

A. CONVOCAATION:

1. The Canadice Town Board Budget Workshop Meeting was held on September 22, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Canadice Town Hall.
2. Roll call showed the following-
 - Present: Supervisor Kristine Singer
Councilman John O'Connor
Councilman William Hershey
Councilman Mark Statt
Councilman Mark Malmendier
 - Others Present: Three (3) guests/residents attended the Budget Workshop Meeting.
3. Salute to the Flag.

B. BUDGET WORKSHOP:

1. Supervisor Singer introduced Ms. Sheila Chalifoux the attorney from Boylan Code, LLP in Rochester that we will be utilizing. Ms. Chalifoux discussed her background, experience and how she ended up working in municipal law. Her advice to use a larger firm allows us to have the availability of many types of law experts at the same price. We will be charged a reduced rate in comparison to what the firm typically charges. Ms. Chalifoux also discussed some of the items that will need to be addressed for the water district. She thanked the Board for their time.

2. Supervisor Singer outlined the new formula regarding what is allowed to be used from the excess of the tax cap levy not used last year, and provided two budgets for the Board to review.

*Supervisor Singer has some concerns with the request from the Richmond Recreation Department that we contribute to.

*The Board has questions on the Richmond Recreation Department budget regarding how the contribution split is configured between the participating towns, and the participation of the programs available. Also there is no total budget amount listed anywhere, budgets for the individual programs or how much the Town of Richmond is contributing to the overall budget. Supervisor Singer will check with the Recreation Director to see if she can attend the October meeting.

*Supervisor Singer explained the .1 budget lines are for Personal Services; i.e. salaries. .4 budget lines are for Contractual items; postage, office supplies, or software maintenance fees are examples. .2 budget lines are for Capital items; an example would be computers.

*Supervisor Singer indicated budget Option A includes a 1% increase in salaries and budget Option B includes a 1.5% increase in salaries. The Assessor offered to leave the salary line as is in her budget.

*Councilman O'Connor questioned where training expenses are paid from. Supervisor Singer indicated the "A" fund or "General Fund", but within each departments individual budgets.

*The same tax levy amount is used in both budget options.

*Councilman Statt questioned the lower tax rate for 2015 over 2014. Supervisor Singer indicated the tax cap was placed on the tax levy not the tax rate. With the new assessments, the new tax rate is lower.

*The Board questioned what some of the specific line items cover in both General Fund and Highway Fund. An example would be Traffic Control which pays for the road stripping costs.

*The figure for the Hospital & Medical insurance line on page eight in the General Fund needs to be added. It won't be as high as it was budgeted for in 2014.

*After some discussion, page seven for the General Fund under Refuse & Garbage, approximately \$1,000 will be added for staffing a brush dump site three times in the spring and six times in the fall. The \$1,000 is to cover paying two people at \$10 an hour and they would work noon to 4:00 pm on the designated Saturdays. A grant is being applied for to attempt to eliminate some of the leaf and woody debris that ends up in the lake. The leaf debris would be composted and the woody debris could be chipped. Residents could come back to make use of the compost or chips. The grant is through DEC, but administered by RIT. It would include both the Towns of Canadice and Richmond. RIT will collect the data. It will not be limited to lakeside residents; the whole Town will have use of the brush dump.

*The Honeoye Public Library Budget was reviewed briefly. Wendy Krause, the director, will be at the October meeting.

*Supervisor Singer wanted to know which budget the Board would like her to make the changes to. After a lengthy discussion the Board indicated budget Option B.

*Supervisor Singer will make the adjustments that were discussed to the proposed budget and file it with the Town Clerk.

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

1. Councilman Malmendier questioned if the deep digs on Poplar Cove were completed yet. Highway Superintendent Virgil indicated the deep digs were completed. Supervisor Singer has not been told if the number of shallow digs completed were enough since some property owners would not sign the release for the archeological dig.

D. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman O'Connor motioned, Councilman Statt seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 pm.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Singer, O'Connor, Hershey, Statt, Malmendier
 Nays 0

Respectfully submitted, _____ Eileen Schaefer, Town Clerk