

**OFFICIAL -TOWN OF MONTEZUMA  
PUBLIC HEARING ON NOISE  
ORDINANCE & FIRST TOWN  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 5:30pm**

Supervisor David Corey opened the Public Hearing at 5:30pm, led by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present: Supervisor:** David Corey  
**Deputy Supervisor/Councilman:** Thomas Hitchcock Jr. (Late to Hearing)  
**Councilman:** Thomas Fitzsimmons  
**Councilman:** Christopher Howard (ABSENT FOR PUBLIC HEARING) Here for the First Budget Workshop  
**Councilman:** Marvin King

**Other Members Present: Town Clerk:** Marie Cronin  
**Deputy Town Clerk:** Tiffini Sharp  
**Highway Superintendent:** Kenneth Cook  
**Deputy HWY Superintendent:** David Ware

**Residents Present:** Ben Ware, Kenneth Zimmerman & Elvin Zimmerman.

Motion made by Thomas Hitchcock Jr. at 6pm second by Thomas Fitzsimmons to adjourn the Public Hearing and open First Budget Workshop. Motion carried 4/0.

Motion made by David Corey second by Thomas Fitzsimmons to pass the Local Law #1 for the Town of Montezuma Noise Ordinance, (No cost to the Town for the Law to enforce this ordinance). Motion carried 4/0.

David Corey went to a water meeting for the City of Auburn and their goal is to lower the water rates, County wide. Tried to do this 10 years ago with no success. The City of Auburn is going to bare the cost of this and put it into the water rates. We get our water from Cayuga County Water & Sewer Authority, so if they're signed on with this agreement then our Town is already involved. This Resolution is just a memorandum and not legally binding according to Town Lawyer Kevin Cox. What they want to do is come to every Town and see if they can improve the efficiency, with the goal of lowering the water rates. And right now the Town of Montezuma pays the highest rates of anyone in the system. The City of Auburn has hired a consultant (\$100,000 over 3 yrs) to see if he can equalize rates, like they did with the sewer rates, (now all unified). Marvin King asking why seniors they can't pay for just what they use and the service charge \$2.00 per gallon used, instead of the minimum, (10,000 gallons) \$121.50 per quarter. Per Thomas Fitzsimmons, you have to have this set up this way for our system to work. (We don't make any money on this, but should break even), last report Dec.2023 earned \$175,459 and paid out \$174,124. David Corey stated that if they are in need of help there is a program for this. David Corey can we sign this agreement, this way Seth Jenson (when he

goes to City Council) can say we are unified. Motion made by Thomas Hitchcock Jr. second by Thomas Fitzsimmons for David Corey to sign the memorandum of understanding. Motion carried 5/0.

Resolution For C2ae to act as representative of the Town of Montezuma to make all necessary applications to Rual Development (Federal Government). Applied into the State already, NYS revolving fund. We need the full report to review before we can agree with this. David Corey will call to get the full and corrected report, maps etc.

Tax Cap , raise 2% (\$10,000 Town wide).

All employees receiving a 3% raise for 2025.

A1010.1 – Town Board Personal Services raised from \$12,500.00 to \$12,875.00.

A1010.4 - Town Board Contractual Lower from \$500.00 to \$250.00.

A1110.1 – Town has 2 Judges now, so increased personal services from \$7,725.00 to \$15,920.00.

A1110.11 – Court Clerk personal services raise from \$7,210.00 to \$7,425.00.

A1110.4 – Court contractual lower from \$4,500.00 to \$3,500.00.

A1220.1 – Supervisor personal services. Stays the same, David Corey doesn't want a raise.

A1220.11 – Bookkeeper personal services raise from \$9,500.00 to \$9,785.00.

A1220.2 – Equipment outlay lowered from \$500.00 to \$250.00.

A1220.4 – Supervisor Contractual raise from \$1,500.00 to \$1,750.

A1330.1 – Tax collector personal services raise from \$2,575.00 to \$2,700.00.

A1355.1 – reassessment billed into the personal services assessor, stays the same for now, and the reassessment needs to be discussed to see if we want to do one this year.

A1410.1 – Town Clerk personal services, gave more than 3% raise as Marie Cronin is doing a great job. Raised from \$15,000.00 to \$16,000.00.

A1410.11 Deputy Personal Services

Thomas Fitzsimmons stated about the protective glass for the office that we haven't done yet.

A1440.4 – Engineer Contractual – C2ae Bill Kimball (see if he can meet with us) Ian under bid job but the Town would not be responsible for this, (new water tank, 2 million) way too high. Everything is at a higher elevation and have 60 pounds of pressure so we shouldn't need a tank. lower from \$24,500.00 to \$12,000.00.

A1620.1W – Web Manager personal services raise from \$2,165.00 to \$2,230.00.

A1620.2 – Equipment lower from \$2,000.00 to \$1,500.00.

A1620.4 – Contractual lower from \$31,500.00 to \$28,000.00.

A1910.4 – Unallocated insurance raise from \$20,820.00 to \$24,000.00. Premium of 10% and cyber insurance with NYMIR.

A1920.4 – Municipal Association Dues raise from \$600.00 to \$700.00.

A1660.4 - Office supplies contractual Central storeroom raise from \$3,700.00 to \$4,000.00. combined

A1670.4 Central mailing and printing with the Central storeroom.

A3120.1 – Constable personal services raise (he comes weekly now) from \$700.00 to \$2,400.00.


A3510.4 – Contractual (Dog Control) lower from \$11,000.00 to \$10,000.00. Susie Tracy possibly the new dog warden for our Town, per month \$800.00, vet cap \$100.00, helps send out late notices twice a year. Need a Contract and Resolution for this. Our Town needs to do a numeration as it hasn't been done in a long time. Dog warden doesn't have to do this it can be anyone.

A3620.1 – Safety inspection personal services raise from \$8,000.00 to \$8,240.00.

A4068.4 – Insect control contractual raise from \$15,000.00 to \$16,000.00.  
A5010.1 – Personal services raise from \$54,000.00 to \$60,000.00 As Kenneth Cook is doing other jobs also.  
A5010.4 – Contractual raise from \$1,250.00 to \$2,500.00  
A5132.2 – Equipment (garage-tools) raise from \$1,000.00 to \$2,000.00.  
A5182.4 – Street lighting contractual from \$6,500.00 to \$8,000.00.  
A6510.4 – Veterans services raise from \$2,300.00 to \$3,000.00. The Veterans Flags are to small hard to see. Questionable ordering bigger ones at this time.  
A7140.1 – mowing, check with Bookkeeper Patricia Craine to see if we can combine with a different account.  
A7140.2p – Parks & rec. Equipment, possibly playground equipment. Raise from \$2,000. 00 to \$21,200.00. Promote parks that we rent on the website so the Town knows they are for rent.  
A7140.4 – Contractual lower from \$1,400.00 to \$200.00.  
A7310.4 – Youth programs contractual raise from \$600.00 to \$1,200.00 and Tiffini Sharp (Deputy Clerk) would like more information on this program from Debra Dennis at the County about this. Very interested in doing this job for the Town kids.  
A7510.1 – Historian personal services raise from \$2,165.00 to \$2,230.00.  
A7510.44 – Historian Contractual lower from \$1,500.00 to \$500.00.  
A7989.4C – Mentz Church Contractual raise from \$400.00 to \$500.00.  
A8020.1 – Planning Board personal services raise from \$1,500.00 to \$1,545.00.  
A8160.1 – Recycling personal services we don't have anymore, \$0.00.  
A8160.4 – Refuse & Garbage contractual (dumpsters for clean up days) keep at \$5,500.00.  
A8810.4 – Cemeteries contractual lower from \$2,000.00 to \$1,000.00.  
A8810.44 – Cemeteries contractual for surveying lower from \$3,000.00 to \$2,000.00 and see if we can hire someone to come and survey the Cemetery.  
A9010.8 – State Retirement raise from \$10,752.00 to \$15,009.00.  
A9030.8 – Social Security raise from \$13,468.00 to \$14,379.00  
A9040.8 – Workers Compensation lower from \$3,408.00 to \$2,902.00.  
A9060.8 – Hospital & Medical Insurance raise from \$10,061.00 to \$11,470.00.

All other accounts not noted will remain the same.

Public Hearing on Noise Ordinance and First Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes Submitted By Town of Montezuma Clerk:



Marie L. Cronin