Town of Andes Public Hearing:

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PERSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW

October 10th, 2023 7:00PM Andes Town Hall and Via Zoom

Present:

Supervisor Wayland 'Bud' Gladstone Councilman Dale Cole (absent) Councilman Ritchie Gabriel (zoom) Highway Superintendent John Bouton Councilman Thomas Hall Town Clerk Carol Ames

Others: Eric VanBenschoten, Elizabeth Delgado, Mark Pezzati Peter Ames, Peter Calvert, Vinny Lopez, Jason Frank

Others via Zoom:

Councilman Gabriel

Call to Order:

The public hearing was called to order at 7PM by Supervisor Gladstone

Pledge:

The pledge of allegiance was led and recited by Councilman Cole.

Public Comments & Questions:

Mark Pezzati says that this is a well deserved tax exemption for our first responders.

Adjourn:

The public hearing was adjourned at 7:05PM

Town of Andes Regular Meeting October 10th, 2023 7:00PM Andes Town Hall and Via Zoom

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by Supervisor Gladstone

Minutes:

Motion to approve the September 12th Regular Meeting Minutes (copy provided on Board Room table)

Made by: Councilman Hall, seconded by Supervisor Gladstone, All in favor, Motion carried.

Reports:

Supervisor's Report

Date Ck Rec'd	Check Details	Amount
10/4	Andes Joint Fire District	\$1117.20
9/6	Office of the State Comptroller Remittance	\$7937.00
9/25	Thomas Joyce	\$983.22
9/25	Nicholas Burton	\$486.00

ADD units are in Andes buildings. There are units at Highway Department, School and Town Hall. The Communications Tower Project underway but radios need to be programmed.

Respectfully Submitted, Bud Gladstone, Supervisor

Highway Report (Attached)

Building Inspector Report (Attached)

New Business:

Election Day Meals- November 7th- Meals will be provided by the Andes Volunteer Fire Department.

Town Calendar:

October

Date	Item	Department	
10/9	Town Hall Closed Columbus Day	Building, Assessor, and Town	
		Clerk	
10/10	Public Hearing Proposed Local Law 7:00PM	Town Board	
10/10	Town Board Meeting 7:00PM	Town Board	
10/16	Planning Board Meeting 7:30PM	Planning Board	
10/23	Zoning Board Meeting (if needed) 7:00PM	Zoning	

November

Date	Item	Department
11/7	General Election 6:00AM-9:00PM	
11/9	Town Board Meeting 7:00PM	Town Board
11/13	Planning Board Meeting 7:30PM	Planning

11/13	Town Hall Closed Veteran's Day	Building, Assessor, and Town	
		Clerk	
11/20	Zoning Board Meeting (if needed) 7:00PM	Zoning	
11/23	Town Hall Closed Thanksgiving	Building, Assessor, and Town	
		Clerk	
11/24	Town Hall Closed	Building, Assessor, and Town	
		Clerk	

December

Date	Item	Department
12/11	Planning Board Meeting 7:30PM	Planning
12/12	Town Board Meeting 6:00PM	Town Board
12/24	Town Hall Closed Christmas Eve	Building, Assessor, and Town Clerk
12/18	Zoning Board Meeting (if needed) 7:00PM	Zoning

Motions:

Motion to approve Andes NIP 2024 O&M Budget (see attached letter and budget from NYCDEP)
Made by Councilman Hall
Seconded by Councilman Gabriel
All in favor
Motion carried

Motion to hold a public hearing for the 2024 Town Budgets on November 10th at 7PM Made by Councilman Gabriel Seconded by Councilman Hall All in favor Motion carried

Motion to approve the September 2023 Justices, Town Clerk's and Supervisor's Financial Reports, made by

Motion to hold Trick-or-Treating in the Hamlet of Andes on October 31st, 2023, 5PM-8:30PM,. Made by Councilman Hall Seconded by Councilman Gabriel All in favor Motion carried

Resolutions:

Resolution 4 of 2023 Winter Bids:

Andes WWTP:

1.) Plowing consists of snow removal of the driveway, parking lot and gate. Snow will be removed prior to 6:30AM. Snow will be removed in front of every overhead door each time the facility is plowed and around the front of the court building. The Court sidewalk/walkway is also to be shoveled every day prior to 6:30AM.

Bill Drew- \$2009.49

Andes Water District:

1.) Spring Treatment Plant- Plowing to consist of snow removal of the driveway, wide enough for truck deliveries, inside the fence to each building and the gate. Snow removal will be before 6:30AM. Bid per season.

Bill Drew- \$667.68

2.) Pump House- Shovel entrance and steps to the Pump House.

Bill Drew- \$239.68

1.) Snow removal on delinquent home owner sidewalks will be at the direction of the Town of Andes C.E.O. or the Town of Andes Supervisor. Delinquent home owner snow removal from sidewalks will be on a per sidewalk basis. Photographs, date, and time of each snow removal are required for any bill submitted to the Town.

Bill Drew- \$15.40

2.) Snow removal from Veteran's Park (Bohlmann Park) sidewalk, Library sidewalk, and Hamlet bridges prior to 6:30AM

Bill Drew- \$2354.00

3.) Snow removal from the Andes Town Hall sidewalk and both entrances prior to 6:30AM

Bill Drew- \$561.75

4.) Snow removal at the Andes Railroad Station. Plowing and shoveling to the building as needed. Snow must be removed from the driveway and parking area. Snow must be shoveled from the walkways and doorways of the building.

Bill Drew- \$957.65

5.) Andes Library-Plowing of the parking lot as needed. Snow must be removed from the entrance and parking area. (Bill to Andes Public Library-PO Box 116)

Bill Drew- 1123.50

6.) FUEL OIL- For heating Town Highway Garage -automatic delivery

Allison Oil- \$4.19/gal .30 over rack flux

7.) WINTER MIX- For fuel oil for heating at the Town Highway Garage-automatic delivery

Allison Oil- \$4.59/gal .30 over rack flux

8.) L.P. GAS- Wastewater Plant, Town Hall, Library, Railroad Station and Spring Water Reservoir- automatic delivery

Mirabito- Posting: BPN Selkirk \$1.0024/gal

Firm Differential: +.6500/gal

Flux: \$1.6524/gal

Firm Price: \$2.1000/gal

9.) GASOLINE- Town Highway Garage- automatic delivery

Mirabito- Posting: Global Rack \$2.2277/gal

Firm Differential: +.6262/gal

Flux: \$2.8539/gal

10.) DIESEL FUEL- Town Highway Garage-automatic delivery

Mirabito- Posting: Global Rack \$3.1345/gal Low Sulfur: Global Rack \$3.6245/gal

Firm Differential: +.4500/gal Low Sulfur: +.7500/gal

Flux: \$3.5845/gal Low Sulfur: \$4.3745/gal

11.) WINTER MIX FOR DIESEL FUEL-Town Highway Garage-automatic delivery.

Mirabito-Posting: Sun R+M \$3.1715/gal

Firm Differential: +.4500/gal

Flux: \$3.6215 /gal

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Andes Town Board hereby accepts the following Winter 2023

bids:

Proposed by: Hall

Seconded by: Gladstone

Roll Call:

Councilman Gabriel Councilman Hall Councilman Cole (absent) Supervisor Gladstone

Resolution 5 of 2023 A Local Law: (Tabled)

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PERSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW

WHEREAS, the state Real Property Tax Law was amended by Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022 to add a New Article Providing a Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers Pursuant to Section 466-a of the NY Real Property Tax Law.

