Supervisor James Schmitt opened the regular meeting of the town board of the Town of Pawling at 6:00 PM April 12, 2023 at Pawling Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling, New York. Present were councilwomen Snow and Pitt, councilmen DeRosa and McCarthy, Nancy Tagliafierro, town attorney, and approximately 10 interested citizens.

<u>COMMENDATION – MACKENZIE & DANIEL MADIGAN – TOWN</u> <u>BEAUTIFICATION</u>

Supervisor Schmitt presented commendations to Mackenzie & Daniel Madigan, for being good stewards of the community and cleaning town streets. The board congratulated Mackenzie and Daniel for helping to beautify the Town of Pawling and removing litter from the streets.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to enter executive session at 6:05 PM to discuss personnel and potential litigation, seconded by councilwoman Pitt, motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to return from executive session at 6:47 PM, saying no decisions were made, seconded by councilwoman Snow, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Harvey Matcovsky, resident from Holmes said on the agenda is for the town to borrow approximately two million dollars, with no discussion as to what these borrowings are for and what the need is to spend the money, and possibly other alternatives. He said roads are crumbling, half the meters do not work in PWD #2, and the Whaley Lake Dam district is burdened with remediation costs and the list goes on. He said his town tax increase was 3.8% when the county tax went down, the fire department went down and the library stayed the same. He did not understand why the board doesn't talk to the public about the borrowing of monies.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2023-068 Payment of Bills for the Town of Pawling

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling bookkeeper has reviewed and prepared the vouchers and has offered them for review, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been approved in accordance with the Town of Pawling policy, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been numbered 20230286 through 20230424, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the town board of the Town of Pawling hereby accepts the vouchers as prepared and on the recommendation of the bookkeeper and hereby authorizes payment of said vouchers for the Town of Pawling on this date in the amount of \$346,385.53.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE" Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt – "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-069 Establishing a Capital Budget for Lakeside Park Pavilion Project

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling wishes to perform capital improvements to Town lands including improving the Lakeside Park following the demolition of the building known as "The Inn", and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling adopts the following capital budget to complete the Lakeside Park Pavilion Project:

Expenditures			
Design, Etc.	HPP.1440.21	94,000	
Contract MGMT	HPP.1440.22		
Demolition/sign	HPP1620.21	230,065	
Construction			
Bathroom/Pavilion	HPP1620.22	930,550	
Fiscal Agent Fees	HPP1380.20	7,500	
Bond Counsel	HPP1420.20	10,000	
	TOTAL	1,352,115	
Revenue			
NYS-OPR	HPP.3097		500,000
ARPA	HPP.5031		100,000
GENERAL FUND A	HPP.5031		52,115
BOND	HPP.5710		700,000
			1,352,115

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE" Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt - "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-070 Approval of Use of ARPA Funds for Various Town Improvements

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling received a partial payment of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from the Federal Government, and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used on infrastructure improvements such as capital improvements to Town lands, facilities, and assets, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board plans to use the funds to complete a variety of projects throughout the Town of Pawling, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby approves the use of \$200,000 of ARPA funds to fully fund the following projects:

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1.	Lake Accessible Wheelchair	\$2,500.00
2.	ADA Compliant Beach Mat	\$2,500.00
3.	Lakeside Pavilion Project	\$100,000.00
4.	Fire/Co2 Alarms & Keypad	
	System for Town Hall	\$30,000.00
5.	Speed Limit Signs	\$20,000.00
6.	Overage Generator	
	Project/Lathrop (\$70k-\$50)	\$20,000.00
7.	Generator Town Hall	\$25,000.00

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt **SECOND:** Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE" Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt – "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-072

Authorization to Advertise for Request for Proposals (RFP) to Perform a Financial Audit of the Town of Pawling

WHEREAS, for over a decade the Town of Pawling has not had a financial audit of the operations of Town government, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Pawling finds it necessary to seek professional services to perform a financial audit of the Town of Pawling, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor, or his designee, Town Attorney, or their designee to prepare, and advertise for separate sealed bid documents for a Request For Proposals (RFP) for a professional consultant to perform a Financial Audit of the Town of Pawling for three years.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt **SECOND:** Councilwoman Pitt

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE" Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt – "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-077 Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2023

WHEREAS, a request for Budget Amendments has been received from the bookkeeper, and

WHEREAS, normal course of business activity throughout 2023 has prompted the bookkeeper to determine that various budget items should be amended to allow for the Town of Pawling to continue conducting business as usual, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bookkeeper has requested the following budget amendments:

A Fund
ACCOUNT CURRENT REVISED

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
HRA Account	A.9089.81	0	40,000		40,000	To establish a Health Reimbursement Account
Health Insurance	A.9060.80	686,385		-40,000	646,385	
		686,385	40,000	-40,000	686,385	
B Fund						
ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT	CURRENT			REVISED	
DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
HRA Account	B.9089.81	0	20,000		20,000	To establish a Health Reimbursement Account
Health Insurance	B.9060.80	72,925		-20,000	52,925	
		72,925	20,000	-20,000	72,925	
DB Fund						
ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT	CURRENT			REVISED	
DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
Expenditures						
HRA Account	DB.9089.81	0	40,000		40,000	To establish a Health Reimbursement Account
Health Insurance	DB.9060.800	337,130		-40,000	297,130	
BAN Principal	DB.9730.6	25,715	308,540		334,255	Increase to payoff HCR BAN
		362,845	348,540	-40,000	671,385	
DB Fund						
ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT	CURRENT			REVISED	
DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
Revenues						
Operating Transfers	DB.5031	0	308,540		308,540	Transfer to payoff HCR BAN
		0	308,540	0	308,540	
HCR (H FUND)						
ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT	CURRENT			REVISED	
DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
Expenditure						
Operating Transfer	HCR.9901.90	0	308540		308540	Transfer to payoff HCR BAN
HCR (H FUND)						
ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT	CURRENT			REVISED	
DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET	DESCRIPTION
BANS Redeemed from Appropriations	HCR.5731	0	308540		308540	Revenue Inc. for Payment of BAN

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Co

Councilman DeRosa - "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy - "AYE"

Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt - "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-078 Billing for Pawling Water District No. 2

WHEREAS, Pawling Water District No. 2 bills need to be approved by the Pawling Town Board, and

WHEREAS, the bills have been prepared and submitted in the amount of \$13,785.40 for the period of January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023 by the Clerk to the Water District, Catherine Giordano, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby accepts the billing as recommended for Pawling Water District No. 2.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy - "AYE"

Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt - "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-082

Authorizing the Town Supervisor to Sign Contract between Roosevelt Veterinary Center, Inc. and the Town of Pawling to provide a Dog Shelter

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling is seeking to provide said sheltering of dogs as required by law, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Dog Shelter Contract for a term of one year, commencing March 1st, 2023, and ending February 29th, 2024.

Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilwoman Pitt

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE"

Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt – "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-079

AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,300,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF PAWLING, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW **BATHROOM BUILDING WITH PAVILION** AND DEMOLITION OF EXISTING FACILITIES AT THE LAKESIDE RECREATION AREA, FOR SAID TOWN.

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described, as proposed, has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which regulations state that Type II Actions will not have any adverse significant effects on the environment; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Pawling, Dutchess County,

New York, as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The construction of a new bathroom building with pavilion and demolition

of existing facilities at the Lakeside Park Recreation Area, in and for the Town of Pawling,

Dutchess County, New York, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus,

appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, is hereby

authorized at a maximum estimated cost of \$1,300,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost is by

the issuance of \$1,300,000 bonds of said Town, hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant

to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, **PROVIDED**, **HOWEVER**, that to the extent that any

grants-in-aid are received for such purposes, the amount of obligations to be issued pursuant to

this resolution shall be reduced dollar for dollar.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the

aforesaid specific object or purpose is twenty-five years, pursuant to subdivision 11(b) of

paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the

maximum maturity of the serial bonds herein authorized will exceed five years.

Section 4. The faith and credit of said Town of Pawling, Dutchess County, New York,

are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as

the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each

year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in

such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Town, a tax

sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize

the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the

bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor

of said Town, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and

shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the

provisions of the Local Finance Law.

<u>Section 6.</u> All other matters except as provided herein relating to the bonds herein

authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the

limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation

with other issues, and also the ability to issue bonds with substantially level or declining annual

debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such

bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the

Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to

those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine

consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 7. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested

only if:

1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not

authorized to expend money, or

2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of

this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after

the date of such publication, or

3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of

Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are,

or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside

with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 9. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in full or

summary form in the official newspaper of said Town for such purpose, together with a notice of

the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE

REFERENDUM

MOTION:

Supervisor Schmitt

SECOND:

Councilwoman Pitt

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE"

Councilman DeRosa - "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy - "AYE"

Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

 $Supervisor\ Schmitt-"AYE"$

RESOLUTION 2023-080

A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO
PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE
ISSUANCE OF \$545,000 BONDS OF
THE TOWN OF PAWLING,
DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK,
TO PAY THE COST OF THE
PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND
MAINTENANCE PURPOSES, FOR
SAID TOWN.

