DATE OF MEETING:

February 6, 2023

PLACE OF MEETING:

Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Lauri Taylor Trustee Dan Peters Trustee John Burweger Trustee Jerry Locascio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to select LaBella as engineer for the Lower Baxter Project. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Locascio to approve Pay Application No. 1 from American Pump Service, Inc. for Pawling Water Supply Project, Bid No: VP-BID-03, Contract 3 – Well Field Installation. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve the 2023 Public Water Supply Permit Application. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to consent to Village of Pawling Planning Board serving as Lead Agency for the 28 Walnut Street Subdivision application. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve the Village Green and Public Assembly Events Permit Application received from the Town of Pawling for the Triathlon to be held on July 8, 2023. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Burweger to approve the Metro North Treasurer's Report for December 2022. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Dan Stone, a representative from LaBella, said they would work hard to get Lower Baxter online by the end of the year. He said they were still waiting for Health Department approval of the plans, the permits are in place and there is some work they could potentially advance before April 1st.

MOTION by Trustee Locascio to approve payment of the January bills in the amount of \$273,330.21. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve payment of EFC LT #1 in the amount of \$21,908.90. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Locascio to approve payment of EFC LT #2 in the amount of \$15,576.90. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Burweger to approve payment of EFC LT #3 in the amount of \$92,085.40. **SECONDED** by Trustee Peters. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 P.M. and go into Public Comment. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to return to regular session, close regular session and go into Executive Session for litigation at 7:06 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to close Executive Session at 7:40 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to open regular session at 7:40 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Burweger to have David Daniels draft a Local Law repealing Local Law No. 10 of 2022. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Daniels stated there was a lawsuit brought to challenge the Local Law on SEQR grounds and improper notice. He said that lawsuit would likely cost a lot of money. He explained the purpose of the local law was to try to clarify provisions that had resulted in some controversy in prior applications or to provide clarity for future applicants but the decision was whether it was worth, given the Board was redoing the Master Plan... Mayor Taylor said it was better to save the village residents expense in lawsuits since the Board got the funding for the Comprehensive Plan revision and that it would be best if they revisited the issue at that point and have it come from that exercise. Mr. Daniels said at that point the Board would have done a very extensive SEQR review. He said SEQR had been limited because it was clarifying what was in the existing laws but SEQR litigation is complicated and expensive and it was better to go through the process when the Board is going through the GEIS. Mr. Daniels said, to clarify, the local law would be introduced at the next meeting and could be voted on at the following meeting after a Public Hearing.

MOTION by Trustee Burweger to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Locascio. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk