**Colton Town Board Public Hearing 2024 Budget, November 1, 2023**

**County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, 94 Main St., Colton NY 13625**

Present: Ronald Robert, Town Supervisor Councilpersons: Lisa Fisher

 Jennifer Cole, Town Clerk Jacob Poste

 Stephen Knight

Present: Kirke Perry, Brittney Gravlin, Shelley Rayner

Zoom attendees: Anne Townsend, Dennis Eickhoff, Peggy Shea, Cynthia Hennessy, Mary Jane Watson, Judy Fuhr

Supervisor R. Robert led the hearing with the Pledge of Allegiance. This hearing opened at 6:00pm. This public hearing was advertised in the town’s official paper North Country Now as well as the towns Facebook page and website. This hearing was called to discuss the preliminary 2024 budget for the Town of Colton. Councilman Kevin Beary was absent for this meeting.

Discussion on salaries for elected officials, appointed officials, and the advertisement for this meeting. Town Clerk Jennifer Cole and Councilman Knight both read from the 2016 Town Law Manual published by the Association of Towns.

Discussion on the upcoming Organizational meeting for January of 2024.

Motion #1

Ms. Fisher made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:21pm, seconded by Mr. Knight.

Ayes 4

Noes 0

Absent 1-Beary

Motion carried

Motion #2

Mr. Knight made a motion to accept the current preliminary budget for 2024 dated November 1, 2023, as the final Colton Town Budget, seconded by Mr. Poste.

Ayes 4

Noes 0

Absent 1-Beary

Motion carried

**Adjournment:**

Motion #3

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Fisher made a motion to close the public meeting at 6:23pm, seconded by Mr. Poste.

 Ayes 4

 Noes 0

 Absent 1-Beary

 Motion carried

Meeting minutes by Colton Town Clerk Jennifer Cole

Meeting minutes approved at the next board meeting.

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