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described, as proposed, has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which regulations state that Type II Actions will not have any adverse significant effects on the environment; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project, NOW, THEREFORE.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Pawling, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase of equipment for construction and maintenance purposes, each item of which costs \$30,000 or over, including incidental equipment and expenses in connection therewith, is hereby authorized at a maximum estimated cost of \$545,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost is by the issuance of \$545,000 bonds of said Town, hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is fifteen years, pursuant to subdivision 28 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the maximum maturity of the serial bonds herein authorized **will exceed five years**.

Section 4. The faith and credit of said Town of Pawling, Dutchess County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Town, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable. Town of Pawling Town Board

<u>Section 5.</u> Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize

the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the

bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor

of said Town, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and

shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the

provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the bonds herein

authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the

limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation

with other issues, and also the ability to issue bonds with substantially level or declining annual

debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such

bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the

Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to

those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine

consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

<u>Section 7.</u> The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested

only if:

1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not

authorized to expend money, or

2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of

this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after

the date of such publication, or

3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of

Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are,

or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside

with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 9. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in full or

summary form in the official newspaper of said Town for such purpose, together with a notice of

the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE Section 10. REFERENDUM.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE"

Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt – "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2023-081

A RESOLUTION **AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE** REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF \$50,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF PAWLING, **DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY** THE COST OF THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF IRRIGATION **EQUIPMENT FOR DUTCHER GOLF**

COURSE, FOR SAID TOWN.

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described, as proposed, has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which regulations state that Type II Actions will not have any adverse significant effects on the environment; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Pawling, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase and installation of irrigation equipment for Dutcher Golf Course, including incidental equipment and expenses in connection therewith, is hereby authorized at a maximum estimated cost of \$50,000.

The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost is by the issuance of \$50,000 bonds of said Town, hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the Section 3. aforesaid class of objects or purposes is fifteen years, pursuant to subdivision 54 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the maximum

maturity of the serial bonds herein authorized will exceed five years.

<u>Section 4.</u> The faith and credit of said Town of Pawling, Dutchess County, New York,

are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as

the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each

year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in

such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Town, a tax

sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize

the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the

bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor

of said Town, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and

shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the

provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the bonds herein

authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the

limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation

with other issues, and also the ability to issue bonds with substantially level or declining annual

debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such

bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the

Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to

those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine

consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

<u>Section 7.</u> The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested

only if:

1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not

authorized to expend money, or

2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of

this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after

the date of such publication, or

3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 9. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in full or summary form in the official newspaper of said Town for such purpose, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt
SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – "AYE" Councilman DeRosa – "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy – "AYE" Councilwoman Snow - "AYE"

Supervisor Schmitt - "AYE"

TOWN BOARD DISCUSSION

DEROSA

Councilman DeRosa said regarding proposed sewer district #4 along Route 22 south, the board has been informed by it's professionals that the proposed increase from the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission would put the amount for the rates over what is allowed by the New York State Attorney General in the process of approving the district. So, the board might have to go back and begin the whole process over again, once the PJSC comes up with a formula for the rate increase. The original estimates in the map, plan and report were based on the figures given to the town by the PJSC.

Supervisor Schmitt said there is a Pawling Joint Sewer Commission meeting tomorrow night and he urged town board members to attend.

Councilman DeRosa felt it was time for the town board to approve another town board member to sit on the PJSC, since the PJSC agreed to add another town board member. Regarding the meters and valves at PWD #2, he was hoping to get the prices of the meters and Ron Laberge has confirmed with the board of health that the board of health needs to approve the valves so Mr. Laberge is working on the paperwork and getting the numbers from the water operator so the town can move forward with that. He asked if the water operator could, under the operation and maintenance in the contract, install the valves without going out for RFP. Councilman DeRosa said he attended a Dutchess County Planning Board meeting today. He said the level of the lake is low right now. He said NYS DEC did an inspection a couple of weeks ago and there were no violations.

