

Village of Tannersville

Date

April 16, 2018

Time

5:00 PM

Location

Tannersville Village Hall

Present:

Lee McGunnigle, Mayor
David Kashman, Trustee
George Bain, Jr, Trustee
Gregory Landers, Trustee

Type of meeting: Budget Public Hearing
Local Law Public Hearing
Special Meeting

Robin Dumont, Village Clerk-
Treasurer

Also Present: None

Minutes:

The Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session

Discussed employee drug testing. Board will have village attorney review and make recommendations for changes if necessary.

Budget Public Hearing

Mayor gave summary of budget. Discussed savings of budget from Fire Department removal. Proposed leaving the \$50,00 savings (determined by the state) for permanent improvements or towards sidewalks.

Water side - surplus in water will be directed to capital account for water main replacement and work at reservoirs.

Trustee Bain stated he was in favor to keep the \$50k in budget but should be used for improving the quality of the village and reinvesting. This needed to be rolled out in a positive way.

Trustee Landers stated that it worked out to be \$73 per household and broken down per day it isn't that much.

Trustee Kashman stated it should be used to invest in the infrastructure.

The Clerk noted permanent improvements on page 4 was \$20,000 for current year, \$20,000 proposed for next year.

Trustee Bain asked about ADA compliance for sidewalks and stated pavers he proposed and showed the board a picture of may not be compliant. May be hard to move a wheelchair on.

Trustee Kashman stated that in regards to sidewalks a man named Jasper came to him who does concrete skateparks. He is very community minded and has interest in doing sidewalks would like to be a consultant or be hired to help part time.

Mayor said Wes could prep area for sidewalks and got a quote for thumb attachment for backhoe to remove sidewalks which he still has funds remaining in this years budget.

Trustee Kashman said if we need to bring expertise aboard, should at least listen to his proposal.

Trustee Bain stated that Wes didn't want to get into a job he didn't have skill for - i.e. masonry work. Trustee Landers stated said Wes could definitely prep it.

Mayor wants to create an exact scope in order to get accurate pricing.

Trustee Kashman stated he still thinks curbing would be best on south main street.

The Clerk stated that Wes wanted to speak with board about sidewalks and curbing, water runoff, etc. but could not make it tonight.

Trustee Kashmant brought up DI at top of Upper Lake Road and South Main Street. Thinks more work needs to be done on South Main Street.

Mayor stated that would involve reclaiming the road and we are not doing that. Mayor suggested extending road to sidewalk area perhaps temporarily. Will follow up with Wes on getting pricing.

Mayor noted that we are Debt Free in general side other than fire truck. We are required to hold the bond as the Fire District did not want to incur any further expenses with Bond Counsel to take over on their own. The Village did get the ok from the bank to call the bond early should they choose to do so othersise.

Water fund currently debt free. We have a line item in there for our first debt service payment on the long term financing as part of or funding package through EFC. This may or may not happen in next fiscal year, it all depends on if we use up the grant this summer.

Mayor brought up salaries of employees. Our Clerk makes less than Village of Hunter. All other employees are above Village of Hunter.

Honor the vets concert coming up on May 27, proposes selling banners to offset cost of this event and summer concert series. Stage is rented twice so far this summer for \$1600 in revenue.

Trustee Kashman stated that there will be a park cleanup day on April 22 at Tannersville Lake and Bike Path.

The Clerk stated that Susan Kukle has been in touch with office and Wes to coordinate use of the boathouse and the garbage pick up. Drumming circle will be playing down there as well.

Being there was no comment from the public the Mayor closed the budget public hearing.

Public hearing on proposed local law #1 of 2018

No public comment, no comments from the board.

Mayor closed public hearing and opened the special meeting.

Special Meeting

Trustee Bain motion to approve local law #1 of 2018 a local law overriding the tax levy.

Trustee Landers second. 4 in favor, 1 absent, motion carried.

Trustee Landers made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Trustee Bain abstained as he was not on the board at the time. Trustee Kashman seconded. 3 in favor, 1 absent, motion carried.

Trustee Landers made a motion to approve the vouchers, Trustee Kashman seconded. 4 in favor, 1 absent, motion carried.

Privilege of the floor

Trustee Landers stated that he wanted to get pricing for a phone system and asked Trustee Bain's assistance for alerting the residents similar to what the school does – in the event of an emergency.

Trustee Kashman asked what the next step was for the sidewalks. Mayor stated he will talk to Wes on the pricing for extending the road and have Robin look into the grants.

Trustee Landers asked if we had a proposed site for DPW garage. Town wants us to get rid of highway dept, so they can get funding for consolidation - current supervisor thinks the village should be dissolved.

Trustee Bain stated he was not in favor of dissolution as we would lose home rule.

The Mayor stated it was brought up to the residents for a vote before and they turned it down.

Trustee Kashman asked if the shared services would benefit the town financially. That is not what we are proposing. Mayor stated we just want to share equipment housing and rotate the seasonal equipment.

Trustee Kashman stated he would reach out to John Farrell and see what his thoughts were on the subject.

Mayor asked how the search for camp directors was going.

Trustee Bain stated that he was working on it and one person that would be great was Sarah Murin.

Clerk stated that she was a counselor for years and she believed that Sarah may also have lifeguard certifications.

Trustee Landers stated that camp needs to be fun for the children – if we cant have a good program, look into other options.

Mayor asked board to look over budget one more time, we have to adopt by May 1st. Board agreed to meet again on April 25th at 5pm for second pubic hearing and final adoption.

Trustee Landers made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Bain seconded. All in favor, 1 absent, motion carried.