

TOWN OF CON.STANTIA  
**MINUTES - TOWN BOARD-PUBLIC HEARING- BUDGET-7 PM – November 6, 2014**  
Constantia Town Hall

Present: Charles Gilkey - Supervisor  
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran, Chad Whitney - Council Members  
Clare Haynes - Town Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 7:00 pm Mr. Gilkey called the public hearing to order with the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

This public hearing is to hear any questions on the preliminary town budget for 2015.

**BUDGET:**

Ms. Butler gave the board a listing of proposed 2015 wage and salary increases. There were a few changes noted, highway employees will have an increase of 1.5%. The three newest employees pay will increase to the proper pay for Machine Equipment Operator. It is the hope of the board to change some of the titles for the highway department employees new hires will be increased yearly so not such a big jump is realized at one time. Hopefully this will happen when the employee handbook is revised.

**RESOLUTION:**

COUNCILMAN: Colesante

Introduced the following and moved its adoption:

**BE IT RESOLVED: That the town board for the Town of Constantia will appropriate the 2014 Highway Unreserved Fund Balance in the amount of \$150,000.00 (One hundred fifty thousand) to be allocated to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund, DB9950.9. This budget modification is for the purchase of a 2015 Volvo Plow truck with snow equipment in November of 2014. The total cost of the vehicle is \$210,000.00 (Two hundred ten thousand). Balance of vehicle will be paid in 2015.**

Seconded by Councilman: Whitney

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Charles Gilkey, Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Richard Colesante	Voted	Yes
John Metzger	Voted	Yes
Tom Moran	Voted	Yes
Chad Whitney	Voted	Yes

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:**

At 7:20pm Mr. Colesante made the motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran - Yes Whitney- Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey - Yes

**BOARD DISCUSSION:**

Mr. Metzger was contacted by the Fort Brewerton/Greater Oneida Lake Chamber of Commerce about a beautification grant that is being offered. Mr. Metzger thought the sidewalk benches that were discussed at a previous meeting would be perfect for this grant. Mr. Metzger will email a letter to Mr. Gilkey to sign and submit.

**ADJOURN:**

At 7:25 pm the meeting adjourned.