

2019-2020 BUDGET MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON  
AUGUST 29, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE DEPOSIT COURT ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Moore, Trustees Vandermark Jr. and Warner, C/T Decker, DC/T Budine, Assistant Fire Chief Zacharias, John O'Connor, Bridget Davis, Paul Lantz, Jim Conklin, Broome Cty Legislature Scott Baker, Neil McDonald, and Police Chief Cantwell

ABSENT: Trustee Strauss, CEO Hathaway, VOD Supervisor Evans, Fire Chief Rynearson

Mayor Moore opened the Budget meeting at 6:10 p.m.

C/T Decker provided some budget basics as a reminder. She informed the board that most of the wages and health insurance is pre-determined as per the Teamsters Union Contract. The Court, the Code and the Youth budgets will submit their budgets that will reflect their requests. Decker pointed out the increase in minimum wage. This increase will affect the lifeguards next summer and the crossing guards.

Fire Dept budget was submitted with just an increase in the Fire Hall Project payment. EMS budget was submitted with an increase in fuel and the Fire Hall Project payment as well.

Decker mentioned the debt schedule and how the BOND portion of the schedule will change as we will be renewing the BOND next spring rather than paying it off.

NEXT, the Mayor directed C/T Decker to build the PD budget the following way:

PT Chief at \$25,000 annually

A FT office at \$20.00

Keep all PT Staff and increase to \$18.00 hr

The Mayor further stated that no police vehicle will be authorized to the next Chief. He felt this would provide a savings on the vehicle mostly – wear and tear, tires, and mileage etc. It would also decrease the gas line in the PD budget. The Mayor suggested that the board look at the Code Enforcement be encompassed by the Police Department. Trustee Vandermark Jr. said absolutely he was not in favor of such a consolidation as it would take away from both jobs. The Mayor stated that there will need to be cuts in other places to put together a police department.

Next the Americops Grant was discussed. Decker stated what she remembered of it, the salary of the officer was paid for X amount of years with the understanding that that officer would be hired by the grant recipient. Trustee Vandermark also stated that he thought the grant was project specific. Decker was tasked to ask our grant writer to look into the specifics of this grant.

Next, Assistant Fire Chief Zacharias submitted his 2019-2020 tentative budget. As stated above, the only increases were the fuel line and the fire hall project payment. He informed the board that all is going well with the new service – everyone seems pleased. He further stated that the Eastern Broome Ambulance Service had received a \$40,000 grant from Broome County for equipment like a heart monitor.

The Mayor further directed C/T Decker for all non union employees to start at an increase of 3%.

Decker stated there would be an Oversight meeting on October 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.