

A Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget for 2017 was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 and called to order at 5:00 pm. Present were: Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilmen Douglas Dietrich, Janusz Karelus and Michael McGrath; Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones and Town Clerk Mary Kelley. Absent: Councilman E. Frank Kogut.

There being no public comment at this time on the proposed budget, Supervisor Thisse kept the hearing open and went on to other business.

The board reviewed a letter from the New York State Department of Transportation. They are proposing to install two new curb ramps in the town at the intersection of State Route 26 and Whitaker Road and State Route 26 and Cemetery Road. They are asking the Board to pass a Sidewalk Maintenance Resolution pertaining to maintenance of sidewalks which will be constructed as a part of this project.

After reviewing the resolution and the request, the board requested a letter be sent to the State advising them that the Town of Martinsburg does not own or maintain any sidewalks and would not be in any position to control snow/ice on the sidewalks as the resolution states. The board is in approval of the State providing the curb ramps but will not agree to maintain them.

The purchase of property from Loren Bush was discussed. A mylar subdivision map approved by the Planning Board was given to Mr. McGrath. He will see that Mr. Bush receives the map which must be recorded at Lewis County Court House.

Mr. Thisse gave Mr. Jones a copy of this same map and requested that he put up sturdy corner markers as indicated on the survey map.

Mr. Jones stated that he had a section of Glenfield Sewer lines filmed to locate some laterals.

Mr. Karelus made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dietrich to close the Public Hearing at 5:30 pm and return to Special Meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Karelus made a motion, seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve the 2017 Preliminary Budget:

FUND		2017 APPROPRIATIONS	LESS EST REVENUES	LESS UNEXP BALANCE	AM'T TO BE RAISED BY TAX	2016 TAX	AMOUNT INCREASE
GENERAL	A	1,310,948	1,101,906	107,225	101,817	101,817	0
HIGHWAY	DA	937,500	715,185	0	222,315	222,315	0
FIRE #1	SF-1	98,619	0	0	98,619	95,747	2872
LIGHT DISTRICT #1	SL-1	5,800	0	0	5,800	5,300	500
LIGHT DISTRICT #2	SL-2	4,800	0	0	4,800	4,400	400
TOTAL		2,357,667	1,817,091	107,225	433,351	429,579	3772

Roll call vote: Supervisor Thisse – aye
 Councilman Dietrich – aye
 Councilman McGrath – aye
 Councilman Karelus – aye
 Councilman Kogut – absent

Motion carried.

Mr. Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Mr. McGrath to adjourn at 5:40 pm. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mary Kelley, Town Clerk