

October 10, 2019

2019 General Budget Workshop

Schultzville, NY

A workshop meeting was held on this day in the Clinton Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Oberly and Councilmen Werner, Michael and Whitton, Councilwoman Cunningham and Town Clerk Carol Mackin. There were three people in the audience.

At 7:00 PM, Supervisor Oberly called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUSINESS

- Supervisor Oberly explained that this is a Town Board Workshop on the Clinton General Fund and Related Capital Projects budget in preparation of the 2020 Budget.

Mary Pat Sternberg – Library trustee-the floor in the downstairs is heaving and needs repair, the restrooms need infant changing tables.

Justice Barbara Seelbach- sweeping reforms coming in 2020 with increased workload. The court will need another person to make the hours available to the public more structured and the current clerks will need more hours to do the more complex work. They plan to cut the cost of purchasing books and using online assistance.

Nancy Cunningham would like more money in training for elected officials; two Board members will be sent to Albany for training each year.

Attorney budget will be increased to \$75,000.

We may need to consider new furniture and computers for the third court clerk.

Telephones – Mike Whitton is considering switching phone to Altice from Verizon due to the number is issues we are having with Verizon.

Councilwoman Cunningham wants the departments to regulate their thermostats more efficiently.

Building Maintenance – All agree the downstairs floor is an issue; Supervisor Oberly will ask the Town Engineer for the cost to flatten the concrete floor and what other methods they can consider. The buildings need paint and maintenance; Dean Michael suggests us a floating floor to fix the heaving.

All agree to budget \$30,000 for painting buildings, \$15,000 from GF Surplus.

Rec Parks – lower trash budget from \$3400 to \$1000

Nancy Cunningham wants to upgrade Friends Park but no specific details.

Increase ZA and BI travel to \$1200

Town Board discussed salaries:

Justices to receive a 2%, not 8% increase

New Justice Court Clerk for 10 hours at \$15.00 per hour = \$7800

Supervisor increase salary by 4%

Assistant to the Supervisor, Supervisor Oberly suggests full time; the Board agrees to 28 hours per week, not full time. Supervisor Oberly is concerned that some work will slip.

Tax Collector – 2% inc.

Budget Officer – 4% inc.

Town Clerk – 4% inc.

Building/ Zoning/Planning Clerk – all agree to a full time position

Building Fire Inspector – increase to 28 hours; leave the ZA at 19 hours with the addition of a Field Assistant at 15 hours a week at \$18.00 per hour.

Building Clerk pt -increase to \$12.50/hr.

The Town Board went through the proposed high cost or special projects. The inclusion of the 150 KW standby generator for the Town Complex for \$135,000 was not included in the 2020 Budget.

These special projects were to be included in 2020 Preliminary Budget. Limit the tile replacement to only removal of the existing tiles, grinding the surface smooth, and putting a skim coat on to be the wearing surface. No tiles will be installed or an epoxy surface will be installed at this time.

An additional \$15,000 will be added to repainting the Town Complex buildings from the General Fund surplus.

Add \$400 for the installation of diaper changing tables in the Town Hall.

Fran Mark Rec Park needs new roofs on the two dugouts at an estimated cost of \$2,200 in the Rec Park maintenance account. The Town Complex ballfield needs two more 20 foot players' benches at estimated \$2,000 using Rec Development

funds. The replacement of the Friends Park ballfield fence will be considered for the 2021 Budget.

ADJOURNMENT

MM Supervisor Oberly, 2nd Councilman Michael that the Town Board adjourns the meeting. All aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol-Jean Mackin".

Carol-Jean Mackin,
Town Clerk