

State of New York
County of Lewis
Town of Watson

October 28, 2024

The special meeting was called to order on October 28, 2024 at 6:28pm by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Town Officials present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Hoch

Councilpersons present: Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Vicki Roy & Steve Stogsdill

Town Clerk: Michelle Ward

CPA: Scott Lawrence

Meeting was started by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Public Hearing – Preliminary Budget

Motion made to open the Public Hearing by Jeff Lyng and seconded by Steve Stogsdill at 6:29 pm for discussion of the Tentative Budget 2025.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Tentative Budget reviewed by Town Board. No concerns voiced during public hearing.

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Vicki Roy to close Public Hearing – Preliminary Budget at 7:45pm

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Hearing – Dog Law

Motion made to open the Public Hearing by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Jeff Lyng at 6:30pm for discussion about Local Law #4-2024 – A local law superseding local law #3-2010 relating to the regulations of dogs within the Town of Watson.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Local Law #4-2024 was read and reviewed by the Town Board. No concerns voiced during public hearing.

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Vicki Roy to close the Public Hearing – Dog Law at 7:51pm.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Motion made by Steve Stogsdill and seconded by Jeff Lyng to accept Local Law #4-2024 – A local law superseding local law #3-2010 relating to the regulations of dogs within the Town of Watson.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None
Motion Carried

*Town Clerk will file with New York State and after it is accepted it will be posted to the town website.

Meeting Minutes

Minutes from October 9, 2024 were submitted for approval.

Motion made by Vicki Roy and Shawn Freeman to accept meeting minutes.
Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Executive Session

Motion made by Steve Stogsdill and seconded by Jeff Lyng to go into Executive Session at 8:27pm for Personnel discussion.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Vicki Roy to adjourn from executive session at 9:44pm.
Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Motion made by Steve Stogsdill and seconded by Jeff Lyng to adjourn meeting at 9:45pm.
Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy
Nays: None
Motion Carried



Michelle Ward, Town Clerk

Next Meeting: November 13, 2024

*To see the full local law go to townofwatsonny.com, Quick Links, All Boards, Town Board, scroll down below Town Meeting Minutes and see Local Law (it will not be posted to website until accepted by NY State).