

November 6, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING OF 2020 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND SPECIAL MEETING

The Town Board of Martinsburg held a Public Hearing/Special Meeting on Wednesday, November 6, 2020 at 5:30 PM. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear comments on the proposed 2020 Preliminary Budget. The Special Meeting was to discuss any matter that may come before the board. Present were: Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilmen Brad Allen, Douglas Dietrich and Michael McGrath; Town Clerk Mary Kelley. Absent: Councilman Janusz Karelus.

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dietrich to open the Public Hearing at 5:30 PM to hear comments on the proposed 2020 budget. All in favor. Motion carried. There being no one from the public present and no comments at this time, the Supervisor held the hearing open and went on to the Special Meeting.

The Clerk had a request from a property owner asking if their January water bill of \$655 could be adjusted. It was extremely high due to an unknown water leak on their property. They have since fixed the leak. Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman McGrath to adjust their bill to half of what it was. All were in favor. Motion carried.

WHITAKER PARK

Discussion was again held on the purchase of picnic tables for the Park. Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dietrich to purchase 16 tables for a total of \$2710.00 from Jamestown Advanced Products. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Supervisor received a quote from Goods Masonry of \$3911.60 to repair the foundation of the West Martinsburg Town Hall. Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dietrich to accept this bid. All were in favor. Motion carried.

It has been reported that there is a rotten tree over some just repaired stones at Strader Cemetery and a portion of it should be removed.

Discussion was held on the water/sewer district formations in the Town of Turin for the Glenfield Trailer Park.

Supervisor Thisse reported that he, along with Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones, attended a workshop on minimum maintenance roads put on by Phil Street. Discussed changing zoning laws so people cannot build residential homes on minimum maintenance roads.

Discussion was held on SNIRT Run damage to roads and compensation.

Councilman McGrath audited the accountant bank statements for April, May and June.

Discussion was held on an upgrade to the telephone system. Supervisor Thisse asked if this is something that could be covered under the JCAP Grant. This grant won't be available until late next summer.

Discussion was held on the new surveillance cameras that were installed. Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dietrich authorizing the purchase of a new HDMI TV which will be connected to the new cameras. All were in favor. Motion carried.

There being no comments, Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to close the Public Hearing on the 2020 Preliminary budget and return to regular meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dietrich to approve the 2020 Preliminary Budget.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Thisse -aye
Councilman Allen – aye
Councilman Dietrich – aye
Councilman McGrath – aye
Councilman Karelus – absent Motion carried.

FUND		2020 APPROPRIATIONS	LESS EST REVENUES	LESS UNEXP BALANCE	AM'T TO BE RAISED BY TAX	2019 TAX	AMOUNT INCREASE
GENERAL	A	985,857	877,850	0	108,007	103,853	4154
HIGHWAY	DA	773,718	513,000	24,887	235,831	226,761	9070
FIRE #1	SF-1	104,624	0	0	104,624	101,577	3047
LIGHT DISTRICT #1	SL-1	5,800	0	0	5,800	5,800	0
LIGHT DISTRICT #2	SL-2	4,800	0	0	4,800	4,800	0
TOTAL		1,874,799	1,390,850	24,887	459,062	442,791	16,271

There being no further business, Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to adjourn at 6:10 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kelley, Town Clerk