

**Town of Northumberland  
Town Board Meeting  
November 9, 2023**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order @ 8:10 AM by Deputy Town Supervisor John DeLisle.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no comments from the public.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Dog Control Officer: Ed Cross, Dog Control Officer, submitted his report for October 2023. Mr. Cross answered 7 Complaints; issued 5 Warnings and had 3 Dog Bite Cases.

2. Supervisor Willard Peck received an email from Robert Davies, Executive Director, of Saratoga PLAN regarding the County Approval of the Bobley Farm Conservation as stated below:

“To the Town of Northumberland, the sum of \$199,951 upon Saratoga PLAN completing a bargain sale, plus in-kind donations, of an estimated price of \$5,538.81 per acre for the purchase of the development rights of a 75.2-acre farm in order to place a perpetual conservation easement over the 18 Karat Farm (Tax Parcel #s 143.2-25; 143.-2-26). Total project cost is estimated at \$399,902. The balance of the project costs is to be paid by a combination of contributions and in-kind donations from the landowner, Saratoga PLAN and/or the Town.”

3. Supervisor Willard Peck received a letter from Samuel Califano, 37 Baker Drive, Gansevoort regarding the poor condition of the Terrel Hills Park. He gave the following suggestions: No Littering signs, fixing of the broken swing, fixing of the teeter-totter, getting rid of pricker plants, and adding more play structures. The letter will be given to the Highway Superintendent to address.

4. The Town Clerk received an email from Sabrina Oberkrieser regarding the intersection of Kobor Road and Railroad. Ms. Oberkrieser stated that there is no signage to let cars coming onto Railroad Avenue know what to do when a car is coming out of Kobor Road. Ms. Oberkrieser believes there used to be a sign somewhere, but now there is not anything besides a stop sign for cars coming out of Railroad Avenue.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

1. 2024 Town Budget: Deputy Supervisor John DeLisle stated that the Town Board held a Public Hearing earlier to receive the public’s comments on the proposed 2024 Town Budget. There were no comments from the public. Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion to adopt the 2024 Town Budget. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. It was open for discussion. Deputy Supervisor DeLisle stated with this increase the Town Budget would still be below the Tax Cap. Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution# 57 of 2023 –

**WHEREAS**, the Northumberland Town Board having, on November 9, 2023 at 8:00 AM., duly held a Public Hearing on the proposed town budget approved by this Board and filed with the Town Clerk for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2024, and having heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter, and the matter of the budget for this Town for such fiscal year having been fully discussed and considered, it is

**RESOLVED**, that said proposed town budget be amended, approved, and filed as aforesaid, is hereby adopted, and established as the annual budget as so adopted is detailed in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk of this Town shall prepare and certify as provided by law, duplicate copies of said annual budget hereby adopted, and deliver one of such copies to the Supervisor of the Town, and that he shall present such copy to the Board of Legislators of the County as required by law.

**The 2024 Annual Budget, in its entirety, is in the official minute book at the town clerk’s office and on the website, [townofnorthumberland.org](http://townofnorthumberland.org).**

Councilman George Hodgson seconded the introduction of Resolution #57 of 2023

Deputy John DeLisle – “Aye”

Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”

Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”      Resolution #57 of 2023 Adopted

2. December’s Town Board Meeting: Deputy Supervisor John DeLisle stated that December’s Town Board Meeting date needs to be changed due to a prior commitment Supervisor Peck has on December 14<sup>th</sup>. It was the consensus of the Town Board to hold December’s Town Board Meeting on December 7 @ 8:00 AM.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

1. 2023 Updated Northumberland Comprehensive Plan (Draft): Deputy Supervisor John DeLisle stated an updated Draft Comprehensive Plan was emailed or sent to everyone. Please review prior to December's Town Board Meeting.
2. Stonebridge Farm PUD Update: Town Attorney David Brennan stated that he has nothing new to report.

**DESIGNATIONS**

1. Approval of Vouchers: Councilman George Hodgson introduced Resolution # 58 of 2023

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the following Vouchers to be paid as presented:

A (General Fund) Vouchers # 295 - # 325 Total: \$ 38,813.23  
DA (Highway Fund) Vouchers # 281 - # 298 Total: \$ 36,872.10  
SS (Sewer) Voucher # 9 Total: \$ 21.32  
TA (Trust & Agency) Voucher #5 - #6 Total: \$3,481.52

Councilman Paul Bolesh seconded the introduction of Resolution #58 of 2023.

Deputy Supervisor John DeLisle – "Aye"  
Councilman Paul Bolesh – "Aye"  
Councilman George Hodgson – "Aye"                      Resolution # 58 of 2023 Adopted

Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion @ 8:32 AM to adjourn the Regular Monthly Meeting.  
Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy  
Town Clerk