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TOWN BOARD COUNTY OF ALBANY

TOWN OF COLONIE

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A PUBLIC HEARING AND SUBSEQUENT VOTE PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 202 OF THE TOWN LAW TO HEAR ALL PERSONS IN  
RELATION TO THE ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE  
OF IMPROVEMENTS AND BENEFIT ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE  
TOWN OF COLONIE SEWER IMPROVEMENT AREA

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THE STENOGRAPHIC MINUTES of the above entitled matter  
by NANCY L. STRANG, a Shorthand Reporter commencing on  
November 7, 2019 at 7:12 p.m. at Memorial Town Hall,  
534 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York

BOARD MEMBERS:

- PAULA MAHAN, SUPERVISOR
- LINDA MURPHY, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
- DAVID GREEN
- MELISSA JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN
- PAUL ROSANO
- CHRISTOPHER CAREY

ALSO PRESENT:

- Michael C. Magguilli, Esq, Town Attorney
- Julie Gansle, Town Clerk
- Crystal Peck, Esq., Bailey Johnson & Peck

1 MS. GANSLE: This public hearings being held by  
2 order of the Town Board pursuant to Section 202 of the  
3 Town Law to hear all persons in relation to the annual  
4 estimate of construction expense of improvements and  
5 benefit assessment roll for the Town of Colonie Sewer  
6 Improvement Area. Notice of the public hearing has been  
7 published in the Town newspaper which is the Spotlight  
8 and has been posted on the Town Clerk's bulletin board.  
9 I have an affidavit for each.

10 The Town Board will now hear all persons  
11 interested in this matter.

12 MS. PECK: Good evening. My name is Crystal  
13 Peck and I serve as special district counsel for the  
14 Town of Colonie. The Town of Colonie Sewer Improvement  
15 Area is comprised of all parcels within the boundaries  
16 of the Town and is classified as a special district  
17 under the General Municipal Law. It receives revenue for  
18 operating and debt service expenses by assessing all of  
19 the parcels within the district based on sewer benefit.

20 Pursuant to section 202 of the State of New  
21 York Town Laws, the Town of Colonie's Assessors Office  
22 has assessed all parcels of land within the Colonie  
23 Sewer Improvement Area based on a benefit assessment.  
24 The 2019 sewer benefit assessment roll is available  
25 for review in the Assessor's Office for the public.

1 Section 202 provides that the assessment against all  
2 parcels within the Colonie Sewer Improvement Area  
3 before the annual estimate of expense of constructing  
4 the sewers, the sewers disposal plants and drainage  
5 systems and constructing laterals within the Colonie  
6 Sewer Improvement Area. The assessment against the  
7 parcels is divided into two categories of benefits  
8 called units.

9 The first category of unit is termed a units  
10 which are assessed against properties that have sewer  
11 available to them. The number of a units is determined  
12 by the annual water usage of the property along with  
13 the parcel size.

14 The second category are D units. They are  
15 assessed against properties that do not have sewer  
16 service. The number of D units is determined by the  
17 parcel size. There were 181,878 A units and 59,531 D  
18 units assessed against properties on the 2019 sewer  
19 benefit assessment roll. Based on the division of Pure  
20 Waters proposed 2020 debt service budget of  
21 \$3,982,740.67, the charge for in a unit will increase  
22 by \$1.17 from the 2019 rate of \$20.70 to \$21.87 per  
23 unit.

24 The D unit remains the same at \$.10 per unit.  
25 Based on the 2020 unit points and rates and average

1 single-family residential home will be assessed  
2 \$287.39 and a two-family home will be assessed \$531.05  
3 in their annual sewer usage charges.

4 If there any questions that the Board or the  
5 public may have, I would be happy to answer them.

6 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Does the Board have any  
7 questions?

8 (There was no response.)

9 Anyone in the audience?

10 (There was no response.)

11 We will close the public hearing.

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution pursuant to  
13 Section 202 of the New York State Town Law approving an  
14 annual estimate of expense and improvements and benefit  
15 assessment roll for the Town of Colonie Sewer  
16 Improvement Area.

17 MR. ROSANO: So moved.

18 MS. MURPHY: Second.

19 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,  
20 call the roll.

21 (The roll was called.)

22 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam  
23 Supervisor.

24 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

25 (Where is the above entitled proceeding was

concluded at 7:17 p.m.)

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I, NANCY L. STRANG, Shorthand Reporter and  
Notary Public in and for the State of New York, hereby  
CERTIFY that the record taken by me at the time and  
place noted in the heading hereof is a true and  
accurate transcript of same, to the best of my ability  
and belief.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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