

BUDGET MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Mayor O'Connor, Trustees Hathaway, O'Connell, and Mott, C/T Decker, DC/T Budine, Jim Conklin, Paul Lantz, Rob Rynearson, Bryan Moore and Chief Cantwell

ABSENT: Trustee Strauss

Mayor O'Connor opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

C/T Decker informed the board that she had added the payroll back into the water, sewer and general fund budgets. Water and Sewer were set to go.

MOTION#298/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Hathaway to accept the 2015-16 Water and Sewer Budgets as submitted. Trustee Mott opposed. A Public Hearing is scheduled for the January 27, 2015 work session.

MOTION#299/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell seconded by Trustee Hathaway to budget not to exceed 24 hours a week for the court clerk position. The motion carried unanimously. Chief Cantwell wanted the board to know that he felt the job required at least 24 hours if not more.

Nest a long discussion took place on the PD wages and annual hours for the PT officers. Mayor O'Connor suggested that other communities have a part time chief and that frees up more money for the part timers – so competitive wages are not necessarily comparing apples to apples. Trustee O'Connell said that he felt 1.7% increase was fair as that is what everyone else is getting. Trustee Mott stated that the increase to the tax payer for the request of 4320 hours at \$16.50 was about 30 cents and consideration ought to be given to the Chief's request to provide the level of policing the tax payers expect. Trustee Hathaway stated he had a hard time giving PT employees \$2.50 or \$1.50 increase when FT employees were receiving 1.7%. Mayor O'Connor felt 1.7% was sufficient with hours requested or the lesser hours – either worked for him. Trustee Mott asked if the compromise would be 1.7% at 4320 hours and Trustee Hathaway said he would rather table the decision for a full board because he felt the 1.7% was in order with reduced hours. Chief Cantwell stated that he felt the board would be making a terrible mistake to the taxpayers to reduce the hours. He felt he would rather NOT see a raise at all but keep the 4320 annually

C/T Decker asked for a January 19th Budget meeting of the full board to finalize the General Fund Budget. Decker will confirm and let the board members know.

MOTION#300/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Hathaway seconded by Trustee O'Connell to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted: