

December 29, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 29th of December 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilwoman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Monica Young, Joan Burke, and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #24 in the amount of \$14222.46. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #24 in the amount of \$9442.24. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #19 in the amount of \$44.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract #12 in the amount of \$3362.31 and the Sewer Abstract #12 in the amount of \$1057.72. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Board still declined to pay the Southworth Milton truck repair bill. They would like Highway Supt. Mark Yandon to call Southworth Milton Inc. to see if the Town can get the cracked block from the plow truck returned in order to get a second opinion on the cause of the crack. Corrosion damage is not covered under the warranty.

Joan Burke and Eugene Bush submitted a priority list for repairs at the Historical Museum. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the requests at an approximate cost of \$3115.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

The Special Projects committee would like to move forward and hire Adirondack Drafting to design the new Welcome Center building. They have not been happy with the architect and would like to use the balance of grant to pay Adirondack Drafting.

The Board has decided to postpone approval of the Trampoline contract to clarify the photo shoot section of the contract.

There will be a public hearing at NCS on January 7, 2016 at 7:00 pm on the Essex Chain and Santanoni master plans. Supervisor Canon encouraged Town Board, Planning Board, Zoning Board and residents to attend.

The Board received four candidates for the volunteer boards. Board appointed Beth Stalker to Planning Board, Marlene Bott to Zoning Board, and Drew Cullen to the Board of Assessment Review.

There were six applicants for the Administrative Assistant position. The Board will review applications at organizational meeting.

There were two bids on the Stake Rack Truck. Jim King - \$3651.00. ESF - \$4800.00.
Bid was awarded to ESF.

The Board decided to wait on the discussion of the Newcomb Day gift.

The Fourth Quarter Water and Sewer Billing is as follows:
Water - \$8365.00 Sewer - \$7000.00 Total - \$15365.00.

The Board received employment applications for the ski slope from Amanda Bush and Janice Wright.

There was discussion on what applicants will need to do for demolition of cabins and other structures. Structures larger than 10 x 10 will need to obtain a roll off for the C&D.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the prepayment of fireworks from NorthStar Fireworks for the July 2 and September 10 dates. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted _____

December 15, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 15th of December 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Eugene Bush, Mark Yandon, David Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Monica Young, Joan Burke and Wes Miga.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #23 in the amount of \$47272.20. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #23 in the amount of \$30214.43. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects # 4 Highway Equipment Abstract in the amount of \$39793.95. Motion did not pass. The Council would like to get more information and have the Town Attorney send a letter to Catapillar. Supervisor Canon will follow up on this issue.

There was discussion on the McNamara sign prices. \$3000. is the same price that Open Space Institute has paid in the past. There is thought that signs should be consistent throughout the town. Signs are needed at the base of the Hudson by Tahawus and another sign by Winebrook to connect the two communities.

The Town Board received employment applications from Rita Stubing and Meranda Allen for work at the skating rink.

There was discussion on the Historical Museum maintenance request. Councilman Novak would like to see the total cost of the proposal. Councilman Hai suggested that the list be prioritized and Councilman Bott believes the building should be brought up to code. Maintenance Supervisor, Bush believes that painting should be completed first. The discussion will be postponed until the next meeting when a priority list and projected cost can be presented.

There was discussion on a possible Newcomb Day gift. Suggestions were window stickers, photo cards from Mary Bush and Newcomb logo magnets.

Joan Burke reviewed some of her work at the Historical Museum. She has been working with Laurinda Minke for the past six weeks on scanning documents and graphic design. She made an extended presentation for the needs of the Historical Museum. Supervisor Canon believes that the Historical Society is a 501-3C. Some research will be done on this.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Shared Services Agreement with NYS Department of Transportation. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town received a letter from NYS Dept. of Conservation regarding the Black Fly Control Program. The Town needs to submit a verification statement and return. The Board would like Edna VanAuken to attend the next meeting and explain the process.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai for a Resolution appointing Lila Cummings as a marriage officer in the Town of Newcomb. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from Town Attorney, Mark Schachner on the Birch Point subdivision. Steve Stubing was sent a copy of this letter. He needs to provide title insurance and maps to the Town.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak for a Resolution to pay 2016 pay rates for December 28-31. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Dave Olbert would like signage for the ski tow and skating rink. The sandwich board was suggested as a temporary solution. He would like the Town to do some research regarding town ownership of a store. There is no conflict of interest for Dave Olbert to continue as the Chamber president when he is Town Councilman. He would have to abstain from any voting regarding the chamber. There is also no conflict of interest for Cloudsplitter Outfitters because Ruth Olbert is the owner. The Board approved attendance of Mr. Olbert to the Newly Elected Officials Conference in Albany on January 13-15.

Councilman Hai reminded the Board that there is a meeting on January 7, 2016 at Newcomb Central School regarding the State Land Master Plan.

Councilman Helms would like the landfill attendants to watch for C&D. There may be more due to the tearing down of cabins.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

December 1, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 1st of December 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilwoman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Wes Miga, Monica Young, Dan Stec, Joan Burke, Ruth Olbert and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #22 in the amount of \$145345.68. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #22 in the amount of \$76415.85. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Water Abstract #11 in the amount of \$4234.40 and the Sewer Abstract #11 in the amount of \$222.01. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #17 in the amount of \$2812.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Lana Fennessy has concerns about liability on her land entrance to the snowmobile trail. Councilman Novak will get her formal insurance in the form of an insurance certificate from the state.

There are openings on the volunteer boards for the Town. A Newcomb News will be sent out with this information to try to get some interest.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the road name change from High Peaks Stable Way to Plan B Way. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town Board received a request from Brandi Fifield for paid holiday benefits. Supervisor Canon felt that this would be difficult to do because of the amount of part time employees the town employs.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the appointment of Eugene Bush, Nelson Turcotte and Charles Canon as underground storage tank operators. They will have to have training and testing for this. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Specifications for a part time administrative position will be posted in the Newcomb News. Applications should be returned by December 29.

The survey for the Olbert property has been completed. There are several next steps to be completed for the transfer.

The 2016 Organizational meeting has been set for January 1, 2016 at 10:00 am. January meetings were tentatively set for January 12th and 26th.

The Town of Newcomb will be receiving a Santanoni Award from NYS OPHRP in Albany on December 3, 2016.

The Town maintenance department will be meeting with Tracy Smith for training on Sewer Plant maintenance. They will be scheduling training.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the 2016-2017 Snow and Ice Contract with New York State. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted _____

November 17, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 17th of November 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Ruth Olbert, Monica Young, Rich Taras, Wes Miga and Mary Pound.
Absent: Ken Helms.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2015 and the November 5, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #21 in the amount of \$56614.11. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #21 in the amount of \$33393.98. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #16 in the amount of \$1256.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capital Projects #6 Abstract # 9 in the amount of \$300.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #10 Water Abstract #11 in the amount of \$52.50. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #11 Golf Course Abstract #2 in the amount of \$14509.41. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Canon to approve the 2016 Town Budget. Seconded by Councilman Novak and approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye. Absent: Councilman Helms.

