

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR 2014 BUDGET,  
GENEGANTSLET & SMITHVILLE CENTER FIRE DISTRICT BUDGETS  
November 6, 2013

The meeting for 3 Public Hearings of the Smithville Town Board was called to order at 6:30pm by Supervisor Fred Heisler Jr. Present in addition to Supervisor Heisler were Board members Liz Vanderweyde, Bob Whitmore, Karl Ludwig and John Cammarata. Also present were Town Clerk Alison Owens and 3 Townspersons.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2014 BUDGET

Supervisor Heisler declared the Public Hearing for the 2014 Town Budget open at 6:33pm. Town Clerk Owens read the ad as it appeared in the Chenango American. The floor was opened for discussion.

Larry Sherwood: asked about the Interfund transfer, building fund reserve A9901.9 from \$5,000 to \$15,000. What is the reason for the jump? Supervisor Heisler replied that this was increased to help with expenses to better maintain the condition of the Community Center and that \$5,000 in the past was not enough to do so.

Larry also asked about the transfer of funds to the Custodian account A1620.4. Supervisor Heisler replied that this was taken from Town of Smithville account at Citizens Bank (\$134,000.) to pay for the renovations to the Town Office area.

There was no other discussion. Supervisor Heisler declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:41pm.

**RESOLUTION # 57 (2013): APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS THE 2014 BUDGET**

On a motion by Councilman Ludwig, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council woman Vanderweyde, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler

NAYES 0

RESOLVED to approve the 2014 Preliminary Budget as the final Budget for 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE GENEGANTSLET FIRE CO. 2014 BUDGET

Supervisor Heisler declared open @ 6:40pm the Public Hearing for the 2014 Genegantslet Fire Co. Budget contract amount for fire protection within the Genegantslet Fire District. Town Clerk Owens read the legal ad as it appeared in the Chenango American. The amount of the Budget to be raised by tax is \$87,285.00.

There was no Public Comment. Supervisor Heisler declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:41pm.

**RESOLUTION # 58 (2013): APPROVE THE GENEGANTSLET FIRE CONTRACT FOR 2014**

On a motion by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cammarata, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES Vanderweyde, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler

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NAYES 0

ABSTAIN Whitmore

RESOLVED to approve the 2014 Genegantslet Fire Contract for fire protection within the Genegantslet Fire District.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SMITHVILLE CENTER 2014 BUDGET

Supervisor Heisler declared open @ 6:50pm the Public Hearing for the 2014 Genegantslet Fire Co. Budget contract amount for fire protection within the Smithville Center District. Town Clerk Owens read the legal ad as it appeared in the Chenango American. The amount of the Budget to be raised by tax is \$10,000.

There was no Public Comment. Supervisor Heisler declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:51pm.

**RESOLUTION # 59 (2013): APPROVE THE SMITHVILLE CENTER FIRE CONTRACT FOR 2014**

On a motion by Councilman Cammarata, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Ludwig, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES Vanderweyde, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler

NAYES 0

ABSTAIN Whitmore

RESOLVED to approve the 2014 Genegantslet Fire Contract for fire protection within the Smithville Center Fire District.

SALES TAX: Town Clerk Owens reported 2 vouchers submitted for the Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> meeting had sales tax added to them. The Town is exempt from paying sales tax on purchases or reimbursing sales tax to individuals on purchases already made. The Town voucher includes a "claimant's certification" to be signed by individuals stating that the amount submitted does not include sales tax for which the Municipality is exempt. Town Clerk Owens asked for Town Board clarification on the sales tax issue before processing the vouchers for the Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Town Board members were in agreement that no sales tax should be reimbursed. Tax exempt forms are available from the Town Clerk for purchases to be made for the Town of Smithville.

SITE PLAN REVIEW PROPOSED LOCAL LAW: Board members had reviewed the proposed Site Plan Local Law presented by the Town Board. There was significant discussion on the complexity of the Local Law and whether it would pertain to the current applications in the Town of Smithville. Board members proposed the local law be returned to the Planning Board to be "toned down" to more accurately reflect a smaller community, perhaps by also considering other Chenango County Site Plan Review Laws.

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There was no other business to come before the Board. Supervisor Heisler declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk