

November 12, 2019

At the Public Hearing of the 2020 Budget of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 12th of November 2019 at 6:30 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Monica Young, Joan Burke, Mark Yandon, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Wes Miga, Kevin Bolan, Paul LaCourse, Mary Monaghan, Cliff Demars, Denise Bolan, Ruth Olbert and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:45 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adopt the Final Budget for 2020. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the General Fund Abstract #21 in the amount of \$31245.40. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$93558.42. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #10 in the amount of \$17352.46. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

December meeting dates were tentatively set for Tuesday December 10th and Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages meeting is December 1-2 at the Marriot in Lake George. Those who wish to attend should fill out the registration form and return before the November 26<sup>th</sup> deadline. Room registrations should be made by those attending.

Joan Burke and Laurinda Minke gave a presentation on the "Newcomb Remembers" Bissell fund for grave markers. This project is conducted by the Newcomb Historical Museum and was initiated by Marvin Bissell in 2008 in written conversations with Supervisor Canon. Mr. Bissell signed a designated fund agreement with the Adirondack Foundation and set up the fund to be used for grave markers for graves without a marker for at least 20 years but also for "promoting an appreciation of community history to the educational benefit of the general public." Gravestones have been ordered for 14 graves.

Newcomb Highway assisted Minerva with road wash outs from the wind and rain storm.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the bronze plaque for the Canon memorial at a cost of \$3800.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried

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

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

October 29, 2019

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 29<sup>th</sup> of October 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Joe Novak	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Joan Burke, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Paul Hai, Barbara Kearns, Wes Miga, Paul LaCourse, Bob Stringer, Cliff Demars, Sue Mills, Linda Stringer, Beth Poulin, Mary Monahan, Jim Sorenson, Kevin Bolan, and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria opened the regular meeting of the Town Board at 7:00 p.m. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$42795.01. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$17340.46. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Water Abstract #10 in the amount of \$824.64. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Sewer Abstract #10 in the amount of \$2705.88. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #9 in the amount of \$4774.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Capital Projects #8 Abstract #3 in the amount of \$1200.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Board reviewed and adopted the Preliminary Budget for 2020.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to appoint Mary Lamphear to the Youth Commission. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Newcomb Central School has received a \$10,000.00 Title 4 Enrichment grant for mental health student support services. Supt. Chris Fisher asked that the community be aware of this available funding.

There was a meeting today at Santanoni with AARCH, DEC and Town of Newcomb to discuss the Save Americas Treasures Grant.

Councilman Olbert attended the ROOST meeting on October 23, 2019 to discuss the Upper Hudson Recreation Hub.

Code Officer, George Damasevitz gave the Board the Permit Status Report.

Paul Hai said that he met with Bob McNamara to discuss what stories to tell on the signage for the Interpretive History Trail.

There was final discussion on the George Canon Memorial. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to put Town Supervisor – 27 years. It will say”he did it his way and got it done.” Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve attendance by Code Officer to training class in Kingston, N.Y. The per diem food allowance will be \$181.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Highway Supt. Mark Yandon reported that the black top is complete on the Chaisson Rd. and Tahawus Club.

The next Planning Board meeting will be November 7, and the Comprehensive Plan meeting will be November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Joan Burke reported that she has order several new grave stones.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted\_\_\_\_\_

October 15, 2019

At the Budget Workshop for the 2019 Budget 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 October 2019 at 6:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Monica Young, and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria opened the Budget Workshop at 6:00 P.M. Supervisor Deloria went over some of the changes and highlighted items on the budget.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn the Budget Workshop at 6:59 pm. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The regular meeting of the Town Board began at 7:00 pm.

Others present: Ruth Olbert, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Mary Monaghan, Mitch Moses, Joan Burke, Beth Poulin, Linda Stringer, Lowell Stringer, Paul LaCourse, Sue Mills, Robin Reardon, Barb Kearns, Jim Sorenson, Bob Stringer, Kevin Bolan, and Paul Hai.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting and the October 3, 2019 special meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the General Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$64724.08. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$28867.79. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #7 in the amount of \$13587.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adopt the preliminary budget. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried. The Public Hearing for the 2019 Preliminary Budget is set for November 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Maintenance supervisor Bush went out around town and made a list of street lights that are out. Supervisor Deloria reported the list to NYSEG.

The new boards for the skating rink are scheduled to be delivered next week.

The Board received a letter from Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts thanking them for their support and requesting a \$1000.00 donation for 2020. This was tabled until the next meeting.

Linda Stringer reported on the 2019 season at the Golf Course. There were 52 memberships and sales appeared to be up at the Pro Shop.

Highway Supt. Yandon reported that the paving has been pushed again until the end of the week. He has also been to Mitchell Stone to search for a rock for George Canons memorial.

The paperwork for the McNaughton Cottage is finally complete. Work can begin on the parking lot there.

The Holiday Craft Show is set for November 23 and 24<sup>th</sup>. Santa will be arriving on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.

Paul Hai reported that the next meeting for the Comprehensive Plan is scheduled for November 11. They hope to have the results of the town survey by November 1.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

September 24, 2019

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 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
David Olbert	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Joan Burke, Mary Monahan, Ruth Olbert, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Kevin Bolan, Mitch Moses, Sue Mills, Beth Poulin, Paul Hai and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$37829.04. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$20559.95. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Water Abstract #9 in the amount of \$937.04. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Sewer Abstract #9 in the amount of \$3379.99. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

The Tentative Budget was presented to the Town Clerk by Supervisor Deloria. The Preliminary Budget was presented to the Town Board by Town Clerk. October meetings were tentatively set for October 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The Budget workshop meeting will be October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm before the regular Town Board meeting. Public Hearing for the Budget will be November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the contract with North Country Life Flight for the 2020 year for \$1000.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Resolution to authorize the Medical Services contract will be done at the next meeting so that the Town Board will have an opportunity to read it over.

There will be a conference call on October 1, 2019 to discuss the NYClass investment fund. We hope to finalize any questions and get the accounts switched over to this fund.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize George Damasevitz to attend the Code Enforcement training conference at SUNY Potsdam October 15, 2019. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the purchase of Capital Assets Software from Williamson Law Book Company for the K-Fund requirement at a cost of \$3985.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Chazen Company has agreed to compile the results of the Newcomb survey at a cost of \$2500.

Sun Community News had made a decision to halt delivery of the paper to PO boxes in Newcomb, Minerva and Olmstedville. They have since agreed to add delivery of the paper once again. Mr. Alexander and Supervisor Deloria will be meeting to discuss a way to work together to help cover the cost of delivery.

NYS DEC requires 2 Grade 1 Certified operators for the sewer district. They would like a staffing plan submitted to them by October 18, 2019. We are working on find a solution to this issue.

There was continued discussion on the memorial for George Canon. Mark Yandon will go to Tahawus to try to locate stone that can be used.

Mary Monaghan provided the Board with a summary of the TR weekend. The weekend was very well attended and classes did very well at fundraisers. TR weekend will be September 11-13 next year.

We are looking into the cost and installation of hard plastic boards for the skating rink.

The swim bus to Tupper Lake pool will begin again next Monday. We hope to have a minimum of 4 swimmers to go.

Councilman Olbert suggested that we begin talk with DEC to encourage them to expand the Lake Harris Campsite.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

September 10, 2019

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 September 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman

Others present: Joan Burke, Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Mary Monahan, Kevin Bolan, Ruth Olbert, Sue Mills, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Beth Poulin, Paul LaCourse, Anita Brundage and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$27031.86. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$3732.15. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #5 in the amount of \$5600.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

October meetings were tentatively set for October 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Supervisor Deloria gave the Town Board a breakdown of the budget calendar. Tentative budget will be provided to the Town Clerk by the Supervisor by September 24, and then the preliminary budget will be provided to the Town Board by the Town Clerk by September 24. Budget Workshop meeting will be on October 15 at the regular meeting of the Town Board. The Town Board should adopt the preliminary budget on October 29 and the Public hearing on the Budget will be November 12. Budget adoption will take place on November 12 regular meeting.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorizing Supervisor to sign the grant agreement with the Newcomb Café and Campground. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to declare the 2011 Chevy Pickup as surplus and go to bid on Auctions International. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Supervisor Deloria gave an update on the NYSDEC Adverse Abandonment of the Tahawus Rail line. All parties have until September 30<sup>th</sup> to file final position statements.

The NYS Comptroller Office requires a K-Fund. This report would be a breakdown of all land, buildings, equipment and machinery. Supervisor Deloria will begin working on this report.

SLIC service has been installed at the Overlook. The renovations are almost complete on the bathrooms and the information kiosk room.



Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

August 27, 2019

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 August 2018 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Wes Miga, Joan Burke, Ruth Olbert, Paul LaCourse, Bob Stringer, Mary Monaghan, Sue Mills, Beth Poulin, Mark Yandon, Marsha Chase, Kevin Bolan, Denise Bolan, Laurinda Minke and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$54571.26. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #15 in the amount of \$22199.16. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Water Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$1396.66. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$8750.59. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Abstract #7 in the amount of \$1902.49. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott for a Resolution to support an appeal by the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the Adirondack Park Agency of the Third Appellate Court decision dated July 3, 2019, regarding the connector trails between the towns of Long Lake, Minerva, Newcomb, North Hudson and Indian Lake. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to authorize payment to the ADK Local Government Review Board of \$300.00 for our annual support. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

County Attorney, Dan Manning has drafted an updated "prior written notice" law for the Town of St. Armand. Town Board members should review and we will discuss at a later meeting.

Town Board received a report from George Damesevitz, Code Officer, showing existing open permits.

There was more discussion on the memorial tribute for George Canon. Board would like to get a rock from Tahawus mines and have a plaque with a picture and accomplishments imprinted on it. Supervisor Deloria and Laurinda Minke will work together on this.