Supervisor Canon presented the Board with the information on the AATV Membership Business Meeting on December 6-7, 2015, in Lake George, N.Y. He encouraged the Board to continue the support of AATV, as it is a vital organization for the Adirondack towns.

The DEC Winter Santanoni Weekends are January 16-18, February 13-15, and March 12-13.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to close out the Golf Course petty cash fund for the year. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Joan Burke, from the Newcomb Historical Museum updated the Board on the Welcome Center. The Special Projects committee did not like the current architectural plans and have decided to explore new plan designs for the building. They will be working with new drafters. The Museum has about 3000 negatives from NL and they have started digitizing them.

There will be a meeting for the new water system on January 5, 2016 at 10 am. They will be discussing pump selection and 4-6 inch sizing for the main line. The Town received two quotes for the tank inspection. They will let Eugene Bush decide on which one to call.

The Town Attorney responded about the zoning compliance issue on the Bunnell property. If it is determined that it is a Home Occupation then they need to get a permit from the Planning Board.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the renewal of the HACH contract for the water department. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

The APA has notified the Town that the Stubing property is under formal review.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak for a Board Resolution to adopt the local road mileages of 15.97 center line miles and 33.94 lane miles as presented to the Town Board by the Newcomb Highway Superintendent, Mark Yandon. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

November 5, 2015

At the Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 5th of November 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Wester Miga and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the Public Hearing on the 2016 Budget to order at 7:00 P.M. No one from the public attended the meeting.

Supervisor Canon went over some of the major changes to this years budget. Buildings PS was decreased due to less hours and lower pay, Publicity increased due to a grant that paid last years advertising, Historian CE up due to grant from Marvin Bissell, BTI PS increase because of possibility of Goodnow Flow treatment, and Health Insurance rate increases. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adopt the 2016 Preliminary Budget. Seconded by Councilman Novak and approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye.

The Board discussed the current issue between residents Bunnell and O'Donnell. The property is in Zone 3.2 and that is a permitted use area. They may have to do a site plan review and go before the Planning Board.

DEC has revised their Bulk Storage Regulations. There are a couple of these tanks on town property. The Town must designate an authorized underground storage tank operator before October 11, 2016.

Robin Deloria has agreed to be chairman of the Planning Board. He also spoke with the gentleman who owns the North Hudson Sunoco Station. Wes Miga will set up an appointment to talk with him regarding the possibility of expanding to Newcomb.

Supervisor Canon talked with the Town Attorneys regarding the process of selling some of the town property. The Attorneys have outlined the steps. First the Town Board must determine that the land is not needed for Town purposes. A Resolution should be adopted making this determination and authorizing the Supervisor to solicit offers to purchase. Once the Town receives an offer, the Board would adopt a Resolution determining that the offer is fair, adequate and reasonable and authorizing the actual sale. This Resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

The Town Board has been invited to Albany, December 3, 2015 at 1:30 pm to receive an award from the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, for the outstanding commitment to the historic Camp Santanoni. Those who would like to go need to decide by November 17.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to close the Public Hearing and adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted _____

October 27, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 27th of October, 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Bob Ward, and Joan Burke.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$35741.39. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$23653.53. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$684.44 and the Sewer Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$249.05. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #3 in the amount of \$500.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #14 in the amount of \$8635.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Supervisor Canon stated that 35 hours is considered full time for the Town of Newcomb according to the Policy Manual.

The Planning Board has a vacancy. Robin Deloria was approached. Wes will follow up with him by November 5 to see if he is interested. Tony and Kelly Audino were mentioned as potential people to ask.

The Public Hearing for the 2016 Budget was set for November 5, at 7:00 pm.

The November Board meeting was set for November 17, 2015. December will have 3 meetings, December 1, 15, and 29.

AATV meeting is December 6-7. More information will follow for this meeting.

Superintendent Skip Hults proposal for the summer language camp was discussed. Most think it is a good idea but there needs to be someone to lead the initiative. The Board is unclear on some of the specifics. Supervisor Canon will set up a time with Skip to discuss.

Joan Burke presented a 2016 Budget for the Historical Building. The Board discussed the possibility of renaming the Historical Society to include the name museum. This would broaden the ability to qualify for grants. She has also done an inventory of the Cloudsplitters at the Historical Bulding. There are several missing and she would like to

have a notice in the next newsletter asking people to contribute original copies to the Historical Society.

The Town has received a proposal from Trampoline for banners and advertising. Councilman Helms expressed concern over the increase in expenses from last year. This will be discussed further during budget talks.

The Forever Wild section of the Blue Ridge Road will be worked on for road construction upgrades.

The Board reviewed the highlights of the increases and decreases in the preliminary budget. The Board agreed to take \$7500.00 off the Supervisor, PS to have a backup administrative assistant to Mary Pound for approximately 10 hours per week. They also agreed to put \$80000.00 in the budget for publicity.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

October 13, 2015

At the Public Hearing for the Local Law #1 of 2015 and regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 13th of October 2015 at 6:30 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Joan Burke, David Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Bob Ward and Mary Pound.

There was no public comment on the Local Law #1 of 2015.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$20070.29. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$6598.94. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract # 14 amount of \$2000.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the purchase of a new seeder and aerator for the golf course. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve attendance of Charles Canon and Gene Poulin to the Turfgrass Conference in Rochester, N.Y. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution to authorize Supervisor Canon to enter into the contract with Life Flight for the 2016 year at a cost of \$1000. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The current Blue Book value of the surplus Stake Rack truck is about \$5100-\$5600. The Board approved a starting bid of \$3000. Sealed bids will be accepted at the next Board meeting on October 27, 2015.

The Otter Pond Association is exploring the possibility of a place of lodging near the summit of Sixth Lake Mountain for the "Hut to Hut" lodging system. They will have to contact the president of the club for permission.

The family of Ray and Dorothy Donohue would like to put up a memorial for their parents, either at the golf course or the overlook. They are exploring ideas and will get back to the town regarding how much they would be willing to spend.

There will be a budget workshop on the October 27, 2015 meeting. The meeting will start at 6:30.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the cost of \$2812.00 for additional banners for the Town. Most of the expense will be covered by the HUB grant. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai for a Resolution to adopt the Local Law #1 of 2015 to exceed the tax cap for the 2016 Budget. Seconded by Councilman Helms and

approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, and Councilman Helms – Aye. Absent: Councilman Novak.

On November 10, 2015 at 10:00 there will be a meeting with AES on the water project.

There was discussion on contacting Stewarts or others to put in a store on the Winebrook property.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

September 29, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 29th of September 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Monica Young, Joan Burke, Lauren Hai, Rowan Hai, Judy DePasquale and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$43501.95. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$71847.46. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Water Abstract #9 in the amount of \$5439.46 and the Sewer Abstract #9 in the amount of \$7115.29. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract # 13 in the amount of \$3410.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #6 Abstract #7 in the amount of \$350.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract # 10 in the amount of \$3768.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #11 Golf Course Abstract #1 in the amount of \$9415.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Supervisor Canon presented the Board with the tentative 2016 Budget. He has asked the Board members to review it and then they will talk about it at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai for a Resolution for Local Law #1 2015, to override the tax cap and set the Public Hearing for October 13, at 6:30 pm. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The October meetings were tentatively set for October 13 and 27.

Supervisor Canon had a discussion with DOT Regional director, Sam Zhou regarding the money due to the Town of Newcomb for the snow and ice contract. He has agreed to our numbers and we should be receiving the money at the end of October.

Newcomb Central School Superintendant, Skip Hults provided the Board with a proposal for creating a summer language camp. There was some interest from the Board, so

Supervisor Canon will schedule a meeting with the Town Board and Newcomb Central School Board.

NYSEG will be using the Winebrook parking lot to temporarily store equipment.

When the landfill was converted they put collection tank underground to collect liquids generated during the compaction of waste. This leachate tank should be checked 2 times a day and recorded daily. Supervisor Canon will have maintenance check the tank.

Judy DePasquale summarized the events from TR weekend for the Board. The weekend went very well and many of the events sold out.

Supervisor Canon summarized the meeting on the Winebrook water project with the engineers and Dept. of Health. They made decisions that would expedite construction on the project for completion in 2016.

The Town has new banners that have been put up around Town. The Board felt that there should be a few more. We will check with NYSEG to find out if we need permission to attach more banners.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

September 15, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 15th of September 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman

Others present: Dave Olbert, Wes Miga, Mary Murphy, Monica Young, Ruth Olbert, Kelly Audino, Tony Audino, Joan Burke, Bob Ward and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$67845.60. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$21632.78. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

John Williams, Code Enforcement Officer from Minerva has been helping out the Town with the Code Office. Supervisor Canon will ask him to come here on a fixed schedule for one day a week.

A Water project meeting with the Dept. of Health, AES and the Town will be September 25 at 10:30 am here at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Canon will assign a minimum bid for the surplus rack truck. Bids will be accepted at the September 29, meeting.

There are still some issues with the proposed snowmobile trails. Protect the Adirondacks has promised to sue regarding the Polaris and Cedar Bridges. The Santanoni trail to Hyslop will need permission from a private land owner for crossing.

The Town of Newcomb Employee handbook was last updated in 2008. Deputy Supervisor Miga will contact Public Sector Consultants regarding an update.

The Medical Center and Historical Building have requested air conditioners. Supervisor Canon will talk with maintenance regarding this.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Town Board Resolution committing funds to complete the DASNY Grant application of \$50000. Seconded by Councilman Hai and approved by roll call vote. Councilman Bott – Aye, Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye.

There was discussion on the Essex Chain Unit Management Plan.

Joan Burke, from the Historical Building has found newspapers that were printed in the Town of Newcomb from the 1890's. Washington Chase was the editor and had local and world news.

The Town's new banners have been put up. Discussion was on the need for a few more around Town.

There have been a few complaints that the Town of Newcomb website is not user friendly.

There was discussion on a cross country ski trail groomer for the golf course trails. Supervisor Canon will check with maintenance on this.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

August 25, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 25th of August 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Monica Young, Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Joan Burke, Donna Draper, Warren Kirby, Steve Stubing, Wes Miga and Mary Pound.
Absent: Don Bott.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Canon at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$31993.12. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$25217.94. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$939.97. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$1404.45. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #12 in the amount of \$3820.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract #9 in the amount of \$56082.07. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #9 Gen Fund Equipment Abstract # 2 in the amount of \$9690.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #6 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$2085.92. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Steve Stubing had requested that the Town take over the road called Stubing Lane. Highway Superintendent, Mark Yandon wrote a letter to the Town Board confirming that Mr. Stubing had met all of the requirements set forth by the Town to bring Stubing Lane into compliance with subdivision regulations. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to accept Stubing Lane as a town road subject to a letter of approval from the Town Planning Board. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Bob Lilly has recommended that Richard Sage be appointed the Planning Board Chairman in wake of his resignation from the Board. Supervisor Canon will talk with Mr. Sage and see if he is interested.

September meetings were tentatively set for September 15 and 29.

Deputy Miga spoke with Town Attorney Mark Schachner regarding the process for the Town to sell the Bissell property. He will be sending information on the steps that have to be taken.

Town Assessor, Lowell Stringer met with TNC and Dennis Phillips regarding the tax issues from the Essex Chain purchase. These issues have been resolved and the Assessment Board of Review has signed off on the issue.

Councilman Bott provided the Board with a list of the landfill attendant duties. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the list. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

DEC had a press release to launch the initiative to develop a unique lodging network to connect communities in the Adirondacks. They want to create a "Hut-to-Hut" recreation trail system that links lodging and other amenities in the Adirondacks.

The corrected June 2015 billing for water and sewer is as follows:

Water - \$9665.30	Water Penalty - \$55.80	
Sewer - \$8468.30	Sewer Penalty - \$63.00	Total - \$18252.00

Supervisor Canon requested that the Town Board begin thinking about the 2016 Budget. He asked for some guidance on where to begin in preparing it. A 3% increase was suggested as a starting point.

The Town will advertise for a new Planning Board member.

The Medical Center needs to replace the sewer system.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

August 11, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 11th of August 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Bob Zimmer, Monica Young, Joan Burke, Bob Ward, Wester Miga, Joe Darrah and Mary Pound. Absent: Ken Helms.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #15 in the amount of \$29334.20. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #15 in the amount of \$65774.39. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #6 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$11307.11. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Robert Lilly has given his resignation from the Town Planning Board effective September 1. Motion was made by Supervisor Canon for a Resolution of extreme gratitude to Mr. Lilly for his 18 years of excellent work. This Resolution was unanimously seconded.

Town Attorney, Mark Schachner has said that a survey is needed in the subdivision of the Olbert property for the bridge enhancement project.

Newcomb Central School has announced "Operation Recognition." This allows for certain veterans who left high school without graduating to be awarded New York High School Diplomas.

The Solar Bee circulator in the water tower is stuck. We have called Rural Water and are waiting to hear back from them on what to do to repair it. We may need to hire a professional diver to go in and unhook it.

The Town received an administrative order from the EPA regarding the town water system. Supervisor Canon is waiting to hear from Susan Kennedy at the Dept. of Health regarding this.

A meeting was scheduled with the town and TNC and the lawyers for TNC to discuss the tax issues with the Essex Chain Lakes land purchase.

The Town of Newcomb has received approval for the water loan.

Iowa Pacific would like to store 400 rail cars outside of North Creek.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to surplus the town rack truck and put it up for bid. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

There have been some complaints from residents that there are several people from out of town that are using the landfill recycle building. A sign will be made that says it is for Newcomb residents only.

The Town received an employment application from Joe LaPointe.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the reimbursement of any Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board members that would like to attend the Diversity Symposium at the VIC on Saturday August 15. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

July 28, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 28th of July 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Kenneth Helms	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Monica Young, Joan Burke, Mark Yandon, Dave Olbert, Wes Miga and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #14 in the amount of \$49118.37. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #14 in the amount of \$174507.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Abstract #7 in the amount of \$1053.22 and the Sewer Abstract #7 in the amount of \$560.75. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #4 Abstract #3 in the amount of \$5673.20. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #11 in the amount of \$5565.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #6 Abstract #5 in the amount of \$13188.86. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #9 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$29453.35. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capital Projects #10 Abstract #8 in the amount of \$40996.60. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to do a budget amendment of \$25000. to the Historical Contractual account. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There was discussion on Dave O'Donnell working at the landfill. Supervisor Canon had told him that after he completed work on BTI that he could start at the landfill.

Supervisor Canon clarified some confusion with dental and vision coverage for retirees. There is no vision coverage for retirees and dental is reimbursed up to a maximum of \$1000. per person per year.

Work is still continuing on the former Bissell property.

The Senior Dinner Cruise is set for August 25, 2015 in Raquette Lake.

Councilman Novak was able to measure the noise level at Plan B after a complaint had been filed. The noise is well below the acceptable level.

We are still waiting for special bolts to install the new sign for the TR monument.

The Town is waiting on the Department of Health to set a meeting with Supervisor Canon, Kevin Bolan and DOH, regarding the cat issue.

The Town of Newcomb has made a verbal offer to Dave Olbert and Tim Montanye for property the Town would like to purchase for the Hudson River access.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the recommendation from Joan Burke to rename the current Anderson Cemetery the Pine Hill Cemetery and the Beldon Cemetery the Lake Harris Cemetery. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

August meeting dates were tentatively set for August 11 and 25.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn and enter executive session. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted _____

July 14, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 14th of July 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Monica Young, Wes Miga, Bob Ward, Joan Burke, Mark Yandon and Mary Pound. Absent: Don Bott.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Canon at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$41422.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$5586.83. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #6 Abstract #4 in the amount of \$3210.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract #10 in the amount of \$4364.39. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Base Percentages, Current Percentages and Current and Adjusted Base Proportions for the Levy of Taxes on the 2015 Assessment Roll. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried by Roll Call Vote: Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye. Absent: Councilman Bott.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the amended and restated serial bond resolution for the water district. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried by Roll Call Vote: Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye. Absent: Councilman Bott.

The Board approved the senior dinner cruise on Raquette Lake. Supervisor Canon will check into available dates for August.

The schedule for the water system will start with the 72 hour water test on July 13, 2015 and the construction completion date scheduled for August 2017.

There was discussion on some issues at the transfer station. Workers need to be out of the building and helping town residents with trash and recyclables. Also, they need to clean up the area around the fence etc. Councilman Bott will work on a list of job responsibilities.

There was a discussion on a Town Noise Ordinance. If the Town were to adopt a Noise Ordinance they felt that it would be very difficult to police. Highway Supt. Yandon will check with the county to see if they have a meter to check the decibel level on noise complaints.

Mary Stringer Murphy Cooper would like to help the Town with grant writing for the DASNY Grant which would be for the Equestrian Staging Area. The Town would appreciate her help with this.

Wes Miga updated the Board on the CFA grants. The Town would like to offer the Olberts and Montanyes \$8000. for the property needed to complete the Hudson River Bridge work for parking. Dave Olbert would be willing but would like deeded access to the property. Tim Montanye will get back to the Town on this. DOS would like a sketch of the plan for the area.

The new TR monument plaque fits well. Maintenance is getting what is needed to install the new plaque.

Supervisor Canon is waiting on the DOH for a meeting to discuss the cat problem.

AmeriCorps will be here to work for the Town August 3-7.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

June 30, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 30th of June 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: David Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Bob Lilly, Wes Miga, Joan Burke, Monica Young and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$32084.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$27122.23. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract # 6 in the amount of \$1357.78 and the Sewer Abstract #6 in the amount of \$403.44. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract # 3 in the amount of \$5502.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #10 Water Abstract #7 in the amount of \$1141.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

There were three applicants for the position of Town Hall cleaner. Supervisor Canon will call Ray Bush at NCS to get an assessment of how they work.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai for a Resolution supporting the 2015 Consolidated Funding Application for the Five Town Hub Grant for a maximum of \$30000. Seconded by Councilman Helms and approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Novak – Aye. Councilman Helms – Aye.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the request from Newcomb Central School to have the Town pay for “Movie Night,” at a cost of \$300. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the Municipal Snow and Ice Agreement Extension with the State of New York. Seconded by Councilman Novak and approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye and Councilman Novak – Aye.

There will be a household hazardous waste day collection sponsored by Essex County in North Hudson on Saturday July 11 from 8am-2pm and Saturday August 1, from 8am – 2pm in Lake Placid.

Supervisor Canon spoke with the Dept. of Health regarding the complaint about the cats. DOH will meet with the Town Board and Kevin Bolan to discuss a solution.

Essex County Real Property has billed the Town of Newcomb and the School for the property that was sold by the TNC to the State of New York. The TNC did not pay the taxes on the lease for the Gooley Club and the Polaris Club land so the Town and the School received a bill for it. Supervisor Canon will talk with Mike Carr from TNC to see what can be done.

July meeting dates were tentatively set for July 14 and 28th.

The Town received three quotes for the removal of trees at the Equestrian center site.

JC Richards Logging LLC - \$1500.

Alex Helms Logging - \$712.00

Old Time Logging - \$25000.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to give the bid to JC Richards Logging. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried. Councilman Helms abstained.

There was only one bid received for the pine logs at the triangle. Robin Deloria bid \$400.

The Town received a grant from DOS for Hudson River Bridge improvements in the amount of \$94516. The State will provide \$47258. and the Town will match \$\$47258. The Town will need to acquire some additional land for parking at the bridge. Wes Miga will talk with Att. Mark Schachner to draft a letter to Olberts and Montanyes to see if they would be willing to sell the town some land for parking. An approved work plan needs to be done for this area.

The Public Hearing for the Essex Chain will be July 7 at the Newcomb Central School auditorium at 7 pm.

The Town Board received a letter from George Sarkisian for employment.

There was discussion on golf privileges for boys working on the youth program. It was decided that they would be eligible for free play but they will have to have some instruction on course etiquette from Bob Yandon and they are unable to play on very busy days and Monday and Thursday when there is league play.

It was noted that Joan Burke is doing an excellent job on her work at the Newcomb Historical Society. Joan also said that anyone interested in cleaning gravestones to let her know.

The new signs for the TR monument are here. Councilman Helms will get together with Maintenance and coordinate a time for installation.

Bob Lilly reminded the board that there will be a meeting with the architect for the Welcome Center on July 1 at the Town Hall from 5-8 pm.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

June 16, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 16th of June 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Wes Miga, Joan Burke, Kelly Audino, Bob Zimmer and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$55031.71. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$34297.23. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #2 in the amount of \$3225.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #10 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$80817.18. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capital Projects #7 Abstract #4 in the amount of \$4809.80. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the three year road maintenance agreement with DEC for the Essex Chain. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town has received the permit application from the APA for the installation of Fire Dept./Emergency antennas on the water tower.

There will be a meeting on July 7, at NCS on the Essex Chain Lakes Complex Unit Management plan.

The Town has received the survey map from Patrick Magee on the Bissell property that will be used for the Equestrian site. We also received an estimate for the survey for the remainder of the property. Council members will meet at the site on Saturday June 20 to map out the road and structures.

The second quarter water and sewer billing is as follows:

Water - \$9742.80	Penalty - \$55.80	
Sewer - \$8555.80	Penalty - \$63.00	Total - \$18417.40

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the purchase of a tent from Entertainment One Rentals at a cost of \$1250.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried. The tent will be used for several of the town events.

Supervisor Canon will check with John Harrington to see if he is still interested in being a sub at the landfill.

The test results on the test well came back very good. AES has recommended that we go forward with the 72 hour pump test. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the 72 hour pump test. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Verizon contract is good until July 31, 2038. There will be a 3% increase in the rental fee every year until 2038.

The new TR sign should be ready by the end of this week. Councilman Novak will be picking it up.

The Masten House will be holding an event for AARCH on Thursday June 18. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on Sunday of TR weekend.

There was discussion on the ownership of the large dishes on the medical center property. Mr. Bolan was hoping that they could be removed.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

May 26, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 26th of May 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Monica Young, Joan Burke, Rowan Hai, Lauren Hai and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$36538.56. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$18129.07. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Water Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$1715.09. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$944.71. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract # 8 in the amount of \$18418.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #7 Abstract #2 in the amount of \$667.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract #5 in the amount of \$326.92. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

June meetings dates were tentatively set for June 16th and 30th.

The Board received a letter from Suzanne Mills concerning the problem of cats in her neighborhood. Supervisor Canon will contact the Department of Health to discuss health concerns and possible animal cruelty.

Karen Darrah will be retiring from her cleaning job at the end of June. The Board discussed the specs for the town hall cleaning job. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to set the job for part time at 20 hours per week, with an additional 7 hours in the summer to include cleaning the bathrooms at the overlook. The pay rate will be \$13.00 per hour. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried. The town will advertise for this position.

The TR committee has requested that the town purchase eight roadside sandwich signs to be used to advertise many town functions. The board decided to honor this request.

The town has received conceptual drawings for the proposed equestrian staging area.

The drilling for water at the old apartment site has gone very well. They will be doing an eight hour pumping test on the water on Wednesday.

The town will need to order one more dumpster for the Bissell property to complete the clearing out of the store and the house. Supervisor Canon will order the dumpster.

There will be no set hours for the historical building this summer. The opening hours will depend on when workers are there to reorganize.

Designating petitions for town officials start June 2 through July 9. Independent petitions are July 7 through August 18.

Supervisor Canon spoke with Randy Rist regarding land access to the Hudson River on the landfill road for the Hudson River Bridge enhancement project. We will send him information regarding the piece of property that the town would like to purchase for parking.

The Chazen Company has expressed concern about the bunker that is located on the Finch property where the town would like to build the new Welcome Center. The Board did not seem to think that there would be too much difficulty in the demolition of this.

Joan Burke has been researching the town cemeteries. Three of the cemeteries have already been inventoried. Supervisor Canon and Joan will meet later to discuss this.

The new TR sign has not been completed.

Americore will likely be here from July 20 – August 18.

The meeting for the Santanoni UMP is May 28, 2015 at 7 pm in the Newcomb Fire Hall.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

May 12, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 12th of May 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: David Olbert, Kevin Bolan, Monica Young, Pat Bean, Wester Miga, Rowan Hai, and Lauren Hai. Absent: Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$25453.80. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$4710.43. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #4 Highway Eq. Abstract #2 in the amount of \$7650.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #7 Abstract # 2 in the amount of \$49900.41. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the request from Newcomb Mountain Quilters for use of the senior bus to the Vermont Quilt Festival, June 26, 2015. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Canon has been playing phone tag with Sam Zhou from the Department of Transportation regarding payment to the Town for the snow and ice contract. The Town did not receive full payment for the contract year 2014. The Town has not signed the 2017 contract due to the lack of cash entries.

The Town received employment requests from Emily Marra, Shelby Poulton, Joe Lapointe, Alex Ruzbacki, and Suzanne Paul.

The dog control officer needs to go the Elizabethtown to test the after hours procedure to access the dog cages at the shelter. Supervisor Canon has contacted Lorinda Marconi regarding this.

The Santanoni UMP review meeting will be on 5/14/2015. Supervisor Canon will be attending this meeting as well as the Vanderwalker UMP meeting. On 5/28/2015 there will be a meeting at the Newcomb Fire Hall at 7 pm for public comment regarding the Santanoni UMP.

Wes Miga will work with Code Enforcement Officer to fill out applications for JIF submissions needed for the APA for the Fire Department and boundary line adjustment for Vromans.

The well drilling looks to be on schedule for work on May 18. Councilman Helms will follow up on this.

The Town of Newcomb health insurance plan is community rated.

Dave Olbert would like to thank the Town for the support of the Outfitter business. The reimbursements for the grant need to be sent in.

Kevin Bolan had questions about the antennas and equipment located behind the medical center. He wondered if we knew who the current owner was and wondered if this equipment could be removed.

Councilman Novak attended a Youth Commission meeting on May 11. They now have a policy to ban cell phones by employees during work and will require employees to sign an agreement. The Youth Program plan needs to be submitted to DOH 60 days prior to opening.

Councilman Hai reported that the API will have the annual Loon Race on May 23, 2015. At 11am there will be a dedication of a new room. The TR Committee met and will be inviting the Governor again this year.

Councilman Helms reported that the survey for the equestrian site has been completed and the map should be coming next week.

Wes Miga will write a letter from the Board to thank NCS students for the road clean-up.

Joan Burke will be working through Sup. Canon in dealing with Cali Brooks regarding the Historical Building and cemetery money from the Bissell Estate.

The Board entered into Executive session to discuss personnel issues. Executive session ended at 8:15 pm. The Town will be advertising for a cleaning position at \$11-12 hour. This will be reviewed at the next meeting. Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the \$.75 per hour raise for medical assistant. Seconded by Councilman Bott and approved by roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – No, and Councilman Novak – No.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

April 28, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 28th of April 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Bonnie Potter, Bob Lilly, Wes Miga, Joan Burke, Pat Bean and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$28143.55. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$42668.67. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract #4 in the amount of \$3100.07 and the Sewer Abstract #4 in the amount of \$613.47. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capitol Projects #4 Highway Equipment Abstract #1 in the amount of \$34912.05. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract #4 in the amount of \$50433.29. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract # 7 in the amount of \$15000.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The May meeting dates were tentatively set for May 12 and 26.

There will be a meeting on April 29 at the Town Hall with DOH, AES and the town to discuss the water search and possible drilling at the old apartment site.

The surveyors for the equestrian site should be here at the beginning of May.

Supervisor Canon and Wes Miga had a meeting with Callie Brooks to discuss the Bissell cemetery project. It appears that the fund will provide the Town with money for materials and personnel for historical purposes.

The demolition on the Bissell property is ongoing. We are currently waiting on a new bin to be delivered. The barn and house have still not been emptied. The Town hopes to sell some of the Bissell property to finance the new Welcome Center. We will need to have a survey done and get timber value estimated.

Kevin Bolan has requested a raise for the medical assistant. This discussion was tabled until Kevin can be present for discussion. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to

approve his attendance to a medical convention in San Francisco at a cost of \$3787.57. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Bob Lilly did a presentation on the town website. He has requested that the board look it over and make suggestions to him or Laurinda for improvements. The board would like to thank Bob for all his hard work and commitment to this project.

The fire department has requested permission to put an antenna on the water tower. This will require APA approval.

The new TR sign should be ready in 2-3 weeks.

Rebecca Bolan will no longer be available to do the media research for the town. The board needs to decide if they want this to continue and find someone else to do this.

Americorps may be available to work with the town, DEC and ESF again this summer.

The sidewalk by the school has deteriorated greatly and needs to be replaced.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

April 14, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 14th of April 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Monica Young, Bob Lilly, Joan Burke, Tony Audino, Kelly Audino, Wes Miga, Judy Morris and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #7 in the amount of \$29631.74. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #7 in the amount of \$10477.37. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$750.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #7 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$25706.60. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town Board received employment requests from Bea Bailey, KC Rockwood and Caitlyn Yandon.

The Chamber committee presented the Board with an advertising budget.

Joan Burke presented the Board with a list of needs and projected costs for the Newcomb Historical Society, as recommended by the Special Projects Committee. This was discussed and it was decided to authorize the money for the technology needs and storage materials.

The Board received a social media summary from Rebecca Bolan. There has been some growth. It was decided to continue with Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram and then re-evaluate in the future.

Bob Lilly discussed his work on the Town website and the Golf Course website. He updated the Town website to include more on the Golf Course. The Board needs to decide if we want to continue with two websites or combine the two together. There was discussion on the site maintenance responsibilities for Laurinda.

The well sites failed to produce enough water for the Town needs. We need to schedule a meeting as soon as possible with the hydrologist, DOH, and the town to discuss how to go forward.

The Volunteer dinner is scheduled for May 1, 2015 at the Long Lake Diner. Cocktails will begin at 5 pm and dinner at 6 pm.

The demolition of Bissell's Store has begun. The plan is to clear the site, retain the barn, and possibly market the remaining property. The Town may sell some of the land to finance the new "Welcome Center."

The survey on the property for the Equestrian Staging area has been started.

A new stake rack truck has been ordered on State contract. We will need to surplus the old truck and put it up for bid.

The new Roosevelt plaque should be completed by the end of April or beginning of May.

Galusha and Sons will write up a proposal for the cost to clear stumps and trees for an area to build a driving range.

Supervisor Canon will contact Mr. Cullen regarding the BTI program. The budget this year does not include BTI application in Goodnow Flow.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

March 31, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 31st of March 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Hway Supt., David Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Robert Lilly, Wes Miga, Lorraine Miga, Joan Burke, Rod Boula and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$43905.38. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$54422.03. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Abstract #3 in the amount of \$6439.05 and the Sewer Abstract #3 in the amount of \$170.63. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$86620.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #10 Water Abstract # 3 in the amount of \$1008.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Rod Boula from Elizabethtown Hospital gave an update on the Elizabethtown Hospital. They are now affiliated with the University of Vermont Health Network. The Hospital transport program is now in its second year. There is a \$10 million project to modernize the facility that was built in 1967. They will start in July 2015 and hope to complete it in 2016.

Jim Dougan spoke with Supervisor Canon and discussed the results of the hydrofracturing and pump testing at the first test well site. They don't believe they have sufficient yield from the first site and will be moving to the new location.

The Board received an employment application from Ashley Miller and Ray Bush.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the proposal from Adirondack Landfill Services for two routine monitoring events at a cost of \$1481. each. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The water and sewer billing for the first quarter is as follows:

Water - \$29524.40 - Penalty - \$40.30

Sewer - \$12684.00 Penalty - \$45.50 Total - \$42294.20

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the contract with the Newcomb Guide Service. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

The DOS Grant through Essex County has been approved for \$140000. The Special Projects Committee will be meeting on Wednesday April 1 to address the project and how to go forward. This grant is a 50/50 match.

Currently the Golf Course and the Town of Newcomb each have their own website and it is felt that they should be combined. The website is in need of updating. Supervisor Canon will call Lorinda and discuss this.

The Special Projects committee would like permission from the Town Board to request a sign from DOT for a I-87 sign to be placed in Long Lake.

The survey for the Bissell camp site property has not been done yet. We are waiting for a return call from the surveyors and also snow melt.

The Highway and Maintenance Crews will begin clean up at the Bissell property. Supervisor Canon will call the county to get a compactor on site to put garbage in.

The Board is working on a Junior Golf policy. Newcomb Central School students are free. It was recommended that students should have a class from Bob Yandon on golf etiquette. If students don't follow rules they could lose the free golf.

The Board needs to be planning for the annual volunteer dinner. Supervisor Canon will check with the Long Lake diner on possible dates.

The April meeting date were tentatively set for April 14 and 28. The public workshop for the waterfront and economic revitalization plan is April 29 at 7 pm.

Lorraine Miga would like a compost area at the landfill for leaves and grass only.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

March 10, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 10th of March 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilwoman
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Monica Young, Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Joan Burke, Nancy Tracy, Kevin Bolan, George Damasevitz and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$90242.70. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$14688.40. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #4 in the amount of \$350.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Board received two proposals for the concrete for the C&D collection site at the landfill. Northwoods Concrete had two bids - \$23000. and \$26200. Gallup Concrete bid for \$20520. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to give the bid proposal to Gallup Concrete. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the meal allowance of \$97 for the Trufgrass Conference in Lake Placid on March 10-11. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Councilman Hai talked with the board about the Adirondack Familiarization Tours. He has been working with Brenda Valentine from Indian Lake and they want to create regional tours that will bring people to the five towns. They had a conference call with ROOST to discuss targeting different groups that would in turn advertise to different larger groups.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the request from the Newcomb/Minerva School softball coach to pay the \$200 fee for the team to play at the Dome in Glens Falls. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to support MOU regarding aquatic invasive species prevention. The Town of Newcomb and the Five Towns agree to participate and support this. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Deputy Supervisor Miga went over the agreement with River Street Planning and Development and M.J. Engineering and Land Surveying. This agreement will help the towns with the site plans for the equestrian staging areas.

Councilman Hai and Dave Olbert discussed the advertising and marketing that the committee has been working on. The committee has met and discussed the advertising

for the Town, Chamber, Events, and Golf Course. Trampoline provided a proposal for \$75000. The committee worked it down to about \$49000.

The Town has been approved for a \$250000 Bond Anticipation Note by Community Bank for the water hydrofracking. The time frame set by the Dept of Health for all this to be done is getting short.

Anyone interested in going to the Local Government Day Conference needs to get the registration in before April 1.

Joan Burke did a presentation on the Tahawus Legacy Education Fund. This fund was started by Len Gereau with the profits from his Tahawus Book. This Fund will provide educational scholarships to applicants that have a family connection to one or more relatives who lived in the village of Tahawus. For information and applications, they also have a website : <http://www.tahawuslegacyscholarship.com>.

There was discussion on the wages for the students who work with the maintenance crew in the summer. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to increase the wages to \$10 -\$11 and \$12 per hour. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Councilman Novak reported on the Youth Commission meeting he attended at the County.

Councilman Hai is working on an letter to Governor Cuomo on behalf of the Town and ESF to invite him to come be a part of TR weekend.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn the meeting and meet in executive session. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted _____

February 24, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 24th of February 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman

Others present: Monica Young, Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Wes Miga, Joanne Burke, Pat Bean, Lauren Hai, Rowan Hai and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$45428.25. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$54587.59. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #3 in the amount of \$1300.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Abstract #2 in the amount of \$1350.00. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Abstract #2 in the amount of \$319.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract #2 in the amount of \$5772.49. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Sewer Abstract 12 in the amount of \$246.20. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Supervisor Canon updated the Board on the status of the water system and EFC financing. The loan application was sent to EFC and was tabled. The Town has already accumulated \$80000. in expenses. The hydrofracking has been delayed due to weather. The cost of the project will be either \$3 million or \$5 million dependent on the ground water source. If the project exceeds \$3 million, additional grant funding will be needed.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak for a Resolution to authorize short term borrowing with a Bond Anticipation Note for \$250000. to pay for drilling, hydrofracking and other expenses for the water system. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the purchase of a new DPW stake rack truck. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried. Maintenance supervisor Eugene Bush will provide the specs for the vehicle.

There will be an Essex County Youth Commission meeting on March 9, 2015. Joe Novak, Skip Hults and Lanette Chase will be attending.

The newly acquired Bissell property needs to have a survey done. We will have to wait for the snow to melt to go ahead on the survey.

The last time Lake Harris was stocked with walleye was in 2008. We need to check back in April to see if they would be able to restock at that time.

The draft of the service agreement for the Town of Newcomb and the Newcomb Guide Service was presented for review of the Town Board.

The Newcomb Central School senior class requested the use of the town bus to transport the seniors to JFK airport on April 1, and return trip on April 11, 2015. Superintendent Hults will be driving the bus. Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the use of the bus. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried. Councilman Helms abstained.

The March meeting dates were tentatively set for March 10 and March 31.

Dave Olbert reported on the Winter Fest on February 14th weekend. Over all the committee felt that the weekend was a success.

The Newcomb Volunteer Fire Dept. needs to be commended for their response to the chimney fire at the Ward residence. The response time was 4 minutes and they did a very professional job.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

February 10, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 10th of February 2015 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Robert Lilly, Dave Olbert, Monica Young, Wes Miga, Mark Yandon and Mary Pound.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Canon at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$42394.98. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$69199.44. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The water test results are in from the Bush and Town properties. The Town sodium numbers have come down considerably from five years ago. The Bush samples indicate a different aquifer from the Towns.

Jim Duggan from AES has had trouble getting a fracker here for the well site. The first choice has not returned phone calls so he has contacted the second business. They will be here February 23. The Army Core of Engineers has approved the project and have issued the permit. EFC is pursuing the financial part of the project. The project timeline is projected as follows: the pump test will be February, the water quality test will be in May, the water quality permit from DEC in June, EFC specs approval in September, November bids on project, construction in January 2016 and completion January 2017.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the contract with Chazen Company for \$6000. This is the first part of the work order to bill for the Hub Grant. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Councilman Novak plans to take the Roosevelt monument sign to Cobleskill on February 11, 2015.

The Town marketing committee is still working on a budget plan. They have a survey to access how the Town marketing and social media is working.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____

January 27, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 27th of January 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Monica Young, Wes Miga, Joan Ann Burke and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #2 in the amount of \$58505.08. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #2 in the amount of \$18781.86. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract #1 in the amount of \$1216.73. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Sewer Abstract #1 in the amount of \$1782.08. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract #1 in the amount of \$30.15. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #10 Abstract # 1 in the amount of \$152.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capital Projects #6 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$2671.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Canon closed the bidding on the Chevy Van. There was one bid received from Northstar Chevrolet for \$32390.26. The bid was awarded to Northstar Chevrolet.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the renewal contract with HACH for the water plant machines. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Dasney Underwriting Company has a contract with DEC for the horse staging areas. They can assist the Town with plans for the building. DEC would like the Town to move forward with this as soon as possible.

Councilman Hai updated the Board on the kiosk. The design work is still not complete. They estimate that it will be about \$400 more for the work on it.

The water department had a major break in the area near the water tower. The maintenance crew and Ray Bush did an awesome job alerting customers and repairing the break. Supervisor Canon would like to authorize an additional \$500 for Ray Bush for all the extra time he put in during this emergency.

February meetings were tentatively set for February 10 and 24.

There was discussion on the Youth Ski Program policy. The Board received a letter from Mr. Hulst describing the Youth Commission policy on transporting non ski program kids to Gore. The Board concurs with the Youth Commission on this. Also the program will only pay for one lift ticket per day and the other chaperone stays in the lodge.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve \$319.50 meal allowance for Association of Towns meeting in New York City. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Dave Olbert updated the Board on the Chamber of Commerce meeting. Winter Festival weekend will be February 14-15. There will be a shuttle bus available from 10-7. Dave would like the town to check to see if we can get a standard waiver for participants in the Broomball Tournament. Supervisor Canon will check with Lee Pollock on this. The Chamber will be advertising in several different publications.

The Board has not heard from AES on the hydrofracking of the well. Councilman Helms will contact them to get an update.

There was discussion on the demolition of buildings at various clubs due to be eliminated by 2018. There is a 400 square foot limit for each building. They will need to get a permit from the code office for demolition.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

January 13, 2015

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 13th of January 2015 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Paul Hai	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Bob Lilly, Wester Miga, Monica Young, Connie Fontaine, Joan Ann Yandon, Mary Bush, Dave Olbert, Ruth Olbert, Pat Bean and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2014 and January 1, 2015 meetings. Seconded by Councilman Hai and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$32860.74. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$4051.48. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #1 in the amount of \$7603.25. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$92.91. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There were no bids received for the van. We will advertise the bid again and they will be opened at the January 27, 2015 meeting.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to appoint Councilman Novak to represent the Town Board on the Youth Commission. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the pay of 2015 Town & County taxes on the Bissell property. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Board talked about a sign for the ski tow and the skating rink that would post hours of operation. Also there is a need of a bus driver for the February 14 winter carnival.

The Board talked about the need for a budget for the different entities. The committee is working on a budget.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve attendance of Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Elected Officials to the Association of Towns training in New York City. Also approve the rental of a bus to transport to New York City. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town will do a dog census in the near future. Nancy Tracy has agreed to take care of this. She will be paid \$14.00/hr.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve Supervisor Canon to sign the SAM Grant documentation. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Paul Hai updated the Board on the Special Projects Committee. This will be an ongoing committee and Bob Lilly has agreed to be the chairman. They would like to have a recording secretary for the meetings.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the prepay of the fireworks for the 4th of July and TR weekend.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to approve the signing of the sub contract with Chazen for the DOS grant. The Town is responsible for a maximum of \$37500.

The Board received a letter from Jackie LaCourse suggesting some uses for the Bissell Barn.

Mary Bush addressed the Board with her concerns for salt content in her drinking water. The Town will test the water to get present readings.

Rob Ripp from DEC is trying to get an easement for the snowmobile trail for multi use.

The Town Board audited the Town Justice books.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted _____

January 1, 2015

At the Organizational meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the first day of January 2015 at 10:00 A.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joseph Novak	Councilman
Paul Hai	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Hway Supt., Wester Miga and Mary Pound, Town Clerk.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Canon at 10:05 a.m.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott for a Resolution adopting Elected Officials salaries for 2015.

OFFICE	OFFICIAL	SALARY
Town Supervisor	George Canon	\$41600.00
Deputy Supervisor	Wes Miga	\$6000.00
Town Clerk	Mary Pound	\$16080.00
Councilman	Ken Helms, Don Bott, Joe Novak, Paul Hai	\$8820.00
Town Assessors	Lowell Stringer (Chairman) J. Thornton, E. VanAuken	\$12336.00
Tax Collector	Karen Darrah	\$10244.00
Supt. of Highways	Mark Yandon	\$72852.00
Town Justice	Andrew Stengrevics	\$8820.00

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Helms and adopted by role call vote as follows: Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Hai – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, and Councilman Novak– Aye.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution appointing officials and setting 2015 salaries:

POSITION	OFFICIAL	SALARY
Clerk to Supervisor	Mary Pound	\$48334.00
Chairman Bd. Of Assessors	Lowell Stringer	\$6618.00
Budget Officer	George Canon	\$20280.00
Deputy Town Clerk	Elizabeth Stickney	\$3120.00
Town Historian	Lana Fennessy	\$1200.00
Reg. Of Vital Statistics	Mary Pound	\$100.00
Registered Nurse	Faith Helms	\$31.50
Health Officer	Kevin Bolan	-0-
Physician Assistant	Kevin Bolan	\$54262.00
	Denise Bolan	-0-
Clerk, Health Center	Jolene Hlavaty	\$20.45
	Jennifer Fifield	\$15.95
Clerk, Highway Clerk, Youth Commission	Melissa Yandon	\$13944.00

Planning Bd. & Zoning, Justice	Jennifer Fifield	\$5502.00
Janitor, Town Hall, Sr. Center	Karen Darrah	\$17.12
Janitor, Medical Center	Jody Allen	\$16.65
Building & Safety Insp.	Michael Moses	\$23.50
Zoning Tech		\$14.00/hr
General Mechanic	Eugene Bush	\$28.00
Maintenance Person	Nelson Turcotte	
	Charles Canon	\$27.00
Water Supt.	Ray Bush	\$9800.00
Sewer Supt	Tracy Smith	\$225.00 per month
Assist. Sewer	Garrett Phelps	\$22.00/hr
Animal Control Officer	Lorinda Marconi	\$1200.00
Landfill Attendants	Joe Darrah, Dave ODonnell	
	Joe Lapointe	\$14.75
Recreation Attendants	Garrett Phelps, Mandy Bush, R. Bailey, Shelby Poulton, Janice Levesque	\$13.55
Medical Bus Driver	Linda Stringer, Gene Poulin, Pam Siers, Bob Ward, Bill LaClair, Marlene Bott,	\$15.90/hr \$12.35/hr
Senior Center Driver	Bob Ward, Mitch Moses	\$18.20/hr \$12.35/hr
Laborer – Parttime		Min. Wage
Assess. Bd. Of Review	Mike Tracy, Dave Olbert Robert Dwyer (Chairman)	\$350.00 \$400.00
BTI Program	Eric VanAuken Dave ODonnell Beth Stalker Edna VanAuken	\$15.80/hr \$14.40/hr \$14.40/hr \$26.90/hr
Golf Course Manager	Charles Canon	\$27.00/hr
Golf Course Grounds	N. Fifield, Gene Poulin	\$17.20
Clubhouse Supv.	Linda Stringer	\$12.85/hr
Clubhouse Att.	Bob Yandon, V. Hall, J. Bush, Vi Fifield	\$11.55/hr
Historical Bldg.	Lana Fennessy, Joyce Cunningham, Sally Rockwood, Virginia Hall,	\$11.40/hr
Town Website	Lorinda Minke	\$325.00/mo
Social Media	Rebecca Bolan	\$200.00

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Town Clerk, Mary Pound appointed Betty Stickney as Deputy Town Clerk. Her primary duties shall be preparing the warrants.

Highway Supt., Mark Yandon appointed Melissa Yandon as Deputy Highway Supt.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to appoint the following Youth Commission Members: Dorothy Moses, Denise Bolan, Melissa Yandon, Clark Hults and alternate, Karin Cook. There needs to be another member appointed because of the resignation of Nancy Tracy. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms that George Canon be designated as a delegate for the Town of Newcomb at the Association of Towns meeting in New York City on February 14-18 and that Wes Miga be designated as an alternate delegate. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to set the mileage for Town Business at the federal rate of .55 cents per mile, Official newspaper, Glens Falls Post Star , official Depository of funds, Community Bank , Town Attorney, Per Diem, Asst. Historian, Sally Rockwood, and Planning Board Attorney, Mark Schachner, Per Diem. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hai to authorize Supervisor Canon and Wes Miga to sign Town Checks. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Canon appointed Wester Miga to be Deputy Supervisor.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak that expenses are paid for authorized officials attending the following: Essex County Magistrates Assoc. meeting, Essex County IDA, Essex County Youth Board/Planning Committee, Adirondack Assoc. of Towns & Villages, Adirondack North Country Assoc., Adirondack Park Agency, New York Planning Federation, New York State Association of Counties, Adirondack Architectural Heritage, DEC Policy Group meetings, Highway Association, NYS Supt. of Highways and Professional Development Conference, Medical. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to authorize Supervisor Canon to make payment of the Golf Course beverage purchases, utilities and insurance prior to audit. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Town Board reviewed the Towns purchase policy.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted _____