

Budget Workshop held November 3, 2016 at 3:00 P.M. at the Town Hall in Schroon Lake N.Y.

Present:

Town Supervisor: Michael Marnell

Councilpersons: Clara Phibbs, Roger Friedman, Meg Wood and (Don Sage- excused)

Highway Superintendent: Dana Shaughnessy

Town Clerk: Patricia Savarie

Budget Officer: Chris Stone

Also Present: Albert May, Denise Paradis, David Clark, Lynn Donaldson, Chris Swinton

Arlene Whitty, Tony and Fran Rimeriz, Jane Bouchard, Brent DeZalia, Joe Podmore, Patrick Shaughnessy,

Richard McCray, Wayne Welch, Skip Mahler and Jon Senecal

Supervisor Marnell called the Budget Workshop meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad

Lynn Donaldson stated she had good news that the Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad would remain the same with the 12 hours, 7 days a week for the next two years, provided they meet their calls at night.

Lynn went over the Budget with the Board as follows:

Training/Tuition	\$12,500.00
Uniforms	8,000.00
Association Dues	400.00
Communications	2,000.00
Fuel and Maintenance	18,500.00
Medical Supplies	2,100.00
Radio and Pagers	5,000.00
Legal/Audit Fees	3,200.00
Physicals	1,500.00
E-5 Contract	197,262.77
Secretary Salary	3,600.00
Capital Improvements for New Ambulance	50,000.00
Total Budget	\$349,062.77
North Hudson Share	66,321.93
Schroon Lake Share	\$282,740.84

Lynn Donaldson stated they would like to purchase a Lucas 2 Chest Compression system which would be easier to maneuver in a emergency, she is looking into a grant for this.

Chris Stone stated they could set up a Capital Reserve Account for the purchase of a new Ambulance through the Town that way if they dissolve from the Fire Department the money will be there for the purchase of a new ambulance. The Town is working on a new contract with the Fire Department.

Chris stated that the Town can not pay for Legal and Audit, Association Dues and any salaries, taking out \$7,200.00. The Town will leave the \$245,000.00 in the budget and look into a reserve account

which will come out of the fund balance.

Schroon Lake Chamber of Commerce

Supervisor Marnell stated this year he would like to give the Chamber \$1,000.00 more and put \$1,000.00 more into celebrations for more fireworks on the 4th of July. The Chamber is in the negative and needs to find ways to increase their revenues if they are to continue.

Supervisor Marnell stated if the Chamber does not show improvement this year he would like to decrease their budget in 2018 significantly. Supervisor Marnell stated ROOST had just given all the Towns \$2,500.00 and that North Hudson should be contributing their portion to the Chamber.

Parks Department

Patrick Shaughnessy stated that the Parks Department was in need of some new equipment.

Older used equipment

Steiner 420 Mower 1992 (24)
Steiner 430 Mower 1996 (20)
Husqvarna Weed Whacker 2003 (13)
Stihl Backpack Leaf Blower 2002 (14)
We are down to one leaf blower with two workers

The Steiner has served us well and we spend a lot of man hours fixing them we still would keep them to use in the winter for sidewalks and Hockey Rinks.

Proposed New Equipment

Commercial Back pack Leaf Blower \$600.00
Commercial Weed Whacker \$350.00
Four Wheel Drive Tractor with 6 foot Mower Deck \$25,000.00
or a Zero Turn Mower with a 6 foot Deck \$15,000.00

Patrick stated the shop needs a First Aid Kit, Eye Wash Station, a lockable Tool Cage, better lighting in the shop, winch to install mower decks, three loads of topsoil to fill in bad spots in the Park and a safety harness for man basket.

Resolution # 235 Employees Hourly Raises

Supervisor Marnell moved a resolution to increase all employees hourly rate to \$1.00 more beginning in 2017 and no raise in 2018 for hourly employees, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

Roll Call Vote

Supervisor Marnell Aye
Councilwoman Phibbs Aye
Councilwoman Wood Aye
Councilman Friedman Aye

I, Patricia J. Savarie, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct transcript from the minutes now on file in my office and of the whole such original minutes.

Dated: November 10 2016_____

Town Clerk