

A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday April 27, 2023 at 6:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: George D. McHugh, Supervisor
Brandon L. LeFevre, Council Member
Linda S. Bruno, Council member
Marisa Tutay, Council Member
Stephen J. Schmitt, Council Member

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Candace McHugh, Town Clerk
Daniel D. Baker, Superintendent of Highways
Marc Tryon, Chief of Police
Keith Geraldson, Chief Waste Water Treatment Operator
Jason Chmielewski, Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer

Supervisor McHugh called the meeting order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Council member Bruno led the audience in prayer. Supervisor McHugh asked the record reflect that all board members were present.

Announcements:

Alcove Day: Alcove Day Community Yard Sales is this Saturday! Starting at 8:00 am, breakfast sandwiches, yard sale maps, and Alcove Anniversary Booklets will be for sale at the Coeymans Hollow Fire House, followed by a Luncheon from 10 am -2 pm at the Trinity United Methodist Church by United Methodist Women. Please be mindful of the increased traffic along Rt. 143 and the side streets of Alcove.

Cinco De Mayo Comedy Show: The Town of Coeymans 350th Celebration Committee will be hosting a Cinco De Mayo Comedy Show featuring Jen McMullen and Friends, at Sycamore Country Club on May 5th. Tickets are available at the Town Clerk's Office cash or check only, if you wish to pay by credit card, there is a link on the 350th Celebration Facebook page to purchase tickets! Come on out, enjoy a good laugh and some delicious appetizers, doors open at 7:00 pm and the show starts at 8:00 pm.

We Love aRtCS Festival: We Love aRtCS Music and Arts Festival is just around the corner, Saturday, May 6th from 12-6 PM at the Village of Ravena Offices. There will be many art and food vendors to enjoy while listening to live music by Glass Pony, Dr. Jah & Sugar Skull, and more!

CROP Walk: The Ravena CROP Walk will be held on Sunday, May 7th at Mosher Park. Registration begins at 12:00 pm followed by the walk at 1:00 pm and includes stops at St. Patrick's Food Pantry, the Senior Projects, and the Congregational Church to include educating participants about hunger mitigation efforts within the RCS Community.

25% of all donations are returned to the local area to support various food charities. The walk will include educating participants about hunger mitigation efforts within the RCS Community. Ravena wants to raise \$6,000.00 this year, checks can be mailed to Grace United Methodist Church c/o Fran Lobdell or you can bring checks to the event.

For more information or with any questions, please call Rev. Antonio Booth at 518-573-3219

Coeymans Recycle Day: Coeymans Recycle Day is quickly approaching, Saturday, May 13th, from 8 am-1 pm at two convenient locations; WM Biers Property, across from the Port of Coeymans, and the Coeymans Highway Garage, 1305 Rt. 143. This is cost-free to all Coeymans residents, without the generosity of Al Collins and Collins & Son and Charlie Theile and Theile Carting for their generous donation of containers and trucking services, as well as Billy Biers and CD Man, LLC for their donation of transfer services, the Town would not be able to offer this to Coeymans Residents, free of charge!

Please visit our Town Website and Facebook page to see the list of allowed and not allowed items for Recycle Day.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Minutes were approved for the following meetings:

-April 13, 2023 Town Board Meeting

Council member Tutay made a motion to accept the minutes and Council member LeFevre seconded the motion

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0– SO MOVED

Supervisor Report

Supervisor McHugh read the March 2023 Supervisor’s Report.

Motion to Accept Report

Council member Tutay made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member LeFevre. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

Department Reports

Town Clerk Report – March 2023 Report read by Town Clerk Candace McHugh

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Bruno. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS – ABSENT 0– SO MOVED

Police Department Report – March 2023 Report read by Chief Tryon

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Bruno APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

Building Department – March 2023 Report read by Jason Chmielewski

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Schmitt. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

PB/ZBA Report – March 2023 report read by Jason Chmielewski.

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Tutay. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

Sewer Department Report – March 2023 Sewer Department Report read by Keith Geraldson

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Bruno.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

Highway Department Report- March 2023 Highway Department Report

Motion to Accept Report

Council member McHugh made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Council member Schmitt.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED

Mr. Mahaffey thanked Dan Baker for posting the daily tasks on FaceBook

New Business:

Martin’s Hill Water District: Supervisor McHugh met with former Supervisor Ron Hotaling and Jim Youmans to discuss the history of the Martin’s Hill water district. The district was established but considered too expensive at the time to proceed. Supervisor McHugh would like to resurrect this plan. He will be obtaining the files from the lawyers who formed the district.

Proposed Local Law- Lot Line Adjustment: Council member Schmitt drafted a lot line adjustment law which is under review with the town attorney. The Supervisor feels as though it is important to add this option. It will be further discussed at the next meeting. Council member Schmitt explained what a lot line adjustment is and how it simplifies the process.

Old Business:

Evening on the Green: Concerts start May 31st. A full list can be found on the website.

350th Celebration: Council member Tutay reviewed the schedule for the 350th Celebration. More information can be found on the town website as well.

Joralemon Park Bathroom Project Update: Bids were open today for the rebid. The entries have been sent to the engineers.

Town Hall Mold Remediation Update: the contract to dig the test holes has been awarded and should begin soon.

Town Hall Cleaning Contract: Information was discussed at the last meeting regarding how to proceed with the cleaning services. Council member Schmitt discussed the pricing with the board for clarification.

Motion was made by Council member Bruno to accept the contract with Boxley Cleaning Services to begin June 1, 2023 and seconded by Council member LeFevre. All were in favor.

Resolutions

Resolution # 068-23 Schedule Public Hearing- Dog Control Law

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Tutay offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has proposed certain amendments in Sections 60-1, 60-2 and 60-3 of Chapter 60, commonly referred to as “Dog Control” of the Town Code, in an effort to update the current code and expand the geographical jurisdiction of Chapter 60 from the Hamlet of Coeymans to the entire Town of Coeymans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing is hereby scheduled for May 25, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 18 Russell Ave, Ravena, NY 12143, to receive comments from the public regarding proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023, a Local Law to amend Sections 60-1, 60-2 and 60-3 of Chapter 60 of the Coeymans Town Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish appropriate notice of the public hearing.

Seconded by Council member LeFevre, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council member Schmitt stated this isn't a leash law but your dog has to be in control at all times. The law doesn't change just the geographical location extending it to the entire Town.

Resolution # 069-23 Appoint Seasonal Laborer

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member LeFevre offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans is desirous of hiring a Seasonal Laborer to assist at the Wastewater Treatment Plant as needed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint John Graves as a Seasonal Laborer for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, on an as-needed basis, effective April 24, 2023.

Seconded by Council member McHugh, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 070-23 Approval of April Abstract

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
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Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member McHugh offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in the Abstract for April 2023, as follows:

PRE-PAID VOUCHERS –23-00406 to 23-00520 from the following funds:

General	\$ 211,381.80
Part Town	\$ 20,331.47
Highway – Town	\$ 17,635.87
Highway – Part Town	\$ 54,430.54
Sewer	\$ 25,995.69
Trust & Agency	\$ 42,614.74
H – Special Projects	98,325.00

VOUCHER NUMBERS –23-00521 to 23-00603 from the following funds:

General	\$ 142,645.49
Part Town	\$ 1,629.30
Highway -Town Wide	\$ 475.20
Highway – Part Town	\$ 28,364.63
Sewer	\$ 9,365.67
H- Capital Projects	\$ 21,583.82
Trust and Agency	\$ 1,850.00

TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS – \$ 676,629.22

Seconded by Council member Bruno, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 071-23 Authorize Clerk to the Supervisor to Attend Conference

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Bruno offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Annual Town Finance School sponsored by the Association of Towns and the Office of the State Comptroller will be held on May 15th & 16th, 2023, in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk to the Supervisor is desirous of attending the annual schooling to receive training opportunities that the conference offers; and

WHEREAS, the conference registration fee must be paid before April 28th;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the Clerk to the Supervisor to attend the Annual Finance School and to submit a voucher for the registration fee and any other related expenses associated with the schooling.

Seconded by Council member Schmitt, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 072-23 Authorize Supervisor to Amend 2023 Budget- Court Grant Funds

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Schmitt offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Coeymans Town Court was awarded a grant in the amount of \$7,698.87 from the Justice Court Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #144-22 was passed at a regular Town Board Meeting on August 25, 2022, authorizing the Court to apply for the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper accounting of the Grant money the following amendments must be made in the 2023 Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to make the following amendments to the 2023 Budget:

GENERAL FUND (A)

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS

(A)1110.2 Equipment \$7,296.90
 (A)1110.4 Contractual \$ 401.97

INCREASE REVENUE (A)

(A)3021 State Court Facilities \$7,698.87

Seconded by Council member Tutay, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 073-23 Authorize Supervisor to Amend 2023 Budget- Highway Truck Purchase

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Tutay offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent is in need of purchasing a pickup truck; and

WHEREAS, Crossroads Ford has a 2023 Ford F 350 Silver pickup truck; and

WHEREAS, Crossroads Ford will allow \$23,000.00 for the trade-in of a 2018 Ford-150; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper accounting of the 2023 budget, a Budget Amendment is in order; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer is desirous of amending the Highway (DA) Fund Budget for the year 2023 as follows:

Highway Fund (DA)

Increase Appropriations

(DA)5130.2 Capital Outlay & Equipment \$32,505.00

Increase Appropriated Fund Balance

(DA)0599 Fund Balance \$32,505.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby Authorize George D. McHugh to make the above-mentioned amendment to the 2023 budget.

Seconded by Council member LeFevre, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Attorney James Peluso asked to discuss the purchase process after the meeting.

Resolution # 074-23 Authorize Supervisor to Amend Budget Transfers

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member LeFevre offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, Resolution #051-23 was presented at a regular Town Board Meeting, held on February 23, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the resolution was approved by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer was notified that several transfers were not correct; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper balances within various accounts several transfers must be amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the town board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to amend the following funds;

GENERAL FUND

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$ 783.91	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)1110.2 Justice Court Equipment
\$ 333.69	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)1110.4 Justice Court Contractual
\$ 304.00	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)1410.4Town Clerk Contractual
\$1,330.67	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)1430.4 Human Resources Contr.

PART TOWN FUND (B)

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$ 867.78	(B)5182.4 Street Lighting	(B)3620.4 Safety Inspections Contr.
\$2,830.20	(B)5182.4 Street Lighting	(B)9060.8 Health Insurance

SEWER FUND (SS)

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$15,128.54	(SS)8130.1 Personal Services	(SS)8130.4 Contractual
\$ 6, 394.49	(SS)9010.8 NYS Retirement	(SS)8130.4 Contractual

Seconded by Council member McHugh, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 075-23 Authorize Supervisor to Amend Capital Projects Fund Budget

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member McHugh offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, \$200,000.00 of American Rescue Plan Act Funds were allocated for the installation of High-Speed Broadband Internet at a regular Town Board Meeting held on June 23, 2022, Resolution #127-22; and

WHEREAS, only \$138,568.02 was expended for the installation of High-Speed Broadband Internet; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor George D. McHugh would like to transfer the balance of \$61,431.98 to the Capital Project Fund (HN)7110.2 Bathrooms;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to make the following amendments to the 2023 budget;

GENERAL FUND (A)
INCREASE

(A)4089	Federal Aid-American Rescue Aid	\$61,431.98
(A)9950.9	Transfer Capital Projects Fund	\$61,431.98

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (H)
INCREASE

HN5031	Transfer from Other Funds	\$61,431.98
HN7110.2	Bathrooms	\$61,431.98

Seconded by Council member Bruno, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 076-23 Authorize Supervisor to Sign Contract for Town Hall Excavation

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Bruno offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has received four (4) quotes from local excavation contractors to provide excavation work at the Town Hall building, under the statement of work prepared by MJ Engineering; and

WHEREAS, MJ Engineering has reviewed all of the quotes and provided the Town Board with a letter of recommendation on awarding the work to the low bidder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby authorizes Supervisor George D. McHugh to execute the contract with Collins and Son for excavation work to be provided at the Town Hall building, under the supervision and direction of MJ Engineering.

Seconded by Council member Schmitt, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Supervisor McHugh stated that the bids came in at \$23,450, \$24,955, \$28,250 And \$34,298. Lowest bid was accepted.

Public Comment:

Sara Pruiksma approached the podium and was appreciative that the ethics law wasn't being voted on tonight. She did express disappointment in the decision to use ARPA funds for the restrooms instead of supporting community services. She recommended starting a small grant program to service small businesses. Supervisor McHugh asked if she had ever met with the Ravena Senior Projects. He stated they do not service only Ravena and Coeymans but we are the only community that offers financial support. Council member Bruno stated she attended an open meeting the center held to brain storm for financial ideas. In regards to the bathrooms council member Tutay stated the bathrooms have been delayed to make them more affordable not for campaign reasons. She stated the board has been sharing information regarding the restroom build for several months. Council member Tutay agrees that the Senior Projects is a service worthy of the financial support but agrees that other municipalities should be contributing. Ms. Pruiksma thanked the Town Clerk for her help today.

Candace McHugh lives in the Hamlet: Mrs. McHugh helps run a soccer club that uses the Coeymans Landing for games. She pointed out that it is one of the few facilities they play at that do not have a bathroom. Joralemon Park has a top 10 rated disc golf course and sees hundreds of people every weekend, but also does not have a bathroom. Covid brought people outside and greatly increased our park use.

Dan Baker lives in the Village: Mr. Baker agreed with Candace in regards to the bathroom facilities. He also stated he once served on the Ethics Board in Ravena. The Village Board was the first to hear the complaint and then it was sent to the Ethics Board by the Village Board. The public didn't directly contact the Ethics Board. Mr. Baker sat on the board when the ARPA funds were announced. He stated extensive discussions were held about how to use the funds. The Broadband project helped a smaller amount of the community and the bathrooms will help a larger group. He stated Supervisor McHugh was always adamant about using the funds for the whole community, not just a small section.

Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session to consult with legal counsel - was made by Supervisor McHugh and seconded by Council member Bruno, all were in favor.
APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5– NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0– SO MOVED

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session was made by Council member leFevre and Seconded by Supervisor McHugh, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace McHugh, Town Clerk