

SECOND 2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 07, 2020

5:00 p.m.-Supervisor Evera Sue Clary called the workshop meeting to order, followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Supervisor Evera Sue Clary; Town Council Members: Howard Law; Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Laura Dunham; Town Clerk-Patricia Gilchrist; Clerk to Supervisor-Kathleen Chambers

Others Present: Travis Keys-Highway

Public Present: No one present

Minutes from September 09, 2020 regular monthly meeting-Motion made by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, seconded by Councilman Marcus Blanck to approve regular monthly meeting minutes w/one change requested by Supervisor Clary: under 'Supervisor's Report' change bridge repair to replacement for 2021. Clerk Gilchrist will note the change; passed 5-0 by the following Board members: Laura Dunham; Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Howard Law; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary

Minutes from September 23, 2020 1st Budget Workshop Meeting-Motion made by Councilman Marcus Blanck, seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Levey, to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2020, 1st budget workshop meeting; passed unanimously 5-0 by the following Board members: Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Howard Law; Laura Dunham; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary

Supervisor's Report-Supervisor Clary thanked Clerk to Supervisor Kathy Chambers for all her help w/revision of the 2020 budget (short here due to NYS cuts in monies rec'd. for dissolution & CHIPS), as well as all of her input into putting figures into 2021 budget.

Line 173-Interest/Penalties on Real Property-A1090-Clerk Gilchrist reported that this figure would be closer to \$4,500 for **2020**; still waiting for a couple of checks to clear the tax account.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Operating Costs-Increase water usage fee by 2%, currently @ \$260/unit (Line #413-Metered Sales from \$106,340 to \$108,467); **Resolution #70-Motion made by** Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilman Marcus Blanck, to increase the water usage fee by 2% in the 2021 budget; passed unanimously 5-0 by the following Board members: Howard Law; Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Laura Dunham; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary

OLD BUSINESS

2021 Budget Workshop-Supervisor Clary reported that the 2021 tax cap is 1.52% for 2021; could go up to \$1,034,810 to be raised by taxes for 2021.

Line 47-Unallocated Insurance-A1910.4-Currently \$33,000-should drop as cost of Georgi insurance will come off Town's policy; Georgi paying their own bill.

Line 49-Contingent-A1990.4-add \$9,000 to \$20,425 to total \$29,425 (2021); shortfall due to dissolution cut. There is currently \$14,000 in ckg. acc't. & \$242,000 in ICS acc't., totaling \$256,000.

Line 80-Sup't. of Highways-Personal Svcs.-A5010.1-Travis Keys will leave his salary as \$46,818, same as 2020, but would like 100% medical.

Line 84-Garage-Contractual Expenses-A5132.4-from \$27,500 to \$32,500 for 2021

Line 88-Contractual Expenses-Signa-A5410.4-Would like to go up to \$2,500; after much discussion leave @ \$1,000 for 2021

Line 144-Contractual Expenses-Cemeteries-A8810.4-Increase from \$4,000 to \$5,000-2021

Line 152-Hospital/Medical Ins.-Employee Benefits-A9060.8-For 2021-\$20,300 (up \$300 from 2020); this includes Travis & Pat.

Line 281-CHIPS-Improvements-DA5112.2-\$175,000 (same as last year)

Line 289-Equipment-New-Machinery-DA5130.2-Would like to go from \$40,000 to \$75,000 in 2021; leave @ \$40,000 for now

Line 296-Person Svcs.-O/T-Snow Removal-DA5142.11-from \$20,000 (2020) to \$22,500 (2021)

Line 299-Contractual Expenses-Snow Removal-DA5142.4-Stays same as 2020 @ \$98,750

Line 364-Contractual Exps.-WATER APPROPRIATIONS-F8310.4-Reduce down from \$13,00 to \$10,000 (2021)

Line 376-Contractual Exps.-Purification-F8330.4-Increase from \$9,000 to \$11,000 (2021)

Line 413-Metered Sales-Departmental Inc.-F2140-From \$106,340 to \$108,467 (2021-See Resolution #70 above)

Line 441-Contractual Exp.-Lighting District-SAL5182.4-Down from \$20,000 to \$18,000 (2021)

Line 476-General -Summary of Tentative Salem Town Budget 2021-Am't. to be raised by taxes-will now be \$117,415--up from \$108,415

Lease w/Glens Falls Hospital-Add the following to the Lease: The Board requested that the hospital pay \$650.00/month for rent of bldg.; plow their own driveway & shovel snow on sidewalk in front of the bldg.

Census 2020-has been extended to 10/30/2020; please file if you have not already done so! Everyone needs to be counted!

Resolution #71-Motion made by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Levey, for transfers as follows:

A960-Appropriations		\$ 24,300
A1110.4 – Justice	\$ 5,000	
A1220.4 – Supervisor	5,000	
A1620.1 – Cleaner	750	
A1620.4 – Office	1,200	
A1620.42 – Courthouse	1,500	
A1620.43 – Med. Clinic	1,500	
A1670.4 – Printing	2,000	
A3120.4 – Public Safety	200	
A5132.4 – Garage	2,000	
A5010.4 – Highway Sup't.	1,900	
A6510.4 – Veterans	250	
A7310.4 - Youth	1,750	
A7510.4 – Historian	1,000	
A7510.41 – HPC	500	
A7520.4 – Records Mg'mt.	500	
A510-Estimated Revenues		\$ 24,300
A2389-Dissolution		

2020 Budget Decrease to reflect money decreased by NYS

Passed unanimously 5-0 by the following Board members: Laura Dunham; Brenda Levey; Howard Law; Marcus Blanck; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary

Letter from Washington County Real Property-regarding re-appoint of John Bardwell to the Board of Assessment Review from 10/01/2020-09/30/2025 (or appoint someone else if John does not want to be re-appointed). His term expired on 09/30/2020. (Wait for a bit as his mother-in-law just passed away.)

Resolution #72-Motion made by Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, to accept the 2021 Tentative Budget, with changes as discussed; passed unanimously 5-0 by the following Board members: Howard Law; Laura Dunham; Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary

Adjourn the Meeting-Motion made by Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, to adjourn the 2nd Budget Workshop meeting; passed unanimously 5-0 by the following Board members: Howard Law; Laura Dunham; Marcus Blanck; Brenda Levey; Supervisor Evera Sue Clary; meeting adjourned @ 7:05 p.m.

Next Meeting-The next meeting will be the regular monthly meeting & 3rd 2021 budget meeting of the Salem Town Board to be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at Proudfit Hall; 281 Main Street; @ 5:00 pm for review of Warrants/Abstract #10 for payment; regular meeting to begin @ 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia A. Gilchrist-Town Clerk