The Santanoni piano donated by Susan Pruyn King will be delivered to the Historical museum August 28, 2019.

Bands on the Beach has been cancelled for August 28, due to the weather forecast. Eric Peter and his band will be rescheduled to play at the overlook on TR weekend, September 7.

SLIC will be installing free WIFI at the overlook on August 29, 2019. It will be installed at the pavillon and should reach the entire park. The overlook bathroom addition is almost complete. The bathrooms will be heated and will be open year round.

Highway Supt. Mark Yandon informed the Board that they will be paving the upper Chaisson Road and the Lower Works road in the next couple of weeks. He is waiting on Gorman for their help.

Joan Burke thanked the highway dept. for the work they did at the Huntington Cemetary. She would like the Boards authorization to apply for a grant that would provide signs for town. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to authorize the Historical Museum to apply for grant. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted\_\_\_\_\_

August 13, 2019

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 August 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Dept. Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Ruth Olbert, Wes Miga, Paul LaCourse, Bob Stringer, Mary Monaghan, Paul Hai, Beth Poulin, Kevin Bolan, Sue Paul, Erica DeMars and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the July 30, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #15 in the amount of \$40593.31. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #14 in the amount of \$11190.03. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

September meeting dates are tentatively set for September 10 and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert for a Resolution to award the Phase III remaining grant funds to the Newcomb Café and Campground. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The 2020 Budget analysis has been prepared by the Essex County Real Property office. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert for a Resolution to adopt the Homestead/Non Homestead certificate of Base Percentages, Current Percentages and Current and Adjusted Base Proportions pursuant to Article 19 RPTL for the 2019 Assessment Roll. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

The annual Volunteer Dinner is set for August 16, 2019 at the Adirondack Hotel starting with a cocktail hour at 4:45 pm., and dinner starting at 6pm.

Sue Paul attended the NYSSA Local meeting today in North Hudson where they discussed the Protect the Adirondacks Lawsuit against DEC and the Park Agency regarding the connector trails. They encouraged business owners and individuals to write letters stating how these trails will affect their business.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Art of Wilderness proposal for Phase I Interpretive Planning Tasks of the Tahawus Village/ Winebrook Hills Commemorative Plaques at a cost of \$10400.00. This will include research, planning, design and production of panels. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried. The Town hopes to get a grant for funding on Phase II of the project.

The construction of the new salt shed is on hold. We will wait until December to post the bid specs and construction should begin in the spring.

The annual senior dinner cruise is September 4, 2019.

The deadline for turning in the Community survey is August 31, 2019. Please encourage all to turn it in.

Councilman Olbert suggested a “meet the candidate” night for the upcoming election. He hopes that they will think about it and get back to him if interested.

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

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

July 30, 2019

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 30<sup>st</sup> of July 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Paul Hai, Sue Mills, Paul LaCourse, Bob Stringer, Ruth Olbert, Beth Poulin, Nancy Tracy, Jim Sorenson and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #14 in the amount of \$13999.90. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$14289.68. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #6 in the amount of \$620.57. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Water Abstract #7 in the amount of \$912.34. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Sewer Abstract #7 in the amount of \$766.33. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

August meetings were tentatively set for August 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

The High Peaks Kitchen and Campground has been sold and papers are due to be signed tomorrow, with the closing scheduled for the end of the month. The Phase III Main Street Grant funding is still available for this project. Dylan Walrath from DEC will get the contracts ready.

The Chazen Company has submitted the CFA Grant Application for the Town. Copies of the Application were provided to the Board.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the attendance of Assessors Lowell Stringer and Edna Van Auken to the Assessors Conference and Ethics training in Lake George August 16, 2019. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

The Annual Senior Citizen Dinner Cruise is scheduled for September 4, 2019. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the cost of the cruise and transportation. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

New York State will have early voting for the 2019 General Election. Early voting will take place in Lewis, N.Y. October 26-November 3, 2019.

The Board is still working on a Memorial tribute for George Canon. Discussion decided on a black stone with an image of George and wording to be determined.

Protect the Adirondacks has filed a lawsuit against DEC and the Park Agency regarding the snowmobile trail. The Five Towns will be meeting with DEC on August 6, 2019 to discuss the connector trails.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the purchase of a S590 T4 Bobcat Skid-Steer Loader under State Contract #PC67141 at a cost of \$50803.32 Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to declare surplus 2002 Ingersol Rand DD12 Double Drum Roller. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Annual Volunteer Dinner will be August 16, at 6 pm at the Adirondack Hotel.

The Town Landfill will be open 7 days a week starting this week through late fall.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the cost of the increase in fireworks for Labor Day and TR weekend. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There is no Planning Board meeting scheduled for August. The next meeting will be September 5, 2019. Please encourage the community to fill out the survey.

Nancy Tracy thanked the Board for the Grant funds for Santanoni Inn. She asked if there could be something done about the speed of the traffic on the Santanoni road.

Sue Mills brought up the feral cat problem on Pine Tree Road.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn and move to Executive Session.. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:35 pm.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to close Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

July 16, 2019

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 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Mitch Moses, Robert Stringer, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Joan Burke, Sue Mills, Wes Miga, Beth Poulin, Dorothea Malsbury, Paul Hai and Mary Pound.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Deloria. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$44702.29. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$39018.19. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Capital Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #5 in the amount of \$3951.20. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #4 in the amount of \$2450.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Sara Coleman from Airosmith Development Company informed the Town that the AT&T contract is being sent out this week. They will need the signed contract to go forward with the APA. There will be a mono-pole cell tower placed in Winebrook.

There are still meetings going on regarding the Tahawus Railroad with different parties that are interested in acquiring the railroad.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert for a Resolution authorizing Supervisor Deloria to sign an agreement with the Chazen Company to submit an application on our behalf for the CFA Grant. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy for a Resolution and a letter of support for OSI to seek CFA Grant Funding. OSI has indicated that they intend to deed over the McNaughton Cottage to the Town of Newcomb. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Deloria provided information on the NYS DEC Cedar River Bridge and NYS DEC Snowmobile trail court ruling decision. The Court has ruled that the community connector trails being built between Newcomb, Minerva and North Hudson are unconstitutional. This ruling will affect the Cedar River Bridge and connector trails to Polaris Bridge and Minerva/Newcomb.



Newcomb Day is August 4, 2019. We would like to try to update the mailing list to include emails and current addresses when they sign in.

The Bid Specs for the new Salt Shed should go out next week.

Summerfest is Saturday July 20. We will send flyers home with the Youth Program Kids to encourage attendance.

The temporary bridge is now open on the Campsite Road.

Paul Hai updated the Board on the Planning Board. They have been trying to set up a meeting with the Lake George Planning Board but it keeps getting postponed.

The Historical Museum has a new website. [\*\*newcombhistoricalmuseum.com\*\*](http://newcombhistoricalmuseum.com)

Mitch Moses brought up the broken headstones at the Cemetery. He feels it should be a priority to fix them.

Lorinda Minke has designed new banners that will be put up around Town.

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

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

June 25, 2019

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 19th of June 2018 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Joan Burke, Ruth Olbert, Wester Miga, Paul Hai, Mark Yandon, Paul LaCourse, Bob Stringer, Beth Poulin, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke and Mary Pound. David Olbert – excused.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$32946.07. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$20359.06. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Water Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$3304.20. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$738.57. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The New York State DEC Grand Opening of the Frontier Town Campground and Equestrian and Day Use Area will be Wednesday June 26, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Several people from Newcomb will be attending.

AT&T is still interested in putting a tower in Newcomb for cell service. They are looking at construction of a mono-pole tower. They will be sending a contract for consideration soon.

NYSEG sent a letter agreement for the street light conversion. Supervisor Deloria signed the agreement and now we have to wait on availability.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the attendance of Jennifer Fifield to the Assessor Certification Training in Ithaca, July 14-19. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Omnitrax has decided to discontinue negotiations to purchase the Tahawus Railroad line. There is a meeting scheduled on July 10, 2019 in Tahawus to meet with other representatives who may be interested in purchasing the line.

The Five Town Supervisors will file an affidavit with the NYS Attorney General's Office in opposition to the Adirondack Wild and Protect the Adirondacks groups that are trying to prevent the NYS DEC Cedar River Bridge connection. Attorney Mark Schachner will be helping with this litigation.

Supervisor Deloria spoke with Randy Rist regarding the Hudson River Trail. He is willing to consider allowing the Town access to the Conservation Easement lands for the

Hudson River to Polaris Bridge Trail. Supervisor Deloria and Councilman Olbert will continue to work on this project.

The Town has received the sub-division and building permits from the Adirondack Park Agency for the Salt Shed/Private storage project at the Town Triangle. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy for a Resolution to exempt the project from all provisions of our local laws. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway purchase of a new Roller under State Contract at a cost of \$33725.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Work has begun on the construction of the new Campsite Road Bridge.

The Town has not received any more quotes for the resurfacing of the cemetery roads. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to hire Red's On the Ground Service to perform this work at a cost of \$7875.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to allow the Ericson family to use existing lot at the Huntington Cemetery. There are no more lots available to the public at the Huntington Cemetery. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

The survey for the Comprehensive Plan will be mailed out and it will also be available on the website. There will be a public meeting on Wednesday July 31 at the school at 7-9 pm.

The new Santanoni Exhibit at the Historical Museum is doing well.

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

Respectfully submitted\_\_\_\_\_

June 11, 2019

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 June 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mary Monaghan, Norm Fifield, Ericka Demars, Sue Pauls, Bob Zimmer, Andrew Sanders, Paul Hai, Charlie Bodnar and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the General Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$49720.79. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$8283.52. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

July meetings were tentatively set for July 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Neil Lewis donated \$100.00 to the Town for use of the pavilion at the Overlook for a family wedding.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the 5 year Snow and Ice contract with Dept. of Transportation. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to authorize the establishment of a petty cash account for the Newcomb Historical Museum, High Peaks Golf Course, Tax Collector and Town Clerk. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the sale of Town T-shirts at a cost of \$9.00 for Town employees and \$15.00 for the public. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize the attendance of Karen Darrah to the Tax Receivers and Collectors training seminar in Lake Placid June 9-10<sup>th</sup>. The cost of the room, travel and a meal stipend of \$99.00 will be included. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

After several meetings, ROOST has agreed to dissolve the Schroon Lake Region and change it to the Adirondack Hub Region, which will include Newcomb, Minerva, North Hudson and Schroon Lake.

Gallup Concrete is scheduled to pour the concrete base for the bathroom addition at the overlook this week. Once this is done the General Fund crew can begin construction of the addition.

We are still waiting on pricing from two contractors for the resurfacing of the Cemetery roads.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the placement of a pole with a siren for the Newcomb Fire Department behind the new water plant. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The General Fund crew will be shorthanded this summer. There was discussion on opening up two more positions to graduating seniors that may be undecided about attending college. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve allowing eligible students to work this summer. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried. Councilman Olbert abstained.

There is a court hearing on Friday on the fight for the Cedar River Bridge. Attorney, Mark Schachner will be attending and will be filing an Amicus Brief on behalf of the 5 Towns if necessary. Motion was made by Councilman Bott for the Town of Newcomb to share in the legal costs associated with the court filings. This is not to exceed \$5000. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Planning Board has been discussing the vacant building issues in the Town. The next Comprehensive Plan meeting will be June 19, 2019. Paul Hai reminded the Town that there will be a tree planting at the APA on Thursday June 13, 2019 in memory of George Canon.

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

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

May 21, 2019

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 21nd of May 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wes Miga, Ruth Olbert, Joan Burke, Mary Monahan, Robert Stringer, Paul LaCourse, Marsha Chase, Beth Poulin, Mitch Moses and Paul Hai.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$54707.33. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$59336.49. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Water Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$413.82. Seconded by Councilman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$714.17. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #4 in the amount of \$20144.43. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #4 Highway Abstract #1 in the amount of \$19500.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Capital Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #2 in the amount of \$10,000.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

June meetings were tentatively set for June 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to rescind May 7th motion to authorize the transfer of 1.0 acre parcel of land from the 20 acre lot where the salt shed will be built. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Resolution to transfer ownership of the 1.0 acre parcel of land to Clay Arsenault, subject to Permissive Referendum. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign contract with DEC for the Essex Chain Lakes. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

A reminder that the Household Hazardous Waste Day is Saturday July 27, 2019 in North Hudson. The Town will begin the collection on Saturday July 20 thru July 25. Residents can drop off waste during this time.

The Town received two estimates for the overlook bathroom addition. Gallup Concrete - \$3975.00 and Northwoods Concrete - \$4200.00. We will be contacting Gallup Concrete to make arrangements.

The Town will be resurfacing the roads at the Huntington and Newcomb Cemeteries. We have been able to get only one bid so far for this work. Discussion was tabled on this project.

Supervisor Deloria gave the Board an example of a Local Law for the Determination of Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures. The Board is asked to review this example and consider if the Town needs to adopt a similar law.

There was a discussion on the Hudson River/Polaris Club Bridge six mile trail. DEC is busy with other projects and would welcome any assistance that the Town of Newcomb could provide. There was discussion on organizing a trail crew to work on this project.

Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages June Membership meeting is June 2-3. Anyone interested in attending should get registrations in by Thursday May 23.

The Historical Museum has been gifted a piano from the Pruyn Estate and an anonymous donor has gifted a 16 foot guide boat. These need to be picked up in Brewster, Mass. The Town will check into the cost of having a professional moving company bring it to Newcomb.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the MOU agreement with SUNY ESF for the purpose of allowing vehicles to fuel up at our tanks. They will have a lock box and keys will be issued to each department. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There was discussion on Town interest in the bank parcel and the Episcopal Church Building.

Committee members, Councilman Olbert, Councilwoman Fennessy and Wes Miga will meet with Joan Burke to discuss making the Historical digital collections available online. The Historical Museum will open a new exhibit starting May 30, 2019, "Behind the Scenes at Santanoni." They will be open Monday – Saturday 9-5 pm.

Councilman Novak presented some ideas for a monument stone honoring George Canon. We will consult family for a photo and other ideas.

The next Comprehensive Plan meeting will be Wednesday May 29, 2019 at 7 pm. They are looking for input from Code Enforcement for amendments to the Zoning Plan.

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

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

May 7, 2019

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 8th of May 2018 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman

Others present: Mitch Moses, Paul LaCourse, Beth Poulin, Kevin Bolan and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$22149.04. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #1 in the amount of \$19975.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

June meetings were tentatively set for June 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

Town Attorney, Robert Hafner prepared a Resolution to permit the Town to transfer ownership of a 1.0 acre parcel of land from the 20 acre lot where the salt shed will be constructed. This is a permissive referendum which requires the Town to provide public notice in the newspaper with a 30 day waiting period from the date of the Resolution. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Resolution. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Essex County Board of Supervisors have requested an additional 2% increase in the Essex County Occupancy tax which is currently at 3%. This request must be approved by the State Legislature.

Supervisor Deloria met with Linda Stringer to discuss the upcoming golf season. The golf memberships will remain the same. Cart fee rentals will be \$5.00 per person for members and \$10.00 per person for non-members. Trail fees for private golf carts will be \$150.00. No new private carts will be allowed but the town will grandfather the ones that are currently there. Hours of operation will be 8am-7pm. July and August weekends will be open 7am-7pm.

Going forward, the Town will require college enrollment verification for those working for the maintenance department. Students must be enrolled full time to qualify. Students will also have mandatory pre-employment drug testing and sexual harassment training.

Essex County will be holding a Household Hazardous waste event. The town will collect waste during the week of July 20-26. Items will be taken to North Hudson on July 27.

Chazen Company has helped the Town of Newcomb with a Consolidated Funding Application in the past. We would like to have them prepare another application for us. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign an agreement with Chazen Company for Consolidated Funding Application at a cost of \$3500. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.



Councilman Bott brought up a discussion on finishing the installation of new boards for the skating rink.

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

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

April 23, 2019

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 23th of April 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Ruth Olbert, Joan Burke, Wes Miga, Skip Hults, Chris Fisher, Mitch Moses, Paul LaCourse, Marsha Chase, Mary Lamphear and Mary Pound. Excused: Joe Novak.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$24753.66. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$67293, 72. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Water Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$2128.85. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$1455.39. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capital Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #3 in the amount of \$717.50. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

May meeting dates were tentatively set for May 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

The Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages membership meeting is June 2, 2019. Officials that would like to attend need to get the reservation in before May 24, 2019.

National Grid will be conducting work on the transmission line to NYSEG, April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 3. Power will be on generator during that time and no outages are expected.

AT&T has asked about putting attachments on the top of the water tower. Supervisor Deloria encouraged them to put up a separate tower.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the contract with North Country Life Flight at a cost of \$1000.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve attendance of Councilwoman Fennessy to the PERMA Annual Member Conference, May 22-24. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried. Councilwoman Fennessy abstained.

Frontier has completed their construction survey for broadband at Tahawus Lower Works. They should be running the fiber broad band line very soon. The Town of Newcomb will

be renewing services with Frontier as part of the deal to extend the broadband to Tahawus.

All of the materials have been submitted to the APA regarding the Salt Shed construction and minor subdivision. We are waiting to hear back from them so that we can begin the Bid process. Supervisor Deloria will follow up with the APA on Wednesday.

There are a couple of mapping issues with Google Maps. One with the directions to Boreas Ponds and the other with the Essex Chain Lakes. Supervisor Deloria will be working with them to get this corrected.

The Town did not receive an invitation to apply for the ABRC Forest Grant. DEC has notified us of an upcoming Consolidated Funding Application.

Skip Hults and Chris Fisher from Newcomb Central School did a presentation to the Board on the proposed Capital Project. The majority of the cost is to replace the windows and the parking lot to correct drainage problems that is causing water damage in the school.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

April 9, 2019

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 9th of April 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Wester Miga, Ruth Olbert, Bob Stringer, Lowell Stringer, Beth Poulin, Paul Hai, Paul LaCourse, Alex Helms, Kevin Bolan and Mary Pound. Donald Bott excused.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the General Fund Abstract #7 in the amount of \$20281.49. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #7 in the amount of \$9069.62. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capital Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #2 in the amount of \$1500.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #10 Water Abstract #1 in the amount of \$3752.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Assessor Lowell Stringer updated the Board on the current re-evaluation that his office is doing. The State land value has gone up to \$73 million from \$68 million. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to accept the State land values as stated by the Town Assessors. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the cost of four Highway garage doors, 20' x 14' at a cost of \$19995.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

The Agreement to Expend Highway Money was approved by the Town Board.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to increase the annual dental reimbursement for retirees from \$1000 annually to \$1500.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the attendance of Paul Hai to the New York Planning Federation Conference April 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the conference fee, lodging, airfare and meal stipend for Kevin and Denise Bolan to attend the AAPA 2019 conference in Denver, Colorado, May 18-22. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

NYS DEC inspected the water district facility and tower and is requesting the Town apply for a new water withdrawal permit and SPEDES permit. AES will be working with them to determine if this is necessary.

The suggested Local Law regarding designation of Pine Tree Road and Goodnow Flow Road for ATV's is not a permitted use.

AARCH has selected the three interns for Camp Santanoni 2019 Summer Staff. These students will intern with Joan Burke at the Historical Museum for one day.

There will be a meeting on Thursday April 11, 2019 at the Chester Municipal Center regarding the proposed 99 mile long First Wilderness Heritage Trail that will run from Corinth to Newcomb. Dave and Ruth Olbert will be attending the meeting.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Yandon commented on the Sustainable Winter Road Maintenance Workshops.

