

VILLAGE OF FORT EDWARD TENTATIVE BUDGET MEETING ON APRIL 15, 2010.

MAYOR TRAVER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00PM.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Traver, Trustees Carpenter, Trustee Conlon, Trustee DeVoe, and Trustee Williams.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Ives, Deputy Clerk Lyons

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Donahue

The Mayor told those present the purpose of the meeting was to receive public comment on the tentative budget for the year 2010-2011.

Mr. Donahue commented on the increase in appropriations and the decrease in revenues for the upcoming fiscal year –

Mayor Traver said that hospitalization and retirement is one of the main reasons for the increase in appropriations.

Also, the revenues have decreased due to the economy.

The Mayor explained that Gross Receipts Tax was a large revenue source for the village but due to increased cable phone service and cell phone service the revenue has gone down drastically.

The Mayor explained that the Village did see an increase in assessment from the General Electric Dewatering Facility of 26,091,000.

2009 – 29,658,000

2008 – 3,567,000

Mayor Traver explained that General Electric has applied for another exemption of 9,000,000 for pollution control – this would only impact the parcels in the village.

The Mayor also explained that the village received a decrease in assessment from Irving Tissue of 3,578,362.

2009 – 130,910

2008 – 3,709,273

For 2010 there is a 14,529,000 exemption for Irving Tissue to settle 9 lawsuits, which will eliminate three (3) years of Article 7's.

For 2011 there will be a 10,896,750 exemption and for 2012 there will be a 7,264,500 exemption.

This is a major decrease in taxable assessment for the Village of Fort Edward.

The following is a summary of the 2010-2011 tentative budget:

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| Appropriations | 1,988,141. | 366,400 | 92,000. |
| LESS: Revenue | (372,991.) | (366,400.) | (92,000.) |

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| Surplus | --- | --- | --- |
| Adjustments | 1,575. | --- | --- |
| To be raised | 1,613,577. | --- | --- |
| Taxable Assessment | 135,836,575. | --- | --- |
| Rate Per Thousand | 11.88 | --- | --- |

This is a 6% increase from last year.

A meeting will be scheduled before April 30, 2010 to pass the Village Budget.

Trustee Conlon asked where the assessment for the dewatering facility came from. Mayor told him that the Town of Fort Edward hired an industrial appraiser for this.

Mr. Donahue - 20 Center Street – asked about the proposed Highway Garage. Mayor told him that the bids have gone out and will be opened on April 29, 2010. Trustee Conlon asked if this is combing both departments – Trustee Devoe said this grant is for both the Village & Town Highway Departments to share services. This is the reason for placing the village highway barn near the town highway barn.

Mr. Donahue asked if there is an engineering quote for the cost of the new barn.

Mayor Traver said the quote is \$429,075.

The amount left in the Shared Services Grant is approximately \$285,000.

Mr. Donahue asked if there are monies in the budget for the proposed barn.

Mayor Traver said no.

Trustee Williams explained that when the bid documents went out there is a clause that states the village has the right to reject any and all bids.

Mayor Traver said the village would not be going into debt at this time for the highway barn. The work will be done to equal the balance of the Shared Services Grant.

Trustee Conlon asked about the dissolution of the Village.

Trustee Williams said it only works when there is an over abundance of workers.

This is something the village is not interested in at this time

Motion by Trustee Williams seconded by Trustee Conlon to adopt Resolution #82, which states:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON TATTOOING, TATTOO PARLORS AND BODY PIERCING PARLORS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF FORT EDWARD

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of Municipal Home Rule Law and the Village Law of the State of New York, the Village Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the

Village of Fort Edward (the “Village”) has the authority to adopt local laws to protect the health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that it is necessary and proper for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village to supervise and regulate services of tattooing, tattoo parlors and body piercing parlors; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Village Board that without the proper regulation such establishments may have the potential to negatively affect the health and safety of the citizens of the Village by the threat of disease and contamination of equipment; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to protect the health and safety of the residents and visitors of the Village of Fort Edward, the Village has determined that amendments should be made to the Chapter 100 of the existing Code of the Village; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide the Village with sufficient time to review, study, analyze and revise various portions of Chapter 100 of the Code of the Village, it is in the best interests of the residents of the Village to impose a moratorium on the approval of services involving tattooing, tattoo parlors and body piercing parlors; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law imposing a moratorium on the approval of services involving tattooing, tattoo parlors and body piercing parlors has previously been presented to the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of a moratorium constitutes a Type II Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act pursuant to 6 NYCRR section 617.5(c)(30), and as such, this action is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing for said local law was duly published in the Post Star, and notice thereof sent to adjoining municipalities as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees referred the proposed local law to the Washington County Planning Board as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees held a public hearing on the proposed local law whereat persons wishing to be heard on said local law were permitted to speak regarding said proposed local law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees finds that the proposed local law imposing a moratorium on tattooing, tattoo parlors and body piercing parlors within the

Village of Fort Edward is in the best interests of the residents, inhabitants and visitors of the Village of Fort Edward; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby adopts the proposed moratorium by local law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to and in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law the Village Clerk is hereby directed to enter the local law into the minutes of this meeting and file the same with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted this 15th day of April 2010.

Roll Call Vote:

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| Trustee Darlene Devoe | Yes |
| Trustee Peter Williams | Yes |
| Trustee Edward Carpenter | Yes |
| Trustee Tracy Conlon | Yes |
| Mayor Matthew Traver | Yes |

Patricia Ives, Village Clerk

A request for the use of the Yacht Basin for a wedding on July 10, 2010 from Jason Shaw and Carla Kelly.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter seconded by Trustee DeVoe to approve the wedding request.

ALL AYES

A discussion regarding the costs of propane for the Water Department and the Air Stripper.

The office has recently reviewed the Ferrell Gas account for the water department and found significant billing errors on the account. While we are in the process of working on a resolution to these errors, we have been researching alternate providers for this service. Below is a list of vendors that have supplied the office with either verbal or written quotes to provide this service to both the village water department and the GE Air Stripper.

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| Ferrell Gas | .30 above cost | Current | provider/NYS | contract | price |
| (Washington Co) | | | | | |

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| AmeriGas | .40 above cost | NYS contract price (Warren Co.) |
| G.A. Bove to purchase in get inspected | .22 above cost | no additional charge of a/c setup; option bulk and get an adjusted rate; all tanks for leaks prior to initial fill. |
| John Ray & Sons operation, free know exactly | .35 above cost | no additional charge for a/c setup; 24hr electronic monitoring of tanks (always how much gas is in the tank). |

A couple of things to note:

1. Because the village billing office is in Washington County and the actual location of the tanks are in Saratoga County, either Ferrell Gas or AmeriGas can offer us the NYS contract price.
2. The Village owns the tanks; (2) 1000 gal tanks at water department and (2) 2000 gal tanks at the Air Stripper.
3. For billing purposes, I recommend separating the water department account from the Air Stripper account. Going forward it will make it easier to deal with any issues that may arise at either location.

Motion by Trustee DeVoe seconded by Trustee Williams to adopt Resolution #83 which states:

WHEREAS, the Village of Fort Edward is actively seeking quotes for propane for the Reservoir and Air Stripper, and

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board has reviewed the four (4) proposals for propane from Ferrell Gas, Amerigas, G. A. Bove and John Ray & Sons (attached), and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby accept the quote from G.A. Bove at the rate of \$.22 above cost.

ALL AYES

Mayor Traver asked if a couple of board members could meet with Scott Spockek – Glens Falls Transit – to walk Broadway and decide where to put the bus shelters. Trustee Carpenter and Trustee DeVoe said they would.

Mayor Traver told the board about the letter that is going out to all employees regarding the chain of command for day-to-day operations.

Trustee Williams told the board that Todd Kilmer (Kilmer Funeral Home) has an employee who works part-time that would help the Village in regard to the Reservoir Property and the logging.

Water Committee said they would check into it.

A discussion regarding the Girls Softball League. The girl's softball would like to sell concessions during the High School Softball Games.

The board does not have a problem with this – if they are open they could be responsible for the bathrooms.

Motion by Trustee DeVoe seconded by Trustee Conlon to adjourn meeting at 8:55PM.

ALL AYES

Dated – April 16, 2010

Patricia Ives, Clerk