

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING - TOWN OF BRIGHTON - FRANKLIN COUNTY, NY

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A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Brighton was held Thursday, October 29, 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 David Knapp at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor David Knapp, Council Members: Sheila Delarm, Jeffrey Leavitt (entered meeting at 7:00 p.m.) Steve Tucker and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Sater-Town Clerk, Richard Meagher-Budget Officer, Amber McKernan - Tax Collector

RESIDENTS: There were no residents present

GUESTS: None

NOTICE OF MEETING: Notice of this meeting was posted on Tuesday, October 13, on the Town Clerk's Sign Board and at three post offices and in local businesses in the Town. Notice was published in the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on Thursday, October 15, 2009.

1. **HIGHWAY FUND 2010 TENTATIVE BUDGET:** Discussion was held on the Highway Fund Appropriations and Revenues for 2010.
 - a. **Appropriations:**
 - i. **Salaries (.1 accounts):** Will be kept at 0% as the cost of living is actually a negative figure, CSEA did not submit any change for the contract. Salaries were reduced to 2009 budget amounts.
 - ii. **Expenses (.4 accounts):** No accounts were changed.
 - iii. **Equipment (.2 accounts):** Machinery Equip (DA5130.2) was decreased by \$55,000 to \$30,000. The purchase of a truck can be spread over 5 years with a Bond Anticipation Note. Generator funds will come from the General Fund or grant funds.
 - b. **Revenues:** The amount of revenue received from interest and State CHIPS funds will be less in 2010. This year's CHIPS funding was based on two years of funding. State CHIPS (DA3501) was decreased by \$15,692 to the 2009 level of \$35,708. Total revenue will decrease by \$3,500.
2. **GENERAL FUND:**
 - a. Tax Collection CE (A1330.4) was revisited, discussion was held on the purchase of Tier II for the BAS Software package for \$980, with a maintenance fee of \$200. This would allow Tax payers to access their bill on line and see what they have paid and still owe. There is an extra \$100 cost for having tax bills on line in 2010, it was included in the 2009 cost of the BAS software. There is also a \$435 fee for making the BAS system compatible with Franklin County computer system. The Board did not see the advantage to the Town for having this capability at this time. This account was decreased by \$1,500 to \$3,580.
 - b. Town Hall Capital Project: Discussion was held on setting aside funds to match the \$200,000 grant received from the State Office of Historical Preservation. There are funds in the CLASS account to offset this when it is needed. No additional funds were added to the budget.

RESOLUTION #83

PRELIMINARY 2010 BUDGET AND PUBLIC HEARING

Motion made by Supervisor David Knapp, **Second** by Lydia Wright, **To Wit:**

WHEREAS, the Tentative 2010 Budget was submitted to the Board on September 30, 2009, and

WHEREAS, discussion was held on October 22 and 29 on the budget amounts submitted by Town Departments,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the changes made to the tentative 2010 Budget for the General, Highway, Fire Protection, and Street Lighting Districts be accepted and the Preliminary 2010 Budget be prepared with the following:

GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATIONS:	\$ 450,196
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES:	\$ 51,350
LESS FUND BALANCE:	\$ 90,000
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES:	\$ 308,846

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HIGHWAY FUND

APPROPRIATIONS:	\$ 312,813
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES:	\$ 75,465
LESS FUND BALANCE:	\$ 50,000
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES:	\$ 187,348

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES: \$ 77,466

STREET LIGHTING (EASY STREET) DISTRICT

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES: \$ 900

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all salaries and wages will stay at the 2009 Budget level including the following:

- Supervisor: \$11,380**
- Town Board: \$11,020 (4 at \$ 2,755 each)**
- Town Clerk: \$9,582**
- Superintendent of Highways: \$39,528**

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing for the Preliminary 2010 Budget will take place on Thursday, November 5 at 6 p.m. following the Fire Services hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 4 (Delarm, Knapp, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0, Abstain 1 (Leavitt)

RESOLUTION # 83 declared duly adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 7:35 p.m. made by Lydia Wright, **Second** by Steve Tucker, **Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Leavitt, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater
Brighton Town Clerk