





Now, all we have to do is set up a meeting date, time and where it is going to be held between the three boards stated Thomas Groff. We can propose information and answer any questions anyone may have, things of that idea. With all Boards members there in full, they can decide whether this is a good idea or not and vote on it. If approved by the Boards then we will set up a Public Hearing date which has to be 30 days from then.

It was decided to hold a meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 7 p.m. and possibly hold the meeting at the town hall or at the Fire House, contingent on the Town of Benson and the Village of Northville being able to attend.

If you have any questions between now and then please give the Fire Department a call or call James Lewek. The Fire Department will have someone at the meeting who is counsel, Attorney Terence Hannagan, who is well versed and who handles this all the time stated Thomas Groff.

If the leadership were to change on the Village of Northville Board they could use those funds for anything they choose explained Supervisor Groff. The Fire Department is interested in having a “Fire District” created as opposed to the Village of Northville controlling the Fire Department funds.

### **Councilman Appointment**

Councilman Gritsavage mentioned that he would like to have the board appoint Molly Zullo to fill in the late Ivar Anderson’s vacant seat. Molly Zullo ran in the General Election and tentatively has won the seat, pending final approval from the Board of Elections, we might as well get her started and on board and get her working stated Councilman Gritsavage.

**RES. #2019-14:** Resolution to Fill the Vacancy Created by the Death of Town of Northampton Councilman Ivar Anderson. (Molly A. Zullo)

Councilman Gritsavage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

Councilman Roosa offered a second to the resolution.

Roll Call Vote

James Groff	Aye	William Gritsavage	Aye
Art Simmons	Aye	Darryl Roosa	Aye

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Monthly Transfers for Abstract of Audited vouchers
- Monthly Report of Revenues & Expenditures
- Charter Communication – Upcoming changes
- Newslines-October and November 2019

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

15 permits and 1 Municipal Search were issued during the month of - October 2019. #072-19 Deck; #074-19 Major Alterations/Repair; #075-19 Single Family Residence; #076-19 Swimming Pool; #077-19 Deck; #043-17 Renewal Single Family Home; #001-18 Renewal Alterations; #078-19 3-Car Garage; #079-19 Res. Storage Building; #052-15 Deck; #080-19 Demolition; #081-19 Res Storage Building; #084-19 Major Alterations/Repairs; #085-19 Septic System/Repair; #078-16 Renewal Fee and 1 Municipal Search. Total Fees Collected \$1,215.00.

**MOTION:** Councilman Simmons motioned to accept the Code Enforcement Report as presented by the Code Enforcer. Councilman Roosa seconded the motioned and passed by,  
A Vote of 4-Ayes: Groff, Simmons, Roosa, and Gritsavage 0-Nays

Mr. Fancher mentioned he has been attending continuing required training classes.

**HIGHWAY:** Ken mentioned that he still needs to get in touch with Steve Santa Maria with more information, such as the coordinates, on damage done in the Town of Northampton during the Halloween storm. Ken has also been keeping record of the time put into the equipment, the hours put in, the cost and any other information needed. Ken explained that he has mentioned to Mr. Santa Maria that any of the repairs he has done is only temporary. Ken did mention that he does have a few pictures of some the damage.

### **September Report**

Roads:

- Cut roadside ground brush and overhead limbs of trees on Gifford Valley Road to dead end.
- Hauled road gravel and put down on Collins-Gifford Valley Road and raked with York rake
- Mowed cemeteries and the park for the Labor Day holiday
- Continue filling potholes
- Hauling and stockpiling ice control sand for winter

Repairs/Maintenance

- H.L. Gage replaced EGR valve kit on truck #2. Will add to the Class action lawsuit against International.

New Business

- Highway Budget

### **October Report**

Roads:

- Roadside Leaf pick up
- Began stockpiling ice control sand
- Filled salt pole barn
- Halloween storm/damage report-Houseman Street, Collins-Gifford Valley Road. Multiple down trees. Have been keeping a log of equipment and lime put in. The repairs made are temporary. Supervisor Groff mentioned that FEMA was in Strafford on Friday.
- Beaver issues on Collins-Gifford Valley Road.
- Osborne Road project is completed

Repair/Maintenance

- Truck #4 NYS inspection
- Truck #4 master switch installed

New Business

- International truck class action lawsuit – Highway Superintendent has information for the Town Attorney to review

Councilman Simmons mentioned that he had a chance meeting with NYS Senator James Tedisco. I thanked him for getting us the grant for the piece of equipment and asked him (Tedisco) when did he think the monies would be released. It was stated that the Town should be getting something from Senator Tedisco's office this week or next week possibly on that.

