

A Special Budget Meeting of the Town of Avon was held on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. at the Opera Block/Avon Town Hall located at 23 Genesee Street, Avon, New York with the following members present:

PRESENT: Supervisor David LeFeber, Deputy Supervisor Thomas Mairs, Councilmen James Harrington, Paul Drozdziel and Malachy Coyne, and Town Clerk Sharon Knight MMC/RMC

VISITORS: None

Supervisor LeFeber called the meeting to order and waived the reading of the legal notice as follows:

TOWN OF AVON
LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLVE that a special budget meeting has been scheduled for Thursday September 19, 2019 at 6:00 P.M., at the Avon Opera Block/Town Hall Building, 23 Genesee Street Avon, New York 14414 for the purpose of budget discussions and any other business that might come before the Board.

By order of the Town Board
Sharon M. Knight, MMC/RMC, Avon Town Clerk
Dated: September 13, 2019

Supervisor LeFeber welcomed Emily Cosimano to the meeting to discuss the recreation portion of the budget.

The following items were highlighted:

Salaries are the largest portions of the budget.

Summer soccer will be changed from K-6 to K-2 as there is another program that children are attending.

Basketball was dropped due to level of interest.

Another Counselor was added to summer recreation

Water Safety Instruction are Red Cross Certified.

The salary will be minimum wage for counselors.

Continue to look for a Recreation Board Member as there is an open position. A second position will become available as the resignation of a current Board Member is anticipated.

Out of Town children may participate in swimming for a \$50.00 fee and soccer for a \$15.00 fee.

Supervisor LeFeber adjusted the revenue from \$6,200.00 to \$5,000.00.

Supervisor LeFeber welcomed Thomas Crye to the meeting to discuss the water and highway portion of the budget.

The following items were highlighted:

- Kelly Sloan has received his Class C license.
- Increase of salaries was discussed which included, turn-over of employees, years of service, probation of certain employee.
- Re-levy letters were mailed yesterday.
- Water rate with the Village is expected to stay the same.
- Bond payments are set.
- Meter replacements are as needed.
- All hydrants are working although new hydrants are needed.
- MRB Water Study of infrastructure was conducted.
- The dollars spent correcting bills will be recovered by re-levy in January.
- Administrative equipment includes things like hand held readers.
- Computer needs will be discussed at a future scheduled meeting with Hurricane Representatives Tom and Shawn, Assessor Snyder, Board Members Supervisor LeFeber and Deputy Supervisor Mairs.
- Discussion on improving the sale of water from the water tower.
- Line items in highway included Brush, Machinery, Bridge, Street Lights, sidewalks, cemetery, refuge and electronics.
- This year more work was completed around town and less county work.
- Savings from installation of solar panels.
- We are on schedule to maintain all our roads.
- Items requested for the future include, generator (approximately \$38,000.00), highway barns parking lot paving and increase for dump days.
- Capping out of rates for specific position, bonuses and annual longevity payments.

The following amendments were made:

- SW8340.1B \$10,000.00
- A8160.4 increase to \$18,000.00
- A5182.4 \$10,000.00
- DA5130.4 increase \$5,000.00
- DA5120.1 decrease \$1,000.00
- DA5130.1 decrease \$5,000.00

Our CHIPS money from New York State was received in the amount of \$140,000.00.

Supervisor LeFeber welcomed Maureen Kingston to the meeting to discuss the historian portion of the budget.

Asterisks were put in for salaries for the Historian and Deputy Historian.

A different Deputy is in the position this year.

In recognition of the significant economic and social impact railroads have had on the Town of Avon, it is proposed to place the next historical marker at this site. Papermill Park will be in the future.

The Landmark Society presented at the Village Hall on the Historical District of the Village of Avon. Maybe the Town would be interested in listing areas within the Town to be placed on a Historical District or simply to be documented.

The area King Cole Bean is located, and the significance of events was discussed such as car repairs. The Cleveland Seed Company was one of the original buildings on the North side of Spring Street. During the war canning was conducted in the area. Having consideration of adding the businesses on

It was discussed to offer financial support for a plaque in memory of James Brewer. The Historical Society would be the first place to continue the discussion.

There was discussion of the three dehumidifiers used in the basement of the Town Hall/Opera Block. Emptying schedules will be provided to Councilman Drozdziel.

Historian Kingston reported that presentations are scheduled including Town of Avon's history to the Rush Historical Society and local presentations of groups. Deputy Supervisor Mairs would like to know when the local presentation is scheduled.

The Town Clerk's budget was discussion with the following highlights:

Revenue was increased for the dog control.

A dog enumeration was recommended and discussed. It was decided to advertise the legal requirements of dog owners using the water billing, our website, penny saver (when the dog park opens) and the Fire Departments electronic sign. The line item was left at \$4,000.00

Records Management needs to be increased for the cloud as the price was raised at the last meeting. Further discussion will take place after the meeting with Hurricane.

Vital statistics was increased as more requests for marriage license are being requested due to renewing driver licenses.

All other budget lines items were reviewed including tax collection and town clerk.

A thank you was extended for the Board's support of Ellen and I to attend conferences and other educational opportunities.

I'm looking towards retirement and would appreciate a wage increase.

Supervisor reviewed the following highlights: Town Board salaries will be increase \$150.00, 3rd floor grant, medical/retirement (no big increases), code codification/updates, security, library, there was an increase in the Attorney line item, fund balances, highway back-up.

Supervisor LeFeber spoke of future meeting on the need to review library, assessor, hurricane, and the court.

The Elected Officials Salaries are expected to be determined at the 10th of October meeting and the Budget hearing to be held on the 24th of October and if we go over the tax cap, we will need a hearing also.

On motion of Councilman Coyne, seconded by Councilman Harrington, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by, _____
Sharon M. Knight MMC/RMC Town Clerk