisor and Highway Superintendent to make
determination of sale of 1997 Peterbuilt truck following listing and
sale on Auctions International.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

-A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Reed,
to void Resolution #2022-13 that was adopted on October 13, 2022.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

Upon motion of Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Cotton, the following **resolution #2022-14** was introduced:

RESOLVED: The Town of Columbia Town Board hereby approve a Tax Exempt Municipal Lease from Merrimac Capital Services for final payment of \$125,042.25 to Hybrid Buildings on sand/salt building project. There will be Four quarterly payments of \$33,088.03 for a total of \$132,352.12 to Merrimac Capital Services.

The foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

VOTE: Councilmen Burke: aye; Cotton: aye; Learned: aye; Reed; aye.

Supervisor Weiss: aye

-Discussed Loader.

Upon motion of Councilman Learned, seconded by Councilman Cotton, the following **resolution #2022-15** was introduced:

RESOLVED: The Town of Columbia Town Board hereby approves the purchase of 2023 VOLVO L90 loader as per Source Well contract from ALTA Equipment for \$15,093.00 with trade of 2022 VOLVO L90.

VOTE: Councilmen Cotton, aye; Learned, aye; Reed, aye
Burke aye; & Supervisor Weiss, aye

-Pickup / 550 next year update

-State contract fuel again for 2023

-Zoning: Ray reported the County is working on Budget.

-Insurance: A motion was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Reed, authorizing Supervisor Weiss to sign Workers Comp and NYMIR renewals.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

INPUT: The Board received input from those attending.

Having a survey on public opinion for solar farm was discussed. Should be kept simple for best response - for/against or neutral. Town Board feels the Planning Board would be the best group to take charge of the project. Supervisor Weiss will talk with Donna Rubin and ask her to take discussion to next Planning Board meeting.

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

General Fund, #158 - #168 for \$8,197.74

Trust & Agency, #11 for \$342.80

Highway, Item #1, #18 - #21 for \$3,723.10

Highway, Item 3, #126 - #136 for \$3,923.74

Highway, Item 4, #63 - #68 for \$3,922.64

VOTE: All members voted aye.

Next meeting will be 12/08/2022

A **motion** was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Learned, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Supervisor

Councilman

Councilman

Town Clerk

Councilman

Councilman