

SPECIAL MEETING - Town Board 2019 Budget Workshop #2 was held to review budgets from Planning & Building, Stormwater Management, Highway, and Parks and Recreation. Special Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Councilman	Dave Condon
Councilman	Dave Tantillo
Councilman	Ed Kahovec
Councilman	Mike Guinan in @ 6:55PM

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Bodine - Town Clerk; Barb Cole- Finance Director, Brian Emelson, Mark Years, Kim Kinsella, Keith Maynard, Lisa Roberts, Gregg Richards, Robert Klein.

ABSENT: Supervisor Marren - attending a NYSAC Conference in Monticello, New York.

Planning & Building & Stormwater

Barb Cole gave a brief overview of the Planning & Building and Stormwater assumptions for the 2020 Budget.

- ❖ \$20,000 has been removed for Sewer Comp Plan done in 2019
- ❖ \$30,000 has been added for Building Safety litigation based on 2019 expenses
- ❖ \$45,000 has been removed based on completed access management and that we had contracts with the County and LaBella Associates.
- ❖ Additional funds in Stormwater for the Fishers Run Drainage project

Stormwater and Highway are requesting a Full-time MEO with CDL and a Seasonal MEO with CDL. The employee would work on Stormwater drainage and maintenance and in the winter help with plowing for the highway. **Keith Maynard** presented justification for needing an additional Full-Time MEO and Seasonal MEO for Stormwater.

- Approximately 80 ponds with outlet structures in the DIA
- There are 36 ponds DIA with known issues that need repair
- Town have easements over many of these which give the Town liability
- Maintenance such as mowing the ponds and removing small trees
- Catch basins approximately 2000 in the Town which need cleaning, inspection & repair
- Drainage swales like the one on Gillis Road that need to be cleaned
- Plowing needs- Street sweeping
- Highway can add another plow route in the winter

Councilman Condon was in favor of purchasing a skid steer to be shared between the Highway, Parks & Recreation and Stormwater Management. Also in favor of bringing on a full-time MEO to work under Keith in Stormwater. Not in favor of a seasonal part-time MEO right now, maybe the following year.

Councilman Kahovec also in favor of adding a full-time employee for Stormwater and maybe the following year a seasonal if needed. He also noted to get the right size skid steer to be shared between all three departments.

Councilman Tantillo agreed with both Councilman and approves of the full-time employee if the position is under Stormwater Management with Keith as this is what needs to be addressed first. Noting that Keith has made great progress with the Stormwater management in collaboration with the highway department.

Highway

Barb explained traffic control expense is moved to the B Fund. Traffic control is done by the Highway Department only outside of the village.

Mark Years went over several line items in the budget with the Board. Some of the items were:

- ❖ Highway garage doors need repair
- ❖ New carpet in the office due to leak in wall near compactor, and update bathroom for ladies
- ❖ Maintenance on compactors reduced \$5000.00
- ❖ Drainage reduced in legal and engineering
- ❖ Highway Barns - blacktop in need of repair
- ❖ Reserve money \$600,000 to keep budget level for upcoming future projects
- ❖ Bucket truck to share with the Village
- ❖ Cat Loader –cost of buying or lease
- ❖ Single axle truck which was rolled may be totaled and village offered a backup truck if needed in the winter. Parts are not made for this truck anymore. Waiting for paperwork.
- ❖ Ford F350 Pickup with utility body – Mark explained the reasoning for the need of this additional truck.

Councilman Condon suggested changes be made to the use of the current truck that is used by the foreman.

- ❖ Ice Maker for shop

Barb explained that there is money in the Highway Equipment Reserve Fund as an option for the equipment purchases which would be included in the Capital Plan.

The Board also discussed that if the Town and Village purchase the bucket truck together there would have to be an intermunicipal agreement.

Parks & Recreation

Brian Emelson presented his budget to the Town Board with the following highlights:

- ❖ Recommends increases in the Seniors Programs for the Aging – increase popularity in the pickle ball program. Noted that Jerry Colyer and Chauncey Young striped the courts at Fishers Park.
- ❖ Decline in the full day Senior Trip programs
- ❖ Summer day camp before and after program grown in popularity
- ❖ No vehicle replacements for 2020
- ❖ Year 5 of the lease at Lehigh Crossing goes up slightly
- ❖ Civic Plus/Rec online registration (about 70%)
- ❖ Need new tables and chairs for the facility
- ❖ New Flail Mower to mow parks and trails
- ❖ Improvements to the Mary Francis Bluebird Cottage
- ❖ Drinking fountain at Dryer Road Park needs to be replaced
- ❖ Replacement of safety chips for the Playground surface

Councilman Condon asked about the GPS System and how it was working. Brian, Mark, and Keith all agreed it is not consistent.

Town Board would like Tina to come to the next budget meeting to present the projected benefits of the GPS system. All agreed the time clock has been beneficial.

Capital Budget – Brian gave a brief historical overview of the Master Plan and how it has impacted the budget.

Councilman Tantillo noted that 7 parks, 2 cemeteries, and 55 miles of trails have been added since 2002. He thanked Brian for his hard work and dedication.

Town Board in agreement that the Master Plan is a good plan moving forward.

Councilman Guinan commended Brian on his process of vetting his vendors and what he brings to the table when it comes to decision making and preparing the budget.

Brian gave a historical perspective on the leased space. The Board members agreed they do not want to lease.

Councilman Tantillo – there is money to use like the Park & Recreation Trust Fund and we need to start making moves to get out of the leases to build our own Community Center.

Councilman Condon acquisition of land comes first before a Community Center can be built.

The Budget Workshop Meeting ended at 8:50PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen C. Bodine
Town Clerk