

**VILLAGE OF HAMMONDSPORT
PUBLIC HEARING
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 12, 2010**

The Village of Hammondsport held a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday January 12, 2010, 18 Water Street, Hammondsport on the 2010/2011 General Fund and Water Fund Budgets. The regular monthly meeting followed the public hearing.

PRESENT: Mayor Emery Cummings, Jr.
Trustee Stella Pulver
Trustee Ann Green
Trustee Larry Foster
Trustee Bruce White
DPW Superintendent Randy Hoad

ABSENT: Clerk-Treasurer Lela Martuscello
Sergeant Sincerbox

OTHERS PRESENT: Sue Pietrzak, David Oliver, Trevor Parke, Taylor Wade, Ashley Hulse, Paul Venema, Jesse Hamilton, Justin Lawrence, Bradley Jones and Mary Perham

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Cummings opened the Public Hearing on 2010/2011 General Fund and Water Fund Budgets at 6:00 p.m.

Questions from the public:

David Oliver suggested that the article that was in the Corning Leaders and the Courier was misleading the public. He questioned the statement regarding the assessment changes will bring in more money to the Village. He disagreed with that statement and provided graphs and charts comparing 2006 through 2009 tax rate, tax levy and assessment values. Mayor Cummings thanked Mr. Oliver for the time it took to gather the information.

Trustee Green asked what our current tax rate is. Mayor Cummings responded “ \$6.84 per thousand.”

With no further questions Mayor Cummings motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Foster and carried, all voting Aye to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Approval of Minutes: On motion from Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Foster and carried, all voting Aye to approve the December 8, 2009 Regular Board Meeting minutes.

Payment of Abstracts: On motion of Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye, that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay General Fund Abstract #11, totaling \$29,609.67 and Water Fund Abstract #11 totaling \$3,493.05.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Finance: Clerk Martuscello submitted report to board prior to meeting.

Police: Sergeant Sincerbox submitted report to board prior to the meeting.

DPW/Water Department: Superintendent Hoad gave his monthly report.

KWIC: There was no meeting in December. There will be a meeting in January and they will be electing new officers. They will possibly have two new members.

Parks: Nothing to report.

On a motion from Mayor Cummings and seconded by Trustee Pulver and carried, all voting Aye to accept Department Reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

Employee Policy:

Discussion followed. Trustee Green will work with Clerk Martuscello on fine-tuning the policy.

No Parking Regulations:

Mayor Cummings tabled discussion until Sergeant Sincerbox is in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Adoption of 2010/2011 General Fund and Water Fund Budget:

On motion of Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee White and carried, all voting Aye, **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** A resolution adopting a budget for the fiscal year commencing March 1, 2010 and ending February 28, 2011, making the appropriations for the conduct of the government of the Village of Hammondsport and establishing rates of compensation for officers and employees for such period, and **WHEREAS**, this Board has met at the time and place specified in the notice of Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget and hear all persons desiring to be heard thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Preliminary Budget as amended and revised and as hereafter set forth is hereby adopted and that the several amounts stated in the column "adopted" in the General Fund and Water Fund be and hereby appropriated for the objects and purposes specified and the salaries and wages stated in the Wage Schedule of such budget shall be and hereby fixed at the amounts shown therein effective March 1, 2010. The appropriations for the Water Fund are \$255,858.02 with a water rate of \$4.70 per 100 cu. ft. Total appropriations for the General Fund are \$559,679.36 with a tax rate of \$6.84 per \$1000 assessed value. (Copy attached following this record.)

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Cummings – Aye
Trustee Pulver – Aye
Trustee Green – Aye
Trustee Foster – Aye
Trustee White – Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Village Code from Planning Board:

A recommendation from the Planning Board was given to the board asking that they consider changing the Village Code to not allow first floor apartments in the business district. Discussion followed. Mayor Cummings will work with Clerk Martuscello on the correct language for the revision to the code. It was also suggested that the no parking regulations be revised at the same time to save the cost of rewriting the code and having two public hearings.

Village Elections: Tuesday, March 16, 2010

Up for election two Trustee positions, Trustee Foster and Trustee Green.

On a motion of Trustee Pulver and seconded by Trustee White and carried, all voting Aye, Village Election is set for Tuesday March 16, 2010 with polls open from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm and the location of the polls is the Fred & Harriet Taylor Memorial Library, 21 William Street, Hammondspport.

Mayor Cummings informed the board that the Democrat Caucus will be held at the Village Office January 21, 2010 at 6:30 pm, and the Republication Caucus will be at the Village Office January 26, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Cummings asked if there are any further questions from the board or from the public. Mr. Hoad asked permission to take some surplus equipment to an auction in Elmira. A list of items will be written and given to the board to declare the items surplus next month.

Mr. Hoad told the board that on January 23, 2009 he put a meter in the in-line chemicals to see how much water was going down the drain. He checked the meter today, one-year later, and found that 98,000 cubic feet of water or 8.4 million gallons was being dumped down the drain. Mr. Hoad will make adjusts tomorrow, January 13, 2010, to lessen the loss.

On a motion from Mayor Cummings and seconded by Trustee Pulver, and carried, all voting Aye to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Pietrzak