

Town Board Minutes  
February 9, 2016

Local Law 1-16 To Modify Senior Citizens Property Tax Exemptions

The monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board and the public hearing on local law 01-16 to Modify Senior Citizens Property Tax Exemptions held on February 9, 2016 at 56 Geneva St was called to order by Supervisor Flynn at 7:30PM.

Present: Patrick H. Flynn, Colby Petersen, Burge W. Morris, Peter Martini

Excused: Lawrence Martin

Others present: George Thompson, Dwight James Code Officer, Tim Chambers, Jim Balyszak, Linda & Grant Downs, Bill Hall, Jim Riesenberger

Mr. Flynn led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Flynn opened the public hearing for Local Law 1-16 at 7:40 pm

Being no one desiring to speak on the local law, Mr. Flynn went on with other business.

Jim Balyszak, Director of Yates County Soil & Water presented a report on inspections for 2015. Although their goal was 60 inspections in 2015 they only had 43. This will be made up in the 2016 inspections. He discussed what was considered a failing system and the difference with a health hazard failing system. The failing systems they incurred this past year were simple fixes such as outlet baffles and steel tanks.

He introduce a software for wastewater records management, The program will store and archive permits, applications, contracts for aerobic systems septic plans.

The program will also keep track of violations.

If a document of a permit or inspection is requested, the Town Clerk will have access to the system to retrieve this information.

The cost of the initial software is \$ 3000 with an annual fee of \$ 1200. YCS&W will share the cost of this with the Town.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martini, authorizing the Supervisor to enter a contract for this software with Yates County Soil & Water, carried.

Mr. Flynn presented abstracts of vouchers for audit.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Petersen that the bills on the General A & B accounts in the amount of \$ 7,937.98 be paid carried by all.

Motion by Mr. Petersen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morris that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount of \$ 7287.34 be paid carried by all.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martini to pay the first installment on the Fire Contract of \$ 32,000. Carried.

Mr. Flynn presented the January 2016 letter of resignation of Zoning Board member Patrick Hoke. Mr. Hoke has relocated into the Town of Starkey.

Two residents showed interest in serving the Town Zoning Board.

After a brief discussion, motion by Mr. Flynn 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morris to appoint Matt Canavan to the vacant seat to fulfill unexpired term to 5/31/ 18.

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morris to approve the January meeting minutes carried

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morris, authorizing the Supervisor to sign contract with Municipal Solutions for financial advisory for Water District 1, carried.

Highway Report: Mr. Chambers is checking prices on 8 new tires for the gradall.

Replaced pipe on Hewett Rd due to farmers equipment crushing the end of pipe.

Cleared trees on Perry Point Rd and checked under road pipe # 47in the Culvert inventory book. This pipe is in poor condition.

Installed 2 driveways for farmers access to fields. Little snow plowing.

Code report: Mr. James did 7 building permits, Issued 2 C of O's, 3 site visits, 10

Building progress visits, 2 short term rentals, 6 violations resolved ,146 Miles.

Motion by Mr. Flynn to schedule a public meeting April 14, 2016 at 7:00pm

For water district # 1. Will hold in Firehouse. Will invite Jeremy DeLyser of Clark Patterson & Lee to attend.

Water Committee next meeting March 22, 2016 at 2PM

With no one desiring to speak in support or opposition of Local Law 01-16,

Mr. Flynn closed the public hearing at 7:58PM

Motion by Mr. Morris seconded Mr. Flynn to adopt Local Law 01-16 entitled " Amending Chapter 86 Article III § 86-6 Maximum income Eligibility Level for Senior Citizens"

Roll Call Vote- Flynn- Aye, Petersen Aye Martini- Aye, Morris- Aye

Councilman Martin- absent

Local Law 01/09 adopted by 4 Ayes 0 Nays

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Torrey, County of Yates as follows:

Local Law No. 01-09 § 2 Article III, regarding to Senior Citizens Tax Exemption of Chapter 86 of the Code of the Town of Torrey as last amended by Local Law 05/08, Local Law 01/90 and Local Law 01/89 is hereby amended by modifying section 86-6 to read as follows:

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Torrey Town Board as follows:

Local Law # 1-89 Art. III §86-6 as last amended by Local Law # 1-90, Local Law # 5-08 and Local Law # 1-09 is hereby amended to read as follows;

**Section 86-6 Maximum income eligibility level**

The amount of income to determine eligibility for tax exemption under section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law is increased to \$ 14,000.00.

The income eligibility sliding scale set forth under section 467 (b) (1), (b) (2) and (b) (3) of the Real Property Tax Law shall continue for property owners exceeding the \$ 14,000.00 income eligibility level.

Percentage Assessed Valuation  
Annual Income

Exempt From Taxation

\$0	to	\$14,000.00	50%
\$14,000.01	to	\$14,999.99	45%
\$14,999.01	to	\$15,000.00	40%
\$15,999.01	to	\$16,999.00	35%
\$16,999.01	to	\$17,899.00	30%
\$17,899.01	to	\$18,799.00	25%
\$18,799.01	to	\$19,699.00	20%
\$19,699.01	to	\$20,599.00	15%
\$20,599.01	to	\$21,499.00	10%
\$21,499.01	to	\$22,399.00	5%
\$22,399.01		or more	0%

**This increase shall be effective with the 2016 assessment roll.**

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Flynn made a motion to adjourn  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martini, and carried at 8:05PM

Respectfully submitted  
Betty M Daggett