MCCARTHY

Councilman McCarthy thanked Cathy Giordano, town clerk for getting the bids out for the inn demolition. The bids will be opening on April 24th, that is to take down the inn. He wanted to remind residents that there is a burn ban now, it is very dry and no one should burn.

PITT

Councilwoman Pitt said regarding proposed sewer district #4, she asked if councilman DeRosa meant starting the entire process over when he said start over.

Councilman DeRosa said yes, the process would need to start again from the beginning. Councilwoman Pitt asked if there was an estimate on the monies and time worked on that project over the past two years. She felt this was something that should be brought up with the sewer commission, as this is bringing this project to a grinding halt and the rate increase seems to have come out of nowhere. Why is this happening now, when we are close to the finish line forming a new district. She felt there should be more than one more on the PJSC from the town board. They Village needs to budget to pay this additional person.

Councilman McCarthy said he would check with Laberge on the costs to date. Councilwoman Snow said the PJSC meeting will be on You Tube so people can watch.

Councilman DeRosa made a motion to approve a member to sit on the sewer board, seconded by councilwoman Snow.

Supervisor Schmitt said the way this was set up, the second appointment is the sole authority of the supervisor of the town. So, there would be no board vote necessary. There is a pending lawsuit right now with the PJSC so he didn't know if the town board should be appointing someone right now.

Ms. Tagliafierro said that is not necessarily a prohibition on the board appointing another member. If the court find that the board is improperly constituted, then there just won't be a board and it will have to be reformed somehow.

Ms. Tagliafierro said if it is the supervisor's appointment, no action needs to be taken by the board.

Following further discussion, Ms. Tagliafierro said she would check into the Intermunicipal Agreement with the sewer commission and check with Dave Daniels to see how the additional person would be added to the PJSC and let the board know what she finds.

SCHMITT

Supervisor Schmitt said the organization "Puppy's Behind Bars" needs drivers, and anyone who would like to volunteer should contact the organization directly.

SET PUBLIC HEARING/NO PARKING ON DODGE ROAD

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to set a public hearing for no parking on Dodge Road for May 3, 2023, seconded by Councilwoman Pitt, motion passed unanimously.

SET PUBLIC HEARING/TOWN PARK RULES & REGULATIONS

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to set the town park rules and regulations for May 3, 2023, seconded by Councilman McCarthy, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Marty Mygan, resident from One Aspen Court, Pawling said he did not agree with adding more positions to the sewer commission because it will cost the people in the district more money. Each member of the sewer commission gets paid \$5,500 for their service. He felt renegotiating with the Village would be a better solution. The board should worry about the people paying the bills. He asked who would pay for the work that has already been done on the proposed sewer district. If it is the taxpayers, he did not see how that was fair and it should not come out of the general fund.

Councilman McCarthy said the cost will be paid by the district once the district is formed but until there is a district, it has to be paid from the general fund. If the district is not formed, it would be paid from the general. The board is hoping the district will be formed.

Robert Hill, resident from North Quaker Hill Road said regarding the Dewey Lane Bridge project, he is trying to protect the waterfall on his property. He is asking people not to destroy the waterfall. He received a call yesterday from Jamie Spillane, town attorney, asking him to sign an easement over his property. Ms. Spillane said they will make the area look the same as it

is now, to the best of their ability. He is asking people not to destroy what the waterfall looks like now. He would be happy to meet with the board or it's consultants any time to work this out. He urged the board to meet with him to discuss this project.

Ms. Tagliafierro, town attorney, said Mr. Hill has a difference of opinion with the town's engineers and they are trying to appease his concerns. Mr. Hill is an engineer and he disagrees with the town's engineers. They are trying to replace some of the concrete with rock to try to address his concerns. She was not sure sitting down with Ms. Spillane would resolve Mr. Hill's issues. Ms. Spillane's point was that the town needs to know if Mr. Hill is going to sign the easement because this is costing money the longer this drags out. If Mr. Hill will not sign the easement, the town will need to go through the condemnation process and take the property. The town needs to make progress on this project.

Mr. Hill said he just wanted to meet to work this out.

Harvey Matcovsky, resident from Holmes, said he is astounded at what is going on with the proposed sewer district. The PJSC members receive \$5,500, and there are five members. They should be chastised for the rate increase. He asked why a construction road wasn't put in at "The Woods" project. He asked the board to visit the site to see the condition of it

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor Schmitt at 7:40 PM, seconded by Councilman DeRosa, motion passed unanimously.

Town Clerk