

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES - TOWN BOARD-SPECIAL MEETING, BUDGET -9 AM – October 16, 2013
Constantia Town Hall

Present: Charles Gilkey - Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran - Council Members
Clare Haynes - Town Clerk
Nancy Butler - Supervisor's Clerk
Wayne Woolridge - Highway Superintendent

Absent: Frank Tomaino - Council Member

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and review the proposed 2014 budget.

DISCUSSION:

Board members present spoke about the drainage study prepared by Barton & Loguidice. Mr. Woolridge is still reviewing the proposal. This project is costly and might need to be done in stages. It might be a benefit to the town to contract out the State Route 49 portion and do the other work themselves. Or depending on the report, send all water down Frederick and never touch State Route 49. Mr. Woolridge will need more time to review report.

Mr. Colesante asked Mr. Woolridge if he anticipates some big expenditure that the highway budget will not be able to afford. In the next few years one of the plow trucks will need to be replaced 2015-2016. It will be difficult to keep up the paving schedule like we did this year. The good news is after this truck, is purchased the only thing that will be replaced is the cap and chassis on trucks going forward. The town has been buying stainless steel and upgraded plows, they last longer. Mr. Woolridge does not like to give back money (in the Less Fund Balance & Appr Reserve) especially the amount he has been because that is less that he can put away for equipment. By giving money back continually the town runs into the possibility of running out of money. The town must be very careful.

The board members went thru the 2014 budget line by line and made the following changes:

General Fund Appropriations:

| <u>Account</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To:</u> |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| A1620.13 | Bldgs & Grounds Park PS3 | \$11,700.00 | \$ 7,700.00 |
| A3620.2 | Code Enforcement Equip | \$ 4,500.00 | \$ 3,000.00 |
| A7110.4 | Parks PS | \$46,500.00 | \$44,840.00 |
| A7110.2 | Parks Eq | \$ 00.00 | \$ 4,000.00 |

General Fund Revenues:

| <u>Account</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To:</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| A3001 | State Revenue Sharing | \$39,873.00 | \$36,713.00 |

With the anticipation of the proposed Bernhards Bay Water district getting a \$50,000 grant from Patti Richie a line needs to be added to the budget to account for this. Ms. Butler will get with Mr. Baxter to make the change. This change will not impact the budget amount. At Mr. Moran's request a line will be put into the budget for highway engineering services, will not be funding the line, but it should be available to use.

Mr. Metzger told the board that the Constantia VFD asked Mr. Woolridge to plow their parking lot, will talk to Mr. Bader to see if an intra municipal agreement is needed.

Mr. Colesante received a letter from Mr. Wheeler, he can keep his clerk busy for 9 months and then she will take the summers off. Mr. Colesante thinks Mr. Wheeler will sign her time card going forward.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

The next meeting is October 17, 2013 - 6:00 pm.

ADJOURN:

At 11:34 am the meeting adjourned.