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**Minutes of the Town of Johnsbury Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting  
May 6, 2014  
Held at the Wevertown Community Center, Wevertown, NY**

Minutes of the public hearing on the North Creek Fire District - Response Area Contract and the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Johnsbury held on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wevertown Community Center, Wevertown, New York.

Supervisor Vanselow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was led by Supervisor Vanselow.

PRESENT: Ronald Vanselow -- Supervisor  
Eugene Arsenault -- Councilman  
Peter Olesheski, Jr -- Councilman  
Arnold Stevens -- Councilman  
Katharine Nightingale -- Councilwoman  
Jo A Smith -- Town Clerk

Guests: On attached list

**Supervisor Vanselow opened the public hearing at 7:05 pm for the North Creek Fire District / Response area contract.**

Mrs. Smith, Town Clerk read the Legal Notice for North Creek Fire District / Response area contract as it appeared in the North Creek News-Enterprise edition of April 19 & 26, 2014.

Supervisor Vanselow explained that the contract is the same contract as the one held by the other companies in the Township. The amount in this contract is \$7,500 for one year, Jan 1, 2014 through Dec 31, 2014.

Mr. Robert Nettle asked if the \$7,500 was for the full year and what would it be for next year? Supervisor Vanselow replied that he assumed it would be the same, being it has been that for two years. Supervisor Vanselow went on to explain, that the three companies Johnsbury, Riverside and North Creek which are covering Wevertown's District, each where given \$7,500 for the added coverage area. Ms. Cherie Ferguson explained the map, with the coverage areas, to Mr. Nettle. Mr. Olesheski stated took 15 and divided it between Johnsbury and Riverside Districts and giving North Creek \$7,500 is still cheaper than what we were paying Wevertown District.

Supervisor Vanselow closed the public hearing at 7:14 PM and returned to the regular meeting.

***RESOLUTION # 70-14***

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR APRIL 15, 2014**

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2014 regular Town Board Meeting as written.

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With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1) A letter via e-mail from Mr. Peter Heid, still disapproving of the sign on the Barton Mines Road.
- 2) A letter from Jenna Conley via e-mail regarding Union Cemetery. Jenna Conley is a senior at Johnsbury Central School and for years now, Miss Conley has noticed that the condition of the Union Cemetery declining. There are numerous headstones that are falling apart and the stairs on the hill are coming out of their foundation and sticking up at odd angles. Miss Conley wants to see that something gets done to better the resting place of so many peaceful souls.
- 3) A letter from Superintendent of Highways Daniel Hitchcock - the Highway department would like to purchase 2 new York Rakes. Not only are they rakes, but they also have grader blades attached. The cost of the 2 York Rakes is \$11,898.00. The funding would come from reimbursement from the Denton Property clean up.

**CEMETERIES**

Supervisor Vanselow stated regarding the cemeteries, that he has talked with Miss Conley and will be talking more to her. The town by law is required to mow the cemeteries twice a year, but is not required to repair headstones. Miss Conley is speaking of Union Cemetery but all of the cemeteries have this problem. Mr. Olesheski stated he understands about the headstones as being private but what about the stone stairs, would that all under the towns repair. Supervisor Vanselow stated that they do take care of the roads in the cemeteries, but not sure about the stairs. If people used them to access the cemetery then they would, but he thinks they were put in for the mausoleum. Mr. Olesheski asked if someone got hurt in a cemetery who's liable? Supervisor Vanselow stated he didn't know, and the Town doesn't own them so we shouldn't be liable.

Supervisor Vanselow went on to state a couple of weeks ago it was reported to him that around one plot in Bates Cemetery someone had planted iron rods with about 8 to 10 inches sticking out and the iron rods had been sharpened to a point. They were buried about 3 feet down and the rods had been welded onto a piece of guardrail material.

Mr. Arsenault asked if Mr. Olden or someone walk the cemeteries and give a report of issues and other things so the board has a better understanding on these type of things.

Supervisor Vanselow replied that Mr. Olden could do that, anytime that Mr. Olden sees a problem he has been reporting it and fixing it. Mr. Olesheski stated that this is a tough kind of thing and we all feel bad about the conditions of the cemeteries and have hear a lot of public comments about them. Mr. Olesheski stated that it still is not clear to him what the responsibilities of the Town are and maybe they should research more the legality of it.

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Supervisor Vanselow replied that Mrs. Smith looked that up recently and had given him a few pages pertaining to the Town on Cemeteries. The Town is responsible to mow them twice a year and fencing them. Mr. Arsenault feels we have struggled with this for a long time and the communities expectation of the Board is much more than what they have accomplished. Mr. Arsenault went on to state he believes there should be come type of evaluation program so over a period of time they could spend some resources and make improvements. Supervisor Vanselow stated that he had spoke with Mr. Rawson about the water lines in Union cemetery and it's not the water departments problem because once you hit the cub stop it's the reasonability of the property owner, and in this case it's not the Town. Mr. Arsenault that is why we need to be gathering information about the problems and what needs to be done and putting aside a few thousand a year to put towards this kind of maintenance.

Mr. Olesheski stated that maybe we could have a group that the town could support. Supervisor Vanselow asked if there was one in North River. Ms. Ferguson replied North River has a Cemetery Association for the New Cemetery only, that the town mows the old one. Mr. Olesheski asked about the Historical Society heading it up and the Town supporting them. Miss Amber Cottone also from Johnsbury Central School stated that she has spoken with Miss Conley about this and they would like to get something set up through the school for volunteers. Mr. Arsenault stated that was good but in the past we also had some volunteers that had done some work in the cemeteries but we need someone to head this up to make sure it continues and we need an overall plain. At 7:30 pm Miss Jenna Conley arrived and Supervisor Vanselow explained that we have been discussing her letter and are going to see if they can fund some restoration efforts and look to volunteers in the community to work on this. Miss Conley stated that she is very concerned about the stairs in Union Cemetery.

Ms. Nightingale asked if we could in some way educate the people of the Town, with the exact wording of what the Town is responsible for.

Mr. Olesheski stated like the sign in North River sometimes the board needs to do something because they have to, which will make it a better place to live.

Mr. Arsenault told Miss Conley not to give up, keep reminding them.

### **YORK RAKES FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Vanselow about the purchase of two York Rakes for the Highway Department.

### ***RESOLUTION # 71 -14***

Mr. Stevens presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale to accept the written requested from Superintendent of Highways Dan Hitchcock for the purchase of two York Rakes in the amount of \$11,898.00.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

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Mr. Arsenault asked how much money did we get on the Denton property? Supervisor Vanselow stated he couldn't recall the exact amount. Mr. Arsenault asked if we have been paid for all of the expense on the property. Supervisor Vanselow replied "Yes". Mr. Arsenault asked about the balance of the clean up on the property. Supervisor Vanselow said that Mr. Hitchcock will finish it hopefully sometime this summer. Mr. Arsenault asked if we again would be reimbursed for it. Supervisor Vanselow replied yes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**FIRE RESPONSE AREAS & AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTION #45-14**

Ms. Ferguson stated that several weeks ago the board passed a resolution dissolving the Wevertown Fire Company response area and dividing said area between the North Creek, Johnsbury and Riverside Fire Companies. Resolution #45-14 was sent to the County and they stated that there were too many references to the word "District". The word "District" (unless referring to North Creek Fire District or Johnsbury Fire Protection District) has subsequently been replaced with "Company Response Area" for the Fire companies responding in that area. Due to changes implemented with the 911 System, the response boundaries that were put in place before this dissolution process did not line up with the tax boundaries of the North Creek fire district therefore the map also had to be revised to cover a potential gap in the coverage areas between the boundary of the North Creek Fire District and the new response area created in the former Wevertown area. The North Creek Fire District Commissioners have agreed via a resolution on Feb 25, 2014 to continue to respond to the gap area between their tax boundary and the former Wevertown area as they have historically done pending contract with the Town so there would be no lapse in coverage.

**A Resolution for the creation of ONE (1) Fire Company Response Area and extension of TWO (2) Fire Company Response Area within the former Wevertown Fire Company Response Area set for dissolution.**

***RESOLUTION # 45-14 B***

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Johnsbury has the duty and desire to provide the most efficient, effective and timely fire protection to all of its residents and their property, and

WHEREAS, all parties are aware of other discrepancies regarding the response areas within the Town of Johnsbury as it relates to the tax district boundary of the North Creek Fire District and it is agreed that the matter presented in this resolution take precedence over all, but that all other issues will be diligently pursued for amendment, and

WHEREAS, the area previously known as the Wevertown Fire Company Response Area is no longer serviced by the Wevertown Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. due to their termination of

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service, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board realizes it is neither prudent, nor in the best interest of safety for the three neighboring agencies to continually simultaneously respond for coverage of calls for service within the boundaries of the Wevertown Fire Company Response Area, and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Town Board and the current Chiefs of the North Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and their Commissioners, as well as the Chiefs of the Johnsburg Volunteer Fire Company, Inc., and the Riverside Volunteer Fire Company Inc. have met and reviewed at great lengths proposals for redistricting of the Wevertown Fire Company Response Area amongst their entities, and

WHEREAS, an agreement has been reached regarding the specific boundaries that each entity will cover within said response area including the gap between the North Creek Fire District line and the newly proposed response areas, and

WHEREAS, the proposed modifications will result in the dissolution of the Wevertown Fire Company Response Area and create an extension of the current coverage areas of the Johnsburg Fire Company and the Riverside Fire Company and create a new Fire Company Response Area for the North Creek Volunteer Department as described herein,(EXHIBIT A) and

WHEREAS, it is agreed between all parties that there shall be negotiations for compensation associated with the additional coverage area for all agencies involved in this proposed modification, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Johnsburg wishes to adopt a Final Order for the modifications as proposed herein by the descriptions provided herein as “Boundary Lines” and as it relates to the affected areas as attached (EXHIBIT B),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Town Board of the Town of Johnsburg does hereby dissolve the area formerly known as the Wevertown Fire Company Response, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby create an extension of the current response area to be covered by the Johnsburg Volunteer Fire Company, Inc., and of the response area to be covered by the Riverside Volunteer Fire Company, Inc., and to create a new Fire Company Response Area to be covered by the North Creek Volunteer Department as described herein, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board does still intend for these and all response areas to be covered under the mutual aid agreements already established in the current and future contracts for fire protection, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution, boundary lines and amended map shall be filed with Warren County for the creation of a new and final Town of Johnsburg Fire Company Response Area Map, and a copy of said map will be furnished to each Fire and EMS agency within the Town of Johnsburg, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board wishes to extend their sincerest gratitude to all of the volunteers of all agencies for their selfless dedication to the protection to life and property for our community, and their persistence, patience and efforts put forth through this difficult transition, for the benefit of the residents and responders alike.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays -0

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **Boundary Lines**

#### **(1) FIRE COMPANY RESPONSE AREA – NORTH CREEK**

**Starting Point:** At the point of the current dispatch of the North Creek Fire District and the Riverside Fire Company Response Area line where it intersects at parcel 84.-1-16, continuing south along the current dispatch line to the northern connecting points of the existing boundary lines for Riverside Fire Company Response Area and the former Wevertown Fire Company Response Area near the easterly corner of parcel 101.-1-29 and continuing southeast along the existing fire boundary line to the westerly corner of parcel 102.2-1-29, continuing southeast along the easterly border of parcel 100.-1-36, bearing southwest to the border of parcel 101.-1-52, turning southeast to the intersection of parcel 101.-1-55, continuing southwest along its boundary with parcel 101.-1-52 turning southeast along parcel 118.-1-27 to its southeast corner, then southwest along its border to State Rt 28, crossing to meet the southeast point of 118.1-20.5 and continuing southwest along the borders of it and parcels 118.-1-19, 118.-1-22 to the southern point of that property, then continuing northwest along 118.-1-22, veering southwest on its border with 118.-1-6 and continuing northwest to the intersection with the boundary of 117.-1-54, continuing southwest along 117.-1-53 then veering northeast at its intersection with 117.-1-57 to the existing border with Bakers Mills Fire Company Response Area continuing north along existing boundary to the existing boundary to the intersection of 100.-1-14.2, follow the border westerly along 99.-1-58, southwest along 99.-1-59 along its southern border then northerly to the intersection of 99.1-60, along its southern border then northwest along its border and 99.-1-61 and 99.-1-62 to the point of the North Creek Fire District, following back in an easterly direction along the parcels contained therein then northeast to the starting point of parcel 84.-1-16, thus establishing the North Creek Fire Company Response Area. At this time, all other calls shall be dispatched as they have been unless stated in this resolution, and until such time that the issue of the tax district overlay has been resolved as to avoid any lapse in coverage.

#### **(2) FIRE COMPANY RESPONSE AREA EXTENSION – JOHNSBURG**

*[The majority of the existing Johnsburg Fire Company Response Area will remain the same with exception to the northerly portion now consumed by the new North Creek Fire Company Response Area and this extension.]*

**Starting Point:** The new northern portion will start at the southerly intersection of the existing Johnsburg Fire Company Response Area boundary, the existing Bakers Mills Fire Company Response Area boundary, and the new North Creek Fire Company Response Area boundary on

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parcel 117.-1-57 and travel southeast to the northwest corner of parcel 117.-1-59 and continue northeast to its boundary with parcel 118.-1-22 and southeast along both to the intersection of parcel 118.-1-6. Continue northeast along the North Creek Fire Company Response Area boundary to the northeast corner of parcel 118.-1-37.1 then southeast along its border to State Route 8. Continue across the road to the northerly corner of parcel 118.-1-57 along the borders of it and 118.-1-64 to the intersection of parcel 118.-1-65, continue northeast on its border to where it intersects with parcel 118.-1-46. Continue southeast along 118.1-65 to the intersection of parcel 118.-1-66.1 then northeast along its border to the intersection of 119.-1-12. Traveling southeast of the borders of 118.-1-66.1, 118.-1-67, 118.-1-68 to the intersection point of 119.-1-9 then proceed northeast along its border to the intersection of 119.-1-23.3. Continue southeast along the border to the intersection of parcel 119.-1-7 then southwest along the border to the intersection of 119.-1-5 continuing southeast to its corner, then southwest to the border of 119.-1-6, traveling southeast again along the border to a point intersecting about 715 feet ± northeast on the northern border of parcel of 135.-1-25. Continue southeast across parcel 135.-1-24 and 135.-1-23.1 to where it intersects with parcel 135.-1-22.12 (about 315 feet ± northeast on the southern border of 135.-1-23.1) Continue southeast along 135.-1-22.11 to where it intersects with parcel 135.-7-17 and making a northeast to southeast arc along that parcel to Harrington Road. Continue directly across the road to parcel 138.-1-6 and head northeast and north along its boundary dictated by the roadway and northeast again to the railroad tracks at parcel 135.-1-22.11. Continue southerly along the RR tracks from parcel 135.-4-6 to Thurman Fire District line at 151.-1-30, then southwest along the existing Company Response Area line to include the preexisting portions of parcels 151.-1-5, 151.-1-6, 166.-2-7 and 162.-2-1 AND CONTINUING INTO THE EXISTING COMPANY RESPONSE AREA.

**(3) FIRE COMPANY RESPONSE AREA EXTENSION – RIVERSIDE**

*[The entirety of the existing Riverside Fire Company Response Area will remain the same with the exception of this extension.]*

**Starting point:** At the northern connecting points of the existing boundary lines the Riverside Fire Company Response Area and the newly established North Creek Fire Company Response Area near the easterly corner of parcel 101.-1-29 continuing southeast along the new fire boundary line to the westerly corner of parcel 102.2-1-29, continuing southeast along its border and of parcels 101.2-1.28, 101.2-1-27, and 101.2-1-2 then heading southwest along parcel 101.-1-36 to the intersection of 101.-1-52, continuing southeast along it and then 101.-1-58 and 101.-1-56 turning southwest along 101.-1-55 to the new Johnsbury Fire Company Response Area line at 118.-1-37.1. Continue in a southeast direction along parcels 101.-1-55, 101.-1-54, 101.-1-53, 118.-1-95 and 118.-1-38 to State RT 8. Cross the road along the new Johnsbury Fire Company Response Area Line to include parcels not previously assigned, south to Harrington Road at the intersection of 135.-1-17 and 135.-1.22.11. Proceed northeast along 35.-1-18, 135.-1-19, 135.-1-20, and 135.-1-22.11 and continue on both sides of and including the rail line heading north along the Hudson River, AND CONTINUING INTO THE EXISTING COMPANY RESPONSE AREA. Riverside will also cover calls ON the rail line from 135.-1-22.11 south, through the new Johnsbury Fire Company Response Area to the Thurman Fire Company Response Area line.

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## **EXHIBIT B**

### **Final Dissolution and Redistricting of Wevertown Fire Company Response Area Map and Creation of North Creek Fire Company Response Area (attached)**

#### **NORTH CREEK FIRE DISTRICT RESPONSE AREA CONTRACT**

##### ***RESOLUTION #72-14***

Mr. Olesheski presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to accept the North Creek Fire District Response Area Contract in the amount of \$7,500 for the year 2014 as written.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

##### **NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Vanselow noted that the Animal Control Officer April monthly report was in the boards packets.

Supervisor Vanselow noted that the ZEO's April monthly report for was in the boards packets.

##### **WATER TANK INSPECTION**

Supervisor Vanselow stated that Mr. Rawson would like the board to approve robotic type submarines to go into our water tanks to inspect them. Mr. Rawson stated the robots will be inspected just like the divers did the first time. The Water Tank at the Valhouse hasn't been worked on since 1989 and the new tank behind Jacobs was put there in 1995. DOH would like to see some kind of internal report every 5 years, there is nothing in writing that states we have to do this. Mr. Rawson believes for the divers to come in and do the inspection for one tank would be about equal to the robot doing two tanks. Supervisor Vanselow asked if Mr. Rawson remembers that amount. Mr. Rawson replied that it was about fourteen hundred dollars and also they have a new tool that they are going to bring that will tell the thickness of the metal.

##### ***RESOLUTION # 73 -14***

Ms. Nightingale presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to accept the request from Mr. Rawson to hire Liquid Engineering to use the robotic type submarines to inspect the water tanks which will be approximately \$14 hundred.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

##### **IDIDARIDE SPECIAL LIQUOR PERMIT**



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Adirondack Mountain Club would like Supervisor Vanselow to sign off on a Special Liquor Permit for August 10, 2014 for the Ididaride which is being held in the Ski Bowl Park.

***RESOLUTION # 74 -14***

Ms. Nightingale presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute a special event alcohol permit permission for the Adirondack Mountain Club for August 10, 2014 in the Ski Bowl Park.

With 4 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-4 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Vanselow) Mr. Stevens - opposed

**JOHNSBURG YOUTH PROGRAM / GURNEY LANE / SWIM LESSONS**

Ms. Dingman stated that the Youth Program would like to take the children to Gurney Lane in Queensbury again this year for swim lessons. The children would pay for their own lessons. Ms. Dingman would like the town to pay for the bussing. Supervisor Vanselow asked what the amount would be? Ms. Dingman said it would be about \$1,500 which is less than last year. Mr. Olesheski asked if this was budgeted in the Youth Community Budget? Supervisor Vanselow stated not specifically, but they have the funds to do it and they are asking for permission to spend that amount.

***RESOLUTION # 75-14***

Mr. Stevens presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale to except the request from the Johnsbury Youth Committee to spend approximately \$1,500 on the busing for the children to take swim lessons at Gurney Lane, Queensbury.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

**ADVERTISING FOR JOHNSBURG YOUTH PROGRAM SUMMER HELP**

Supervisor Vanselow stated Ms. Dingman has submitted a list of hires for the Youth Program. Supervisor Vanselow went on to state that the Town of Johnsbury doesn't advertise for the Youth Program summer help like other Town's do, and would like to do so that everyone has an equal opportunity. It would run for one week in the North Creek Enterprise.

***RESOLUTION # 76 -14***

Ms. Nightingale presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Olesheski to Advertise Help Wanted for one week in the North Creek Enterprises for the Johnsbury Youth Program.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

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**PICNIC TABLES**

Supervisor Vanselow requested a rotating resupply of picnic tables. Mr. Olden has found picnic tables at Lowes which are just under \$100 a piece, and would like to buy 6 this year. Mr. Olesheski stated that there is a need for a couple at the lower Pavilion. Supervisor Vanselow stated that he knows the upper pavilion had a couple that where a loss last year. Mr. Arsenault doesn't understand why it just doesn't come out of Mr. Olden's budget. Mr. Olesheski thinks it should just be done every year. Supervisor Vanselow stated that he was looking for input.

***RESOLUTION # 77-14***

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale to have Mr. Olden Supervisor of the Parks Department to purchase 6 picnic tables every spring to replace/resupply inventory.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Supervisor Vanselow explained there are a couple Budget Amendments the first is to correct a posting error for April. May's Budget Amendments the first is re-appropriate Occupancy tax Payment 2013 for 2014, second is for over budgeted accounts, third is to allocate FEMA Payments to appropriations for disaster work to be performed. Supervisor Vanselow asked that the Town Board accept the budget amendments.

***RESOLUTION #78-14***

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution, and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Olesheski, to accept and approve the following Corrections / Amendments to the 2014 Town Budget:

**Budget Correction for April**

1	Machinery EQ	DA51302	\$73,211.30	
	Machinery CE	DA51304		\$73,211.30

Posted to Viking-Cives default a/c by mistake

**Budget Amendments May,2014**

1	Occupancy Tax	A64104.2	\$30,000.00	
	Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance			\$30,000.00

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## Re-Appropriate Occupancy Tax Payment in 2013 for 2014

2	Traffic Control	A33104	250.00	
	Personnel CE	A14304	1,000.00	
	Workers Comp	A90408	1.00	
	Contingency	A19904		1,251.00

Allocate Contingency Funds as needed to overbudget accounts

3	Emergency Disaster Work	DA8760.4	96,534.20	
	Federal Aid	DA4960		96,534.20

Allocate FEMA Payments to Appropriations for Disaster Work to be Performed

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

Supervisor Vanselow explained that the Occupancy Tax Committee is going to suggest raising the tax by 1% and from additional funds raised town would be receiving more money and they would be helping out the Civic Center which is in the red.

Mr. Arsenault asked about the railroad. Supervisor Vanselow stated that as far as he knows they have sold an 80% share to a large investment company, the management team will stay in place as it is now. This will free up a lot of capital, so they can start paying people. Mr. Arsenault asked if the County was happy with this situation. Supervisor Vanselow stated that they seem to be.

Mr. Arsenault asked what is the next step over at the Ski bowl where the trees have been removed? Supervisor Vanselow stated that Mr. Hitchcock will start screening the sand to use on the roads and Mr. Suozzo has estimated that there will be 4 or 5 years worth. Mr. Arsenault asked if the hill would be coming down or are they going to undermine it? Supervisor Vanselow stated he thinks the safest way would be to take it off the top. Mr. Arsenault asked about the end results. Supervisor Vanselow stated that on our side we will have to slope the bank.

**RESOLUTION #79-14**

Mr. Stevens presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale that that the following certified bills which have been reviewed by the board members be paid:

**General Fund** - (Total \$ 42,306.15) Claim # 14-197 (to replace check #2121 that was not received); Claim #14-336 (National Grid Paid Check #2212); Claim # 14-339 to 14-340; 14-344 to 14-359; 14-369

**Highway Fund** - (Total \$ 30,394.25) Claims #14-339 to 14-340; 14-359 to 14-366

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**Capital Projects Fund** - (Total \$ 11,331.54) Claims # 14-369 to 14-371

**North Creek Water District** - (Total \$ 11,583.56) Claims #14-340; 14-367 to 14-369

**Library Fund** - (Total \$ 760.63) Claim #14-339

**Trust And Agency** - (Total \$3,502.01) Claims #14-339 to 14-343; 14-372

**Total all warrants \$99,878.14.**

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays - 0

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Mrs. Smith the Town Clerk asked the board if they could approve and sign a voucher for out of sequence for postage for the postage meter which we just received.

***RESOLUTION # 80-14***

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Ms. Nightingale to approve the out of sequence check for postage for the postage meter.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays – 0

Mrs. Smith the Town Clerk also presented the board with information on e-recycling through Maven Technologies, LLC, Rochester, NY. Mrs. Smith explained that we would need a dry place to put the heavy cardboard box which is attached to a skid base. Supervisor Vanselow stated that this is the same situation as a few months ago when this was discussed. Supervisor Vanselow went on to stated that he had talked with Mr. Hitchcock and he has information on a company that has shipping containers for sale. If we purchased one it could be used for e-recycling and reusable items. Mr. Olesheski asked about the stock pile of material up at the landfill and maybe we could use that to build something from that. Supervisor Vanselow stated that the pile has been removed and a lot of the wood was not structurally sound. He would like to do a cost comparison of a wooden shed to a shipping container.

Mr. Arsenault asked if we have been paid by Eastside? Supervisor Vanselow replied no not yet. Ms. Ferguson stated that the bookkeeper has told her as soon as the new business comes into play that we will be paid.

Mr. Bob Nettle would like information pertaining to the Wevertown Fire Company Property because he would be interested in purchasing it. Supervisor Vanselow stated that he requested they be put back on the tax roll. Mr. Olesheski stated that if they are still a non-profit organization then they shouldn't be paying taxes. Supervisor Vanselow stated that if they are a

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non-profit organization then they must file with the town every year and they have not.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was presented by Mr. Arsenault with a second from Ms. Nightingale at 8:27 p.m.

With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes-5 (Arsenault, Nightingale, Olesheski, Stevens, Vanselow) Nays - 0

The Town Board regular meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2014, at the Tannery Pond, Main Street, North Creek, New York.

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Prepared by Jo A Smith, Town Clerk

### MEETING ATTENDANCE SIGN-IN

MEETING DATE: May 6, 2014

LOCATION: Wevertown Community Center

Please PRINT name and address clearly to assure the correct spelling in the minutes of this meeting.

- 1 *Chia Ferguson* *North Creek*
- 2 **ROBERT NESSLE** *J. BURG*
- 3 *Amber Cline* *North Creek*
- 4 *Lloyd K. Burch* *North Creek*
- 5 *Ann Dingman*
- 6 *Charles Rauer* *N. Creek*
- 7 **CHRISTIAN HOLT** *J-Burg*
- 8 *Jenna Connelly*
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