

**Village Board of Trustees
Public Hearing
Monday, April 03, 2019**

MAYOR TRAVER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:08 PM.

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| Roll Call | Trustee Boucher | Trustee Carpenter | Trustee Cutler | Trustee Williams |
| Public | Peter C. Amorosi | Janelle Rose | Lois Lippincott-Pino | Linda Thorpe |
| Public | Kathleen Tomaselli | | | |

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2019-2020 TENTATIVE BUDGET

A public hearing was held to discuss the tentative 2019-2020 budget. Mayor Traver went through the appropriations and revenues for both the Water Fund and General Fund. There was a discussion on how the reassessment of the WCC property affected the whole community. The assessment was decreased by 3.4 million dollars. It was a difficult figure to absorb but the Mayor stated that he is very pleased with how this budget was prepared. Village resident Linda Thorpe said she was shocked by the whole WCC situation and said how much she misses being able to walk down that road. Trustee Williams mentioned that General Electric was going to put a walkway proceeding south from the site but that never materialized. She also questioned why the budget for Community beautification was so high. It was explained that this includes not only flowers and flags which make the Village look so nice, but National Grid is also in there for the lighting at the Fort Edward Yacht Basin. The proposed tax increase will be 3.87% which raises the tax rate by \$.57 per thousand to \$14.65.

A motion to close the public hearing at 6:50 PM was made by **Trustee Carpenter**, seconded by **Trustee Boucher**. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter C. Amorosi Clerk

Dated: April 3, 2019