

# TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

## SPECIAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 4, 2015

**Present:** Supervisor Paul Hansut  
Councilmember Kevin Brennie  
Councilmember Michael Guerriero  
Councilmember Jeffrey Paladino

**Also present:** Kate Jonietz, Secretary  
Rosaria Peplow, Town Clerk

**Absent:** Councilmember Michael Horodyski

**7:10 PM** – Supervisor opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance

### 1. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION** made by Brennie, seconded by Guerriero, Rosaria Peplow, Town Clerk, appointed Rena Rizzo to the position of First Deputy Town Clerk, effective November 2, 2015.

**Four ayes carried.**

**A. RESOLUTION** made by Paladino, seconded by Guerriero,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lloyd Economic Development Committee desires to recognize local businesses and businesspersons for their efforts to improve the business environment in the Town of Lloyd through improvements and upgrades to signage and facades within the Town; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Committee wishes to hold an event at which to publicly recognize the efforts of various businesses and businesspersons within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Lloyd wishes to express its support for the Committee's efforts in recognizing local businesses as set forth above; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board understands that there will be various refreshments at the event, including soft drinks and wine.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Town Board of the Town of Lloyd wishes to thank the Economic Development Committee for their efforts in recognizing local businesses and businesspersons within the Town for their efforts to improve the economic vitality and environment within the Town.

**Roll call:** Hansut, aye; Brennie, aye; Paladino, aye; Guerriero, aye.

**Four ayes carried.**

**B. RESOLUTION** made by Paladino, seconded by Brennie, to authorize the Supervisor to enter into and sign the Blanket LED Street Lighting Authority Order with Central Hudson to change existing "Rate A" fixtures in need of repair or replacement with an equivalent LED fixture; such replacement will take place only during routine maintenance or when we respond to a report of a street light out and there will be no upfront or installation charge to the municipality. (See Attached)

**Roll call:** Hansut, aye; Brennie, aye; Guerriero, aye; Paladino, aye.

**Four ayes carried.**

### C. TABLED Resolution

*Supervisor said Sean Murphy advised that there may have to be a public hearing concerning this and recommended that this is tabled.*

**RESOLUTION** to establish the per lot flat tax rate for the Mountainside Woods Drainage District,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Lloyd Town Board established the drainage district on May 15, 2013; and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Lloyd Town Board had discussion about the rate structure at said meeting; and

**WHEREAS** the town engineer made recommendations for the establishment of said flat tax rate; and

**WHEREAS** the flat tax will be collected for maintenance and repairs of the storm water facilities within said district as determined by the building department; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board establishes the 2016 per lot flat tax rate at the amount of \$60.63 per lot, and said rate shall be reviewed and established annually prior to the preliminary budget.

**7:15 PM** Supervisor opened the Public Hearing on the Preliminary 2016 Town of Lloyd budget.

Supervisor stated that the budget was under the tax cap for 2016. The expenses increased

\$191,310 and the revenue increased \$152,760 from 2015. The Fire Districts have their own tax cap and are not in the Town's budget.

### **General**

The salaries include the CSEA increases for 2015 and 2016. The increases were not included in the 2015 budget since the CSEA contract was settled after it was finalized.

Entry level positions pay less than what the long term employees were receiving. So the change in personnel in the Town Clerk's office and Building Dept saved some money.

The County is picking up more of the cost of the elections so the Election line is reduced by one-third by 2017 town's share will be \$0.

Police budget is based on 24/7 operation with two officers on each of three shifts per day, supervisors and one dispatcher on each of three shifts per day.

### **Recreation**

Parks – the decrease was due to removal of \$7,000 for equipment; Berean Park – the increase was due to the park being open for a longer season and the minimum wage increase.

### **Revenue**

Increased sales tax, franchise fees, fines & bail based on historical values; reduced mortgage tax.

### **Highway**

Reduced Machinery PS line Welder resigned, Mechanic snow overtime is included in 5142.10

Reduced retirement estimate. The first calculation was based on old numbers but the State Comptroller released the new figures and the amount was reduced.

Some personnel lines were increased to include CSEA increases for 2015 and 2016.

Increased CHIPS to \$21,000 based on historical values

### **Water**

There was an increase of \$15,487 in liability and flood insurance premiums

The decrease in Professional services line is because the projects expenses including engineer will come out of the upcoming BAN and not out of the budget

8320.10 Personnel changes-

An employee's salary was split between Water and Sewer. He spends most of his time in the Water Department and his salary will now be taken from that department. It is an increase to the Water Budget and a decrease to Sewer Budget.

Central Hudson's electricity charges are increasing which accounts for the increase on line 8130.4

The increase in water rents charged increased the revenue by \$25,000.

American Tower lease increased by \$25,000; the new contract is fully implemented.

Future BAN expense – the Water plant bond was paid off in 2015. The expense of that payment will continue to be made and put into reserve to pay for future upgrade of Water plant and capital projects for water department. This will help offset the amount of the BAN the Town is taking out next year.

### **Sewer**

Reallocation of employee salaries to proper account code is the reason for the decrease in 8120.10 and the increase in 8130.10

8120.20 Equipment,

Half of the cost of the Comminuter was budgeted in 2015 and the balance for 2016. Full purchase price in this line, offset by the \$35,000 in unexpended balance line.

Adam Littman explained that additional measures are being put in place to help reduce the amount of cleanouts needed as a result of items that should not be flushed into the system by consumers.

Sewer rents increase by \$50,000 due to rate increase and usage

### **Light and Ambulance Districts**

These numbers are staying flat

Supervisor commented that there are no raises for elected officials for the 2016 budget and that this budget will satisfy the New York State property tax cap.

Mark Reynolds, reporter, asked what the actual tax cut is for this budget.

Kate Jonietz replied that it will be a 0.73 tax cut.

Reynolds noted that the original budget indicated a nine percent tax hike and wanted to know where the major cuts to the budget were.

Supervisor said that putting together the initial budget the figures don't always reflect accurate numbers.

Jonietz and Karen McPeck commented that there were many factors keeping it down which included water and sewer rent increases and changes in the reduction of retirement benefits.

Reynolds asked about the breakdown of fund balances which was addressed by the

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Supervisor, Jonietz, and McPeck.

Supervisor added that prior to the adoption of the budget there will be a privilege of the floor.

**MOTION** made by Brennie, seconded by Paladino to adjourn the meeting at 7:30PM.

**Four ayes carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rosaria Schiavone Peplow  
Town Clerk