

**TOWN OF BALDWIN  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2019**

**THIS REGULAR MEETING** of the Town of Baldwin was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor Purvis. Those present were Councilman Sherwood, Councilwoman Purvis, Councilman Collins and Councilman Steiner.

Also present were Faith Marmor, Paul Tillotson, Anna Pirro, Robin Rosekrans, Ashur Terwilliger and Barb Harding.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No report was given.

**MINUTES**

A Motion was made to accept the September 11, 2019 Town Board Meeting Minutes by Councilman Steiner, seconded by Councilman Sherwood, All Ayes.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT**

Supervisor Purvis stated that Barb Harding has submitted one Audit and is waiting on another. A Class Action concerning an opioid lawsuit was given to Towns, Counties, Parishes, Boroughs, etc. If the Town would like to opt out of this lawsuit, the deadline for opting out is 11/22/2019. *This lawsuit will be placed on the Agenda for the November 2019 Town Board Meeting.*

**TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Faith Marmor stated that she met with the Treasurer's Office on 09/23/2019 regarding 2020 Tax Collection. Due to personnel changes within the Treasurer's Office and small amount of town residents that come into the Town Offices to pay their taxes, the Treasurer's Office requested the Board's permission to come one day per week to the Town Hall for collection of taxes within the Town of Baldwin. The Board approved the Treasurer's Office coming to the Town Hall one day per week to collect taxes in person. Faith Marmor also let the Board know that they believed no changes to fees for 2020 but that an Agreement would follow shortly for the Board's review and ultimate approval.

**TOWN OF BALDWIN**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURES**  
**SEPTEMBER 2019**

**INCOME:**

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 855.62</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>\$ <u>1.76</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 857.38</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 11,888.30</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>\$ 29,057.93</b>
<b>TRUST AND AGENCY</b>	<b>\$ <u>921.17</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 41,867.40</b>

# TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF BALDWIN, NEW YORK

SEPTEMBER, 2019

TO THE SUPERVISOR:

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Pursuant to Section 27, Subd 1 of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office during the month stated above, excepting only such fees and moneys the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by Law:

A1255	<u>4</u>	DECALS	<u>15.27</u>	
			<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK FEES</b>	<b>15.27</b>
A2544	<u>10</u>	DOG LICENSES	<u>90.00</u>	
			<b>TOTAL A2544</b>	<b>90.00</b>
A2555	<u>1</u>	BUILDING PERMITS	<u>50.00</u>	
			<b>TOTAL A2555</b>	<b>50.00</b>

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## **HIGHWAY REPORT**

Paul Tillotson reported that the Highway Department has been hauling sand in from Angelo's, 750 tons. They have 1,250 tons left to haul in. An order of salt has been placed. Salt prices are \$58.00 per ton, approximately \$2,200.00 for a load of salt.

The Highway Department has helped the Town of Chemung for a couple days, hauling.

The Highway Department has the new snow tires in and front tires for the trucks.

Soil & Water came in to set rock at Grover Road bridge. That is all done until next year for road surface.

The Highway Department has the Soil & Water dozer in for the creek across from the Fire Station. This job was finished up today.

They have done some ditching with the backhoe on a couple roads.

The Chips paperwork is completed and they are waiting on two checks that will be sent out. The total project on Grover Road bridge was around \$50,739.42. The truck payment was \$41,098.04. Looking at approximately \$91,837.46 to come back.

Next year will be the last year on the truck payment and they need to strongly think into a backhoe or mini excavator. At the first of the year, he will start to have prices.

## **PUBLIC WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report was given.

## **COMMUNITY APPRECIATION AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

Councilman Sherwood gave an internet update. He contacted O'Mara's Office to see if they could assist and the Rural Internet Development Office is saying that the project is on time and that the pole permitting issues will all be figured out, and the outside date is 12/31/2019. No word from Haefele yet as to confirmation of this. The pole permit was a conflict with Spectrum and their build out with Erin and not Baldwin. As to the Federal Census Lines, there is a video of the Commission's Meeting. It was stressed throughout the meeting by multiple parties that the census blocks that they came out with when they were bidding for these contracts were severely flawed, thus the reason why some sections of Baldwin were not served or picked up. There is no answer yet as to whether they will be increasing their coverage area.

**TOWN OF BALDWIN**  
**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE**  
**622 BRESSPORT, N CHEMUNG RD.**  
**LOWMAN, N.Y. 14861**  
**MONTHLY REPORT FOR September 2019**

**PERMITS ISSUED: 1**

**PERMITS DENIED:0**

**FEES RECEIVED: \$ 50.00**

**COMPLAINTS: 1**

**FOLLOW UP ON COMPLAINTS : 2**

**VIOLATIONS ISSUED: 0**

**TICKETS ISSUED: 0**

**CERTIFICATION OF OCCUPANCY / COMPLETION : 1**

**INSPECTIONS : 1**

**911 ADDRESSES ISSUED : 0**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**  
**Martin Jerzak**

## OLD BUSINESS

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT** - *This matter was tabled to the November 2019 Town Board Meeting.*

**PERMIT FEES - LOCAL LAW NO. 2-2019** - Ashur Terwilliger showed photos of the aftermath of an individual who logged someone's property and the deep trench (4' to 6' deep) made due to same. This logging was done during the rainy season. He knows who the logging company is. If they should come to the Town of Baldwin, he will warn the Town. It took an excavator, dozer and backhoe to straighten the trench out. The Planning Board added a Performance Bond for commercial loggers to the Permit Fees at \$3,000.00 due to this issue. The Board determined not to include a Performance Bond for commercial loggers and that the Permit Fee Schedule previously approved remains in effect.

*This matter was tabled to the November 2019 Town Board Meeting.*

**2020 PROPOSED BUDGET**- Barb Harding handed out two summary sheets of the proposed 2020 Budget, one being without Chips as requested by Councilman Sherwood. The Board discussed the budget at length. Barb Harding asked for information regarding the Pilot Program and monies the town may be receiving and if this would raise taxes. Faith Marmor will check on this issue. The per capita tax has not yet been received. There is no figure for sales tax and Barb Harding dropped this figure to \$10,000.00 for General and Highway. On Page 4 of the proposed budget, Paul Tillotson's salary, equipment contractual and General Garage were increased. Barb Harding stated that she would like to see the roller payment coming out of Debt Services versus the machinery fund/account as there is a bond on the roller. Paul Tillotson stated that he would be paying the roller off this year. Deficit concerns were raised and Barb Harding handed out a printout of the Town's accounts and where they currently stand now. There was question of how to pay the Town Attorney for 2020, hourly, salary, etc. Supervisor Purvis will talk to the Town Attorney concerning this issue.

A Motion was made in the form of a **Resolution No. 43-2019 (10R-2019)** to accept and adopt the Preliminary Budget for 2020 by Councilman Steiner, seconded by Councilman Collins, All Ayes.

**CODE OF ETHICS** - Faith Marmor researched the Town's records and found that the Town of Baldwin has a Code of Ethics. This matter will be taken off of any future Agenda.

**TOWN JUSTICE** (potential elimination of residency requirement) - Supervisor Purvis asked if the Board would be willing to have the Town Attorney start the process for lifting residency requirement of any Town of Baldwin Justice. Councilman Sherwood stated that he believed there was interest in this position and thought it may be best to wait until after the Election to see if the Town Justice position is filled. The Board agreed.

## NEW BUSINESS

**SENIOR CITIZEN EVENTS** - Paul Tillotson stated that he was asked why the Town does not have senior citizen events for seniors within the Town, i.e. bus trips, etc. He asked if this would be something the

Town could do for senior citizens and if there was money in the budget for same. The Board discussed the matter briefly. Faith Marmor will place a request on the Town's Website for any individual in the Town that may be willing to coordinate and facilitate senior citizen events in the Town of Baldwin. Paul Steiner mentioned speaking to the individuals at the Church. *This matter will be tabled to the November 2019 Town Board Meeting.*

**NYS PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE** - Mr. Terwilliger stated that the State is looking for property maintenance code to include farms. On 10/15/2019 at the annual dinner, some Specialists/Lobbyist will be coming to explain this matter. Ashur Terwilliger is looking to have farms omitted/deleted from this property maintenance code. On 10/28/2019 in the Town of Big Flats, he, Sherrill Collins and Martin Jerzak will be attending a seminar for code on farms. He wanted to make the Board aware of this matter for future Planning Board discussions and possible determinations by the Board concerning same.

**HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN FOR 2020** - A Motion was made in the form of a **Resolution No. 44-2019 (10R2-2019)** to pass the insurance plan, Platinum 2 Plan, as proposed by Brown & Brown Insurance, by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilman Sherwood, All Ayes.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS** - A Motion was made to pay the bills by Councilman Sherwood, seconded by Councilman Steiner, All Ayes.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A Motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilman Collins, seconded by Councilman Sherwood, All Ayes.

A Motion was made to go out of Executive Session by Supervisor Purvis, seconded by Councilman Collins, All Ayes.

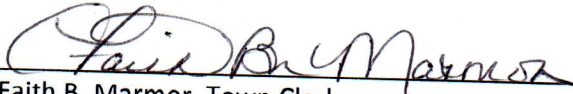
A Motion was made to go back into the regular Town Board Meeting by Councilman Sherwood, seconded by Councilman Collins, All Ayes.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilman Sherwood, seconded by Councilman Steiner, All Ayes.

**THE NEXT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2019 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:00 P.M. REGARDING THE 2020 BUDGET.**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Faith B. Marmor, Town Clerk