@ 6:00 PM Tentative Budget Meeting @ The Russell Town Hall 10/26/2021

PRESENT:

Supervisor White
Councilor Burnham
Councilor Beachard
Town Clerk -Tess Eells
Superintendent White
Councilor Kerr
Councilor Whiteford

GUESTS:

Bobby Knox Richard Meilleur Kathy Meilleur

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm pm by Supervisor White Pledge:

Supervisor White asked if the board reviewed the budget he presented. There is a slight increase because of 2% raises and higher employee benefit costs.

The change from 2021 is 2% which is an overall increase of \$19,710.00. The board looked it over with a couple addition errors corrected and the 2022 Tentative budget was accepted as Preliminary Budget for 2022.

RESOLUTION # 58 accepting the Tentative budget as the Preliminary Budget

A motion was made by Councilor Whiteford and seconded by Councilor Kerr **Therefore**, the Town Board accepts the 2022 Tentative budget as presented with as the Preliminary 2022 Budget and authorize the clerk to advertise a Public Hearing for the preliminary budget for November 9, 2021, at 5:30 Pm at the Russell Town Hall.

Ayes – 5 Beachard, Burnham, White, Whiteford, Ker

Nays – 0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION # 59 Dissolution of Edwards-Russell Summer Youth Program **TOWN OF RUSSELL**

Whereas, the Towns of Edwards and Russell have operated a Joint Summer Youth Program at the Edwards-Knox School,

Whereas, the Edwards-Russell Summer Youth has had several changes over the years and with the changes the attendance has gone from roughly one hundred (100) to twenty-five (25) or thirty (30) campers,

Whereas, the Russell Town Board members feel that the money spent for the program is a lot for campers that have been attending,

Therefore Be It Resolved, the Edwards-Russell Joint Summer Program is to be dissolved.

RESOLVED, this 26th day of October 2021, by the Town Board of Russell, County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York, at a meeting at which Supervisor White, Councilor Beachard, Councilor Burnham, Councilor Whiteford and Councilor Kerr were present.

A motion to accept Resolution was made by Councilor Beachard and seconded by Councilor Burnham

Adopted: Ayes 5 Beachard, Burnham, White, Whiteford, Kerr

Nays: 0 Motion was carried

RESOLUTION # 60 New Tools for the Town Barn

A motion was made by Councilor Kerr and seconded by Councilor Whiteford: **THEREFORE**, the Russell Town Board authorizes the purchase of Specialty tools and regular tools for the Town of Russell Town Barn at the cost of \$10,354.15 with a decrease from the Highway Fund Balance.

Ayes -5 Beachard, Burnham, White, Whiteford, Kerr

Nays - 0 Motion carried

(The list of tools being purchased can be seen at the Town Clerk office)

Highway Superintendent White asked if the board had an issue with Larry Trombly taking a weeks' vacation a little early. The board has no issue with this.

A motion was made by Councilor Whiteford and seconded by Councilor Kerr to adjourn the meeting @ 6:45 pm All were in favor Motion carried

Respectfully submitted by Tess Eells-Russell Town Clerk