## **JUSTICE**

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned to accept the Justice Report. There was a total of 27 cases handled and \$2,425.00 was collected in fines for the month. Seconded by Councilman Roosa and passed by, A Vote of 5-Ayes Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa, Simmons and Zullo 0-Nays

Supervisor Groff mentioned that it will be interesting when they set the "No Bail" it's going to be a real mess. Discuss ensued.

**ANIMAL CONTROL:** There is no report

**CEMETERIES:** Notice was posted on the closing date of December 1, 2019 and the clean-up of the Prospect Hill and Main Street cemeteries.

Supervisor Groff reported that Darby has started working on the new cemetery vault in the Prospect cemetery.

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 27, 2019 has been cancelled due to no new business coming before the board. It has been brought to the Supervisor's attention that there is a person that is interested in the vacant position on the ZBA. Supervisor Groff has recommended that this person write the Town Board with a letter of interest in this vacant position.

## **PLANNING BOARD**

This last planning board meeting there has been some discussion on the Golf Course. The owner is considering building some cabins there and the owner was told to contact the Sacandaga Park Organization and talk with the people on his proposal.

The next scheduled Planning Board meeting is Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7 p.m.

**HISTORIAN:** Historian Gail Cramer has provided the board members with the October 2019 Issue of the Northville Northampton Historical Society News Letter titled "Dairy Farms".

**CEMETERIES:** Darby has been working on the new vault in the Prospect Cemetery. The shallow water line has been turned off and the deeper line is still on explained Councilman Roosa. The cemeteries will be closed on December 1, 2019.

**AMBULANCE:** Supervisor Groff mentioned that he has sent over information on a recall on the ambulance to Jack Farquhar.

The Northampton Ambulance held their regularly scheduled meeting on October 8, 2019. Calls responded to are as follows: Town of Northampton 9, Village of Northville 5.

**REFUSE & GARBAGE:** A notice was mailed out to the Town of Northampton residents on the following roads: Ridge, Simpson, Maple Grove, Old Route 30, Smith Beach Road and Village of Northville residents - notifying them that the Town of Northampton and the Village of Northville have jointly purchased a new garbage truck, which will replace the two older trucks currently in use, and certain routes aforementioned need to be restructured to streamline collection services.

**RE: Garbage pickup days for certain Town residents (see above) are being shifted from Monday to Tuesday effective November 18, 2019.**

Mr. Cramer asked the Supervisor if he inquired about the status of a separate roll off container for furniture. Supervisor Groff responded that he will talk with Dave at the Landfill and maybe the Town can purchase a roll off container.

**HAULING FEES:** The month of July 2019 fees were as follows:

County Transfer	123.47 Ton @ \$53	\$6,543.91
Curbside Recycling	9.05 Ton @ \$20	\$ 181.00
Transfer Station Recycling	4.35 Ton @ \$10	\$ 34.70
Metal Hauling Fee	5.98 Ton @ \$20	\$ 117.80
Ground Wood Chips	374.43 Ton @ \$00	<u>\$ 00.00</u>
Total		\$6,886.21

**SACANDAGA PARK WATER & SEWER:**

**September 2019**

Water:

- September-2018 usage 984,000 gallons pumped
- September-2019 usage 1,292,000 gallons pumped

Meters: no report

Repairs/Maintenance:

- Watermain replacement started on Osborne Road
- Concluded the disinfection process for the summer season on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Wastewater:

- September-2018 daily average flow 11,200 gallons
- September-2019 daily average flow 16,000 gallons

**October 2019**

Water:

- October-2018 usage 881,000 gallons pumped
- October-2019 usage 1,157,000 gallons pumped

Meters: read, corrections needed to be made

Repairs/Maintenance:

- Watermain replacement completed
- Paving of Osborne Road to be completed spring 2020.

Wastewater:

- October-2018 daily average flow 14,300 gallons
- October-2019 daily average flow 39,600 gallons

Hopefully, they will have rates ready early next year so they can be billing on water usage stated Supervisor Groff.

They have been working on the rehab of the one well yesterday explained Mr. Cramer. He is back to having three of the four wells in operation now.

**NORTHVILLE FIRE DEPT:** The October 2019 monthly Fire Report. There was a total of 8 Responses and a Total Man hour of 9.03. The Village of Northville had 1-Cellar Pump out. The Town of Northampton had 1-Structure Fire; 1-EMS Lift Assist; 1-MVA; and 1-Hazardous Condition. Town of Edinburg had 1-Fire Alarm Activation; 1-Possible Structure Fire and 1-Hazardous Conditions/Brush Fire. There were 3-Mutual Aid Given and 1-Mutual Aid Received.

- New fittings were put on the cascade system (Air Compressor). Now up and running.
- Live Jaws Demo was conducted October 12<sup>th</sup>. The new battery-operated JAWS were used on a “Mock” MVA with Entrapment.
- The fold down table for the Argo trailer was constructed. Was put into place so the trailer can be used as an Incident Command Center.
- Members painted the side of the Fire Department. Due to inclement weather conditions, the back of the building must wait until spring.
- The roof was repaired, now just have to frame in the doors to the back roof. This is where most of the water damage is happening.
- Still spec'ing new fire Apparatus. Have been visited by 3 different Manufacturers.
- Trick or Treating cider and donuts were a hit (AGAIN). Upped our order and still ran out.

**TOWN CLERK:**

**MOTION:** Councilman Roosa motioned to approve the Town Clerk’s Amended September 2019 monthly report as presented by the Town Clerk. Seconded by Councilman Simmons and passed by, A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Roosa, Simmons, Gritsavage and Zullo 0-Nays

**Amended  
10/18/2019**

**Town Clerk Monthly Report  
September 01, 2019 - September 30, 2019**

Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A1255	Birth Certificate	Birth Certificate	1	10.00
	Conservation	Conservation	66	147.56
	Death Certificate	Death Certificate	25	250.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$407.56</b>
A2130	Transfer Station	Transfer Station	28	270.00
A2544	Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	9	63.00
		Female, Unspayed	2	26.00
		Male, Neutered	1	7.00
		Male, Unneutered	3	39.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$135.00</b>

A2770	Photo Copy	Photo Copy	15	3.75
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$3.75</b>
B2555	Building Permits	Building Permits	6	745.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$745.00</b>
			<b>Total Local Shares Remitted:</b>	<b>\$1,561.31</b>
Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program				25.00
Amount paid to: NYS Environmental Conservation				2,527.44
<b>Total State, County &amp; Local Revenues:</b>		<b>\$4,113.75</b>	<b>Total Non-Local Revenues: \$2,552.44</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, Elaine Mihalik, Town Clerk, Town of Northampton 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
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**MOTION:** Councilman Simmons motioned to approve the Town Clerk's October 2019 monthly report as presented by the Town Clerk. Seconded by Councilman Gritsavage and passed by, A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Roosa, Simmons, Gritsavage, and Zullo 0-Nays

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**Town Clerk Monthly Report  
October 01, 2019 - October 31, 2019**

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Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A1255	Conservation	Conservation	43	78.27
	Death Certificate	Death Certificate	28	280.00
	Registrar Fee	Registrar Fee	1	22.00
	Town Clerk Fees	Marriage License	1	12.50
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$392.77</b>
A2130	Hardfill Site	Hardfill Site	1	16.50
	Transfer Station	Transfer Station	13	130.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$146.50</b>
A2544	Dog Licensing	Exempt Dogs	1	0.00
		Female, Spayed	9	63.00
		Female, Unspayed	1	13.00
		Male, Neutered	10	70.00
		Male, Unneutered	1	13.00
		Replacement Tags	1	3.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$162.00</b>
A2770	Minor Sales	Fax	1	1.00
	Photo Copy	Photo Copy	11	2.75

			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$3.75</b>
B2555	Building Permits	Building Permits	15	1,190.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$1,190.00</b>
B2770	Municipal Searches	Municipal Searches	1	25.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
			<b>Total Local Shares Remitted:</b>	<b>\$1,920.02</b>
Amount paid to: New York State DOH for Marriage Licenses				22.50
Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program				25.00
Amount paid to: NYS Environmental Conservation				1,343.73
<b>Total State, County &amp; Local Revenues:</b>		<b>\$3,311.25</b>	<b>Total Non-Local Revenues: \$1,391.23</b>	

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**SUPERVISOR:** Supervisor Groff reminded the Board of the County Capital Plan which is including the Sewer State Highway 30 study which he is continuing to keep pushing it. They will be holding a Public Hearing on that plan.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Gritsavage informed the Town Board that he has received from Ron Graner Public Safety Consultant for Consulting Services for a Comprehensive Review of Emergency Medical Services and Capabilities the study report of the Northampton Ambulance Service for the Town of Northampton, NY. The report has been placed on the Town of Northampton website.

Councilman Gritsavage suggested setting a week or after the first of the year for the residents to review the study report.

Councilman Gritsavage suggest:

- The Town appointing members on a Committee to go thru this study report.
- Put out a Public release on this study report
- Possibly have a Public Hearing
- Having a committee from the community to get input.

Supervisor Groff closed the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m. hearing no public comment on the 2020 Preliminary Budget and the 2020 Fire Contracts with the Village of Northville and the Broadalbin Kennyetto Fire Company, Inc. Havin no further discussion a motion was made as follows:

**2020 Preliminary Budget**

**MOTION** Councilman Roosa motioned to adopt the 2020 Preliminary Budget as the Final Budget of the Town of Northampton for the fiscal year as presented beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Councilwoman Zullo seconded the adoption and passed by,

Roll Call Vote

James Groff	Aye	Darryl Roosa	Aye
William Gritsavage	Aye	Molly Zullo	Aye
Art Simmons	Aye		

**2020 Fire Contracts**

**MOTION:** Councilman Simmons motioned to adopt the 2020 Fire Contracts with the Village of Northville Fire Department and the Broadalbin Kenyetto Fire Department, LLC and approve Supervisor Groff to sign the aforesaid contracts. Councilman Gritsavage seconded the adoption. and passed by,

Roll Call Vote

James Groff	Aye	Darryl Roosa	Aye
William Gritsavage	Aye	Molly Zullo	Aye
Art Simmons	Aye		

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilman Simmons mentioned that Peter Borelli has contacted him saying that a reporter from the Adirondack Explorer has contacted him who is doing a story on the Delaney Stone Quarry. Mr. Borelli wanted to know if the Town Board was aware that supposedly that Delaney has filed paperwork with the DEC to substantially increase the number of trucks going in and out of the Stone Quarry per day. Supervisor Groff mentioned that he assumed that the APA would contact the Town Board with this.

**SPECTRUM**

Nathanial Matthews mentioned that the Village Mayor was looking into Spectrum upgrading the municipality’s internet and the phone system at all locations for both the Town of Northampton and Village of Northville. We currently are paying Frontier high fees for our phone system and for 7 megs internet here, which is extremely slow. It is causing a lot of telephone and computer issues. With the Spectrum Business Class with the telephones we would be saving a sizable amount for 100 megs explained Mr. Matthews. We can keep our phone system and they would most likely change our phones and our phone numbers would roll over and remain the same. We would save between the town and village combined a very sizable amount of money. Over a three- or five-year period it will save us approximately \$15,000.00. we did reach out to Frontier and they obviously cannot meet the 100 megs internet they can only provide 40 megs for the Business Class. As of yet, Frontier has not provided us with a quote for the 40 megs internet. So, which either way looks most feasibly and economical. He is asking for the Towns permission to pursue this. So, they can get started because it is going to be a lengthy process.

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned to pursue Spectrum upgrade for the phone system and internet for both the Town of Northampton and Village of Northville. Councilwoman Zullo seconded the motion and passed by a

Vote of: 5-Ayes: Groff, Zullo, Gritsavage, Simmons and Roosa                      0-Nays

The next Town Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 7 p.m.

**Adjourn:** With no further business coming before the board, Councilman Gritsavage motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Councilwoman Zullo seconded the motion and passed by,

A Vote of: 5-Ayes: Groff, Roosa, Gritsavage, Simmons, and Zullo                      0-Nays

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Mihalik, Town Clerk