

TOWN OF BRIGHTON - FRANKLIN COUNTY, NY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

October 8, 2015

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A Special Board Meetings of the Town Board of the Town of Brighton was held Thursday, October 8, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was Called to Order by Supervisor Peter Shrope at 6:04 p.m.
The "Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag was recited

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Shrope

Council Members: Brian McDonnell, Steve Tucker, and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: Councilmember Amber McKernan

OTHERS PRESENT: Andy Crary - Superintendent of Highways, Richard Meagher - Bookkeeper, Elaine Sater-Town Clerk, and one resident

NOTICE OF MEETING:

Notice of this meeting was posted on the Town Clerk's Sign Board and three local post offices on Thursday, October 1, and published in the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on October 1 and 8.

BUSINESS

TENTATIVE BUDGET 2016:

1. Tentative Town Budget for 2016 was distributed to the Board members by the Town Clerk on September 29.
2. Overview: Richard Meagher, Bookkeeper, gave a brief review of the whole 2016 budget. He said the budget was coming together nicely. He used numbers that came from department heads and if he did not get anything he just used same numbers from last year after discussion with Supervisor Peter Shrope. Appropriations in General are reduced by \$7,200 due to less Medical Insurance (no more payments for elected officials or buy out for others) and a lower payment for retirement. Income is static at 2% increase for everyone. The Fire Contract is increased by 3%. The Tax Cap for 2016 is .073, the Town has .22% to use from last year, so it can raise \$620,772 in taxes, up \$4,499 from last year. The fund balances can be reduced from last year also. Highway appropriations are about \$10,284 less than last year, revenue is increased with CHIP funds by about \$7,399.
3. Highway Budget: The Town Board reviewed each line starting with the .1 salary lines. CSEA Union contract has to be finalized for 2016. No changes made. The expense lines (.4) were discussed and no changes made. The equipment lines (.2) were discussed, capital improvements (DA5112.2) was increased by \$7,000 due to the cost of paving one half mile this year. Revenues were reviewed with no changes.
4. General Budget will be discussed at a Special Meeting on October 15, 2015 at 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. made by Brian McDonnell, Second by Lydia Wright, Aye 4 (McDonnell, Shrope, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0, Absent 1 (McKernan)

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater, RMC
Brighton Town Clerk