

A regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Hamburg, County of Erie and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 6100 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 2014.

**3.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                      Ayes    3                      Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
    Noes    0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board adjourn Executive Session at 7:10 pm and move into the regular meeting.

ROLL CALL:                      Steven J. Walters                      Supervisor  
    Michael Quinn, Jr.                      Councilman  
    Cheryl Potter-Juda                      Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT: Dawn Aydelotte, Deputy Town Clerk;  
Craig Cwick, Deputy Town Attorney; Michael Williams, Chief of Police; Thomas Taylor, Sr. Public Safety Dispatcher, Tom Best, Sr., Highway Superintendent; Marty Denecke, Director of Youth, Recreation & Senior Services; Robert Hutchison, Town Assessor; Gerard Kapsiak, Town Engineer; Sean Crotty, Coordinator of Hamburg Emergency Management Team, Kurt Allen, Supervising Code Enforcement Officer; Jen Reinagel, Community Development Aide, Amy Ziegler, Deputy Supervisor

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Information on location of Fire exits was provided.

**4.**

On a motion of Councilwoman Potter-Juda, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approve the minutes of the following meetings:

10/13/2014	Work Session
10/13/2014	Town Board Meeting
10/27/2014	Budget Hearing

**5.**

On a motion of Councilwoman Potter-Juda, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

**WHEREAS,** Laurie Delano paid for and obtained an electrical permit for 3712 Yale Avenue, and

**WHEREAS,** someone else also paid for an electrical permit for this location.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that Laurie Delano be issued a refund for the electrical in the amount of \$100.00.

Laurie Delano  
 3712 Yale Avenue  
 Hamburg, New York 14075

**6.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approve the termination and rehiring of personnel for the Assessing Department as follows:

#	Emp #	Emp Name	N or R	Position	Start date	Full time	PT/Sea/temp	Term date
						hrly rate	hrly rate	
1	4239	Debbie Ginnetti		Full Time Seasonal			\$11.00	9/18/2014
2	4239	Debbie Ginnetti	R	Part Time	9/19/2014	\$11.00		

**7.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes 3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the rehiring of personnel for the Police Department as follows:

#	Emp #	Emp Name	N or R	Position	Start date	Full time	PT/Sea/temp	Term date
						hrly rate	hrly rate	
1	3680	Jacquelyn Dempske	R	Crossing Guard P/T	10/20/2014		\$11.15	

**8.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quinn, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes 3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the hiring of personnel for the Town Board as follows:

#	Emp #	Emp Name	N or R	Position	Start date	Full time	PT/Sea/temp	Term date
						hrly rate	hrly rate	
1		Burke, Patricia	N	Clerk P/T	10/20/2014		\$10.00	

Supervisor Walters comments that this is not really a Town Board position. The Town has had a part-time messenger to distribute and collect mail and inter-office communications for many years which was budgeted under the Town Board. In the 2015 Budget it is correctly placed under Central Printing and Mailing.

**9.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                          Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorize the Recreation Department to issue alcohol waivers for the following November and December 2014 Taylor Road rentals:

11/01/14	11/07/14	11/27/14	11/29/14
11/30/14	12/07/14	12/12/14	12/13/14
12/14/14	12/20/14	12/24/14	12/25/14
12/26/14	12/27/14	12/28/14	

**10.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                          Noes 0

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Steven J. Walters, Supervisor, is hereby authorized to buy, sell, assign and endorse for transfer, certificates representing stocks, bonds, or other securities now registered or hereafter registered in the name of this Town of Hamburg Lakeshore Volunteer Fire Company's Service Award Program.

**11.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                          Noes 0

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Steven J. Walters, Supervisor, is hereby authorized to buy, sell, assign and endorse for transfer, certificates representing stocks, bonds, or other securities now registered or hereafter registered in the name of this Town of Hamburg Woodlawn Volunteer Fire Company's Service Award Program.

**12.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quinn, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes 3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes 0	

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hamburg regulates electronic variable message signs through various sections of the Code of the Town of Hamburg, Chapter 280, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hamburg has seen increases in the amount of variance requests on these types of uses and the Zoning Board of Appeals has inquired whether amendments may be appropriate for the existing regulations, and

**WHEREAS**, the Zoning Code Review Committee has recommended that the Codes regulating these types of signs be amended and updated, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hamburg’s Zoning Code Review Committee and the Code Enforcement Officer have been reviewing various possible amendments to the existing regulations, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has introduced proposed “Local Law No. 11 of the Year 2013”, entitled “Amendment to the Code of the Town of Hamburg Placing a Six Month Moratorium on Electronic Variable Message Signs Within the Town” and

**WHEREAS**, the Hamburg Town Board held the required public hearing on the proposed local law on October 28, 2013 and received comments from the public, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has completed the required referral to Erie County, and has determined that this action is a Type 2 action under SEQR; not requiring a SEQR determination, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Hamburg, New York, adopted **Local Law #11 of the year 2013**, entitled "Amendment to the Code of the Town of Hamburg Placing a Six Month Moratorium on Electronic Variable Message Signs within the Town" on 11/25/13, and

**WHEREAS**, the Zoning Code Review Committee needs additional time to update these regulations, and is recommending that the Town of Hamburg extend the Moratorium for six more months while these codes are being finalized.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hamburg Town Board extends the Six Month Moratorium on Electronic Message Signs, known as Local Law No. 11 of the Year 2013, in accordance with Section 5 of that law (allowing a six month extension by Town Board resolution).

**13.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the membership of the following into the Scranton Volunteer Fire Company:

Robin Willard  
3957 Nottingham Terrace  
Hamburg, N.Y. 14075

**14.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**BE IT RESOLVED**, Rosanne Witryk, Program Coordinator for the Adult Day Care Center be allowed to carry over 3 days (24 total hours) of vacation to the 2015 fiscal year. Due to the pending move and holiday programming planned, it will be difficult for Ms. Witryk to use this time in the remaining day of 2014 fiscal year.

**15.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quinn, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board accept the single bid from West Herr Ford, 5025 Camp Road, Hamburg, for One, 2015 Ford Utility Police Interceptor for \$27,011.00 and One, 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe with Police Package for \$30,626.00 , for a total cost of \$57,637.00.

Money is available in account B3120.202

**16.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes   3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes   0

**WHEREAS,** the Town’s Highway Superintendent identified old and depleted highway equipment, and

**WHEREAS,** the Town sent the identified highway equipment to auction and has received \$30,879 of unanticipated Highway Fund revenue, and

**WHEREAS,** the old and depleted highway equipment that has been sold needs to be replaced.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town Board does hereby authorize the amending of the Town’s 2014 adopted budget to increase appropriation and estimated revenues in the amount of \$30,879, as follows:

Increase appropriations account DB5130.460 - Repairs & Maintenance	\$30,879.00
Increase estimated revenues account DB2665 - Sale of Equipment	\$30,879.00

**17.**

On a motion of Councilwoman Potter-Juda, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes   3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes   0

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approve the termination and rehiring of personnel for the Town Clerk’s Office as follows:

#	Emp #	Emp Name	N or R	Position	Start date	Full time	PT/Sea/temp	Term date
						hrly rate	hrly rate	
1	4119	BROWN, BARBARA		P/T CLERK SEASONAL				10/17/14
2	4238	BRAUN, SHARON		P/T CLERK SEASONAL				10/17/14
3	4159	MORFORD, ROSINA		P/T CLERK SEASONAL				10/18/14
4	4510	RYDZIK, SUZANNE		P/T CLERK SEASONAL				10/18/14
5	4159	MORFORD, ROSINA		P/T CLERK	10/20/14			
6	4510	RYDZIK, SUZANNE		P/T CLERK	10/20/14			

**18.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes   3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes   0

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the annual maintenance agreement with ESRI Inc. for ArcGIS software in the following departments:

Department	Cost	Account
Assessing	\$395	A1335.423
Engineering	\$888	A1440.440
Emergency Management	\$296	A8760.451

Total Cost   \$1,579

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement authorization

**19.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED                   Ayes   3           Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                                   Noes   0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the termination, hiring and rehiring of personnel for the Youth, Recreation and Senior Services Department as follows:



