

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford assembled at the Spafford Town Hall, 1984 Route 174, Skaneateles, New York.

PRESENT: Supervisor Mary Bean, Councilor Jeff Ireland, Councilor Chris Fesko, Councilor Lou Hanlon and Councilor Dave Venezia.

ALSO PRESENT: Highway Superintendent Cherry Randall, Town Clerk Lisa Valletta and Accountant Thomas Chartrand, Town Attorney Scott Chatfield.

Supervisor Bean called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. This meeting is for planning the 2016 Town of Spafford budget and any other business before the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Supervisor Bean to enter into Executive Session at 7:01 p.m. with the Town Attorney for discussion of pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

A motion to exit Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Ireland. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Mr. Chartrand provided a recap of the Highway budget pages (TB-6 & TB-7).

GARAGE FLOOR DRAINS

Highway Superintendent Cherry Randall (Supt Randall) reported on a conversation with Dept of Environmental Conservation (DEC) representative William Lints. Mr. Lints indicated the plan for installation of the oil/water separator (OWS) system as described at the last meeting of the Board was acceptable and recommended including an alarm for notifying when the tanks require service.

The Board discussed the plan with Supt Randall. Supt Randall will obtain three quotes for purchase of the OWS system and contact the Town of Niles to learn the size of tanks used at their facility. She will bring this information to the October 8, 2015 Town Board meeting.

BUDGET DISCUSSION (cont.)

The discussion included:

- \$125,000 requested for new Highway equipment
- \$76,000 for the General fund contingency line
- Salt shed options and potential costs

A motion was made by Councilor Ireland, seconded by Councilor Venezia authorizing Supt Randall to proceed with placement of the base, blocks and berm for salt storage. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS -0.

- Prioritizing the requested Highway equipment:
 1. Loader
 2. Salt shed
 3. Class 3 truck
 4. ¾ ton pick up truck

- Supervisor Bean recommended allocating \$76,000 for Highway, Building, Capital Improvements (this would be for the salt shed), \$149,000 for a new loader and \$5,000 for a new flatbed trailer.
- Supervisor’s salary increase and secretary for the Supervisor

A motion was made by Councilor Ireland, seconded by Councilor Fesko to increase the Town Supervisor’s salary by 1.5% to \$10,150. The motion PASSED. AYES – 3: Ireland, Fesko, Venezia, NAYS – 0, ABSTAINED – 2: Bean, Hanlon.

A motion was made by Councilor Venezia, seconded by Councilor Ireland to not fund the budget line for Secretary to the Town Supervisor. The motion PASSED. AYES – 3: Ireland, Fesko, Venezia, NAYS – 0, ABSTAINED – 2: Bean, Hanlon.

The various adjustments reflect the following changes:

GENERAL FUND

- Amount to be raised decreases from tentative \$567,873.40 to \$419,802.00
- Tax Rate per thousand decreases from tentative \$1.59 to \$1.18 (increase from 2015 of \$0.21)

HIGHWAY FUND

- Amount to be raised decreases from tentative \$446,194.00 to \$435,294.00
- Tax Rate per thousand decreases from tentative \$1.25 to \$1.22 (decrease from 2015 of \$0.17)

SOUTHERN ONONDAGA AREA WATER DISTRICT

- Amount to be raised remains unchanged.
- Tax Rate per thousand remains unchanged.

TENTATIVE TO PRELIMINARY BUDGET

A motion to move the revised 2016 tentative budget to the 2016 Preliminary Budget was made by Supervisor Bean and seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 3 (Bean, Ireland, Fesko), NAYS – 2 (Hanlon, Venezia).

RESOLUTION 77-2015

Site Plan Reviews

As Lead Agent for Site Plan Reviews, the Town Board recognizes the training accomplished by the Planning Board; therefore, on a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia, the following resolution was

PASSED AYES – 5 Bean, Ireland, Fesko, Hanlon, Venezia
 NAYS – 0

Resolved to seek recommendations from the Town of Spafford Planning Board for any and all Site Plan Reviews that may come before the Town Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Supervisor Bean to enter into Executive Session at 10:02 p.m. for discussion of pending litigation. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 1, 2015

A motion to exit Executive Session at 10:20 p.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Ireland. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilor Ireland, seconded by Councilor Venezia to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 p.m. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Next meeting to be held
Thursday, October 8, 2015 @ 7 p.m.
@ Spafford Town Hall

Lisa M. Valletta
Town Clerk
Town of Spafford