WHEREAS the following Local Law was introduced as Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2023, by Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Board of Andes on October 10th 2023 and

WHEREAS, a properly noticed Public Hearing was held on October 10th 2023 at 7PM regarding Local Law No. 3 of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board determined the enactment of this Local Law will have no adverse environmental impacts and issued a Negative Declaration pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of Andes as follows: Section 1. Legislative intent: The New York State Legislature recently amended the Real Property Tax Law to create a new Section 466-a to provide an exemption of up to 10% of the assessed value

{00390877 1} 2 of real property owned by volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers. In order for the exemption to be available it is necessary for the local government body to adopt a local law providing for such an exemption and establishing the minimum service requirement and certification of service requirement. The Town Board has determined that volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers provide essential services to the Town residents and providing such a real property tax exemption will help with recruiting new members and retaining existing members of the volunteer fire and ambulance services. Therefore, the Town of Andes has determined it is in the best interest of the Town to enact a local law providing for such real property tax exemption.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Andes Supervisor, may hereby sign any and all documents as may be necessary for the accomplishment of this local law:

Proposed by: Seconded by:

Roll Call: Councilman Councilman Councilman Supervisor

Districts:

Water- see attached. Sewer- see attached.

Public Comment/Questions:

Peter Calvert asked if there was a time deadline for the creek project in front of ACS. Supervisor Gladstone says they should wrap up the project before the cold weather and will be finished before November.

Councilman Gabriel suggested that the Town of Andes have the Town of Delhi sweep the streets after the construction project. Supervisor Gladstone says he will ask about setting this up.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Supervisor Gladstone All in favor Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM September 13th and 14th we oil and stoned Skyline drive, Scotch pine and forest lane.

18th rained out work in shop. Interview 2 men

19th pug mill pave on Close Hollow. Luson here to fix fuel master burnt out board and other issues waiting on follow up and prices.

20th pug mill on Close Hollow

25th work on Calhoun ditching and fixing

26 work on Mary Smith

27TH 28th work on Mary Smith helped Bovina

October 2nd check roads

3rd shop check trucks

4th check roads chip brush work on Ferment rd. Ditch and haul material. Get patch on Close Hollow and spread b stone on Close Hollow ready for oil and stone.

5th oil and stone. Brought equipment back to shop.

10th shop put bushing in 327. fixed and replaced valves on 344 put driveway pipe in on Gladstone Hollow.

Respectfully submitted John Bouton

CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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TOWN OF ANDES, NY TOWN BOARD MEETING REPORT BY CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. WWTP Plant

Plant effluent flow averaged 46,000 gallons per day (GPD) for the month of August 2023.

2. SPDES Compliance/NYSDEC, NYCDEP

The plant discharges treated effluent to the Tremper Kill Brook. The WWTP was in compliance for all parameters for August 2023.

3. Collection System.

Still have inflow and infiltration (I&I) issues.

- 4. Plant Purchases.
- 5. Plant O&M

All running well.

- 6. Plant Equipment
- 7. Gladstone Hollow Septic System

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TOWN OF ANDES, NY TOWN BOARD MEETING REPORT BY CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. Water System

Daily usage of treated water from the water system averaged 17,000 gallons per day for the month of August 2023.

2. Plant Purchases

Filters at a cost of \$1,066.32 from Mountain Filtration Systems.

3. **O&**M

Changed some filters in August 2023.

- 4. Equipment
- 5. Distribution System

6. Library Well

.Ran the well on August 30, 2023.

SEPT 23 Building Inspector Report 43 Cell Phone Calls 24 TEXT MESSAGE 21 office Calls 4 in office Confrerces ON-site Meetings Issued: 5 Permits 2 Renewls 2 Municipal Searches 3 40 4 Complianes 3 VIOLATIONS 3 Complaints 17 Inspections

Total 206 mi



Rohit T. Aggarwala Commissioner

Paul V. Rush, P.E. Deputy Commissioner Bureau of Water Supply prush@dep.nyc.gov

71 Smith Avenue Kingston, NY 12401 T: (845) 340-7800 F: (845) 334-7175 October 10, 2023

Hon. Wayland Gladstone Andes Town Supervisor Andes Sewer District #1 P.O. Box 85 Andes, NY 13731-0085

Re: Andes NIP 2024 O&M Budget Acceptance

Dear Supervisor Gladstone:

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection has reviewed and accepts the proposed 2024 Operations and Maintenance budget as submitted by Cedarwood Environmental Services on behalf of the Town of Andes.

