## TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

## SPECIAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 8, 2017

**Present:** Supervisor Paul Hansut Also present: Rosaria Peplow, Town Clerk

Councilmember Joseph Mazzetti Councilmember Jeffrey Paladino

**Absent**: Councilmember Kevin Brennie Councilmember Michael Guerriero

**7:00 PM** – Supervisor opened the meeting and asked Jon Decker former Town of Lloyd Supervisor to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

7:01PM Supervisor opened the Public Hearing on the 2018 Town of Lloyd Budget and read the legal notice.

Please take notice that pursuant to Town Law Section 108, there will be a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Lloyd for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 at the Town Hall, 12 Church Street, Highland, New York, on Wednesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017, at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the hearing is to give all interested persons an opportunity to be heard on the proposed budget.

Please take further notice that a copy of the preliminary budget is available at the Town Clerk's Office, where it may be inspected during office hours, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM. The proposed salary for the Town Supervisor is \$29,995.00, Councilpersons (4) \$9,469.00 each, Town Clerk \$47,755.00 and the Highway Superintendent is \$56,400.00.

By order of the Town Board of the Town of Lloyd October 18, 2017

Supervisor asked the public if they would like to go through budget line by line or a summary. They could focus on changes that were made. The public at the last five public hearings on the budget seemed to focus on what made their taxes increase. Outside the W/S District the increase will be 0.10, inside the W/S District will be 0.10, inside the Water District will be 0.02. Rate formula per 1000.

The Department heads submitted their budgets and then changes were made. The Assessor's Office requested \$25,000.00 for a vehicle that was removed. She also requested a 15% increase in salary which was removed. Supervisor salary was listed in the Public Hearing Notice at \$29,995.00 and they changed that to \$30,000.00. The contingency was \$200,000.00 and \$20,000.00 was removed making the contingency \$180,000.00; \$200,000.00 has been taken from unexpended. This will keep the budget under the tax cap by approximately \$34,000.00. They did not use any of the \$94,000.00 carry over which was allowed by the state. He asked if there are any questions.

Jon Decker, former Town of Lloyd Supervisor, asked what the \$26,725.00 under Assessor Contractual represented.

Supervisor explained that in the tentative budget the Assessor asked for a new car but it was removed as shown in the preliminary budget.

Decker asked if she now has a car.

Supervisor said that there is an Equinox for the Assessor to use when she does the valuations. Claire Winslow asked what the County Software Upgrade under POLICE is for.

Supervisor responded that they are upgrading the computer systems throughout Ulster County. It is a County wide system and will be \$40,000.00 per year for two years.

Decker asked what 1680.40 Central Data Processing Contractual Expenses were.

Karen McPeck, Bookkeeper, responded that it was for the IT services for all the Computers in Town Hall, Highway and Water/Sewer. They are called when there is a problem with a computer, server, etc. This is independent from the Police Department.

Supervisor responded to Decker concerning line 5140.40 for Sidewalks at \$10,000.00, that they are focusing on repairing and replacing sidewalks in and around the hamlet and the town

Winslow asked the status of the sidewalk repairs for Bridgeview.

Supervisor said they went out to bid and lowest bid was \$9,800.00 and they will be starting soon. The trees roots heaved the sidewalks. The opinion of the Town Attorney is that those sidewalks are the Town's responsibility. They will be repair the sidewalks and cut some of the trees. The Town is researching doing a Sidewalk District.

Decker asked what the \$50,000.00 on line 8320.20 represented.

McPeck said that it was for the Treatment Plant Pumping Bypass System, they budgeted \$50,000.00 in 2018 and will budget \$50,000.00 in 2019.

8120.20 the \$22,000.00 is for a one-ton service truck with a plow, it will be shared between water and sewer and each department will put in \$22,000.00. Water and Sewer plow their own properties.

8130.20 is for UV Bulb replacement and Sledge Digestion Methylene Improvements.

Part of the filtering process includes Ultra Violet bulbs which must be replaced quite often and are very expensive.

Supervisor said the budget will be adopted at the Regular Town Board meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. Changes to the budget must be adopted by resolution.

Rose Trapani said the Mid-Hudson Seniors appreciate the money they receive from the Town each year and asked why the Seniors must submit receipts and the American Legion does not.

Supervisor said he believes that at the beginning of the year the Legion submits a cost sheet for flags, parade, etc. The Legion gets \$4,000.00 and the Seniors get \$5,000.00.

Paladino thanked Karen McPeck, bookkeeper and Kate Jonietz for the hard work they put into the Budget.

Supervisor said that he went through the Highway Budget with Richard Klotz and Klotz is comfortable that the numbers will work unless there is nine feet of snow.

Supervisor asked Klotz if the Town got the money from FEMA for the bad storm last winter. Klotz replied that he submitted all the paperwork.

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

A. **MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Paladino to accept the resignation of Peter Paulsen as first alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals effective November 8, 2017.

Three ayes carried.

B. **MOTION** made by Paladino, seconded by Mazzetti to appoint William Brown as first alternate to the Zoning Board to finish the un-expired term of Peter Paulsen to expire 12/31/2019.

## Three ayes carried.

Supervisor reminded everyone of the Veterans Day Breakfast is Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM at St. Augustine's School, 35 Phillips Ave. The Knights of Columbus are cooking the breakfast.

Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 Veterans Day Service at the Veteran's Memorial Park on Milton Avenue and Route 9W.

Supervisor congratulated Claire Winslow and Leonard Auchmoody Councilpersons-elect and said he was looking forward to working with them. He extended congratulations to Rosaria Peplow on her re-election as Town Clerk and on her more than 30 years of service and to Richard Klotz as Highway Superintendent.

**MOTION** made by Paladino, seconded by Mazzetti to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM. **Three ayes carried**.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosaria Schiavone Peplow Town Clerk