

Budget Workshop to discuss 2019 Budget held October 18, 2018 at 1:00 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

Highway Superintendent: Dana Shaughnessy

Budget Officer: Chris Stone

Also Present: Jon Senecal, Albert May, Ethan Thompson, Denise Paradis, Tony

Ramariz, Arlene Whitty, Marion Weaver, Bill Tribou and Mark Granger

Supervisor Marnell called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Building and Codes Officer

Jon Senecal, Building and Codes Officer, stated that the State Comptrollers office feels our rates are to low for the department fees, they have not been updated since 1994. Below is an example what other towns are paying:

	Schroon	N Hudson	Ti	Lewis	Minerva	Jay	Willsboro
1&2 family sqft/min/foundation	.10/\$50/ \$40	.14/\$100/ \$100	.14/\$100/ \$100	.14/ \$100/ \$100	.10/ \$50/ \$40	0.2	.10/ \$50/ \$40
Multiple dwellings sqft/min/foundation	.13/\$75/ \$40	.18/ \$150	0.2	.18/ \$150	.13/ \$75/ \$40	0.2	.10/ \$75/ \$40
Non-residential sqft/ min	.15/ \$100	.10/ \$150	.20/ \$150	.20/ \$150	.15/ \$100/ \$50	0.26	.15/ \$75 \$50
Residential carports, garages etc sqft/min	.07/ \$20	.10/ \$25	0.2	.10/ \$25	.07/ \$20	0.25	.07/ \$20
Additions sqft price sections 1-4	Find section 1-4 min \$25	Find section 1-4 min \$50	Sqft x .20	Find section 1-4 min \$50	Find section 1-4 min \$50	Sqft x .20	Find section 1-4 min \$50
Repairs & alterations cost of project amt per 1 st value then amt for next values *****	\$20 up to \$1000 \$40- \$1000 to \$5000 \$40 for each additional \$5000	\$35 for first \$1000 \$10 for each additional \$1000	\$35 for first \$5000 \$45 for each additional \$5000	\$35 for first \$1000 \$10 for each additional \$1000	\$20 up to \$1000 \$40- \$1000 to \$5000 \$40 for each additional \$5000	\$25 for first \$3000 \$50 for each additional \$3000	\$20 for first \$5000 \$40 for each additional \$5000
Demolition	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$40.00
Septic systems	\$25.00	\$45 R \$85 C	\$75.00	\$45 R \$85 C	\$40.00	\$75.00	\$40.00

Zoning	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	-	-	-	-
Decks & open porches	\$20 -1 st 200 sqft \$5 for each additional 100 sqft	\$35-1 st 144 sqft \$8 for each additional 100 sqft	.20/ sqft	\$35 -1 st 144sqft \$8 for each additional 100 sqft	\$20- 1 st 200 sqft \$5 for each additional 100 sqft	.15/ sqft	.10/ sqft \$20 min
Mobile homes	\$50.00	.10/ sqft \$75 min	\$75.00	.10/ sqft \$75 min	\$50.00	.20/sqft	\$50.00
Swimming pools/ enclosures	\$40/ \$20	\$40/ \$20 .10/ sqft inground	\$35 above \$50 inground	\$40 above .10/ sqft inground	\$40.00/\$10	\$35.00/ \$15	\$40.00

	Schroon	N Hudson	Ti	Lewis	Minerva	Jay	Willsboro
Fuel Burning/ if applied with 1-6	\$25/ \$10	\$25/ included N/C	\$40.00	\$25.00	\$25/ \$10	\$50.00	\$25/ \$10
Chimney/ if applied with 1-6	\$25/ \$10	\$25/ included N/C	\$40.00	\$25.00	\$25/ \$10	\$40.00	\$25/ \$10
Fuel burning and chimney	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$35.00
Change of Occupancy	\$40.00	\$60.00	-	\$60.00	\$60.00	-	\$40.00
Required fire safety inspection	N/C	\$40.00	N/C	\$40.00	\$40.00	N/C	N/C
Inspections outside normal area	\$20/hr	-	-	-	\$40 /hr	\$50/ hr	-
Certificate of Inspection	\$40.00	\$80.00	-	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$100.00	\$40.00
Building permit renewal - good for how many years at percentage of original permit cost	1 yr/ 25% 2 yrs/ 50% 3 yrs/ 75%	1 yr/ 50%	1 yr/ 50%	1yr/ 50%	1yr/ 50%	1 yr/ 50%	1 yr/ 33% 2 yrs/ 67%

Jon stated that Solar panel installation is not on our fee schedule and he has been treating it as an alternations to the electrical system. A few local Communities have charged a flat rate for solar installation and devote a section to solar panels. Supervisor Marnell stated he would like to see Jon either work 4 days down here and 1 day in North Hudson or work Thursday mornings here and Thursday afternoons in North Hudson, the morning is when we need him here the most.

Resolution #212 Great Escape Voucher

Supervisor Marnell moved a resolution to pay the Great Escape Voucher for \$1866.00 with 42 attending, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

Resolution # 213 Financing Agreement

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to change principle payment to \$82,000.00 so that the long term debt will be \$998,000.00, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

Health Insurance

The Board will be offering two different Health Insurance Policy the current Platinum 2 and the Gold 6. Employees will pay 13% of their health care and those staying on the Platinum 2 will pay an additional 15% of the difference between the two policy's that the Town pays.

Health Insurance 2018

	Platinum	Gold 6	Difference		15%
Single	\$856.10	\$698.67	\$157.43	12	\$1,889.16
Two Person	\$1,712.20	\$1,397.34	\$314.86	12	\$3,778.32
Employee/child	\$1,455.37	\$1,187.74	\$267.63	12	\$3,211.56
Family	\$2,439.89	\$1,991.21	\$448.68	12	\$5,384.16

13%

Savings

Single	\$1,335.52	\$1,089.93	\$245.59
Two Person	\$2,671.04	\$2,179.85	\$491.19
Adult /Child	\$2,270.38	\$1,852.88	\$417.50
Family	\$3,806.23	\$3,106.29	\$699.94

Cost for employee Platinum 2

Cost for Gold 6

Difference

Single	\$1,618.90	\$1,089.93	\$528.97
Two Person	\$3,237.79	\$2,179.85	\$1,057.94
Child/Adult	\$2,752.12	\$1,852.88	\$899.24
Family	\$4,613.86	\$3,106.29	\$1,507.57

Resolution # 214 Wage Structure Grade Adjustment

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to approve the Wage Structure Grade Adjustment, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

Grade	2019 Start
1	\$11.58
2	\$12.63
3	\$13.80
4	\$15.33
5	\$16.87
6	\$18.55
7	\$20.41

Other Changes;

- MEO Trainee Grade 3
- All Laborers moved to Grade 3
- Water and Wastewater Trainee Grade 4
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator (3A License) Grade 6
- Chief Water Plant Operator Grade 6

Note;

Three Position would stay the same
 If a employee is not at the start then they would be give the increase and any raise that is approved eliminate the mid and max
 These are the start rates for 2019

Resolution #215 Wage Structure Mid and Max Dissolved

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to dissolve the Mid and Max portion of the Wage and Salary Schedule, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

Roll Call Vote:

- Supervisor Marnell Aye
- Councilman Friedman Aye
- Councilman Sage Opposed
- Councilwoman Phibbs Aye
- Councilwoman Wood Aye

Raises for Employees

Councilman Friedman asked to have the numbers ran for a \$.50 raise for employees before making a decision to give raises.

Resolution #216 Elected Officials 2% Raises

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to approve a 2% raise for elected officials, except for the Highway Superintendent, who will receive a \$2500.00 raise, seconded by Supervisor Marnell; carried.

Roll Call Vote:

- Supervisor Marnell Aye
- Councilman Friedman Opposed
- Councilman Sage Opposed
- Councilwoman Phibbs Aye
- Councilwoman Wood Aye

Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad

Marion Weaver, President of the Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad, stated they would be adding one ALS staff to the night schedule 6 P.M. - 6 A.M. Total 2019 Budget for the Town of Schroon is \$353,089.62 and North Hudson is \$82,823.49 for a total of \$435,913.11. Marion stated at this time we have 4-6 active members but will be loosing 2 of those this year, it is getting harder and harder to get volunteers because of all the training that is involved.

2019 Proposed Budget for the Schroon Lake Ambulance Squad

Training	\$12,500.00
Uniforms	5,000.00
Associations Dues	50.00
Communications	2,700.00
Vehicles fuel and Maintenance	18,500.00
Medical Supplies	14,000.00
Medical Equipment	20,000.00
Medical Directors Fee	2,000.00
Cleaning Supplies	1,000.00
Printing and Postage for Fund Raising	4,500.00
Radios and Pagers	5,000.00
Insurance	30,000.00
Legal and Audit Fees	5,000.00
Physicals	3,000.00
Contract with E-5	<u>312,663.11</u>
Total Budget	\$435,913.11
Schroon Lakes Share	\$353,089.62
North Hudson's Share	\$82,823.49

Go Into Executive Session

Supervisor Marnell made a motion to go into Executive Session at 3:30 P.M. to discuss Employee Issues, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

Come Out of Executive Session

Supervisor Marnell made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 3:32 P.M., seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

Councilman Sage made a motion to adjourn at 3:33 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: October 22, 2018 _____
Town Clerk