

**Village Board
Meeting Minutes of
March 21, 2017**

Present: Mayor Lee, Trustees, Burritt, Speer, Zabelny
Village Manager/Clerk, Shari Pearce
Village Treasurer, Maryalice Edwards
DPW Superintendent, Mike McHenry
DPW Asst. Superintendent, Keith Brown
Code Enforcement Officer, Mike Lissow

Absent: Trustee Gates

Guests: Jim Liese

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Lee with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, followed by a moment of silence.

Proposed Budget 2017-2018

Shari Pearce gave opening remarks about the budget and the strategies the team used to estimate revenue and expenses. At the March 16th budget meeting, the management team presented the proposed budget. This meeting is to make amendments and finalize the proposed budget for adoption on April 4, 2017. Some of the highlights are listed below:

Workers Comp Reserve: The projected refund is approximately \$40,000. The board discussed depositing \$30,000 into the Henry Street Reserve fund with \$10,000 used for a merit raise for the employees.

Tax rate: The rate will increase 1% to \$ 2.61 per \$1,000. This keeps the Village within the NYS Tax Cap. Shari Pearce noted Hilton in comparison to the other municipalities within Monroe County is doing quite well.

Sales Tax Appropriation: The board is satisfied with the amount in the budget for Sales Tax.

Wage Increase: The board discussed in great detail wage increases for the employees. The board decided unanimously to approve a 3% flat increase to all employees with a merit check to distribute in June. There is also an additional sum to be divided at the Department Heads discretion for exceptional employees. The merit raises will be divided as follows:

Full time employees -	\$500.00
Long term part time employee (20 year) -	\$250.00
Part time employees -	\$100.00

Resolution to approve a 3% general raise to all hourly employees and 4% general raise to the salaried employees, plus include a merit check to employees to be distributed as noted above. Trustee Burritt made the motion, seconded by Trustee Speer. Carried 4-0.

Health Insurance: There are no changes proposed to health care.

Community Center: Tenants will receive an increase of 2% to their annual rent. The Board feels this is a fair increase.

Water rate increase: Water rates will increase to \$3.20 per/1000 gallons, with the daily rate remaining at \$.21. The outside water increase will be \$3.54 and \$.21 for the daily rate.

Sewer rate: The sewer rate will increase from \$130 annually to \$135 annually. The fee is listed on the tax bill.

Resolution to authorize the Village Manager/Clerk to set the Public Hearing on April 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. for the 2017-18 budget. The proposed tax rate is \$2.61 per thousand. Motion made Trustee Zabelny, seconded by Trustee Speer. Carried 4-0.

Public Forum

Mayor Lee opened the public portion of the meeting at 6:00 p.m.; there were no comments from the public. The public forum was closed at 6:01 p.m.

At the last meeting, Mr. Marek presented an idea to the board regarding his property located at 650 Lake Avenue. He is interested in subdividing a portion to build a two story building with 20-32 units. This action would require a zoning change from Commercial to Multi Residential.

Resolution the board is not in support of a 20 or more, unit apartment complex. Multi-Residential buildings do not fit the area which is mostly single family homes, but would consider rezoning the area to Residential. Motion made by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Burritt. Carried 4-0.

E-Code/Zoning Code: Mike Lissow reported Village Attorney Larry Schwind is reviewing the Zoning Code. He questioned if the board is seeking his services for substance or just format at this time. The board agreed in the future they will be interested in a complete review of substance. At this time the board is interested only in the format.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Motion made by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried unanimously 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Harter, Deputy Clerk