

Preliminary Budget Meeting

November 2, 2016

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Southport held at the Town Hall, 1139 Pennsylvania Avenue, on November 2, 2016.

Members Present: Supervisor David Sheen, Council Members Glenn Gunderman, Daniel Hurley, Joseph Roman, Kathleen Szerszen

Others Present: Town Clerk Carolyn Renko

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Moment of Silence – Council Member Kathleen Szerszen

7:04 p.m. – PUBLIC HEARING 2017 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Supervisor David Sheen read the legal notice that appeared in the Star-Gazette and posted on the Town Bulletin Board and Town Website and opened the public hearing for public comment.

Charles Wilson of 399 Widger Hill Rd. commented on the 2017 Preliminary budget inquiring about three line items. The first line item was A6460.4 (Industrial Development), was this money budgeted for STEG (Southern Tier Economic Growth). Supervisor Sheen replied that the line item does not specify STEG and that the funding for STEG was reduced to \$7,500 for fiscal year 2017. The remaining budget is for the funding of the Economic Development Specialist contractual position.

Mr. Wilson inquired about line item A7310.4 (Recreation Contractual), the adopted budget for 2016 was \$40,000 and as of 9/30/2016 the modified budget is \$76,628.42. Supervisor Sheen responded that this adjustment is partially due to the water usage of the Splash Pad at Elmer Goodwin Park which is a seasonal charge the remaining was due to re-classification of funding from A7310.2 (Recreation, Equipment).

Mr. Wilson also commented in regards to Hospital and Medical for the Town retirees A9060.81 has had a decrease, Supervisor Sheen responded that due to individuals reaching Medicare eligibility age the retiree's plan changes which in turn decreases the expense. Line Item A1602 (Retiree Contributions) has increased, Supervisor Sheen stated that this line item was under budgeted and is adjusted for the 2017 budget. The same holds true in the Highway fund line items DA9060.81 (Hospital & Medical) and DA1602 (Retiree Contribution).

Marlene Zecca of 64 Dalrymple Ave. inquired about funding for the Trails Committee. Supervisor Sheen responded that a line item A7450.41 (Community Relations, Bike/Walking Trail Feasibility Study) has been set up in the amount of \$5,000 to conduct a feasibility study.

The public portion of the Public Hearing was closed at 7:18 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 180-2016

PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS ADOPTED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

Resolution by: Roman
Seconded by: Szerszen

WHEREAS, this Town Board having on November 2, 2016, duly held a public hearing on the preliminary budget approved by the Town Board and filed with the Town Clerk for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2016 and having heard all persons desiring to be heard in this matter, and the matter of the budget of the Town for such fiscal year having been fully discussed and considered,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the said preliminary budget approved and filed as aforesaid be and same hereby is adopted and established as the adopted budget of this Town for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017, and that such annual budget be adopted and entered in detail in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of this Town shall prepare and certify, as required by law, duplicate copies of said adopted budget hereby adopted and deliver one of such copies to the Supervisor of the Town, and that the Supervisor shall present such copy to the Board of Legislatures of the County as required by law.

AYES: Gunderman, Hurley, Roman, Szerszen, Sheen
NOES: None
CARRIED.

Council Member Gunderman made a motion, Council Member Hurley seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn A. Renko
Town Clerk