

*******DRAFT*******

The Town of Forestburgh Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on **Thursday, January 2, 2025**, at the town hall.

Supervisor Hogue called the meeting to order at 6:16 P.M.

Roll Call: Present – Daniel S. Hogue, Jr., Supervisor
Karen Ellsweig, Councilperson
Steven Budofsky, Councilperson
Susan Parks Landis, Councilperson
Vincent Galligan, Councilperson

Absent – Troy Johnstone, Attorney for the Town

Recording Secretary – Teresa Collins, Town Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Miller - commented on procedures, resolutions, website, public records and rules.

MINUTES – December regular board meeting and December 19,2024 Year End meeting are acknowledged receipt. **MOTION** by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Ellsweig. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS - #243 –248 in the sum of \$3,369.38 as set forth in abstract #12 of 2024 were audited for payment. **General Fund Vouchers** - #1-9 in the sum of \$15,714.23 as set forth in abstract #1 of 2025 were audited for payment. **MOTION** by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Ellsweig to pay the General Fund Vouchers.
Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY FUND VOUCHERS - #105-115 in the sum of \$19,111.06 as set forth in abstract #11 of 2024 were reviewed. **Highway Fund Vouchers** #1 in the sum of \$23,039.22 as set forth in abstract #1 of 2025 were reviewed. **MOTION** by Councilperson Landis, seconded by Councilperson Budofsky to accept the Highway Fund Vouchers.
Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

911 Numbering- Councilperson Ellsweig – prepared a document with information that basically includes what is needed for the town attorney to draft a letter to be sent to the code development of the state.

Please stress:

1-how long we've been trying to get this proposed code approved

2-the extreme rural nature and large size of our coverage area that necessitates certain provisions in our proposed code that may not be needed in more urban places

3- how important it is that we have this additional house numbering to facilitate more timely and accurate access to residents requiring emergency support

MOTION by Supervisor Hogue, seconded by Councilperson Landis to send a letter to Kevin Duerr-Clark Assistant Director of Code Development.

Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

SKI Program – Teresa Collins Town Clerk- Spoke to Drew Taylor and she will review our old contract and see what they can offer for us. Supervisor Hogue – once a contract is received the board will review and make a motion.

New Business

Road Naming – Amended Resolution

AMENDED RESOLUTION

E-911 Road Naming- "MYSTIC DRIVE"

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh has received a request to name a private driveway/road effecting tax parcel 30.-2-6.18; 30.-2-6.19; and 30.-2-6.20.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Forestburgh hereby approves the request to name the private driveway/road located off of Hartwood Road leading to tax parcels 30.-2-6.18; 30.-2-6.19; and 30.-2-6.20 "MYSTIC DRIVE".

Resolution motion made BY: Councilmember Budofsky

Seconded BY: Councilmember Ellsweig

ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Daniel S. Hogue, Jr. - yes
Councilmember Steven Budofsky - yes
Councilmember Karen Ellsweig - yes
Councilmember Vincent Galligan - yes
Councilmember Susan Parks-Landis - yes

Dated: January 2, 2025

REPORTS – BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

PLANNING BOARD- FORESTBURGH PLANNING BOARD JANUARY 2025 REPORT TO THE TOWN BOARD

The planning aboard held its regular December meeting. Two items were on the agenda: an update from the approved Rt 42 Solar project by NY Forestburgh 1, and a sketch plan meeting for an upcoming application for a special use permit and site plan approval for a place of worship by the El Bethel International Ministries on Rt 42 on its 17-acre site comprised of the former Cropley auto repair shop and an adjacent parcel.

NY Forestburgh 1 reported that following the logging and clearing of its site, the topography was revealed to be much flatter than initially thought, and the potential impact of leveling the site would be far less than was anticipated in its application and approvals previously

made. Tim Gottlieb concurred in this assessment, and no further analysis of potential environmental impact is indicated.

El Bethel International Ministries presented its sketch plan for a place of worship. A frank discussion of the requirements of our code, and topics the aboard felt were indicated for further elaboration in an application for the relief requested was held. El Bethel expects to be presenting a completed application within several months.

January's regular meeting is scheduled for January 28, although to date nothing has been presented for our agenda.

ADJOURNMENT – MOTION by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis to adjourn at 6.37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Collins,
Town Clerk