DEP accepts the proposed 2024 Andes WWTP O&M budget of \$510,784.00. The City's share of the accepted budget is \$459,650.19 (residential subsidy of \$353,951.09, plus non-residential subsidy of \$10,000, plus WR&R costs of \$95,699.10, subtract \$7,848.97 for heating and electric costs associated with the Town Court located at the Andes WWTP). \$459,650.19 is divided into quarterly O&M invoices to the City of \$114,912.55 (\$459,650.19 / 4).

A copy of the accepted 2024 Andes O&M budget is attached with the tag "Accepted by DEP 10/10/23" and signed by me.

Sincerely,

Thomas F. Stalter

Digitally signed by Thomas F. Stalter Date: 2023.10.10 08:48:07 -04'00'

Thomas F. Stalter Project Manager

c: Michael Meyer, NYCDEP Lucas Flachs, Cedarwood Environmental Services

Proposed 9/5/2023		
	2024 Budget	2023 Actual
Revenues		
Prior Year Balance	7264.00	7596.00
Real Prop Taxes	45302.00	36572.00
Workers Compensation, Town of Hardenburgh	2400.00	2600.00
Fire Protection Services	750.00	750.00
Interest and Earnings	100.00	30.00
Refunds of Expenditures	0.00	0.00
Gifts and Donations	7204.00	7001.00
Total Revenues	\$ 63,020.00	\$ 54,549.00
Appropriations	an innandratus saturatus ara manatan para para para para manatan manatan manatan manatan manatan manatan manata	enterminate of the particular content and the
Office Supplies	50.00	50.00
Postage	30.00	30.00
Printing and Supplies	40.00	40.00
Publication of Notices	50.00	50.00
Fuel	5200.00	5200.00
Telephone	1000.00	1000.00
Electric	900.00	900.00
Firefighter exp. Medical exams	800.00	800.00
Fire Protection	1750.00	1750.00
Repairs to Building	3000.00	2000.00
Maintenance Supplies	200.00	200.00
Maint & Repair to Apparatus	6000.00	4000.00
Gas & Oil	600.00	600.00
Workers Compensation, Town of Hardenburgh	2400.00	2600.00
Insurance	9000.00	9000.00
A3410.4 Total	\$ 31,020.00	\$ 28,220.00
3410.2 Capital Equipment	and the contract of the contra	
	7000.00	7000.00
A3410.2 Total	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
A9901.9 Transfer to Reserve	25000.00	19329.00
Total Appropriations General Fund	\$ 63,020.00	\$ 54,549.00
Net Total	\$ -	\$ -



Fwd: Joint Fire District Budget

1 message

Wayland Gladstone <andessupervisor@gmail.com>
To: Kimberly Tosi <andestownclerk@gmail.com>

Tue, Sep 26, 2023 at 5:54 PM

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Andes Joint Fire District <andesjointfiredistrict@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Sep 25, 2023, 11:26 AM Subject: Joint Fire District Budget To: <andessupervisor@gmail.com>

Bud

We are working on our 2024 Fire District Budget and wanted to give you advance notice that the District will be going over our 2% tax cap. The required contribution for the LOSAP program next year almost doubled to 45000.00. For the past few years we have used our own savings account to meet the needs of the district including major building repairs, buying a new ambulance and other expenses. We can not absorb any additional expenses. We are also desperately looking for grants to replace outdated fire turnout gear for our men/women as well as making our firehouse OSHA compliance. We are holding a public meeting on October 9th at 4:00 if you would like to attend. Our projected budget for 2024 is approximately \$ 256,650. You will get out final budget with our signed resolution by mid-October

Stephanie Parez District Treasurer