

Budget Workshop to discuss 2018 Budget held September 28, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. at the

Town Hall in Schroon Lake N.Y.

Present:

Supervisor: Michael Marnell

Councilpersons: Roger Friedman, Meg Wood, Don Sage and Clara Phibbs

Town Clerk: Patricia Savarie

Budget Officer: Chris Stone

Also Present: Albert May, Tish Bismeyer, Tony Remirez, Arlene Whitty, Lynn

Donaldson and Marion Weaver

Supervisor Marnell called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. with a salute to the Flag.

Health Insurance

Tish Bismeyer from Burnhams Associates presented different ideas to the Board as to the way they could go with their Health Insurance Policy for their Town Employees. Tish stated that this years increase would be 9.1% if they stayed with the same policy, Platinum 2. The policy has stayed the same with co-pays. The Town Board decided to stay with the same policy and have employees pay 13% of the premium rather than 10% for 2018 and in 2019 it would go to 15% for the employees portion. The retirees will stay the same with their policy.

Tentative budget reflects the 2018 budget with the following changes:

Lease payment for Golf Course Fairway Mower	\$7077.00
Lease payment for Highway Loader	\$42,658.42
BAN Payment for Town Hall addition	\$20,000.00
BAN Interest	\$17,604.00
Workers Compensation – Increase	\$13,602.89
Retirement - Increase	\$12,314.00
Park District Budget- Increase	\$60.00
Fire District Budget - Increase	\$4,200.00
Chips Fund – Increased	\$156,315.00
Long Term debt for Water Department - Decrease	\$57,990.00
Decrease went to Workmen Comp and Water Meters in 2018 Tentative Budget	

Ambulance Squad

Tony Remirez, Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad Captain, stated they would be on their own by the first of the year and the Commissioners have allowed them to stay in the Fire house for the next three years at that time it will be reviewed on how they are doing. The budget for Schroon Lakes

portion will be \$292,175.29 and the North Hudson portion will be \$68,534.94 for a total budget of \$360,710.23. The Town Board would like the Emergency Squad to ask E5 for a monthly statement to see what credits they have coming each month also to be shopping around for other companies that have services like E5.

Councilman Sage made a motion to adjourn the Budget Workshop at 4:25 P.M., seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

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: September 29, 2017 _____
Town Clerk