Emp #	Employee Name	N or R	Position	Start date	Full time hourly rate	PT/Sea/tem hourly rate	Termination Date
3507	Biellak, Paul		Rec Attd-Seas-A7310				11/4/2014
3507	Biellak, Paul	R	Rec Attd-P/T-EI7265	11/5/14		\$10.50	
113	Boswell, David		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/3/2014
4461	Denecke, Kathleen		Rec Attd-Seasonal-ER7251				10/11/2014
4461	Denecke, Kathleen	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	10/12/14		\$8.00	
4366	Grundtisch, Michael		Rec Attd-Seas-EW7251				11/3/2014
4412	Hibit, Erik		Rec Attd-Seas-EI7265				11/2/2014
4412	Hibit, Erik	R	Rec Attd-P/T-EI7265	11/3/14		\$8.00	
4206	Martin, Jeffrey		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				11/12/2014
4206	Martin, Jeffrey	R	Rec Attd-P/T-EI7265	11/13/14		\$8.50	
3918	McGahey, Meghan		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				10/10/2011
3918	McGahey, Meghan	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	10/11/14		\$9.50	
2783	Motz, Lisa		Rec Attd-Seas-A7310				11/10/2014
2783	Motz, Lisa	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	11/11/14		\$12.50	
3306	Nye, William		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/10/2014
3980	Picciano, Ronald		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/10/2014
4483	Prowse, Megan	R	Lifeguard-P/T-A7310	10/24/14		\$8.00	
2309	Przybysz, Dawn		Rec Attd-Seas-A7310				11/10/2014
2309	Przybysz, Dawn	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	11/11/14		\$9.93	
4284	Quinn, Clifford		Rec Attd-Seas-EW7251				11/10/2014
3704	Reid, Gregory		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				11/1/2014
3704	Reid, Gregory	R	Rec Attd-Seas-EI7265	11/2/14		\$10.20	
4437	Ringo, Nolan		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				11/10/2014
4357	Simoncelli, Eric		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				10/15/2014
4357	Simoncelli, Eric	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	10/16/14		\$8.00	
3808	Steger, Amy		Rec Attd-Seas-ER7251				10/16/2014
2875	Steger, Joseph		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/1/2014
2875	Steger, Joseph	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	11/2/14		\$12.50	
	Tallman, Rebecca	N	Lifeguard-P/T-A7310	11/11/14		\$8.00	
4358	Volk, Charles		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/10/2014
4540	Voye, James		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/1/2014
4540	Voye, James	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	11/2/14		\$8.00	
4062	Wicka, John		Rec Attd-P/T-ER7251				11/1/2014
4062	Wicka, John	R	Rec Attd-P/T-A7310	11/2/14		\$11.00	

**20.**

On a motion of Councilman Quinn, with the lack of a second, the following resolution FAILS

**WHEREAS**, New York State Town Law §150(2) provides that a Town Board may, by resolution, revoke the Supervisor's designation as Police Commissioner.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the designation of the Supervisor as Police Commissioner is hereby revoked.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board only shall exercise the powers conferred upon it by New York State Town Law Article 10 as it applies to the Town Police.

**21.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the membership of the following into the Newton Abbott Fire Company, Inc.:

Ryan Acanfora	Adam Dhalai
96 Brinker Road	162 Ludel Terrace
Lackawanna, N.Y. 14218	Lackawanna, N.Y. 14218

**22.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the membership of the following into the Armor Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.:

David Brodfuehrer	Jill Cooke	Kevin Lewis
4886 Gerber Pkwy.	89 Charlotte Ave.	130 Hedgerow Apt. 6
Hamburg, N.Y. 14075	Hamburg, N.Y. 14075	Orchard Park, N.Y. 14127
Jesse Schmid	Mariana Zdjelar	
30 Bittersweet Lane	4865 Meadow Lane	
Orchard Park, N.Y. 14127	Hamburg, N.Y. 14075	

**23.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED           Ayes 3       Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda  
                      Noes 0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the membership of the following into the Woodlawn Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.:

Steven Williams  
109 Beech Street  
Lackawanna, N.Y. 14218

**21.**

On a motion of Councilwoman Potter-Juda, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

**WHEREAS**, the conditions of the following listed residential property within the Town has been deemed by the Town Code Enforcement Official to be an endangerment to the public.

<u>Address/location</u>	<u>Current/Last Known Property Owner</u>
4515 Oxford Terrace (SBL # 170.05-11-11)	Michael J. Veto

**WHEREAS**, it was the determination of the Town Code Enforcement Official based on his formal inspections and reports to the Town Board and in accordance with the provisions of Local Law No. 5-1972, Section 80-3. did proceed to condemn said property.

**WHEREAS**, the Town has received no response by the listed owner nor has any remedial work been undertaken to alleviate the known hazards. Currently the unsafe conditions which persist on the listed premises have only become more hazardous to the community.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board based on the review of the report prepared by the Town Code Enforcement Official and the absence of response by the property owner, order the demolition of the abandoned residential structure and complete removal of all unsafe debris and refuse left on the premises.

**NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Town Board authorize the Town Code Enforcement Official to initiate the process in order to expedite the demolition of said property including defining the scope of the demolition, calculation of a demolition cost estimate and notifying the property owner of the established date of the public hearing associated with the demolition.

**22.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quinn, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the audit of Cash disbursements as follows:

**TOWN BOARD  
AUDIT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS November 24 2014**

	VOUCHER #'S	
<b>OPERATING FUND:</b>		
BATCH #213	\$453,059.15	72253-72321
BATCH #214	\$2,000.00	72322
BATCH #215	\$27,378.81	72323
BATCH #216	\$725.52	72336
BATCH #217	\$165,001.82	72337-72421
BATCH #218	\$68,124.33	72434-72435
BATCH #219	\$28,072.12	72436-72444
BATCH #220	\$2,054.73	72447
BATCH #221	\$161.15	72445-72446
BATCH #222	\$22,838.98	72448-72486
BATCH #223	\$103,574.83	72487-72572
BATCH #224	\$38,560.67	72477
<b>TOTAL OPERATING FUND DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$911,552.11</b>
<b>TRUST &amp; AGENCY:</b>		
<b>TOTAL TRUST &amp; AGENCY DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
BATCH #54	\$422,865.67	72334-72335
BATCH #55	\$77,108.86	72422-72433
BATCH #56	\$35,017.28	72573-72576
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$534,991.81</b>
<b>PAYROLL:</b>		
PR #P/R 23	\$724,034.10	
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		<b>\$724,034.10</b>
<b>PETTY CASH</b>		<b>\$174.41</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS SUBMITTED FOR AUDIT:</b>		<b>\$2,170,752.43</b>

## **Reports from Town Board Members and Department Heads**

Councilwoman Potter-Juda commends everyone for their hard work. All the Department Heads pulled together and did a great job. She appreciates the patience of the community with all the snow. Thanks to everyone in B & G and Highway for all their hard work.

Councilman Quinn thanks everyone for all their hard work. He was probably one of the last streets to be plowed, so there was no favoritism. He was sick for the last meeting and went away with his family only to come home to all the snow. He was in contact with Mr. Best on a daily basis and was available by phone to anyone that needed him.

Supervisor Walters comments that in parts of the Town there was 90 inches of snow. The Town of Hamburg had the highest average total snowfall of any Town in Erie County. Superintendent Best started procuring outside sources as early as Tuesday into Wednesday morning of the storm. They had a difficult time on Wednesday removing vehicles off of the main arteries in the Town. They couldn't even reach the majority of sub-divisions due to the stranded vehicles and tractor trailers. They towed over 100 vehicles so the plows and high lifts could do their job. The travel ban for the Town of Hamburg was lifted simultaneously with Orchard Park and Evans and was lifted before the Cities of Lackawanna and Buffalo. 100% of our roads were passable, by two vehicles, by Sunday afternoon. At that time Orchard Park, Evans, West Seneca, Lackawanna, the Town of Aurora and Buffalo were still working on enlarging their roads so two vehicles could pass. This morning all the Town buildings were open for business with the exception of the Adult Day Care Center. The reason that was not open was the timing to get the order into the County for the meals. Hamburg, Frontier, and Orchard Park schools remain closed until December 1<sup>st</sup>, which gives an idea of just how catastrophic the snowstorm was. The town requested their first piece of equipment for snow removal at 10:05 am on Tuesday morning through the DLAN system, they were on top of it right away. Unfortunately because of the fact that the priorities were put on the City of Buffalo, the Town of Hamburg did not start receiving equipment until Friday evening. He is not criticizing those decisions. He is only pointing out the reality. Even though our roads were clogged with snow the emergency crews were out, Fire, EMS and Police, and they delivered hundreds of prescriptions to people who were stranded. He thanks the Highway and B & G Departments, the Police Department, Dispatch and Emergency Services. He thanks the Town of Amherst for sending six Police Officers, a Dispatcher and various vehicles. They had Officers from the DEC help along with the National Guard, State Police and County Sheriffs. The Hamburg Snowmobile Club and WNY Snowmobile Club volunteered their services. Great Lakes Concrete, Union Concrete, the NYS DOT and the Town of Webster New York sent all available plows and worked day and night to help. All Nine Volunteer Fire Companies plus other mutual aide crews came from all over New York State to help. Wegmans donated thousands of dollars in food to our emergency operation center. Also, Savory's, Blasdell Pizza, Peg's Place and the list goes on and on. He wants to point out how the community came together. There are hundreds of stories throughout the Town. He thanks Sean Crotty, Glen Zawariucha, Paul Randall, Fire Coordinators John Carlin and Paul Wilson, Chief Williams, all the Command Officers and all the men and women in that Department, Tom Best, Jay Collard, Ray Pawlowski, Pat Ryan and Charlie Coughlin. The Dispatch Office had more calls in the past week than they normally get in an average month. Kurt Allen, Joe Boncore, Jim Eberhardt from the Building Inspection Department were dealing with compromised building

structures. They were experiencing IT problems and sent a vehicle for Donna Gavin, who came in, no questions asked. The list goes on and on. The snow stopped Thursday and by Sunday afternoon every street in the Town was cleared and no one was killed. Everyone did a tremendous job and he is proud to be part of that team. He gives kudos to everyone involved.

Gerard Kapsiak, Town Engineer, reports that he checked on the Railroad Quiet Zones installations at Rogers Road and Pleasant Ave. to see how they made it through the storm. He is happy to report that they made it through without any damage from the snowplows or traffic and that the Railroad crossing gates and flashing lights remain intact. This was the first test for the installations and so far so good.

Supervisor Walters responds that if they can pass this test they can pass any test.

Highway Superintendent Best sends out kudos to the men and women in the Highway and B & G Department for their hard work and dedication in the midst of a truly insane snowstorm. This storm has been rated as number 4 ever to hit North America, only behind the Blizzard of '77. Thank you everyone in Town, they did a great job.

Supervisor Walters comments that he also wanted to point out that the first night of the storm, with all the stranded vehicles, they were able to rescue all the people stranded and put them in the Fire Companies. As the second day started they needed to get those people to shelters. The Town Senior Services Department has a couple of vans and they thought that would be the way to get them out. They called the Director, Marty Denecke, and he said he was on his way and he personally picked up those people and got them safely to the shelter.

Marty Denecke, Director of Youth, Recreation and Senior Services reports that as they approach the Holiday Season he would like to remind everyone that they will once again be involved in the Western New York Holiday Partnership. This is a coordinated effort to collect toys for the needy. The Hamburg Youth Bureau is in charge of the Hamburg vicinity. There will be toy collection bins at all Town facilities including Hamburg Town Hall. They will accept any businesses who would like to partner with them on this program. Last year they served nearly 100 families. For the Adult Day Care Center they have an entertainment fund that is supplemented by the sale of F.I.R.S.T. gift certificates. This stands for Friendly Independent Restaurants in the South Towns. They have \$10.00 gift certificates and for every \$10.00 the Adult Day Care receives \$3.00 back. Finally, they are getting very close to opening up their new building on Southwestern. Although the Administrative wing has been open for almost a year the renovations are nearly complete and the building is spectacular. The gym is open for recreational programming.

Kurt Allen, Supervising Code Enforcement Officer, comments that he too is grateful for his Building Inspection team. They all showed up, during the storm, and did a difficult job handling damage assessment and inspections. They are not done yet. There is a lot of structure damage and they are dealing with the rebuilding efforts. He encourages anyone who has structure damage to contact his department. They had over 100 inspections over a three day period. They are now regulating the reconstruction period through a permit process to insure that everyone is in compliance with the proper codes.

Thom Taylor, Sr. Public Safety Dispatcher, thanks his employees for all their dedication over the last six days. He also wants to thank their families for allowing them to spend all that time to do their job. To the citizens, he apologizes if anyone was short with them on the phone, and would like to share some facts. From Tuesday (11-18) at midnight going to Sunday (11-23) at midnight the dispatch office handled 5,993 administrative phone calls, along with another 1,352 911 calls which is more than one months' worth of 911 calls in 6 days. They dispatched a total of 1,965 Police and Fire complaints and that does not count all the undocumented calls. He had dispatchers trying to call neighbors to help clear out vents for furnaces. He lived through the blizzard of '77 and didn't think he would ever see one that would top it and he feels he did. Kudos to his staff and their families and thank you to everyone for their assistance.

Chief Williams thanks his Officers for the work they did. He doesn't think everyone understands that his officers didn't get their streets plowed first and so if they couldn't make it to work they walked until they could find someone to pick them up. They got home the same way. He had officers that worked 12 to 14 hours with wet shoes and wet socks. He wanted to send them home and they said that they were fine they wanted to stay and help. They are what make the Town of Hamburg Police Department so great. They have a genuine interest and care about this community. No one has recognized the tow operators as yet. They went out and towed 100 vehicles in that horrible weather trying to get the roads open. If they hadn't gotten the vehicles off the road it would have made it much harder to get the roads open. All the extra Police Officers and National Guard are still there helping out. He thanks his clerical staff and the emergency management team. It was hard to document all the calls. However, from Monday (11-17) at 9:30 pm to 12:00 pm today (11-14) they did over 1,075 documented calls. Last year at that same time they did 498 calls and a lot of those are traffic stops which they didn't have. His command staff said that he should take the 1,075 documented calls and triple or quadruple it.

Sean Crotty, Emergency Management Coordinator, comments that he would like to come up with supporting documents like the dispatchers and police had, but they still have 25 additional mutual aide crews available, in addition to our volunteer firemen, if there is an emergency. In all, they had 123 mutual aide units from across the state. It is a Fraternity, a brother and sisterhood, and they remember when the Town of Hamburg went to the ice storms in the north country, they remember when we responded to September 11th and a lot of the departments are paying back. In addition to all the dedication of all the workers in the Town of Hamburg they had a great core of people coming from across the state. Although Superintendent Best couldn't get to it with a plow, they had every inch of the Town covered. They had trail groomers from Boston that were available immediately. They were the reassurance that they could get anywhere In Town. So, although they couldn't get there by plow, they had alternative methods, a Plan B, to get to people. Between the Code Red messages and Twitter and the social media they were able to monitor what was going on throughout the Town. He echoes the sentiments of everyone in their thanks to the public and everyone involved.

Supervisor Walters wants to add a thank you to Mayor Tom Moses and Mayor Mike Petri from the Village of Hamburg and Village of Blasdell and their teams. There was a lot of coordination between the town and both villages to get the job done.

**Business from the Floor**

Dennis Chapman questions where they stand on resolution 20 concerning the Police Commissioner. Is the Town in compliance with the law?

Supervisor Walters responds yes we are.

Maryann Harris, Carnegie area, comments that unfortunately her husband was one of the people that didn't get his medication. Finally on Saturday a friend that is a volunteer fireman was able to get out and get it for them. She has friends in the Four Seasons area that she knows didn't get plowed until after she did. She questions do they have certain areas or zones when they are plowing?

Supervisor Walters responds that the Town does have plow routes that they normally travel. They can normally get the entire Town completed in a 6-8 hours. However, he was traveling by a one mile long street and they were just getting started with snow removal and when he passed it almost 4 hours later they were just finishing. So, it took almost four hours to complete one mile. That is why it took so long to complete the entire Town.

Sean Crotty responds to the medicine issue. They had volumes of calls for medical issues. They had to prioritize and dialysis patients came first. Then a doctor had to go through each medication request and prioritize them.

Ms. Harris responds that she understands and they did get the medication they needed.

**23.**

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Potter-Juda, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes 3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes 0	

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board adjourn at 8:00 pm

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Dawn Aydelotte, Deputy Town Clerk