

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA  
**MINUTES - TOWN BOARD -9:00 am -August 2, 2011**  
Constantia Town Hall

Present: Charles Gilkey – Supervisor  
John Metzger, Thomas Moran and Frank Tomaino – Council Members  
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk  
Wayne Woolridge – Highway Superintendent  
Nancy Butler - Supervisor's Clerk  
Paul Baxter - Tug Hill Commission

Absent: Richard Colesante - Council Member

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 9:00 am Mr. Gilkey called the work session to order with the pledge of allegiance.

**BUDGET:**

A copy of the tentative budget has been updated by Mr. Baxter with the assessment roll numbers for 2012. No departmental changes were made, letter will be going out shortly to all departments for their budget figures.

Mr. Metzger asked if anyone has heard, or has received any additional information about the 2% cap. Mr. Baxter responded that the information he has received indicates that there will be training to be held in time for the budget process.

Mr. Woolridge has been working on his numbers, Ms. Butler did make changes that he suggested. Mr. Metzger asked if there were any big changes, no he is just working the numbers to soak up the added expenses. Personnel wise, he did not replace the last man, have been using the extra money for equipment etc. Sooner or later that man will need to be replaced. In 2013 they will be looking to purchase two pickup trucks, if they keep the equipment fund at the current level, after the purchase of the trucks the extra could be used to offset paving, at some point we will need to catch up on the roads. On the roads less traveled he will be using oil and stone to save money, but others need to be paved. The major increases as usual will be for insurance and retirement which the town has no control over.

As the general fund pertains to highway, money needs to be put in for a roof at the garage. Still waiting on the grant money, if that does not come in Mr. Woolridge is encouraging the board to put money in A5132.4 to address the problem.

There is a bridge in Cleveland that will need work next year so the DA5120.1 & DA5120.4 will need additional funding.

Ms. Butler suggested that both the general fund and highway fund put money in 9050.8 unemployment insurance, that way PS accounts are not taking the hit for these.

B391 Water District Formation will need additional funds.

Next budget meeting will be in late September so budget information can be received from all departments.

**ADJOURN:**

At 10:40 am meeting adjourned.