

**Public Hearing Meeting
November 6, 2024 5:30 PM
2025 Town Budget**

Public Hearing called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 5:30 PM.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of America.
Supervisor Presents a Budget Overview Power Point Presentation. (See Budget Presentation)

Mr. Roger Abbey asked about decision to sell the Cell Tower Lease.
Supervisor Johnson explained the Lease and decision to accept the offer for the buy-out of the Lease. The payment was in excess of the expected lease payments in the future. It made good financial sense to accept the offer at this time. There were 3 other bids on this buy-out and this offer was the highest.
No other person chooses to appear to speak.

Supervisor Johnson requests a motion to close the Public Hearing

Motion 24-11-01 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Olmstead
Close Public Hearing on the 2025 Town of Greig Budget 5:45 PM
Vote: Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes
Motion approved.

**Public Hearing Meeting
November 6, 2024 5:45 PM
Town of Greig
Local Law #2024-2**

A local law to establish the residency requirements for the appointed offices of:

1. Zoning Officer
2. Planning Board Member (not Chairperson)
3. Zoning Board of Appeals Member (not Chairperson) for the Town of Greig

Be it enacted by the town board of the Town of Greig as follows:

Section I. Title: A local law to establish the residency requirements for the appointed offices of

- Zoning Officer
- Planning Board Member (not Chairperson)
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Section II. Authority: This local law is adopted pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law, § 10[1][ii][a][1] that grants to local governments the authority to enact local laws regarding the qualifications of local officers. Furthermore, this local law recognizes that the State Legislature amended Public Officers Law, §3 adding a new subdivision (24) expanding the residency requirements for any appointed public office in the Town of Greenburgh, Westchester County, thereby rendering Public Officers Law a special law with respect to any appointed town officer (See cf N.Y. Op. Atty. Gen. (Inf.) No. 91-37).

Section III. Supersession: This local law shall supersede Town law, §23(1) in its application to the offices of

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Section IV. Residency requirements for the position of Zoning Officer, Planning Board Member (not Chairperson) and Zoning Board of Appeals member (not Chairperson) for the Town of Greig: The person holding the aforementioned offices in the Town of Greig need not be a resident nor an elector of the Town of Greig, provided, however, that such person shall reside in Lewis County, NY or an adjoining county within the State of New York.

Section V. Inconsistency: All other local laws and ordinances of the Town of Greig that are inconsistent with the provisions of this local law are hereby repealed; provided however, that such repeal shall only be to the extent of such inconsistency and in all other respects this local law shall be in addition to such other local laws or ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered by this local law.

Section VI. Savings Clause: If any clause, sentence, paragraph, word, section or part of this local law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder, thereof, but shall be confined in its operation of the clause, sentence, paragraph, worked section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Section VII. Effective Date: This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State

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13 Residents have signed in.

Several persons chose to speak - summary of comments;

Important that a person appointed live in Greig because:

Skin in the game – has a real vested interest to see that Greig properties are being used and modified keeping neighborhoods as intended

Able to travel to the meetings in any type of weather (living close by). Important to have quorums at meetings

Local Zoning Officer would have regular travel on local roads looking for violations.

Understand difficulty in getting people to sit on boards:

Need to improve recruiting methods. Current messaging too limited and not reaching enough people.

Suggestions are Newsjunky, Linkinglewiscounty, Facebook – and other social media internet based methods.

Town Board and Supervisor Johnson listened to comments and indicated a compromise might work. If we enhanced our outreach for persons interested in the positions available and committed to holding the job open for a month before giving it to somebody living outside Greig and also limited candidates to living only in Lewis County and not adjoining counties the attending group at the Public Hearing would be more accepting of the Local Law.

Motion 24-11-02 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Mallette at 6:30 PM

Close the Public Hearing for the review of the Local Law 2024-2 allowing the Town of Greig to appoint listed positions on Town Boards and Zoning Officer to be filled by persons not living in Greig.

Vote: Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes

Motion approved.

**Special November Meeting
November 6, 2024**

Supervisor Johnson called the Special Meeting of the Greig Town Board open at 6:31 PM

Roll Call:

Councilmen Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette and Mayhew are Present. Also Town Clerk Gunn was also present.

Motion 24-11-03 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Olmstead
Accept Preliminary 2025 Town of Greig Preliminary Budget as presented at the Public Hearing as the Final 2025 Greig Budget

Vote: Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes

Motion approved.

Supervisor Johnson requests a motion be made presenting a resolution for the creation of a committee to work on the Comprehensive Plan with our Consultants, LaBella Associates.

Motion 24-11-04 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Bailey-Swisher
Make the following resolution Resolution # 2024-03 creating a Special Committee enabled to create the Town of Greig Comprehensive Plan

**Resolution #2024-03
Establish a Comprehensive Plan Special Committee**

Be it resolved that the Greig Town Board appoints a Special Committee to develop a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Greig. Initial members of the Comprehensive Plan Committee are to include:

Debbie Rose

Jim Stratton

Judy Wilson

Kathy Tedford

Lyndsey Allen

Melissa Bailey

Bob Johnson, Town Supervisor

Additional Town of Greig residents may be added as needed to complete the task.

This Committee will work under the direction of the contracted Consulting firm of LaBella Associates.

Resolution is to be Certified by the Town of Greig Clerk

November 6th. 2024.

Vote: Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes

Motion for a Resolution approved.

Supervisor Johnson has just worked on modifying the Greig Local Law #2024-02. He has requested the Board make a motion for a Public Hearing to present the revised law to the Town prior to passing. The changes reflect those discussed in the Public Hearing this evening.

Motion 24-11-05 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Mallette

Call for a Public Hearing, to be held prior to the start of the Regular November Meeting November 20, 2024 at 5:30 PM, to present modified Local Law 2024-02. This law is to allow non-residents to be appointed to positions in the Town Government.

Vote: Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes

Motion approved.

Town of Greig Local Law No. #2 of the year 2024

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Supervisor Johnson reported the need to have a few payments made to hasten vendor receipts. These were overlooked at the last meeting.

VOUCHER REPORT

Special November 2024 Abstracts containing “to be paid” vouchers were reviewed by the Board.

Totals expended were:

Center State Propane	\$ 728.04
DC Building Systems	\$287,560.00
All Solutions	\$ 2,200.00
Total paid in Special November 2024 Abstracts =	\$290,488.04

Motion 24-11-06: made by Councilman Mayhew, Seconded by Mallette
Approve Vouchers

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes

Motion approved.

Supervisor Johnson reported the Union Negotiations for the 3 year contract starting January 1, 2025 has been accepted by the Town of Greig and the Teamsters Union.

Being no further business brought forward,

Motion 24-11-07 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Olmstead

Motion to adjourn 07:15 PM

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Gunn, Clerk