

**WORK SESSION**  
**OCTOBER 28, 2014**

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin held a Work Session at 5:30 P.M. on October 28, 2014, at the Conklin Town Hall. Mr. Finch, Supervisor, presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Town Board Members	Bullock, Minoia, Dumian, Francisco, Finch
	Town Counsel	Cheryl Sacco
	Town Clerk	Sherrie L. Jacobs
	Assistant to the Supervisor	Lisa Houston
	Highway Superintendent	Brian Coddington
	Public Works Superintendent	Tom DeLamarter
	Planning Board	Dell Boyle
<b>GUESTS:</b>	<b>Country Courier</b>	Elizabeth Einstein
		Laurie Francisco
		Dolly Stout

**LIGHT DISTRICTS**

Mr. Francisco reported that he petitioned NYSEG (New York State Electric and Gas Corporation) for an inventory of all light poles in the Town of Conklin, with the goal of changing to more efficient lighting. He explained that the districts are currently classified SC3, which means the lights and poles are owned and maintained by NYSEG. He stated that to change to the more efficient lighting, the Town must apply for a variance to become an SC4 classification, adding that the Town would have to reimburse NYSEG for removal of the current lights and for their depreciation and would have to obtain a right-of-way for each light pole. The lights and poles would also become the responsibility of the Town of Conklin. Mr. Francisco stated that the change would cost the Town more than the savings that would be realized by switching to the more efficient lighting fixtures. He stated that the Town could apply for a grant through NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research and Development Authority) to pursue this project. Mr. Bullock and Mr. Dumian both stated they felt the Town should not pursue this project.

Mr. Bullock commented that a light in front of Moxie's Woodfire Grill is not working. Mr. Francisco stated that he will do a personal inventory of lights in Conklin to look for non-working lights and also would like to place an advertisement in the **Country Courier** asking residents to report any non-functioning lights.

**TOWN RENTAL RATES**

The Town Board discussed new rental rates for the Town Pool, pavilions in the Town parks, and the Maines Community Center. New rates were agreed upon and will be discussed further and offered for resolution at the Regular Town Board Meeting to be held immediately after the Work Session at 6:00 P.M.

As the time for the Regular Town Board Meeting had arrived, Mr. Finch closed the Work Session and opened the Regular Town Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
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The Town Board of the Town of Conklin held a Regular Town Board Meeting at 6:00 P.M. on October 28, 2014, at the Conklin Town Hall. Mr. Finch, Supervisor, presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Town Board Members	Bullock, Minoia, Dumian, Francisco, Finch
	Town Counsel	Cheryl Sacco
	Town Clerk	Sherrie L. Jacobs
	Assistant to the Supervisor	Lisa Houston
	Highway Superintendent	Brian Coddington
	Public Works Superintendent	Tom DeLamarter
	Planning Board	Dell Boyle
<b>GUESTS:</b>	<b>Country Courier</b>	Elizabeth Einstein
	Conklin Vol. Fire Dept.	Paul Jacobs
		Laurie Francisco
		Dolly Stout
		Judy Kelly
		Tom Kelly
		Sheryl Durkin for Katherine Wright
		John Colley

**MINUTES: OCTOBER 14, 2014 REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

Mr. Bullock moved to approve the October 14, 2014 Regular Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Dumian.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mr. Finch acknowledged receipt of a letter from Coughlin & Gerhart, LLP, regarding Fill Site for 980-982 Conklin Road. Town Attorney Cheryl Sacco stated that the Town Engineers had examined the proposed fill site and determined that part of it is in the flood way, adding that any filling in the flood way does not comply with the Town Code. She added that the Town has not yet received the fill application from the applicant, adding that a letter with the Town’s findings was sent to the applicant’s attorney, Sarah Campbell. Mr. Finch stated that Larry Lepak from the Kirkwood office of the DEC (New York State Department of Environmental Conservation) has stated that the area in question cannot be filled. Mr. Dumian spoke about possible adverse impact on upstream properties. Mr. Finch stated that even if the DEC grants permission for the applicant to fill, that person would be required to apply to the Planning Board for approval to build anything on the property.



**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TO RECEIVE INPUT REGARDING PROPOSED 2015 WATER AND SEWER BILLING**  
**RATES**

**PRESENT:** Same as on page one.

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Notice of Public Hearing having been duly advertised, Mr. Finch opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 P.M. and asked those present to speak either for, or in opposition to, the proposed 2015 Municipal Water and Sewer billing rates.

Mr. Finch explained that there is no change in either the Water or Sewer billing rates proposed for 2015. There being no public comment or questions, Mr. Finch declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:09 P.M.

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**RESO 2014-163: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING WATER AND SEWER BILLING**  
**RATES OF THE TOWN OF CONKLIN FOR THE YEAR 2015**

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor James E. Finch  
Councilman Gary D. Bullock  
Councilman Charles Francisco  
Councilman Jerry Minoia  
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.

ABSENT: None.

**Offered By: Mr. Francisco                      Seconded By: Mr. Dumian**

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Conklin, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, commencing at 6:05 PM at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, duly held a public hearing on the 2015 Water and Sewer billing rates submitted and approved by the Town Board and filed with the Town Clerk of the Town for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2015; and

Whereas, the Town Board heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter, and the matter of the said budget for the Town for such fiscal year was fully discussed and considered by the Town Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Conklin, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin adopted 2015 Sewer billing rates for municipal sewer users and 2015 Water billing rates for municipal water users in the Town of Conklin as follows:

**SEWER RESIDENTIAL**

Quarterly Basic Fee:	\$10.00
Unit Charge not to exceed	\$8.00 per Thousand Gallons

**SEWER SMALL BUSINESS (Non-Mfg.)**

Quarterly Basic Fee:	\$10.00
Unit Charge not to exceed	\$9.95 per Thousand Gallons

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**SEWER CORP PARK and MFG Companies**

Quarterly Basic Fee:	\$25.00
Unit Charge not to exceed	\$12.50 per Thousand Gallons

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**WATER RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL BUSINESS(Non-Mfg)**

Quarterly Basic Fee:	\$5.00
Unit Charge not to exceed	\$2.74 per Thousand Gallons

**WATER CORP PARK and MFG Companies**

Quarterly Basic Fee	\$25.00
Unit charge not to exceed	\$2.94 per Thousand Gallons

This billing change becomes effective November 1, 2014, and will be billed starting the first billing cycle in 2015: February 2015.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Sherrie L. Jacobs, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Conklin at a meeting thereof held at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, on October 28, 2014. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor James E. Finch	YES
Councilman Gary D. Bullock	YES
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Jerry Minoia	YES
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.	YES

Dated: October 28, 2014

Town of Conklin Seal

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Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**TIME CHANGE FOR BOARD MEETINGS**

Mr. Tom Kelly questioned the time change for the Town Board meetings from 7:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Mr. Finch replied that the Board wanted consistency for the times of the meetings, instead of one meeting at 5:30 and one at 7 P.M. Mr. Kelly asked about people who are working and Mr. Finch replied that working people were already coming to the 5:30 meetings. Mr. Kelly asked about the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals and Mr. Finch stated that those meetings begin at 7:00 P.M.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RISING COMMUNITY GRANT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Finch expressed concern that he has not had any communication recently from the Rising Community Grant Committee.

**FEMA BUYOUT PROGRAM**

Mr. Finch stated that there will be two more closings on properties this week, adding that one more property owner withdrew from the program this week also. Assistant to the Supervisor Lisa Houston stated that she has sent six to eight letters to property owners who need to supply more information. She explained that she will send the required paperwork to FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and to the ICC (Increased Cost of Compliance flood insurance). Ms. Houston stated that FEMA will pay the Town of Conklin, then, upon receipt of money from the ICC, the Town will repay FEMA for the cost of demolition of the Buyout properties. Mr. Finch stated that six of the current demolitions will be done by Gorick Construction and six will be done by ZMK Construction. He added that the Town received a five day extension for the three buildings that are supposed to be demolished by October 31, 2014. Ms. Houston stated that the Town has not borrowed any money with which to pay for the demolitions and so must find money with which to pay this expense.

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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TO RECEIVE INPUT REGARDING PROPOSED 2015 GENERAL AND HIGHWAY**  
**BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF CONKLIN**

**PRESENT:** Same as on page one.

Notice of Public Hearing having been duly advertised, Mr. Finch declared the Public Hearing open at 6:15 P.M. and asked those present to speak either for, or in opposition to, the proposed 2015 General and Highway Budget for the Town of Conklin.

Ms. Houston stated that the Dog Control Officer contract amount had been changed but it had no impact on the bottom line of the Budget. She stated that the tax rate changed from 5.7154 in the Preliminary Budget to 5.7235 in the proposed Budget being considered in this Public Hearing, which she added would result in an increase of \$.49 on a house valued at \$100,000. Ms. Houston stated that the proposed 2015 increase does not exceed the tax cap set by New York State.

Ms. Houston stated that the cost of a PPO health insurance contribution and Medicare costs \$35 per month more than the cost for a Single Person contribution, adding that this issue should be addressed and a limit set for employee contributions. Ms. Sacco stated that any changes would have to be adopted as part of the Town's Policy Handbook prior to January 1, 2015. Ms. Houston added that the cost to the Town of employee health insurance increased by 11 percent.

There being no further public comments or questions, Mr. Finch declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:20 P.M.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

**FEMA BUYOUT (CONT.)**

Mr. Finch stated that a meeting was held on October 27 regarding the process of handling the demolition paperwork. He stated that Mr. Gorick wants to demolish only the projects on which he bid. Ms. Sacco asked how many properties have had closings, how many have been withdrawn from the program, and how many are still in limbo. Ms. Houston stated that 13 have had closings, and six to eight have been withdrawn from the program, adding that she will have

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exact numbers for the next Town Board meeting.

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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TO RECEIVE INPUT REGARDING PROPOSED 2015 FIRE PROTECTION**  
**CONTRACT WITH CONKLIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

**PRESENT:** Same as on page one.

Notice of Public Hearing having been duly advertised, Mr. Finch declared the Public Hearing open at 6:25 P.M. and asked those present to speak either for, or in opposition to, the proposed 2015 Fire Protection Contract with the Conklin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

Mr. Finch commented that the Fire Department decreased the contract cost by \$2,000 from the original proposed contract.

There being no further public comments or questions, Mr. Finch declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:26 P.M.

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**RESO 2014-164: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR OF THE**  
**TOWN OF CONKLIN TO SIGN THE FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT FOR THE**  
**YEAR 2015**

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor James E. Finch  
Councilman Gary D. Bullock  
Councilman Charles Francisco  
Councilman Jerry Minoia  
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.

ABSENT: None.

**Offered By:        Mr. Minoia                                Seconded By:        Mr. Dumian**

The Town Board (hereinafter "Town Board") of the Town of Conklin (hereinafter "Town"), duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Conklin, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, commencing at 6:25 P.M. at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, duly held a public hearing on the Town year 2015 Fire Protection District costs; and

Whereas, the Town Board heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter, and the matter of the said costs for the Town for such fiscal year was fully discussed and considered by the Town Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Conklin, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. The Supervisor of the Town of Conklin is hereby authorized and empowered to sign and deliver on behalf of the Town of Conklin the Fire Protection Contract for Fire Protection District for the year 2015 between Town of Conklin and Conklin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

Section 2. Said contract shall be substantially in accordance with the version thereof which is

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now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin, and shall be subject to the approval of the Town Attorney of the Town of Conklin.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Sherrie L. Jacobs, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Conklin at a meeting thereof held at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, on October 28, 2014. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor James E. Finch	YES
Councilman Gary D. Bullock	ABSTAIN
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Jerry Minoia	YES
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.	YES

Dated: October 28, 2014

Town of Conklin Seal

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Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**FEMA BUYOUT PROGRAM (CONT.)**

Mr. Dumian returned to discussion of funding for the demolition of structures, asking if the Town must get the money from the ICC, and asking how much money it will cost. Ms. Houston stated that it will be more than \$300,000, noting that the original bids were for \$194,000 and \$154,000, but adding that the amounts will be less than what was bid because some properties have been withdrawn from the program. Mr. Dumian asked if the Town would need to borrow money for demolition and air monitoring costs. Ms. Houston explained that the Town will pay the contractors; FEMA will pay the Town; and after the ICC pays the Town, the Town will repay FEMA. Mr. Dumian asked if the Town is in danger of losing the ICC money and Ms. Sacco replied, "Probably not." She stated that it is "better to borrow less." Ms. Sacco stated that the Town could bond for a six or nine month Bond Anticipation Note (B.A.N.), adding that the Board would need more information to know the amount of money it would need to borrow. It was noted that the vacant lots in the Buyout Program are appraised at \$4,000 each. Mr. Dumian asked if the Town would be required to maintain these vacant lots and Mr. Finch replied that this is the case.

**CODE OFFICER POSITION**

Mr. Bullock and Mr. Francisco have conducted interviews. Mr. Finch stated that the Town has received one more application, but Mr. Bullock stated that they did not want to consider it because he and Mr. Francisco feel they are ready to make a recommendation to the Board to fill the Code Officer position.

**DOG CONTROL CONTRACT**

Mr. Finch explained that the Town of Conklin health insurance costs less than that provided by the Town of Binghamton, so he would like to hire Dog Control Officer Tarah Tripp, who is currently on the Town of Binghamton payroll but who provides Dog Control services for the Town of Conklin through a shared services agreement. The Town of Binghamton would then pay the Town of Conklin the \$14,000 that is half of the Dog Control Officer's contract, instead

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of the Town of Conklin paying that amount to the Town of Binghamton. The Dog Control Officer would still use the vehicle provided by the Town of Binghamton, as it would still be a shared services agreement, and the Town of Conklin would pay mileage. The Town of Binghamton is checking with its insurance provider to see if this is an option. Another possibility would be for the Town of Conklin to buy the vehicle from the Town of Binghamton. Formal action on this will be taken at the next Town Board meeting, with a start date for the new contract of January 1, 2015.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**

Mr. Finch stated that Tom Augustini from Haylor, Freyer, and Coon will meet with Town employees to discuss changes to employee benefits.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESO 2014-165: ADOPT REVISED RENTAL RATES/TOWN OF CONKLIN POOL,  
COMMUNITY CENTER & PARK PAVILIONS**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin adopts the following revised rental rates for the Town Pool, the Maines Community Center, and the park pavilions:

**POOL**

Conklin Residents	
Child (Under 18)	\$ 1.00
Adult	2.00
Immediate Family Pass	50.00
Non-Residents	
Child (Under 18)	\$ 3.00
Adult	5.00
Immediate Family Pass	100.00

**PAVILIONS**

Conklin Residents	
1-74 People	\$ 60.00 (\$10.00 Refund)
75 or More People	150.00 (\$35.00 Refund)
Non-Residents	\$250.00 (\$100.00 Refund)
Town of Conklin Not-for-Profits	\$ 40.00 (\$10.00 Refund)
Other Not-for-Profits	80.00 (\$20.00 Refund)

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

Individual	\$500.00 (\$200.00 Refund)
Town of Conklin Not-for-Profits	175.00 (\$50.00 Refund)
Other Not-for-Profits	300.00 (\$75.00 Refund)

The new rates will become effective January 1, 2015.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.



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**RENOVATION & REPAIRS/TOWN HALL HISTORICAL BUILDING (CASTLE)**

Mr. Finch stated that the Town has been applying for grants and is looking for ways to fund repairs and renovations to the Town Hall Historic Building (the Castle). He appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Dumian, Mr. Francisco, George Frailey, and Town Clerk and Historical Society officer Sherrie Jacobs to assess needed work to be done on the building. Mr. Francisco asked if there is money available to complete roof repairs. Mr. Bullock replied that the roof is ok. Mr. Dumian asked if there is any money currently available and Mr. Finch replied that the Town now has the ability to put money aside in a capital improvement fund to help pay for needed repairs. He added that the Town has applied for two grants to date. Mr. Bullock commented that the Town is "obligated to take care of the building," which is on the federal and New York State Registries of Historic Buildings.

**RESO 2014-166: ACCEPT DONATION/NORM PRITCHARD/FIELD USE FOR GIRLS' SOFTBALL GAME**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin accepts a donation in the amount of \$50.00, account code A2705, from Norm Pritchard for field use for a girls' softball game.

Seconded by Mr. Minoia.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESO 2014-167: APPROVE PAY RAISE/\$.60 PER HOUR/COLIN CASEY/SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION/W2 OPERATOR GRADE C CERTIFICATION/EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 25, 2014**

Mr. Bullock moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves a pay rate increase of \$.60 per hour to a new rate of \$13.50 per hour for Colin Casey for his successful completion of W2 Operator Grade C Certification, effective October 25, 2014.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESO 2014-168: APPROVE PAYMENT/OCTOBER 28, 2014 BILL LIST/\$19,231.85**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves payment of the following October 28, 2014 Bill List in the total amount of \$19,231.85:

General	\$10,249.98
Highway	3,869.16
Light Districts	1,856.72
Sewer District	845.34
Water District	<u>2,410.65</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,231.85</b>

Seconded by Mr. Bullock.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

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**VEHICLE FOR CODE OFFICER**

Mr. Bullock asked about a vehicle for the Code Officer and Mr. Finch replied that Code Officer Robert Jones is currently using one of the Parks Department trucks. Mr. Bullock asked if he could use the van and Mr. Finch replied that it is being used for the Water and Sewer Department. Mr. Finch stated that the Town will check through Army surplus and with the Town of Binghamton. Mr. Bullock stated that the Town should "get a vehicle that suits the job."

**VERIZON TRAILER/TERRACE DRIVE**

Mr. Francisco stated that it appears that Verizon has finished its work on Terrace Drive and might be moving its trailer that has been parked there.

**ADDRESSES OF NON-FUNCTIONING STREET LIGHTS/NYSEG**

Mr. Francisco will be conducting an inventory of non-functioning lights in the Town of Conklin to send to NYSEG (New York State Electric and Gas Corporation) for repairs, and is requesting help from the public to contact him if they notice a non-functioning street light.

**RESO 2014-169: RESCHEDULE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING FROM  
NOVEMBER 11 TO NOVEMBER 12, 2014/VETERANS DAY**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin reschedules the November 11 Regular Town Board Meeting to 6:00 P.M. on November 12, 2014, in observance of Veterans Day on November 11.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESO 2014-170: ACCEPT BID/ELMER MURRAY/\$526.00/2001 DODGE PICKUP  
TRUCK**

Mr. Bullock moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin accepts a bid from Elmer Murray in the amount of \$526.00 for the 2001 Dodge Pickup Truck, as is.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**HALLOWEEN CURFEW**

Halloween Curfew will be October 30, 31, and November 1, 2014, from 8:00 P.M. until 6:00 A.M. Ms. Houston will contact the Broome County Sheriff's Department to set up patrols throughout the Town.

**TIME WARNER CABLE AGREEMENT**

Ms. Sacco stated that she sent the agreement documents to Time Warner Cable and has received no response from them to date. She added that Time Warner Cable is merging with Comcast, and Comcast will have to agree to the terms of the agreement before it can be approved and enacted.

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**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT QUESTIONS**

Highway Superintendent Brian Coddington had a question regarding land belonging to International Paper and Mr. Finch replied that he has no new information. Mr. Coddington asked Mr. Francisco if there is any update on installation of the new generators and Mr. Francisco stated that he has no new information regarding this matter.

**RESO 2014-171: EXECUTIVE SESSION/HIRING AND SALARIES OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES**

Mr. Bullock moved to close the Regular Town Board Meeting and move into Executive Session at 6:58 P.M. to discuss the hiring and salaries of specific Town employees.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

An Executive Session of the Town Board of the Town of Conklin was held at the Conklin Town Hall at 6:58 P.M. with Supervisor James Finch presiding. Present were: Supervisor Finch, Mr. Bullock, Mr. Minoia, Mr. Dumian, Mr. Francisco, and Attorney Cheryl Sacco. Ms. Sacco assumed duties of secretary of the meeting.

A discussion was held pursuant to Public Officers Law section 100 of the State of New York regarding the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

**RESO 2014-172: RE-OPEN REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

After this discussion, Mr. Bullock moved to close the Executive Session and re-open the Regular Town Board Meeting at 7:48 P.M.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESO 2014-173: HIRE GARY LOMBARDO/FULL-TIME CODE OFFICER**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the hiring of Gary Lombardo to the position of full-time Code Officer for the Town of Conklin, with a yearly salary of \$31,000 plus health insurance and pension, to start as soon as he is able.

Seconded by Mr. Bullock.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Abstain. Motion carried: 4 – Yes, 1 – Abstain.

**RESO 2014-174: HIRE RON LAKE/PART-TIME MENTOR AND ASSISTANT TO NEW CODE OFFICER**

Mr. Dumian moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the hiring of Ron Lake to the position of part-time mentor and assistant to the new Code Officer, as soon as he is able to start.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

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VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Dumian – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**RESO 2014-175: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET**  
**OF THE TOWN OF CONKLIN FOR THE YEAR 2015**

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor James E. Finch  
Councilman Gary D. Bullock  
Councilman Charles Francisco  
Councilman Jerry Minoia  
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.

ABSENT: None.

**Offered By:            Mr. Finch                            Seconded By:            Mr. Dumian**

The Town Board (hereinafter “Town Board”) of the Town of Conklin (hereinafter “Town”), duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, commencing at 5:15 PM at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, duly held a public hearing on the Town year 2015 preliminary budget submitted and approved by the Town Board and filed with the Town Clerk of the Town for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2015; and

Whereas, the Town Board heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter, and the matter of the said budget for the Town for such fiscal year was fully discussed and considered by the Town Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. The said Town year 2015 preliminary budget submitted, approved, and filed, as aforesaid, be and the same is hereby adopted and established as the year 2015 annual budget for the Town for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015. Said annual budget as so adopted and established shall be entered in detail in the minutes of the proceedings of the Town Board.

Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to attach to said budget an exemption report in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 258 of the Laws of 2008. Said report shall show how much of the total assessed value on the final assessment roll of the Town of Conklin used in the Town’s budgetary process is exempt from taxation.

Section 3. The Town Clerk of the Town shall prepare and certify, as provided by law, duplicate copies of the said Town annual budget hereby adopted and established, and shall deliver one of such copies to the Supervisor of the Town, and the said Supervisor of the Town shall present such copy to the Board of Legislators of the County of Broome as required by law.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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**OCTOBER 28, 2014**

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Sherrie L. Jacobs, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Conklin at a meeting thereof held at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, on October 28, 2014. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor James E. Finch	YES
Councilman Gary D. Bullock	NO
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Jerry Minoia	NO
Councilman William Dumian, Jr.	YES

Dated: October 28, 2014

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Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin

A discussion was held regarding the Budget vote.

**CODE OFFICER POSITION**

A discussion was held regarding Ms. Houston sending letters to other applicants for the Code Officer position, advising them that the position has been filled. Further discussion was held regarding Mr. Bullock contacting Mr. Lombardo regarding the date he can start and his requirement to take the Civil Service exam for the position.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Dumian moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Finch. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie L. Jacobs  
Town Clerk