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**TOWN OF GALWAY**  
Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Galway will hold a Public Hearing on December 8, 2020 at 6:45 p.m. at the Galway Town Hall, 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway, NY. The purpose of Public Hearing is to consider amending the Town of Galway Solar Collection System Local Law by making some technical language changes and also extending the maximum permitted life of the solar collection systems from 20 years to up to 35 years. At said Public Hearing any person may be heard in favor or against Proposed Local Law as compiled, or for or against any item or items as there in contained. Copies of the Proposed Local Law are available for inspection by any interested person during regular Town Clerk hours or on Town of Galway website: [townofgalwayny.org](http://townofgalwayny.org) on home page under "Quick Links".  
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**TOWN OF GALWAY  
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**December 08, 2020**

Call to order – Supervisor Smith

Roll Call – Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held November 10, 2020

Communications Received – Town Clerk DeFoe

Reports of Committees:

Budget

Approval of Abstract Fund A

Approval of Abstract Fund B

Approval of Abstract Fund DA

Approval of Abstract Fund DB

Approval of Abstract Fund SL

Approval of Abstract Fund TT

Supervisor's Report

Budget Amendments- (1) for \$15.00

Resolutions:

Set date for 2021 Organizational Meeting Jan 5, 2021 at 7pm.

Re-appoint Christine McCormack to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Other Business:

We sent out Certificates of Appreciation to all Halloween participants

Should be receiving the new Highway Truck shortly

Priviledge of the Floor:

Adjourn

PUBLIC HEARING  
 DECEMBER 8, 2020  
 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor Michael Smith	Councilman Fred Arnold
	Councilwoman JoAnne Peregrim-Grant	Councilman Ryan Flinton
	Councilman J.D. Arnold	

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Gilday, Building Administrator; R. Daino, Planning Chair; J. Trainor, Attorney & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Town Clerk stated legal notice was placed in the Daily Gazette on November 19, 2020 and posted at Town Hall, Post Office, Bank, & Town Website advising the public of a Public Hearing at 6:45 p.m. on December 8, 2020 to review and consider amending the Solar Collection System Local Law by making some technical language changes and also extending the maximum permitted life of solar collection systems from 20 years to up to 35 years.

Supervisor Michael Smith requested that the Planning Attorney, Jim Trainor give an overview of the proposed changes. **Jim Trainor** stated that the Town Board approved a Local Law earlier this year with reference to Solar. The Planning Board currently has an application before them for a solar project. The Town Engineer and Attorney Trainor went thru Law and came up with some areas that needed some tweaking with reference to technical language changes. The solar company was also looking to have the extended life of solar collection system changed from 20 years to 35 years. There were no questions or comments from Town Board or audience regarding proposed Local Law. The Clerk advised that she received no written or oral comments regarding proposed Local Law.

On a motion of Councilman Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilman Ryan Flinton the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law was closed at 6:49 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING  
 DECEMBER 8, 2020  
 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Michael Smith called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The same Town Board Members were present. Audience – In addition to Public Hearing: D. Meager, Amsure Insurance Representative.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilman Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilwoman JoAnne Grant to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2020 Public Hearing & Regular

Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated the following correspondence was received: Numerous correspondence from Charter Communication regarding upcoming changes to channels & service; Thank you from Saratoga Plan to Highway Department for their assistance on making parking area at Galway Preserve safer by filling in well; Saratoga Plan update on Barkersville Trails & funding request; Association of Towns Virtual Training School in February; Highway Department report for October with schedule for November; Dog Control Officer Report for October & November with the Shelter Report for November; One \$15.00 budget amendment is needed tonight; Thank you letter from Village of Galway for Halloween in the Park along with their request to continue this event into the future for children's safety. Supervisor Smith stated that the Town sent out Certificates of Appreciation to all the groups that participated in Halloween event. Assessor Report for December & the information from the Bookkeeper regarding two resolutions that need to be retracted with reference to budget amendments per software company & Comptroller's Office.

Dave Meager presentation on AMSURE Insurance Policy for 2021 – Dave went over the Insurance Policy under NYMIR. Information will be given to Highway Superintendent to go over for accuracy. New truck will need to be added into policy. Supervisor Smith stated that he and Highway Superintendent Costanzo met with Roger their lead risk assessment person regarding facility evaluation. Dave stated that there were no issues of deficiency found, which in itself is very rare. Councilman Ryan Flinton stated that the new truck for highway department needs to be added to policy for figures to be adjusted before approving. Supervisor Michael Smith stated that Dave is doing presentation early this year because he is going to Florida; Town Board will not need to vote on this until next meeting at which time truck should be here and figures added into premium. Storedtech did a cyber survey for insurance company.

**COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT HEAD/LIAISON REPORTS – Historian –**

Supervisor Smith stated he has talked with Phyllis in Florida and she is working right along on Historian work. The Historian's office will be getting a new furnace which they are converting to propane. **Youth** – Supervisor Smith stated the only addition he knew of was that they purchased 45 ski tickets which will be handed out thru Town Clerk's Office as school may end up closed down again. We will make sure that passes are used for this season. Will put on website if ski passes don't seem to be getting used.

Councilman Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman J.D. Arnold to approve the November General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$11,105.87.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman JoAnne Grant to approve the November General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$4,296.11.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Ryan Flinton to approve the November Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$7,405.44.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Ryan Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fred Arnold to approve the November Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$26,377.89.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Fred Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman J.D. Arnold to approve the November Special District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$149.21.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman JoAnne Grant to approve the November Tri-Town Gravel Abstract of Vouchers (TT) for a total of \$637.30.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman J.D. Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fred Arnold to approve the Supervisor's Report for the month of November.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 63- 2020** – Budget Amendment. On a motion of Councilwoman JoAnne Grant, seconded by Councilman Fred Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendment:

Decrease	B2705	Gifts & Donations	\$15.00
Increase	B7310.4	Youth Programs	\$15.00

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 64 – 2020** – Schedule Organizational Meeting. On a motion of Councilwoman JoAnne Grant, seconded by Councilman Ryan Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board schedule the 2021 Organizational Meeting for January 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 65-2020** – Re-appointment of Christine McCormack to the ZBA. On a motion of Councilman Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilman J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board re-appoint Christine McCormack to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to expire 12/31/2025.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Michael Smith suggested waiting until next month to vote on AMSURE Insurance package. The new highway truck should be in and new figures should be in place for approval. Board was all good with waiting until January as policy doesn't renew until February.

On a motion of Councilman Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilman Ryan Flinton the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 7:56 p.m. to discuss a contractual matter. The following people were allowed to attend Executive Session: Trevor Gilday, Code Enforcement; RuthAnn Daino, Chair of Planning Board; Attorney Jim Trainor; Margaret DeFoe, Town Clerk and Town Engineer Mike McNamara came for Executive Session.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

On a motion of Councilman J.D. Arnold, seconded by Councilman Fred Arnold the Town Board returned to Regular Session at 8:41 p.m. Supervisor Michael Smith advised that no action was taken by Town Board during Executive Session.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 66-2020** – Proposed Local Law No. 5-2020. Amendments to the Town of Galway Solar Collection System Local Law. On a motion of Councilman Fred Arnold, seconded by Councilman Ryan Flinton the following resolution was DENIED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith – NAY

Councilman Fred Arnold – NAY

Councilwoman JoAnne Grant – NAY

Councilman J. D. Arnold – NAY

Councilman Ryan Flinton – NAY (due to proposed changes to section that addressed permitted life of system).

Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2020

Amending Local Law No. 1 of 2020 “A Local Law Regulating Solar Collection Systems” by making some technical language changes and also extending the maximum permitted life of the Solar Collection Systems from 20 years to up to 35 years.

0 – AYES

5 – NAYS

MOTION DENIED

Other Business - Councilman Ryan Flinton felt that Supervisor should get information from Solar applicant on what they are proposing for a “Pilot Program”. Supervisor Michael Smith along with Attorney Trainor will have telephone conversation with the representative on Solar application regarding their proposed “Pilot Program”. They will then get back to Town Board with applicant’s intentions. Councilman Ryan Flinton felt that Town Board should be made aware of any incentives that may be available with “Pilot Program”.

Privilege of the Floor

**RESOLUTION #: 67-2020** - Councilwoman JoAnne Grant stated that Town Board never got to approve the audit of Justice Alison Thomas-Oravsky Books for 2019 due to shut down from COVID. At this point the Tax Collector, Margaret DeFoe’s Books have been audited for 2020 and can also be approved. On a motion of Councilman Ryan Flinton, seconded by Councilman J.D. Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED:  
AYES – 5      NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the audit of Justice Alison Thomas-Oravsky’s books for 2019 & Tax Collector Margaret DeFoe’s books for 2020 as

filed by Councilwoman JoAnne Grant & Councilman Fred Arnold.

All ayes.

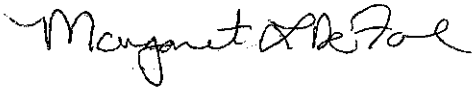
MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman JoAnne Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fred Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe  
Town Clerk