

MINUTES OF BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023, AT 4:30 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.

Present: Sean Mahoney Supervisor  
David Kukle Councilman  
Raymond Legg Councilman  
Ernest Reale Councilman  
Dolph Semenza Councilman

Corina Pascucci Town Clerk

Others Present: Lara Hamrah-Poladian Finance Officer  
Robert Blain Superintendent of Highways  
Sgt. Robert Haines Hunter Police Department  
Venessa Richards Hunter Area Ambulance Administrator  
Marc Czermerys Planning Board Chairman  
John Farrell Highway Department  
Plus, all names on attached listing.

Supervisor Mahoney calls the meeting to order at 4:42 PM.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to move the appropriate funds to reflect the mathematical formula represented on page 4 of the budget packet reducing the village to 15.6 percent and increasing the town to 10.3%. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

NO VOTE

R. Blain offers an additional \$10,000 from highway for DA fund balance making DA \$85,000.

Supervisor Mahoney MOTIONS to amend the previous motion to include an additional \$10,000 to reflect page 4 with the additional \$10,000 being in Highway DA fund balance. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

L. H-P leaves the room to recalculate the tax rates at 5:13 PM and returned at 5:31 PM.

**ADOPTION OF BUDGET**

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adopt the 2024 budget. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

**POLICE**

Sgt. Haines states he was asked by Brett Byrne of NYSDEC to work up numbers for Hunter Police Department to provide North Lake Campground with an armed officer five days a week, 8 hours per day, during the summer months. This would be a seasonal position using a town police

vehicle. Sgt. Haines feels this would upset the Forest Rangers union and he does not want to involve Hunter Police with Encon violations as Encon is more versed in those laws. He asks the board if they are interested before he runs the numbers.

The Town Board feels this should be a written request from the state which Sgt. Haines will convey to B. Byrne.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to close the budget meeting at 5:30 PM. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

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Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC

Town of Hunter