

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES - BUDGET MEETING-TOWN BOARD-SEPTEMBER 27, 2016
4:00 p.m. Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Town Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran, Chad Whitney– Council Members
Wayne Woolridge – Highway Superintendent
Clare Haynes - Town Clerk

Others Present: Nancy Butler – Bookkeeper
Paul Baxter – Tug Hill Commission

CALL TO ORDER:

At 4:00 p.m. the budget meeting of the town board was called to order with the pledge of allegiance.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the 2017 budget.

HIGHWAY:

After last meeting, Mr. Woolridge gave the board a new Constantia Highway Personnel payroll sheet indicating the raises for the highway department. Mr. Woolridge will be giving the Deputy Highway Superintendent and Heavy Equipment Operators a 3% raise at the suggestion of the board. Mr. Woolridge also included with this sheet how much County, West Monroe and Hastings highway employees make for a comparison. The board is all in agreement for the raises, Mr. Colesante is comfortable with the raises but not comfortable overriding Mr. Woolridge's opinion, he does a good job running the department. Mr. Metzger added that 3% raises is not something that can be depended on every year.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Butler has the final numbers for September, she has included them in this printed budget sheet. Ms. Butler gave the board the projected fund balances to help with the budget process.

After putting in the final numbers for September, Park PS needs to stay at the original number given \$44,480.00.

At the present time both the general and highway funds have unreserved fund balances. After discussion it was decided to put \$38,941.00 into the contingency that leaves \$5,221.00 to put into the garage and park reserve fund. Moving around the unreserved fund balances might be temporary, will wait until the whole budget is reviewed to see if these changes will stand.

Still waiting to hear from Barton & Loguidice to see how much will be needed for the upcoming Bernhards Bay Water District. Along that line, the board asked Mr. Baxter to please add the necessary lines for the new district, even if they are not used this year it will be helpful to include them.

OTHER TOPICS:

- Discussion on property on Mill Street extension.
- No sewer money in the budget

NEXT MEETING:

October 4th and October 11th at 4:00 p.m. will be the next special meetings for budget discussion.

ADJOURN:

At 5:40 p.m. the meeting adjourned.