Meeting Called to Order at 6:00 PM Pledge – Led by Supervisor Doyle Roll Call –Town Clerk Prudence Greene

6:00PM PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2024: : <u>A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c.</u>

6:10pm PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE PRELIMINARY 2025 BUDGET AND PROPOSED 2025 FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACTS

- o Approval of September 16, 2024, Meeting Minutes
- o Approval of tonight's agenda
- o Public Privilege of the Floor

Reports of Departments:

- A. Supervisor's Report
 - a. North Country CPA Financials
 - b. NYCLASS Interest Income for September was \$6918.79, YTD Interest Income is \$61,524.63. We have exceeded our \$58,794 budgeted interest income for 2024 by 4.6%. We still have 3 months to go, interest rates have dropped to 4.8%.
 - c. Proposed Local Law 1 of 2024: <u>A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c.</u>
 - d. Clean Energy Communities (CEC) Grant approved in the amount of \$10,000.00. I still have to make a specific request for the heat pads and show the carbon reduction.
 - e. Current Energy Production is about 83% of our total needs, simply due to less daylight hours.
 - f. NYSERDA Inspection on October 25th for Solar Array.
 - g. Boiler Inspection October 18th.
 - h. Tug Hill Commission & NY State DEC Project Specialist Gavin Denison (via TEAMS) work session on WQIP Grant & SFS input October 22nd. Goal is to complete the necessary paperwork to qualify for our 25% prepayment.
 - i. Rescind resolution 49 of 2024 due to incorrect accounting code.
 - Adopt Resolution of 2024.

Increase Revenue Budget Code	Increase Expenditure Budget Code	Amount
DB599N – Appropriated Fund Balance (Budgetary)	DB 5112.4 - Contractual Road Improvements	\$54,000.00

B. Town Clerks Report - Clerk Greene

- a. September 2024 Clerk's Report
- b. Review of General Fund, Highway Fund and Water District 1 Abstracts (*Resolutions*)
- c. Dog Control Report for September- DCO Lindsey Hess will attend
- d. Zoning Report for September 2024
- e. ZBA minutes of 09.30.2024
- f. Planning Board minutes of 10.01.2024
- g. RACOG Report for October 2024
- h. Board of Assessment Review member Debra Der's term has expired.
- i. Resolution to declare surplus items from Court
- C. Superintendent of Highways & Special Districts Superintendent Mahar
 - a. Update on Department Activities
- D. Old Business
 - a. Discussion of 2025 Exemption Questionnaire from Lewis County Real Property
 - Denmark Impact Study from Candy Akins see pages 3 & 4. (Possible Resolution)
 - b. Request for water connection from Peaches Libke and Dan Buck for 3055 Roberts Road (SBL 124.00-01-01.140) has been approved by the Village of Copenhagen
 - c. Discussion of water billing
- E. New Business
 - a. Fire Wall upgrade. ABS Estimate (Resolution)
 - b. KnoxBox 3200 for West Carthage Fire Department. See page 5. (Resolution)
 - North Star Health Alliance Informational meeting on their request for "Certificate of Need" open to board members at the Elks Club on October 24, 2024 from 5:30PM – 7:30PM.
 - d. Salt Barn Building & Code Inspections.
 - e. Lewis County Hazard Mitigation
 - f. Budget Amendment for Salt Barn: (Resolution)

Resolution Of 2024: Resolution to Amend 2024

With the Salt Barn Capital Project, the Town's budget passed in November of 2023, needs revision. Under the direction of the Town's Accountant, The Town of Denmark Town Board hereby approves the following official changes to the 2024 budget adding:

Increase Budget Code	Description	Amount	
A5730	BAN Revenue	\$650,000	
A5132.22	Garage Permanent Improvements (Salt Barn)	\$650,000	

The town currently has 23 senior exemptions that total \$644,812 in taxable value. Based on these 23 exemptions, the impact would increase to \$1,016,770 in taxable value. With the increased income level, we should consider that there may be additional applicants that could qualify for lower percentage exemptions that previously did not qualify.

Impact Study: Below is Lewis County Real Property's estimate showing how increasing the low-income guideline to the proposed rate would have impacted the taxpayers had we implemented for the current tax year.

Worth noting, we are the only town that goes below 20%.

Tax Line	Taxable Before	Taxable After	Difference	Rate Before	Rate After
Town Wide	165,755,991	165,495,891	-68,285	4.016473	4.018128
Town Outside	125,096,900	124,340,230	-303,673	2.674031	2.680538

Denmark Current Exemption Rate

Percent of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation	Minimum Income	Maximum Income
50	\$-	\$18,500.00
45	\$18,500.01	\$19,499.99
40	\$19,500.00	\$20,499.99
35	\$20,500.00	\$21,499.99
30	\$21,500.00	\$22,399.99
25	\$22,400.00	\$23,299.99
20	\$23,300.00	\$24,199.99
15	\$24,200.00	\$25,099.99
10	\$25,100.00	\$25,999.99
5	\$26,000.00	\$26,899.99

Denmark Proposed Exemptions

Percent of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation	Minimum Income	Maximum Income
50	\$-	\$23,000.00
45	\$23,000.01	\$23,999.99
40	\$24,000.00	\$24,899.99
35	\$24,900.00	\$25,799.99
30	\$25,800.00	\$26,699.99
25	\$26,700.00	\$27,599.99
20	\$27,600.00	\$28,499.99
15	\$28,500.00	\$29,399.99
10	\$29,400.00	\$30,299.99
5	\$30,300.00	\$31,199.99

Lewis County 2025 Exemption Limits

Percent of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation	Minimum Income	Maximum Income
50	\$-	\$25,000.00
45	\$25,000.01	\$25,999.99
40	\$26,000.00	\$26,999.99
35	\$27,000.00	\$27,999.99
30	\$28,000.00	\$28,899.99
25	\$28,900.00	\$29,799.99
20	\$29,800.00	\$30,699.99



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Spec Sheet

Instructions

3200, Surface Mount, Hinged Door, Black

Model 3261 - KnoxBox Model 3261 - KnoxBox 3200, Surface Mount, Hinged Door, Black

Commercial KnoxBoxes

KnoxBox® 3200

Standard Capacity Model: 3261

MSRP: \$660 (1)

Price: \$487.00

- 1. Color
- Aluminum
- Black
- Dark Bronze
- 2. Mount Type
- Recessed Mount
- Surface Mount
- 3. Tamper Switch Type
- None
- O Fire Alarm / Panel
- Security Alarm

Installation Address @

The installation address is where this product will be installed. Do not enter the shipping address here.



Available for:

West Carthage Fire -CARTHAGE, NY

Business Name

Address Line 1*

If applicable, include directional N/S/W/E to the street address

Suite/Apt/Unit