

**VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 28, 1998**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, April 28, 1998 at 8:15 PM in the Meeting Room, Municipal Building, 7 Maple Avenue.

PRESENT: Mayor Wm. Lee Kinnally, Jr., Trustee James B. Keaney, Trustee Elsa C. DeVita, Trustee Michael Holdstein, Trustee Anthony Gagliardi, Village Manager Neil Hess, and Village Clerk Susan Maggiotto.

CITIZENS: One (1)

Mayor Kinnally led the Board and Citizen in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kinnally: The purpose of the Special meeting is to consider the adoption of the 1998-99 Village Budget. Mr. Hess will discuss the resolution.

Village Manager Hess: The budget has been in review since February 20 and all departments and Boards and Commissions have had input into it.

There are changes in the proposed budget in both appropriations and revenues. The Trustees recommended that money be included to fund a part-time planner. The position is funded at an annual cost of approximately \$40,000 for salary and benefits; \$40,000 has been added to A8020.1 Personal Services and taken from A1420.4 Contractual (\$5,000), A1990.4 Contingency (\$20,000), A1930.0 Judgments/Claims (\$10,000), and A8020.4 Contractual (\$5,000). On the revenue side the appropriated surplus has been reduced by \$7,400.

Trustee Keaney: The Manager has done a good job as always on the budget but I think we have to worry about our reliance on sales tax revenues for the future.

Trustee Gagliardi: This is a very good budget at a modest increase, but I am also worried about the sales tax revenues.

Mayor Kinnally: Congratulations to Mr. Hess for a job well done, and thanks to him and the staff for pulling the budget together in a timely and professional manner.

We are looking at alternate funding sources for the planner. The budget is not etched in stone but is a blueprint, a policy document to guide us.

I share the concern about reliance on the sales tax. This matter is of great concern among other municipal officials. If the state removes this revenue source there must be compensating resources.

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favor, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM