

Minutes of the Constantia town board 2006 budget workshop held October 20, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the town hall.

Present : Tom Moran - supervisor
George Nowack, Paul Holst, John Metzger,
Richard Colesante - council members
Janet Warford - town clerk
Others present : Dave Webb - highway superintendent

The town clerk and board members were given the 2006 Tentative Budget on October 4, 2005 and notice of the work session was posted.

North Shore Ambulance representatives were present to explain their increase request. The deficit in their budget is due to the increase in payroll amounts and a major decrease in collections. They deal with many under insured or no insured people and the amounts paid from Medicaid and Medicare is less. They anticipate ambulance personnel will be fully paid within two years. Creating a line item for the ambulance in the town budget was discussed.

The board than went through the budget line by line, transferring figures to the preliminary budget. A Preliminary Budget Hearing will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the town hall with a Special Meeting to follow to pass the 2006 Budget and to consider any further business to come before the board.

The work session was closed.