

Canaan Town Board Workshop **October 05th, 2015**

Board Members present: Supervisor Richard Keaveney
Councilperson Alan Miller
Councilperson David Patzwahl
Highway Superintendent Bernhard Meyer

Absent: Councilperson Brenda Adams

Audience: 2

Supervisor Richard Keaveney read the Public Notice:

Please Take Notice that the Canaan Town Board will hold a Budget Workshop meeting at the Canaan Town Hall, 1647 County Route 5, Canaan, New York 12029, at 6:30p .m. on October 5th, 2015.

2016 Budget Comparison vs. 2015

- No Town tax increase - below tax cap
- Lighting Districts no tax increase
- Fire Districts: Canaan - no tax increase, East Chatham 2% increase by contract, Red Rock - \$3,000 increase by contract
- Unexpended balance use from prior year down \$10,000
- Personnel: 1.5% salary increases, CEO salary adjusted up 5%, 0.58% overall increase in employee salary expense after hourly reductions
- General Fund Revenues - collectively down approximately \$18,000
 - Reductions in Property Taxes, CEO Shared Services Revenue (2015 town revenue for new vehicle), Building Permits normalized, Mortgage Tax reduction based on actual experience
 - Increases in Fines & Forfeitures based on actual experience, increase in Unexpended Balance contribution partially due to CEO Shared Service unused contributions
- General Fund Expenses - down approximately \$19,000
 - Assessor down \$1,500, but \$7,000 over annual normal for 2016 valuation, CEO Shared Services (Building Inspector) down \$17,295 (\$15,000 due to 2015 new vehicle and lower overall expenses), Youth Programs down \$9,500 due to cancelation of the afternoon summer program, Retirement down \$13,500 due to rate reduction and no prior year adjustments
 - Increases in Contingency (\$20,000) - back up to \$40,000 and Healthcare (Hospitalization) \$2,000
- Highway Fund Revenues - collectively down approximately \$13,000
 - Property taxes up \$4,652, Sales Tax up \$15,000 reflecting actual levels and Love's increase CHIPS revenue down to normalized level without the special winter addition (-\$17,470), Unexpended Balance down \$15,000

- Highway Expenses - down approximately \$13,000
 Healthcare (Hospitalization) up \$2,000, Other collective net increases \$4,000
 CHIPS normalized down (-\$17,470), Retirement down \$1,500 due to rate decrease
 Supervisor Richard Keaveney said that this is the eighth year that the Town has had no tax increase.

Adjournment: Councilperson David Patzwahl made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller, to close the workshop meeting at 7:18 p.m. 3-eyes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes,
 Councilperson Alan Miller – yes, and
 Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

SPECIAL MEETING:

Supervisor Richard Keaveney opened the Special meeting at 7:18 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence.

Supervisor Keaveney read the Public Notice:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Canaan Town Board will hold a Workshop Meeting at the Canaan Town Hall, 1647 County Route 5, Canaan, New York 12029, at 6:30 p.m. on October 5th, 2015. The purpose of the meeting is to hold a workshop on the Tentative Budget, followed by a Special meeting to vote on the Tentative Budget and to consider a resolution to accept the Highway Truck Bid. By order of the Canaan Town Board.

MOTION: Councilperson David Patzwahl, made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller, to adopt the Tentative Budget to the Preliminary Budget. 3-eyes,

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes,
 Councilperson Alan Miller – yes, and
 Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

Supervisor Richard Keaveney said that we would hold a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget on October 12th, 2105 at 6:30 p.m. followed by the regular monthly meeting.

Highway Truck Bid: Superintendent Bernhard Meyer said that two trucks would go for scrap.

Resolution #68 – Accepting the 2015 Highway Bid for one used 2012 or newer 4x4, 1-Ton Cab, Chassis, dump body and plow, 550

MOTION: Supervisor Richard Keaveney made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller, to adopt resolution #68. 3-eyes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes,
 Councilperson Alan Miller – yes, and
 Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Resolution #68 adopted.

Adjournment: Councilperson David Patzwahl made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Charlotte L. Cowan MMC/RMC
Canaan Town Clerk*