Youth Commission would like more sand for the beach and coverage for the roots under the trees.

Alex Helms is looking for land to lease to store and cut wood.

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

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

March 26, 2019

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 March 2019 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
David Olbert	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Ruth Olbert, Joan Burke, Wester Miga, Paul LaCourse, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke, Beth Poulin, Nick Funari, Jayne Funari, Kevin Bolan and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the General Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$89854.98. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$88063.84. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Water Abstract #3 in the amount of \$756.82. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Sewer Abstract #3 in the amount of \$1265.40. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

April meeting dates were tentatively set for April 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

DEC has approved a Cooperative Agreement with the Town of Newcomb providing a Memo of Understanding for the Town to undertake preapproved maintenance, repairs and facilitate staffing at Camp Santanoni. This will also include summer interns. This is a five year agreement. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy for a Resolution to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the agreement with DEC. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert for a Resolution authorizing work by Gore Electric on the Gate Lodge for no more than \$20000.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve meal stipend for officers to attend the APA Local Government Day. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the attendance of Mark Yandon to the Ithaca Highway School June 2-5 with a meal stipend of \$214.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

NYS DEC regulations require the town to have two certified operators and submit a staffing plan for the Winebrook Sewer plant by May 1, 2019. We currently have Tracy Smith from Ticonderoga as our Certified Operator and our maintenance department has been going to the plant on a daily basis. Supervisor Deloria and Wes Miga plan to meet with DEC to discuss this regulation.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to allow NYSEG or its sub-contractors to set up a staging area at the triangle to temporarily store poles needed for replacement in this area. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

The “Experience Newcomb App” is ready to go live and is being published to the Apple Store/Google Play Store. This should be ready in 3-5 days.

The Town website will be updated to the web software “Word Press” Web Instinct is our current provider and they will do the update.

A Minor Subdivision Application and Commercial Use Application was submitted to the Park Agency to begin the process for relocating the Storage Shed Building. Bids for construction should be going out soon.

Councilman Olbert gave a special thank you to Larry Newcomb, Jackie LaCourse, Ruth Olbert, and Laurinda and Charlie Minke for manning the booth at the Adirondack Sport and Fitness Show in Saratoga.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted\_\_\_\_\_

March 12, 2019

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 March 2018 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Joan Burke, Ruth Olbert, Paul Hai, Kevin Bolan, Paul LaCourse, Wes Miga, Mark Yandon, Beth Poulin and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$57333.68. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$17813.13. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town has received the reimbursement money from EFC for the Water Grant. This money will be used to pay back the General Fund for funds used to pay bills not yet reimbursed from the Water grant.

NYCLASS is a local government investment pool. Earnings rates for this pool is much higher than what we are able to get at Community Bank. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy for a Resolution to join the NYCLASS investment program. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The AT&T cell contract has met with a problem. AT&T would like to drain the water tower to mount the equipment. Welding on the tower will damage the new coating. They are looking for an alternative mounting method.

There will be a community meeting on April 12, 2019 at the Newcomb Fire Hall with SLIC Network from 3-7 pm. They will answer questions and begin signing people up for installation. The Newcomb Medical Center will be the first to hook up to the new network.

The deadline for registration to the APA Local Government Conference is March 20, 2019. The Conference is April 3-4 in Lake Placid.

Clay Arsenault has showed some interest in locating his storage shed business at the Town triangle area out by Shapley's Corner. He is agreeable to a land swap of 1 acre in exchange for the Draper Store property. Supervisor Deloria will be working with the APA regarding the inclusion of this 2-lot subdivision as part of the Salt Shed project. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to allow Supervisor Deloria to proceed with this transaction. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Planning Board Chairman, Paul Hai reported that the first meeting of the Comprehensive Plan was well attended. The next meeting will be March 28, 2019 at 7 pm.



Joan Burke reported that they have scanned 15,480 documents and pictures that are now preserved at the Historical Building. They still have many more to do.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

February 26, 2019

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 February 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman

Others present: Paul LaCourse, Laurinda Minke, Charlie Minke and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$32857.44. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$58861.10. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #1 in the amount of \$12640.55. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Water Abstract #2 in the amount of \$235.91. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Sewer Abstract #2 in the amount of \$986.09. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

March meetings were tentatively set for March 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Frontier Broadband has received approval for funding to provide "Fiber to the Home" to households in the Tahawus Lower Works community. They would require at least 15 homes to commit to the broadband and a two year commitment.

The Town has received a contract from AT&T for cell service. They would like to put their equipment on the water tower. Supervisor Deloria needs to talk with their engineer about drilling the tank because any damage would void our warranty for the coating on the tower. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the contract with AT&T pending on information we receive from the AT&T engineer. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

The Town had a meeting today with NYSEG. They are making progress with the concerns that we brought to them in the November meeting. They have replaced many poles and are trimming trees. They hope to recruit additional workers to for generator support.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign a letter cancelling the Town agreement of services with AES Northeast for the Salt Shed Storage Building. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried. The Town will be building a fabric covered salt shed at a significant savings.

The subject of relocating the historic rangers cabin has come up again. Supervisor Canon had interest in moving the cabin to Newcomb several years ago. Supervisor Deloria

talked with Tom Martin at DEC about the project and he will look into the feasibility of it.

The deadline for registration to the Adirondack Park Local Government Day conference on April 3-4 is March 20. Please return registrations to Mary Pound before this date if you are interested in attending.

The Town received the training power point presentation from Burnham Financial for the Sexual Harassment training. All employees are required to take the training and sign a form. Town will develop a plan to distribute training materials on a USB stick and get with department heads to implement.

The Town received a letter of support from Senator Betty Little for the Regional Forest Economy Partnership Grant opportunity. The purpose of this grant is to assist rural communities in transitioning from a historic dependence on forest based economy to discovering new opportunities for economic diversity. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to authorize the submission of a letter of interest to the Northern Border Regional Commission. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Deloria provided a slideshow on the new "Experience Newcomb App." The next town newsletter will request pictures from everyone in the community on Newcomb wildlife and other topics.

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

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

February 12, 2019

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 February 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
David Olbert	Councilman

Others present: Wester Miga, Paul Hai and Mary Pound. Councilman Novak on conference call.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Deloria at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the General Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$27696.75. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$9028.61. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #3 in the amount of \$16675.09. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

The Town is researching options with Hybrid Building Solutions for construction of the new salt shed. The cost would be \$286000.00 for a 60' x 80' structure without the concrete slab. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert for a Resolution asking Essex County Community Resources to prepare final Bid Specifications and to bid out a OGS approved "fabric structure storage shed." Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

ROOST has a proposal for Essex County Board of Supervisors to increase the current occupancy tax from \$.03 to \$.05 cents beginning in 2020. NY State legislation is required to permit change in county law. This proposal would also have to pass the County Economic Development Committee, Ways and Means Committee and the full Board of Supervisors.

The Board received a letter from Ryan Gutheil of Middlebury College encouraging the Town to partner with SUNY ESF for marketing the Town. This will be referred to Paul Hai.

The cost of a new Pisten Bully Trail groomer has increased to approximately \$248000.00. The Snowmobile Club will be applying for grant funding. The lease amount for this machine would be \$3000.00 per month. We will be looking into this as an option.

The maintenance department feels that they can remodel and insulate the current bathroom at the overlook to make it a four season bathroom. They would also put an addition on the south end to accommodate the "Experience Newcomb Electronic App" and brochures. Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the remodeling of the bathrooms at the overlook. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried.

DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos has decided not to retire.

There will be a 'kickoff' meeting for the Comprehensive Plan on February 28, 2019 at the Newcomb Fire Hall at 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

January 15, 2019

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 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2019 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

Robin Deloria	Supervisor
Lana Fennessy	Councilwoman
David Olbert	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Monica Young, Paul Hai, Paul LaCourse, Wes Miga and Mary Pound. Excused: Joe Novak.

Supervisor Deloria called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the December 27, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the minutes of the January 1, 2019 organizational meeting. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the General Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$62127.01. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$28915.68. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Olbert to approve the Capital Projects #5 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$73299.98. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to approve the Capital Projects #7 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$32500.00. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

February meetings were tentatively set for February 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the audit of the Town Justice Court Records and Docket Books. Seconded by Councilwoman Fennessy and carried by roll call vote: Supervisor Deloria – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilwoman Fennessy – Aye, and Councilman Olbert – Aye.

The Board received the Code Officers Report.

There will be a meeting January 16, 2019 with Jim McKenna from ROOST. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the Letter of Agreement with ROOST to request the \$2500.00 to be used to enhance tourism and drive new visitors to Essex County. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Fennessy to authorize Supervisor Deloria to sign the lease agreement with AT&T. They agree to pay the Town of Newcomb \$1500.00 per month for rental on the water tower. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

We are moving forward on the Experience Newcomb APP. We have created a G-Mail Account, purchased a web domain called experiencenewcomb.com., opened an APPLE Development Account and opened a GOOGLE Play Developer Account.

In efforts to separate the publicity and marketing from the Town of Newcomb Official Web Site, from the Discover Newcomb Website, Supervisor Deloria will be meeting with Tom Williams from Paradox Consultants to discuss reworking the site.

Phase III of the Main Street Revitalization Program has begun. The AC/Heating system is being installed at the Lake Harris Lodge, sheet rocking and restaurant equipment and furnishing will be purchased and installed. These items are being paid for from a Grant. The remaining funds are on hold and have been set aside for local government projects.

The current groomer for the snowmobile trail is in really rough shape. It is very old and the entire front drive sprocket broke off. It had to be welded back together. The Town needs to look into the purchase of a new groomer. The Snowmobile Club should also look into grant funding for a new groomer.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Olbert and carried at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_