

**Special Budget Meeting**  
**November 1, 2012**  
**8:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Supervisor Susan Zimet, Councilwoman Jean Gallucci, Councilwoman Kitty Brown, Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Kevin Barry.

At 8:32 p.m. a motion was made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn the Town portion of the Joint Town/Village meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:34 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to open the Budget meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Public Input:**

Lee Reich-Spoke in opposition of the proposed salary increase for the Supervisor.

**Agenda:** +Open Space, +Ambulance.

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to accept the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Tentative Budget: A-Fund:**

\*Open Space line A8710.4 decreased from \$49,700 to \$10,000. The CWOSP committee submitted a proposal to the Town Board, which includes funds for a secretary, Stewardship and Millbrook Preserve. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to increase this line from \$10,000 to \$22,000. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried. Councilwoman Gallucci suggested the Planning Board law should be changed to include that CWOSP should be consulted before accepting land.

\*Police line A3120 Cont.- Supervisor Zimet reviewed the changes that were discussed at the October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Buy-out/Buy-back of \$32,289 was moved back to line A3120.140 from PS line 3120.1, bringing PS down to \$1,690,372.

Councilman Logan asked if there was a way to increase the number of part-time officers and decrease full-timers in an attempt to decrease medical and retirement costs. Councilman Barry asked for an idea of what a model would look like if the officers were assigned to just the Town and just the Village. Chief Snyder addressed both questions and explained that since a majority of the action is in the Village on Thursday -Saturday nights, more officers must be assigned to those shifts. If the Town and Village had separate forces, at least 2 officers would be assigned each to the Town and Village. The problem with using more part-timers is with delayed follow-up on cases and availability with schedules of their other jobs.

\*Recreation Activities line A7150.485- Decreased from \$16,840 to \$12,790, includes a \$750 stipend for the Dog Park. The \$5,000 requested for the Senior Lunch Program was moved to Programs for the Aging line A6772.4. No changes made to Tentative.

\*Recreation Clearwater line A7150.441- Decreased from \$26,000 to \$22,000. No changes made to Tentative.

\*Recreation Community Center line A7150.458- Decreased from \$39,100 to \$18,700. Some of the contractual items may be billed to Community Partnership Grant. Councilwoman Gallucci requested a copy of Community Partnership's budget. No changes made to Tentative.

\*NP Sports Park line A7150.460- Decreased from \$44,500 to \$16,500. No changes made to Tentative. There may be an area there for the Town to develop its' own drainage system. This will be discussed at a later date.

\* Summer Recreation line A7030.4- Increased from \$10,000 to \$11,000. No changes made to Tentative.

\*Recreation Admin line A7020- Decreased from \$53,665 to \$0 due to the removal of the FT Rec Director and the deputy/assistant. \$12,000 was moved to a separate line for a Community Organizer, a position

which will be filled by the Recreation Director at a part-time salary of \$18,000 with no benefits. There will be no deputy events coordinator. Councilman Logan stated that he did not support an \$18/hr salary for a part-time director. Councilman Barry suggested that the Recreation director and Councilman Logan reach out to the community for volunteer to run the community center and for the Town to establish goals for the recreation department.

\*Medical Insurance line A9060.8- Increased from \$1,359,864 to \$1,467,069. No changes made to Tentative. Supervisor Zimet indicated that the Town is trying to find alternative ways to offer insurance. It is very complicated, and we must take into account the health of some employees. The Tentative budget currently includes NYSHIP & MVP with increases and will be left as is. The Supervisor also indicated that we are not looking to cut anyone, just trying to save money. Councilwoman Gallucci stated that selecting insurance is very competitive and must be done carefully. There are different options available and we must consider several of them. Needs to be negotiated. Councilman Logan indicated the Town can keep both companies, but restructure them.

\*Moriello Pool-Tentative Budget reflects \$30,000 from the Village. Supervisor Zimet will put together proposals for the Rescue Squad and Moriello Pool in writing for the Village to consider at their next meeting and for the Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget for November 7<sup>th</sup>.

\*Ambulance line A4540.4- Decreased from \$148,876 to \$111,657 based on the formula used for prior contracts. Councilman Logan stated that this should not include calls for Mohonk, SUNY and Thruway, because 100% reimbursable through 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance.

Time Warner- \$183,000 put into B-Fund Revenue and 10 additional meetings for consolidation.

Supervisor Zimet presented the proposed 2013 Tax Rates. Overall, they are decreasing. The Town can use extra funds in B-Fund to offset raising taxes in DB.

\*Fire Contract line SFD3410.4- Increased from \$244,000 to \$251,845. Supervisor Zimet indicated she would get the Fire Department's Budget with the Village to be discussed at the Public Hearing on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown to set the Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget for November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize Supervisor Zimet to draft a resolution to override the tax cap in the DA and DB Funds. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 11:22 p.m. a motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the possible disciplinary action of a certain employee. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 11:23 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

#### **Highway Trucks Warranty:**

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to authorize the purchase of a 5-year extended warranty in the amount of \$19,932 out of DB5110.4 for 3 Highway trucks that were purchased in 2011 that have been having problems. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 11:26 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the possible disciplinary action of a certain employee. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 12:15 a.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Barry made to settle personnel matter and to authorize \$1600 for this settlement. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 12:16 a.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari  
Town Clerk