

11-14-2006 Public Hearing and Special Board Meeting Regarding the 2007 Budget and Levy

1. The Public Hearing was called to order by Rich Heidel at 5:55 pm at the Hobart Village Office 2990 S. Pine Tree Rd, Oneida, WI.

President Heidel asked those present to give their names and addresses prior to any comments they might have on the budget. Mr. Joe Helfenberger spoke to the group regarding the five budget workshops that were held prior to this hearing. At those workshops the board and finance committee went over every aspect of the budget for all departments. Mr. Helfenberger addressed the issue at the Hobart Hall / Polls. He said that the board would be discussing the issue at the November 21, 2006 board meeting. We are addressing a different place for voting within the Village and the possibility of moving to additional poll workers and splitting the poll books to move the lines faster. Mr. Whitefield asked if the debt would be covered by the amount proposed in the budget. He was assured that the financial consultant, auditor and the finance committee have reviewed all of the figures and the amount of debt payments are properly addressed. Mr. Mark Beckman, Sedona Circle, asked about the Oneida Tribe Reimbursement and why it was accounted for they way it is. It was explained that until we have the money we cannot depend upon it and once received, it will be used for the following years levy. Mr. Bob Reeners complemented the board on establishing the contingency fund for emergencies and how they have taken into consideration all financial aspects of the budget. Mr. Reeners complimented the board and finance committee on work to show the decrease. He asked about re-marking the parking lot because the lines need fresh stripping. Mr. R. Kinney spoke to the issue telling the group that in the budget for the next year is a crack sealing, and re-stripping of the parking lot. No other comments from the group, the hearing was closed at 6:05 pm.

Special Board Meeting Minutes following the Public Hearing November 14, 2006

1. Rich Heidel called the Special Board Meeting to order at 6: 06 pm. Roll Call: Tim Carpenter, Rich Heidel, Ed Kazik, Phil Lehl, Debbie Schumacher, all board members were present.
2. 2007 Budget and Levy: Discussion of the new Brown County Ordinance allowing the Sheriff to bill the village for the time the department spends in Hobart as primary responder. We will ask to have credit for the hours we patrol in the Town of Lawrence because we are saving county patrol time. Chief Bani will apply for another COPPS grant to help pay for our officers. With the new part time officer we will still be 36 hours short on patrol time. Ed Kazik said that our public works and police departments are the fastest growing areas of the budget and that they are needed for safety and welfare of the village. He thanked Joe Helfenberger and staff for the job done on preparing the budget. Tim Carpenter said that there have been many hours spent in scrutinizing the different areas of the budget and it has all paid off for the village.

3. Approval of 2007 Sewer and Water Budgets: Rich Heidel thanked the board for their diligence and making the budgets work. Motion to adopt the sewer and water budgets as presented by TEC, second by Ed Kazik; Motion Carried; none opposed. 5 for 0 opposed
4. Closed Session
 - a. Motion to move into closed session pursuant to WI Statute Section 19.85 (1) (e) to negotiate the purchase of a new snow plowing truck and pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(e) and (g) of Wisconsin Statutes regarding the sale of Fern Gully Estates by Rich Heidel, second by Tim Carpenter; Roll Call Vote Taken: Tim Carpenter,aye; Rich Heidel,aye; Ed Kazik,aye; Phil Lehl, aye;Debbie Schumacher, aye;. Motion Carried; none opposed. Board moved into closed session. Motion to to return to open session by Rich Heidel, second by Phil Lehl, Roll Call Vote Taken: Tim Carpenter,aye; Rich Heidel,aye; Ed Kazik,aye; Phil Lehl, aye;Debbie Schumacher, aye;; Motion Carried; none opposed. Board returned to open session at 8:10 pm
5. Open Session
 - a. Purchase of a snow plowing truck: Phil Lehl thinks that the village should follow a bid spec document so all have to answer all of the questions in the same way. The warranty and plow equipment and the truck itself. So the bids can be compared properly line by line. It is too big of a purchase to not have all the answers to all of the questions. Tim Carpenter said that Phil Lehl and Rick Kinney have spent a lot of time on looking at trucks for the village purpose. By waiting we may have to pay 4,000 to 10,000 more because of emissions with new engines so we need to be specific on what we bid and what warranty we will be obtaining. We will get some county / city specs to see if this would fit our needs and then go out for bids. No action on truck.
 - b. Issues related to the sale of Fern Gully Estates: Motion to approve starting condemnation procedures including HB-551, HB-555, as well as Sinclair. Sorenson and other properties abutting the commercial property map prepared by R. E. Lee & associates to be attached to these minutes, subject to approval and highlighted in black as surrounding properties to be determined by the board. It has been determined a lawful purpose in accordance with applicable WI Statutes, the Village Attorney will outline procedures and present resolution at the next board meeting by Rich Heidel, second by Ed Kazik; Motion Carried; none opposed.
6. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tim Carpenter, second by Phil Lehl; Motion Carried; none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm