

SPECIAL BYRON TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 16, 2013

The Byron Town Board Meeting was called to order by Deputy Supervisor Heins at 7:00 p.m. with the following people present:

Deputy Supervisor/Highway Superintendent.....	George Heins
Councilmen.....	Jeff Thompson
	Jack Redick
	Scott Wooton
	Harold Austin
Town Clerk.....	Debra Buck-Leaton
Assessor.....	Barry Flansburg
Baldwin Associates.....	Tom Baldwin
Absent.....	Supervisor Crnkovich

Public:

Jim Cudney.....	Rte. 237, Byron
John Sackett.....	Townline Road, Byron
Sue Fuller.....	Cockram Road, Byron
Pete Yasses.....	Rte. 237, Byron
Carrie Capostagno.....	Caswell Road, Byron

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Deputy Supervisor Heins led the people in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROPOSED 2014 TOWN OF BYRON BUDGET:

The Town Board discussed the Proposed Tentative 2014 Town of Byron Budget. The following comments and inquiries were made:

General Fund Preliminary Budget:

Buildings Contractual (A1620.4): Why have we budgeted \$38,000 when historically the figure has been well under this figure.

·As per Deputy Supervisor Heins, this account is used if the heaters or overhead doors need to be replaced and it could get expensive.

Town Prosecutor (A1420.4B): Why are we budgeting a 33% increase.

As per Tom Baldwin, revenue to Justice Court has almost doubled. Deputy Supervisor Heins stated that Town Prosecutor, Kevin Finnell asked for an increase from \$3,600 to \$6,000. The Town Board would like to only see an increase to \$4,200 maximum.

Parks Contractual (A7110.4): Increasing because Turtle Park Pavilion needs a new roof and all the playground equipment needs more mulch

Payroll Processing (A1680.4A): Increase due to costs increasing per Tom Baldwin

Local Recreation Program (A7310.4): Change to \$1,500 as requested.

Celebrations (A7550.4): Change to \$3,000 as requested.

In-Lieu of Hospitalization (A9060.8A): Would like to have it increased from \$2,500 to \$7,500.

Supervisor Equipment (A1220.2): Add \$2,500 and take \$2,500 away from Town Clerk Equipment (A1410.2) because the Town Clerk says she doesn't need to purchase any new equipment this year, and the new Supervisor would like a new computer.

Auditor (A1320.4): Figure should be \$1,250 for the Justice Audit. Water audit is paid for by the Water Districts.

The Town of Stafford now has 25 water units.

Highway Fund Preliminary Budget:

Sale of Equipment (DA2665): \$8,000 budgeted for sale of bush hog and tractor

Clothing (DA9089.8A): Includes safety equipment money

Hospital and Medical Insurance (DA9060.8): Figure is high in case Billy Kennett decides he wants to take the health insurance instead of the in-lieu of.

Sewer Fund Preliminary Budget:

·\$202,000 will be in Reserve Fund at the end of 2014

·The Town Board discussed whether the O&M should be increased to increase the Reserve Fund, and decided it should be increased \$10 per quarter to \$400 per year from the current \$360 per year. This will raise the Reserve Fund by \$12,520.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Thompson to increase the sewer operation and maintenance (O&M) to \$400 per year (\$100 per quarter) beginning with the November 16, 2013 billing cycle. The motion was seconded by Councilman Redick and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

·Under tax cap by \$28,000 (1.66% increase)

·Tax rate would increase from \$1.9804 in 2013 to \$2.0393 in 2014

·Fire Tax would decrease from \$1.4053 in 2013 to \$1.1680 in 2014

A **motion** was made by Councilman Redick to approve the 2014 Tentative Budget with the changes as discussed above, and to set the Public Hearing on the 2014 Preliminary Budget and Fire Protection Contracts for October 30, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

ADJOURN:

A **motion** was made by Councilman Wooton to adjourn the Byron Town Board Meeting at 8:49 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Buck-Leaton
Byron Town Clerk