

**AGENDA**  
**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**  
**TOWN BOARD WORK MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

*Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

**Reports**

Supervisor

- Resolution to Approve Streetlight LED Conversion

County Legislator

Town Clerk

- Resolution to Forward Delinquent Water and Sewer Accounts to Greene County Real Property Tax Service for Relevy onto 2024 Property Taxes
- November 13, 2023 Town Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Historian

Agriculture/AgFest (Chair Boehlke/Member Irving)

Animal Control (Chair Irving, Member Ruso)

Assessment (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

- Resolution Setting Public Hearing for a Proposed Local Law to Establish a New Schedule of Real Property Tax Exemptions for Persons Sixty-Five (65) Years of Age or Over and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes

Audit and Budget (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)

Buildings & Grounds/Recycling (Chair Irving/Member Boehlke)

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer (Chair Downes/Member Ruso)

Fire, EMS & Law Enforcement (Chair Dellisanti/Member Downes)

Grants/Promotions/Economic Development (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

Greene County Planning Board (Boehlke)

Highway (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)

Insurance (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)

Personnel (Chair Ruso/Member VanEtten)

Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals (Chair Boehlke/Member Irving)

Seniors (Chair VanEtten/Member Downes)

Technology/Website (Chair Downes/Member Boehlke)

Town Courts (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

Veterans and Memorials (Chair VanEtten/Member Irving)

Wastewater Treatment (Chair Irving/Member Boehlke)

Youth, Parks and Recreation (Chair VanEtten/Member Boehlke)

**Upcoming Meetings**

- December 6, 2023 Senior Luncheon at Pegasus Restaurant at 12 PM (Reservation Only)
- December 6, 2023 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting at 7:30 PM if Needed
- December 11, 2023 Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 5 of 2023 to Establish a New Schedule of Real Property Tax Exemptions for Persons Sixty-Five (65) Years of Age or Over and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes
- December 11, 2023 Town Board Regular Meeting at 7 PM
- December 14, 2023 Planning Board Meeting at 7 PM
- December 25, 2023 Town Offices Closed, Happy Holiday
- December 27, 2023 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM

## **Public Comment Period/Community Events**

### **Audit of Claims**

### **Adjournment**

**\*\*\*\* Agenda Subject to Change\*\*\*\***

## **GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING TOWN BOARD MEETINGS**

1. The Supervisor shall preside at the meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Supervisor, the Deputy Supervisor shall be the acting Supervisor. In the event both the Supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor are absent, the other members shall designate one of their members to act as temporary chairman. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
2. Town residents who wish to speak shall fill out a card at the entrances of the meeting room listing their name, contact information, and the subject matter in which they would like to speak. These cards will be collected prior to the beginning of the Town Board meeting and given to the Town Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.
3. Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and then proceed to the lectern and state their name and address. They must limit their remarks on official town business to up to three minutes on a given topic and may not yield any remaining time to another speaker. They must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof and not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
4. Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents, or others. All speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity, and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering, or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
5. Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks, or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.
6. After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
7. The Town Supervisor, or in their absence the Deputy Supervisor, shall ensure compliance with these rules.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 121-2023  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STREETLIGHT LED CONVERSION**

***WHEREAS*** Central Hudson was requested to provide a proposal to convert the remaining non-LED streetlights in Lighting Districts 1 & 2, and;

***WHEREAS*** their proposal, including the deduction of \$2,658.56 for an Energy Efficiency rebate which decreased the cost of the conversion to \$5,670.11, and;

***WHEREAS*** such conversion to LEDs should save the Town approximately 16,000 KWH annually, and;

***WHEREAS*** 16,000 KWH would reflect an approximate savings of \$3,000 annually, thus providing the Town with about 2 years for payback on the upfront initial investment,

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore authorizes the Town Supervisor sign the agreement with Central Hudson to convert the remaining non-LED streetlights to LED.

## Jeff Ruso

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**From:** Jackson, Nathan <NJackson@cenhud.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 17, 2023 5:24 PM  
**To:** Jeff Ruso  
**Subject:** Town of New Baltimore Rate A LED Conversion Proposal  
**Attachments:** Town of New Baltimore LED Conversion Proposal.pdf

Good Evening Jeff,

Apologies on this taking so long to get to you. Please find the attached rate A LED streetlight proposal.

This should save the Town approximately 16,000 kWh annually with more efficient lighting, equating to a savings of approximately \$3,000.00 annually across New Baltimore's two lighting district bills. Although these numbers are approximate, you're looking at about two years for payback on the upfront initial investment.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions you may have.

Have a great weekend!

Nathan K. Jackson  
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Nathan K. Jackson  
District Director  
Business Development



November 17, 2023

Town of New Baltimore  
3809 County Route 51  
Hannacroix, NY 12087

**Re: Streetlight LED Conversion**

Dear Town of New Baltimore Board Members,

Central Hudson has identified 59 rate A streetlights across your two accounts which may be converted to LED. The total stranded value remaining on these fixtures is \$8,328.67. Central Hudson's Energy Efficiency rebate of \$0.16/kWh shall reduce the cost by \$2,658.56. The total charge to the Town of New Baltimore for the LED conversion is **\$5,670.11**.

Upon receipt of payment, the Town of New Baltimore and Central Hudson shall enter into an agreement which grants the conversion to begin. Central Hudson expects to complete all field work within 90 business days from the date payment is received. Central Hudson records are expected to be updated within 60 days of field completion.

Said conversion of rate A lights will be applicable to the following accounts:

21000525341  
21000525499

If you should have any questions, please contact me at 845-334-3513 or [njackson@cenhud.com](mailto:njackson@cenhud.com).

Sincerely,

Nathan Jackson

District Director  
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.

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***Barbara M. Finke RMC***  
***Town Clerk***

***Marjorie Loux, Deputy Town Clerk***  
***Amanda Eldred, Deputy Town Clerk***  
***Sandra Trombley, Deputy Town Clerk***

### **Town Clerk Report October 1-31, 2023**

13 Building Permits \$5,592.00, 1 Chimney & Woodstove \$50, 1 New Septic System \$50, 2 CO Searches \$100, 2 EZPass Tags \$50, 11 Hunting/Fishing Licenses \$40.80, 1 Exempt Dog, 9 Dog Licenses \$66, 2 Late License \$10, 1 Marriage License \$17.50, 1 Lot Line Adjustment \$50, 1 Solar Residential \$278.40, 6 Certified Copies \$60, 2 Photo Copies \$0.50, Recycle Fees \$20, Total State, County & Local Revenues \$7,066.90, \$13 to New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Spay/Neuter Program, \$22.50 to the New York State Department of Health for Marriages, to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for Hunting/ Fishing Licenses \$646.20, Total to Supervisor \$6,385.20.

I would like to thank the many Town residents who called and those that I saw in our area who personally congratulated me on my recent designation as a Certified Town Official, a very proud moment for me and the Town of New Baltimore.

I would like to thank everyone for their continued patience with our current staffing situation. One clerk returned for a few hours a day and one will be out until the end of November.

Account Description	Fee Description	Account#	Qty	Local Share
Building Permit	Building Permit	A2555	13	5,592.00
Building Permit	Chimney & Woodstoves	A2555	1	50.00
Building Permit	Septice System - New	A2555	1	50.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$5,692.00</b>
Certificate Of Occupancy Search	Co Search	A1255	2	100.00
Clerk Fees	EZPass Tag	A1255	2	50.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
Conservation	Conservation	A1255	11	40.80
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$40.80</b>
Dog Licensing	Exempt Dogs	A2544	1	0.00
Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	A2544	2	12.00
Dog Licensing	Male, Neutered	A2544	5	30.00
Dog Licensing	Male, Unneutered	A2544	2	24.00
Late Fee	Late Fee	A2544	2	10.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$76.00</b>
Marriage License Fee	Marriage License		1	17.50
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$17.50</b>
Planning Fees	Lot Line Adjustment	A2115	1	50.00
Safety Inspections	Solar Residential	A3620.4	1	278.40
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$328.40</b>
Town Clerk Fees	Certified Copies	A1255	6	60.00
Town Clerk Fees	Photo Copies	A1255	2	0.50
Town Clerk Fees	Recycle Fees	A1255.1	1	20.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$80.50</b>
			<b>Total Local Shares Remitted:</b>	<b>\$6,385.20</b>
Amount paid to:	NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program			13.00
Amount paid to:	Nys Department Of Health For Marriages			22.50
Amount paid to:	NYS Environmental Conservation			646.20
<b>Total State, County &amp; Local Revenues:</b>			<b>\$7,066.90</b>	
			<b>Total Non-Local Revenues:</b>	<b>\$681.70</b>

To the Supervisor:

Pursuant to Section 27, Sub 1, of the Town Law, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all fees and monies received by me, Barbara M. Finke, Town Clerk, Town of New Baltimore during the period stated above, in connection with my office, excepting only such fees and monies, the application of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Supervisor

Date

Town Clerk

Date

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 122-2023**

**NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

**RESOLUTION TO FORWARD DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS  
TO GREENE COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE FOR RELEVY  
ONTO 2024 PROPERTY TAXES**

***WHEREAS*** the Town of New Baltimore has 18 delinquent water accounts in the amount of \$10,875.95.

***WHEREAS*** the Town of New Baltimore has 52 delinquent sewer accounts in the amount of \$15,613.37.

***THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED*** that no further payments were accepted after October 31, 2023 and any and all unpaid water and sewer accounts for the year 2023 will be sent to Greene County Real Property Tax Service to be relevied onto 2024 property taxes.



**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 123-2023  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

**RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO  
ESTABLISH A NEW SCHEDULE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS  
FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE OR OVER  
AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore will hold a Public Hearing on December 11, 2023 at 6:45 PM at the Town Hall, 3809 County Route 51, Hannacroix, New York to hear those members of the public who wish to be heard regarding proposed Local Law 5 of 2023, a Local Law to establish a new schedule of real property tax exemptions for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over and persons with disabilities and limited incomes.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #5 OF 2023**

**A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A NEW SCHEDULE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX  
EXEMPTIONS FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE OR OVER AND  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore, as follows:

SECTION 1. This Local Law is adopted pursuant to the authority of Real Property Tax §459© and §467. All definitions, terms and conditions of such statute shall apply to this Local Law and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. Local Law #1 of 2023 is HEREBY REPEALED.

SECTION 3. The Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore will follow the Greene County Senior Citizen Tax Exemption and hereby establishes the following sliding scale of property tax exemptions for real property owned by persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over and for real property owned by a person with a disability whose income is limited by such disability, and used as the legal residence of such person, based on the income limits set forth below:

<u>Maximum Income Limit</u>	<u>Property Tax Exemption</u>
\$35,100.00	50%
\$35,100.01-\$36,099.99	45%
\$36,100.00-\$37,099.99	40%
\$37,100.00-\$38,099.99	35%
\$38,100.00-\$38,999.99	30%
\$39,000.00-\$39,899.99	25%
\$39,900.00-\$40,799.99	20%
\$40,800.00-\$41,699.99	15%
\$41,700.00-\$42,599.99	10%
\$42,600.00-\$43,499.99	5%

SECTION 4. Any person who qualifies for a property tax exemption as a person with a disability shall not be eligible for a property tax exemption as a person who is sixty-five (65) years of age or over.

SECTION 5. The maximum income limit set forth in Section 3 above shall be offset by medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid which are not reimbursed or paid for by insurance.

SECTION 6. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

## Kirk Trombley, Recycling Center Operator

TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE  
RECYCLING CENTER

MONTHLY REPORT for November

DATES 10/25/23 to 11/27/23

# Tires up to & include 16" without rim ----- @ \$4.00 =  
up to & include 16" with rim 4 @ \$5.00 = \$20.00  
larger than 16" without rim ----- @ \$15.00 =

Total \$ \$20.00

### FREE TO RESIDENTS

60 Gallon bags of plastic (no hard plastics)

12

Bundles of magazines & phone books

29

Bags & bundles of newspaper

43

Boxes & bundles of cardboard

122

Total Amount \$20.00

### FREE APPLIANCES

DATES	NUMBER	APPLIANCE
		Air Conditioner
		Dishwasher
		Dryer
<u>11/22</u>	<u>1</u>	Microwave Oven
<u>11/1</u>	<u>1</u>	Refrigerator, Large
		Refrigerator, Small
		Oven
		Stove
		Washer

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**  
**Hannacroix, New York**

**Monthly Report**  
**11-27-2023**

Summarization of Code Enforcement Officer activities for October, 2023, is as follows:

Building Inspections: 24  
Building Permits (Miscellaneous) Issued: 7  
Building Permits Renewed: 4  
Building Permit Renewal Letters Sent: First Notice: 3  
Certificates of Compliance Issued: 5  
Certificate of Occupancy Search Requests: 2  
Demolition Permit Applications: 1  
Demolition Permits Issued: 1  
Total New Applications Received: 9  
New Building Permit Applications Awaiting Permit Issuance: 12  
Open Building Permits: 218  
New Septic System Applications: 1  
New Septic System Permits Issued: 2  
Residential Ground Mount Solar Applications: 1

Application Fees for October, 2023: \$5,970.40  
Total Fees for Year to Date: \$25,938.83

Allan Jourdin, CEO

# GREENE COUNTY EMS

*The regular monthly meeting was HELD*

Tuesday, **NOVEMBER 21, 2023.**

- There were **19 EMS calls in OCT.** *and*

*For a* **Total of 140** *for* **this year~ 2023**

*We had **180 calls** for all of **2022***

Respectfully submitted by:

Nick Dellisanti, Deputy Supervisor

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE PLANNING BOARD**  
***Monthly Report for November***

The Planning Board met on November 9, 2023, with the following business transacted:

...Discussed with Kasselmann Solar representative a proposed 29.63kW ground mount solar project for a Town property owner. Since the project is over the 25kW limit allowed per the new solar legislation, the Board denied the submitted Special Use Permit Application and referred property owner to the Zoning Board of Appeals for Variance.

...Held a pre-application discussion with Dave Tompkins from CHA Consulting and representatives from Central Hudson about their proposed plans for expansion of the Central Hudson substation on New Baltimore Road. They will be moving forward into the application process early in 2024.

Robert Van Etten, Chair

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

*Report for Town Board November Work Meeting*

The ZBA Members and Clerk were present for the November 1, 2023, meeting but said meeting was not convened since neither applicant nor applicant's attorney appeared to present the application to the Board.

Patrick Linger, Chair

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 124-2022  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS**

***WHEREAS*** the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review, and

***WHEREAS*** the Town Board has audited claims 2023b-11-01 to 2023b-11-, it is

***RESOLVED*** that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2023b-11-01 to 2023b-11-.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until December 31, 2023.