SPECIAL BYRON TOWN BOARD BUDGET MEETING

September 22, 2020

The Byron Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Yasses at 7:10 p.m. with the following people present:

Supervisor	Peter Yasses
Councilmen	Sue Fuller (Via Zoom)
	Josh Kent
	Jeff Thompson
•	Eric Zuber (Via Zoom)
Highway Superintendent	
Town Clerk	Debra Buck-Leaton
Public:	
None	

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Supervisor Yasses led the people in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BYRON TOWN BOARD

The Byron Town Board will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Byron Town Hall, 7028 Rte. 237, Byron, New York to review the 2021 budget.

By Order of the Byron Town Board Debra M. Buck-Leaton Byron Town Clerk

PROPOSED 2021 TOWN OF BYRON PRELIMINARY BUDGET:

General Fund Preliminary Budget:

Expenditures:

•The Town Board again reviewed the General Fund Preliminary Budget discussing the need to raise taxes in order to bridge the deficit created from the COVID-19 Pandemic and the reduction of County Sales Tax Distribution to the Town. In 2020 the Town Budgeted \$685,000 in Sales Tax Revenue, and in 2021 the County has reduced that amount to \$369,968, a loss of revenue of \$315,032.

Line item A1440.4 Engineering Services – Future Projects for \$10,000 the Board would like to see cut because they don't foresee any future projects coming up.

Supervisor Yasses presented the Board with two budgets, one with a .60 cent increase and one with a \$1.20 increase in taxes. Per Justin at Baldwin's the Town would need to increase taxes by \$2.68 in order to make up for the loss revenue from sales tax. After much discussion it was decided that the Board would like to wait and see what other Towns are going to be increasing their tax rates by before doing anything. A \$1.20 increase would make the tax rate go from \$4.3156 to \$5.5160/thousand. The

Town Board would like to discuss the budget again at the October 14th meeting and then call a public hearing for November 4th if possible at that time. The Town Clerk will ask the Chairman of the Planning Board to change the date of the Planning Board meeting for November to facilitate the Public Hearing.

Highway Fund Preliminary Budget:

·No changes

Sewer Fund Preliminary Budget:

·No changes

ADJOURN:

A <u>motion</u> was made by Councilman Thompson to adjourn the Byron Town Board Meeting at 8:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kent and carried with the following vote:

Vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Buck-Leaton

Town Clerk