

## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Mayfield Town Board was held on August 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Mayfield Municipal Complex at 28 N. School St. Mayfield NY 12117.

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Argotsinger  
Councilman Vincent Coletti  
Councilman Jack Putman  
Councilwoman Roberta Ricciardi  
Councilman Thomas Ruliffson

ALSO PRESENT: CEO Damon Curley, Carmel Greco, Jeff Martin, Renate VanNostrand, Cassie Kristel, Jon Close, Mike Angus, Ralph Desiderio, Mara Radell, Michele Johnsen, R. Douglas Nelson, Laurie Lainhart.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION – Employment History

RES# 112 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board entered Executive Session at 6:00 PM.

RES# 113 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board exited Executive Session at 6:45 PM.

The Regular Monthly Board meeting was opened by Supervisor Richard Argotsinger at 6:45 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public had a lengthy discussion about the Short Term Rental Law and the enforcement of these laws. Box trailer storage was discussed. Road paving was discussed, and questions were asked about why the shoulders were not finished. Safety of the roads and DOT regulations being ignored were mentioned.

The Public Hearing for Local Law #5 of 2019; to Authorize Overriding The State Mandated Tax Levy Limit for the 2020 budget was opened at 7:13 PM.

No public comment at this time.

### DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CEO Damon Curley gave his report stating 15 permits were issued in July, the Planning Board is reviewing several current and new projects, including the solar farm on State Highway 29. There has also been complaints about garbage, junk cars and other code violations. Another training course has been completed and one more to be done in September. Also working on a law to govern box trailers. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT- Mel Dopp, Highway Superintendent, Absent, no report given.

SUPERVISOR Richard Argotsinger gave his report stating at the County meeting a Local Law was introduced to opt out of Solar Assessments. Most solar companies are resistant to adopt PILOT programs. By opting out, solar companies will be assessed accordingly. Workers compensation is going up for the 2020 year considerably. NYMIR is having two training sessions, 1 is cyber awareness, the other is discrimination/harassment complaint seminar.

The Public Hearing for Local Law #5 of 2019; to Authorize Overriding the State Mandated Tax Levy Limit for the 2020 budget was closed at 7:28 PM.

RES# 114 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted by Roll Call Vote called by Town Attorney Carmel Greco:

Supervisor Richard Argotsinger	AYE
Councilman Thomas Ruliffson	AYE
Councilman Vincent Coletti	AYE
Councilwoman Roberta Ricciardi	AYE
Councilman Jack Putman	AYE

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board adopts Local Law #5 of 2019 A Local Law To Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Mayfield as follows:

#### Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Mayfield pursuant to General Municipal Law 3-c, and to allow the Town of Mayfield to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal law 3-c.

#### Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law 3-c, which expressly authorizes the town board to override the tax cap by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the town board.

#### Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Town Board of the Town of Mayfield, county of Fulton is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law 3-c.

#### Section 4. Severability

In any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjudicated by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

#### Section 5. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RES #115 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the minutes from the July 9<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, and July 30<sup>th</sup> meetings.

##### CREDIT CARD

The Town of Mayfield Bookkeeper Nathan Matthews submitted a credit card policy for review.

##### SNOW AND ICE CONTRACT FOR 2019-2020

RES # 116 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the Snow and Ice Contract for the 2019-2020 season.

##### INSURANCE

Insurance will go up for 2020 by approximately \$1300.00 due to new equipment and other increases.

Discussion on increasing the amount of liability.

RES # 117 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves raising the liability amount from \$1,000,000.00 to a \$3,000,000.00 to \$6,000,000.00 policy.

##### GARBAGE TRUCK

Discussion on the condition of garbage trucks. Both of the Town of Mayfield garbage trucks are broken and/or unsafe. The City of Gloversville has agreed to loan the Town of Mayfield their spare truck.

Arrangements will be made to pick up the truck from Gloversville.

RES # 118 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Town of Mayfield approves the loan of a garbage truck from the City of Gloversville.

##### FACEBOOK

Residents of the Town of Mayfield have suggested a Facebook page for the exclusive use of posting the times and dates of meetings, public hearings, garbage and recycling days etc. The page would be used strictly for information purposes with no comments accepted. Councilwoman Ricciardi will look into setting up a Facebook page for the Town of Mayfield.

##### HISTORIAN

The Town of Mayfield Historian has put in a request to be paid monthly instead of yearly.

RES # 119 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves changing the Historians salary from yearly to monthly.

CLERKS REPORT- The Town Clerks report was submitted with fees collected in the A account of \$13,149.50 and the B account of \$1,725.00

##### APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

RES # 120 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Ruliffson the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)  
RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the payment of vouchers in the following accounts for Abstract # 8 of 2019

A	GENERAL TOWNWIDE	\$57,714.28
B	GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	\$3,226.01
DA	HIGHWAY TOWNWIDE	\$13,275.80
DB	HIGHWAY OUTSIDE VILLAGE	\$261,916.13

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

More discussion about the Highway Superintendent being appointed instead of elected, and discussion about the yellow garbage truck also being not usable. Discussion about the white garbage truck being unsafe.

#### REMINDERS

VOUCHERS DUE ON SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2019

WORKSHOP MEETING AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 PM

NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> 2019

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION – Employment History

RES # 121 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Ricciardi, Ruliffson) (Putman-Abstained)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board entered Executive Session at 7:51 PM

RES # 122 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Ruliffson the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)(Putman-Abstained)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board exited Executive Session at 8:09 PM

On motion by Councilman Coletti the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Nancy Parker  
Town Clerk/RMO

