

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SMITHVILLE TOWN BOARD
November 22, 2010

A special meeting of the Smithville Town Board was called to order at 6pm Monday November 22, 2010 by Supervisor Allan Johnson. The meeting was called to discuss late minute budget questions by some members of the Town Board. Present were the following:

Board members:	Other:
Supervisor Allan Johnson	Highway Sup't Bruce Kinney
Charles Schultes	Town Clerk Alison Owens
Elizabeth Vanderweyde	Mindy Eldred
Roger Connelly	Bob, Jane & BarbaraAnn Whitmore

Absent: Board member Holly Mohr

Enforcement Officer Neal Root has a new Questionnaire he would like to distribute to property owners requesting a building permit application. Before he signs their building permit, he would like them to sign the questionnaire which asks questions about water sources and working septic systems on the property. Board members reviewed the questionnaire and thought this would benefit the Enforcement Officers position in signing the building permit.

Town Clerk Owens requested permission to attend a Town Clerk's Association meeting having to do with accounting, dog licensing and Town Clerks on Dec. 6th in Virgil. The cost is \$25.00. The following resolution was brought forth:

RESOLUTION # 46 (2010): ALLOW TOWN CLERK OWENS TO ATTEND MEETING

On a motion by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Connelly, the following resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES:	Schultes, Vanderweyde, Connelly, Johnson
NAYES:	0
ABSENT:	Mohr

RESOLVED to allow Town Clerk Owens to attend the Town Clerk's Association meeting Dec. 6th at a cost of \$25.00.

Supervisor Johnson called attention to the purpose of the special meeting to discuss, before adoption, the 2011 Preliminary Budget, and specifically whether to allow 1.5% or 3% raises to certain line item salaries or to leave "as is" in the original Preliminary Budget. Board members were given data sheets on the impact of a 1.5% increase in those specific line items and what it would do to the bottom line of the proposed Budget.

Councilman Connelly and Councilwoman Vanderweyde felt 3% increases should be allowed for all line item salaries, with a few exceptions. Councilman Schultes concurred. Supervisor Johnson used an Excel spreadsheet on laptop to change the figures and reported an overall minimal impact. Supervisor

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Johnson then recommended to Board members the sales tax revenue for next year could be modified upwards as new figures recently released suggested a rise in sales for Chenango County. Board members asked Supervisor Johnson to revise the sales tax revenue \$3,000. upward. The total figures revised the Highway side to \$6.34 p/th (\$5.62 p/th in 2010), and the General to \$.92 p/th (\$1.06 p/th in 2010) with additional impacts for each Fire District.

Board members were in agreement with these figures as presented by Supervisor Johnson. The following Resolution was brought forth:

RESOLUTION # 47 (2010): ADOPT AMENDED 2011 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS FINAL 2011 BUDGET

On a motion by Councilman Connelly, 2nd by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES: Schultes, Vanderweyde, Connelly, Johnson
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: Mohr

RESOLVED to adopt the amended 2011 Preliminary Budget as the final 2011 Budget.

Other: Highway Sup't Kinney spoke of a CHIPS clarification and intent with regard to Enggaard Rd.

There was no other business to come before the Board. Supervisor Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 7pm.

Alison B. Owens
Smithville Town Clerk