

SPECIAL MEETING - Town Board 2019 Budget Workshop #3 was called to order at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor	Jack Marren
Councilman	Dave Condon
Councilman	Mike Guinan

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Bodine - Town Clerk; Barb Cole- Finance Director, Robert Klein, Lisa Roberts, Gregg Richards, Brian Emelson- Parks & Recreation, Tina Kolaczyk- HR, Amanda Valdez-Channel 13.

ABSENT: Councilman Kahovec and Councilman Tantillo.

Tina Kolaczyk gave an overview of the GPS system that the Town is currently using. Tina explained the intent of the system was for safety to track location and speed of the vehicles. Also, recall and trouble maintenance alerts on all vehicles.

Supervisor Marren asked about GPS in the 2009 Sterling Truck that was involved in a roll-over. Tina explained due to the age of the truck the diagnostics in the truck were not compatible with the GPS system.

Councilman Condon asked about the monthly fee for the GPS. Town of Perinton also uses this system for their vehicles, but not the key fobs.

Tina noted the department heads do not have time to check the GPS and also complaints about the key fobs not working consistently.

Councilman Guinan asked about the cost for just the fobs. Tina will look into this.

Councilman Condon thanked Barb Cole for arranging the GPS clarification.

Barb Cole presented the update for the tentative budget with a tax rate of \$.032 below our current tax rate for 2019. This is \$824 under the tax cap.

Councilman Condon was comfortable with this as he felt it was important to stay under the tax cap and also thinking of the projected budget for 2021 noting it will be challenging.

Supervisor Marren thanked Councilman Condon for his direct feedback. Board in agreement. Barb gave an update on the Fund Balance noting the changes over the last three or four years. One of the most significant changes this year was reducing the fluff in the budget, for example the OT for the Highway. In 2016 tracking of the OT exclusive of the general salaries and found there was more than needed. The amount was reduced by \$100,000 with the upside this will keep the tax rate down. The down side of this is it is no longer in the budget and it will not roll back into fund balance. There is \$900,000 budgeted from fund balance for the 2020 Budget.

Barb is very comfortable with this number based on the fact that the targets for fund balance are exceeded and the anticipated year end fund balance. The major points here are keeping a balance to stay in the target area, and keeping residents taxes down. Barb stressed to the Board that by reducing the fund balance, this will reduce the fluff to work with in the future which leaves potential that property taxes could rebound.

Board was comfortable with the tax rate as presented at tonight's meeting.

Copies of the tentative budget will be sent out and on October 15th the tentative budget can be approved which will then become the preliminary budget in which no changes can be made at that time until after the Public Hearing. A Public Hearing will be set for October 28th for possible adoption.

Supervisor Marren and **Councilman Condon** commented that in the next few years there are many big projects to take in consideration with challenges for future budgets.

Supervisor Marren thanked the Board members for including engineering for the VMP in the tentative budget. He also noted the need to expand the parking lot at the VMP.

The Board is committed to the Parks Master Plan and Recreation Facility as soon as they have land acquisition.

The Budget Workshop Meeting ended at 7:40PM. The Board convened into Executive session with the following Board Members present:

Supervisor Marren, Councilman Condon, Councilman Guinan, Councilman Kahovec and Barb Cole- Finance Director.

- ❖ The Victor Town Board entered into Executive Session for medical, financial and employment history of a particular persons and the proposed acquisition/sale/lease of real property when publicity might affect the value.

No Board Action Taken

Respectfully submitted,

Karen C. Bodine
Town Clerk