

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on June 17th, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall, Prattsburgh, NY. Supervisor Wordingham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Albert Wordingham Supervisor
Angela Einwachter Councilmember
Elizabeth Peck Councilmember
Janette Payne Councilmember
Pete Scheid Councilmember
Edward Brockman Legal Counsel
Kim Sobolewski Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING- (WATER POLICY)

A motion was made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Scheid and duly carried, the hearing was open at 6:35 P.M. On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Payne and with all board members in favor and with all persons desiring to be heard having been heard, the hearing was closed at 6:40 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the following was approved:

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH

Resolution No. 11 -2024

Adoption of Local Law To Amend the Water Policy for the Town of Prattsburgh Water District.

Motion by Councilperson Einwachter, seconded by Scheid Councilperson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously dealt with SEQRA matters related to this action; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Town Board on the proposed Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a copy of the proposed Local Law more than seven (7) days prior hereto.

Now Therefore, be it Resolved That:

1. The Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh adopts said proposed Local Law.
2. The Town Clerk is directed, through the Town's legal counsel, to file such Local Law with the Secretary of State of the State of New York and provide for the requisite publication and posting of the Notice of Adoption of such Local Law together with such other acts that are customarily associated with the adoption and implementation of a Local Law, including the entry thereof in the minutes of the Town Board Meeting.

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN) SS:

I, the undersigned, Town Clerk of the Town of Prattsburgh, Steuben County, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh, duly held on the 17th day of June, 2024, at which a quorum was present and participated in throughout, said Resolution having been

passed, and that the same has not been in any way rescinded or annulled but is still in full force and effect and is duly entered in the minutes of said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Town the 18th day of June, 2024.

(SEAL)

Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk
Town of Prattsburgh

PUBLIC HEARING- (WATER RATES)

A motion was made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Peck and duly carried, the hearing was open at 6:50 P.M. On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Peck and with all board members in favor and with all persons desiring to be heard having been heard, the hearing was closed at 6:55 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

**On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the following was approved:

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Town of Prattsburgh

Resolution No. 12 -2024

Amending Water Rent Rates and Associated Fees for the Prattsburgh Water District
Motion by Councilperson Einwachter, seconded by Councilperson Peck to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh is the entity which operates and manages the Prattsburgh Water District; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly held upon the proposed amendment to the District rates and fees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT

Pursuant to the Town of Prattsburgh Water District Policy Local Law of 2024, Town Law of the State of New York Section 198.3(d), as well as other applicable statutes and regulations, the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh, the governing body of the Prattsburgh Water District, does hereby determine that there will be no negative environmental effects from this action, that accordingly this is a Type II action and does hereby establish and set forth the following water rent rates and associated fees for the Prattsburgh Water District.

The proposed rates and charges are as follows:

Water Rent Rates and Associated Fees

1. Water Usage:

- a. minimum charge for 0-1,000 cubic feet of water: \$ 65.00
- b. for each cubic foot or part thereof over the minimum of 1,000 cubic feet of water: \$.076
- c. annual water use charge: Prattsburgh Fire Department: \$185.00

2. Discontinuance and restoration (reconnecting) Fee:

- a. Discontinuance or shutoff of water service for any reason: \$45.00
- b. Restoration or reconnecting water service: \$45.00

c. Exception- not for profit

3. Debt Reduction Fee - All real property tax map parcels within the Prattsburgh Water District which have a Prattsburgh Water District water main either passing through the parcel or adjacent thereto in a public right of way or private right of way shall be subject to a quarterly fee of: \$40.00

4. New water main connections – The customer is required to contact the Town Water District Office. Actual cost plus 20%

5. Other services:

a. Labor: \$60.00 per hour per worker

b. Backhoe (with operator), truck (with operator): actual cost

c. Materials: cost plus 20%

d. New service and other miscellaneous work: actual cost

6. All charges will be collected through the Town's Water District personnel.

Upon request of the customer costs may be paid in four (4) equal quarterly installments, the first installment to be paid upon the next quarterly billing by the Water District and thereafter each quarter until paid in full.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH)

I, Kim Sobolewski, Clerk for the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben and State of New York, do hereby certify that the before mentioned RESOLUTION 12 2024 was adopted at the regular meeting the Town of Prattsburgh Town Board held on June 17, 2024, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: June 18, 2024

Kim Sobolewski – Town Clerk
Town of Prattsburgh

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Payne, the May 20th, 2024, Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye

Councilmember Peck-Aye

Councilmember Payne-Aye

Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the June 2024 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye

Councilmember Peck-Aye

Councilmember Payne-Aye

Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #6 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #6 is \$77,509.07.

(Voucher#213-258)

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

APPROPRIATIONS

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the June 2024 appropriations were accepted as presented.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid- Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

CODE

Permits apps - 17
Appearance Tickets-0
Renewals- 5
Building inspections- 19
Septic Inspections – 0
C of O/C of C –1
Compliance inspections - 5
Compliance orders – 0
Phone Calls – 72
Incidents – 0
Emails – 102
Plan Reviews.worked on code files, Fire & safety ck list update, In service training, Main Street

WATER

I have been working on Empire's water service line
Had the Prattsburgh AG students to the town hall to clean out the flower beds
Fixed a couple spots from last year's excavations
Built new holders for the hydrants at the pump house to get them off the ground
Helped NYSEG with a dig on Chapel St that was next to our water main
Installed a new chlorine injector at the pump house
Sent in May's water report to the DOH
Helped the Highway Department direct traffic for 4 days while they were oil & stoning
I helped three water customers with water issues
Turned off one service and turned on two services
I took our June's Coli/Ecoli sample to the Wayland lab
We had a chlorine delivery
I built storage tubes for shovels and water wrenches in the work truck
I started working on our Lead and Copper Tests
I have been searching for a small leak because our water usage has been up a little

UDIG

Tickets – 51
Mark outs - 5
Emergency – 0

SUPERVISOR

5/16/24 At my meeting with the highway crew we discussed a number of different ways to reduce cost. We All agreed to do a cost comparison between a couple of existing suppliers and for example Amazon. Based on the analysis that the highway guys submitted the savings are anywhere from 20%-over 100%. We will be discussing a new purchasing plan at our May meeting.

5/20/24 I met with Judy Hall (Cohocton Supervisor), Jeanette, and Angela to discuss payment structure from the Terra-Gen Project. We all agreed, including the Supervisor from Howard, who could not attend, that we would propose a new formula to the I.D.A. for the distribution of Host Community Agreement and Pilot. We all want the majority of the town's share to be paid to the Host Community Agreement (HCA) not the pilot. The HCA monies go into the general fund of the town which can be used for basically any town expenses. The PILOT can only be used in the town tax levy.

6/3/24 We received an email from Mary Barthelme regarding the Main Street Project. With regard to the Main Street Grant the project is to be completed by November 2024. A meeting will be set to discuss the current status of the project.

6/6/24 I met with Matt Bull this morning to update Prattsburgh's grant application with E.F.C. (Environmental Facilities Corporation). The E.F.C. can provide a low interest rate loan for the Wastewater Project if Prattsburgh is selected. Along with this we will be applying for the W.Q.I.P. (Water Quality Improvement Program) grant by the end of July. We applied last year but were not chosen. This grant is a New York State grant that we need to supplement the Federal grants that we have been awarded.

6/10/24 Chris Whipple, Pete Scheid, and I had a conference call with Mary Barthelme from New York State Homes and Community Renewal (Main Street Grant). The state was looking for an update on the Main Street Project. We told them that the Costanza's did not agree with a number of things that Larson Design Group had put in their report and were now appealing to New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Boards of Review.

6/12/24 We have been informed that the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code Board of Review has scheduled a hearing on July 18th for the Main Street Project. The decision from the State Department will be the final determination. The public is encouraged to attend. The meeting will probably be accessed through Webex and as soon as that is available, we will pass it along.

Angela Einwachter gave The Town Board a quick report on behalf of The Planning Board and discussed a potential Moratorium for solar projects.

WAYNE FINGER LAKES ELECTRIC

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember scheid, the following was approved:

Resolution 13 of 2024

**GENERAL RESOLUTION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF
PARTICIPATING IN A COOPERATIVE BID COORDINATED BY
THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF
ONTARIO, SENECA, WAYNE AND YATES COUNTIES
FOR**

Cooperative Electricity Supply Bid WFL 2025-12

WHEREAS, The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State desires to participate in a Cooperative Bidding Program conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties from year to year or, until this Resolution is rescinded, for the purchase for supply of electricity. And...

WHEREAS, The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State is desirous of participating with The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties in the joint bid of the commodities and/or services mentioned below as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o.... And...

WHEREAS, The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State has appointed The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties as representative to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting the results to the Town of Prattsburgh of New York State and making recommendations thereon...

THEREFORE...

BE IT RESOLVED, That The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State and The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties hereby accepts the appointment of The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters related above... And...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State authorizes the above-mentioned Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters regarding the entering into contract for the purchase of the below-mentioned commodities and/or services... And...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That The (County) (Town) (Village) of Prattsburgh of New York State agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs incurred as a result of the cooperative bidding... And...

- Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
- Councilmember Peck-Aye
- Councilmember Payne-Aye
- Councilmember Scheid-Aye
- Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

PRO HOUSING COMMUNITY

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the following was approved:

Resolution
Town of Prattsburgh
Prattsburgh, NY
RESOLUTION No: **14**

Date Approved: Monday, June 17, 2024

Introduced Date: Monday, June 17, 2024

Introduced by: Councilperson Einwachter

Seconded By: Councilperson Peck

WHEREAS, the **Town of Prattsburgh** (hereinafter “local government”) believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that **Town of Prattsburgh**, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro- Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

I, **Kimberly Sobolewski, Town Clerk of the Town of Prattsburgh**, do hereby certify that the aforementioned resolution was adopted by the **Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh** on **June 17, 2024**.


Town Clerk – Town of Prattsburgh

Date: June 18, 2024

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, and duly carried, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye

Councilmember Peck-Aye

Councilmember Payne-Aye

Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk