

**Town Board Meeting & Public Hearings  
June 13, 2022**

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to open the public hearings for proposed local law 2-2022 Tax Cap Override and proposed local law 3-2022 Seasonal Parking on Streets at 7:00 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – absent C. Veazey – absent Supv. Crossen – yes

Clerk Borkholder read the legal notices that were published in the June 8, 2022 Daily News:

**TOWN OF ALABAMA LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Alabama will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2022 at the Town Hall, 2218 Judge Road Oakfield, NY 14125 to consider the proposed adoption of Local Law No. 2-2022 Prohibiting parking on all roads within the Town of Alabama from November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> Between the Hours of 4 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Copies of the proposed local laws and zoom information are available from the Town Clerk during regular office hours and on the website [www.alabamany.com](http://www.alabamany.com).

By Order of the Town Board, Town of Alabama, Rebecca Borkholder, Town Clerk  
Dated: June 6, 2022

*NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON  
Proposed Local Law No. 3 of the Year 2022  
Town of Alabama, County of Genesee, State of New York*

A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on the following proposed Local Law at the Alabama Town Hall, 2218 Judge Road, Oakfield, NY 14125, at 7:00 p.m. on the 13th day of June, 2022: Proposed Local Law No. 3 of the Year 2022, Town of Alabama, County of Genesee, State of New York, “A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c.” Copies of the proposed law are available at the Town Clerk’s Office during normal business hours.

By Order of the Town Board, Rebecca L. Borkholder, Alabama Town Clerk  
Dated: June 6, 2022

Supv. Crossen opened the floor for public comments.

Dave Bencic – asked the Board to consider no unnecessary spending in the next budget and don’t override the taxes to pay for a new town hall.

Wendy Kingsland – asked about delivery trucks parking in the roads to make deliveries. Supv. Crossen commented that delivery trucks are “standing” not parking in the roads for deliveries.

Supv. Crossen called the monthly meeting of the Alabama Town Board to order at 7:06 p.m. Roll Call was taken, Councilperson Fisher, LaGrou, Veazey and Supv. Crossen were present. Absent: Councilperson Klotzbach. Also present were Supt. Covell, Attorney Boylan, Mark Masse, Dave Bencic, Wendy Kingsland and Kaylen Olwin.

**Privilege of the Floor** -- none

**Highway** – Supt. Covell gave update:

Snow & Ice equipment cleaned, oiled & put away.

Hopper is 5 years old, installed new bearings.

Prepping trucks for paint.

Dirt roads have been graded.

Worked w/Byron & Oakfield via shared services.

Prepping Ham road for grader paving.

Knowlesville, Gorton, Judge mill & fill.

Had a trash dump on Feeder Road, DEC officer tracked down person. Town will be reimbursed for cleanup expenses.

Had 5 burials in cemetery. Worked with Oakfield on headstone footers.

Water – continuing to fix Travis Warner water line problems on Alleghany Rd.

National Grid bill for pole replacement, pole was hit by truck in the fall. Disc. held.

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to submit the bill to the Town Insurance Company. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – absent C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Culvert pipe on Ledge Rd.**

Norm Geiss filled the culvert pipe with hay to try to stop it from flooding the field, he ended up plugging it and it moved, highway had to fix it and bring in two loads of stone. Disc. held on charging Norm for the two loads of stone.

**Alleghany Rd – Travis Warner property**

Supt. Covell spoke with DOT about damages to pipe. The DOT drove a sign post through the pipe, they will fix the issue.

Supv. Crossen asked if there were any other comments on the public hearings, after hearing none:

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson LaGrou to close the public hearings at 7:19 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – absent C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Local Law 2-2022 Seasonal Parking – tabled to July meeting

Local Law 3-2022 Tax Cap Override – tabled to July meeting.

Local Law 4-2022 Zoning Change

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to set the public hearing for proposed Local Law 4-2022 Zoning Change, at 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 11, 2022. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – absent C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Casella Contract for Dumpster**

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to approve the contract from Casella at a rate of \$52.50 per month for three years and to have Supv. Crossen sign it. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – absent C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Councilperson Klotzbach arrived at 7:22 p.m.

**Townwide Reassessment**

Supv. Crossen opened a discussion regarding the length of time between re-assessments. Currently we are at 82% equalization rate.

**Water District #1 2021 Annual Report**

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Supv. Crossen to accept the 2021 Annual Report for Water District #1. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Zoning Code – Grant to Update**

Supv. Crossen opened disc. on a 90% matching grant that is available to update our zoning code. Wendel will apply for the grant on the Town’s behalf, if approved. Chad Klotzbach spoke about the County Legislature looking into a Countywide Code/Zoning Enforcement, it is in the preliminary stages.

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to allow Supv. Crossen and Wendel to apply for the 90% matching grant to update the Town’s Zoning Law. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Surplus Equipment**

Supv. Crossen informed the Board of excess filing cabinets (5) and a desk, the Town was able to upgrade the existing cabinets with equipment from CPL. Disc. held.

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson LaGrou to donate the five filing cabinets and desk to the Alabama Fire Dept. for their annual auction. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**2022 Budget Modifications**

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Supv. Crossen to amend the 2022 budget as written:

Add A1420.45 Professional Svcs Health & Safety

Transfer \$10,000 from A1990.4 to A1420.45

Transfer \$1,900 from A1420.45 to DA5110.4

Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**STAMP** – Mark Masse gave update:

Water line installed from Rt. 63/77 to Plug Power site

Holding tank completed

Substation powerline re-route to begin in July

EDC responded to more RFP’s

Town received Lead Agency notice for STAMP improvements (wastewater treatment facility, force main, substation, powerline reroute)

**Plug Power** – update by Supv. Crossen:

- New chief engineer has been hired.
- Invoice sent to Plug Power for expenses, waiting on payment
- Public hearing at fire hall 6/20/22 for power station with planning board.

**Water District #2 Budget Modification**

Councilperson LaGrou offered the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Alabama has received funding from Rural Development for their Water District #2 (“Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board wishes to adjust project budget items to more accurately reflect actual costs and;

**WHEREAS**, Rural Development requires the Town Board to authorize all changes to the Administrative Budget as shown on the Form E; NOW, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Alabama authorizes the following Budget modifications for the Project:

Single Audit	Increase of	\$11,400.00
Contingency	Decrease of	11,400.00

Supv. Crossen seconded the resolution which was approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Court**

Disc. held on GAM meeting – will be discussing court costs and number of justices required by the State.

Brian Thompson will not be able to provide court security. Supv. Crossen to talk to other retired Sheriff Deputies to see if there is interest.

**Town Hall/Highway Committee**

Met and had a brainstorming session. Will tour some facilities.

**Solar**

Bird surveys/studies will continue for the next five weeks. There is going to be a vendor meeting at the Fire Hall on June 16<sup>th</sup>, all are invited to attend.

**Solar Law** – Supv. Crossen to look into the cost to update the current solar law. Will be included in 2023 budget.

**Union Contract** – contract has been signed and sent to the Union. There is a new Union Representative.

**Approval of Minutes**

5/9/22 & 5/23/22 Board Meetings – MOTION by Councilperson Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to accept minutes as presented. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Supervisors Report**

6/5/22 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson LaGrou to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Audit Bills**

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Supv. Crossen to accept Abstract #006-2022 and pay bills in the amount of \$38,959.20 vouchers 132 to 155 General Fund; \$9,708.88 vouchers 75 to 89 Highway Fund; \$2,382.14 vouchers 10 to 12 Water District 1. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Town Clerk’s Report**

May 2022 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Assessor’s Report**

April 2022 Transfers -- MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Supv. Crossen to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**CEO/ZEO Report**

May 2022 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Executive Session**

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to go into executive session at 7:54 p.m. to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation; and/or Negotiations and updates subject to NDAs regarding the IZA; and/or Negotiations regarding the Teamsters Contract with Attorney Boylan and Mark Masse. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to come out of executive session at 8:22 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to adjourn meeting at 8:22 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca L. Borkholder  
Town Clerk

