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**Town of Highland Lake  
SPECIAL SESSION  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday August 24, 2021

6:30 pm

**Place of meeting: Anchor**

Mayor Hanby called meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was observed

Invocation: Chase Moore

Present: Mayor Donna Hanby, Carl Randall, Ramzi Malek, Chase Moore,

Absent: Sid Nelson, Greg Posey

Also present: Scott Kon, Tim Moore, Joan Shirley, Gail Bailey

Mayor Hanby presented preliminary budget figures for fiscal year Oct. 2021 – Sept. 2022. Gail Bailey expressed concern over the roads allotment and noted that an adjustment to \$50,000, would be needed, if the town was to proceed with planned projects. She noted that \$20,000 would be due immediately for the road work performed August 24<sup>th</sup> to repair water pipe along with the Utilities Board of Oneonta.

Bill Rush addressed the dredging and berm project and noted that the amount estimated was approximately \$80,000 and would need to be added to budget. He noted approximately \$50,000 would come from FEMA grant.

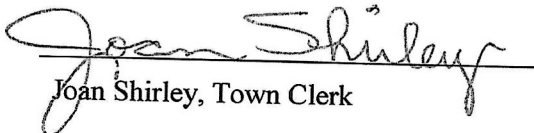
No other large adjustments were noted. Mayor Hanby announced that she would address the needed changes and present an adjusted budget on September 7<sup>th</sup> at the regular meeting. She noted that additional sources of revenue will be needed and ask that any suggestions be presented.

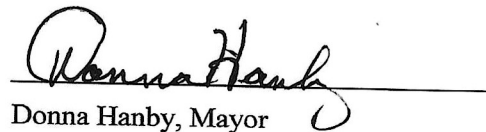
Sales Tax in the police jurisdiction was not discussed and will be on September 7<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Mayor Hanby announced that a petition to grandfather existing structures destroyed by fire and acts of God, be exempt from the 1,800 square foot minimum to rebuild. Carl Randall questioned why this was being discussed without the Ordinance Committee presenting it and was told that it was simply an announcement. It was noted that approximately 50 residents had signed and the signed petition would be formally presented at the next Council Meeting. Mayor Hanby will ensure that the Ordinance Committee meet and discuss in the following week.

With no other comments, Carl Randall made the motion to adjourn and Chase Moore seconded. Mayor Hanby dismissed the meeting at 7:17.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Joan Shirley, Town Clerk

  
Donna Hanby, Mayor