

**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
BAINBRIDGE TOWN BOARD
AUGUST 21, 2018**

Present: Dolores Nabinger	Supervisor
Jennifer Sienko	Councilwoman
Deborah Hromada	Councilwoman
Kelly Hromada-Johnson	Councilwoman
Gary Richman	Highway Superintendent
Recording Secretary: Aric McKown	Town Clerk

Supervisor Nabinger called the Budget Workshop Meeting to order at 4:05PM.

Supervisor Nabinger provided the town board with a proposed budget, to review and make changes to for the 2019 budget.

Supervisor Nabinger brought up the .40 cent increase per hour for all highway employees , the .75 cent increase for the designated mechanic worker, and additional .15 cents for longevity under the union contract. The town board talked about the Vital Statistics line in the A fund, and determined that bookkeeper Sherman should cut a check to the village in the amount of \$230.00, along with a report provided by Town Clerk McKown.

Councilwoman Hromada asked Town Clerk McKown to do a computer print out summary of the 2018 year from January to the present time, to confirm the balances of the town clerk report, and know what's going on.

The board reviewed the total amounts of the Summer Recreation Program and mentioned the low attendance of the soccer program. They decided to discontinue the summer soccer program for next year and see what kind of response they get from the public with not having it.

Supervisor Nabinger talked about the increase in numbers with camping because of the Passport America.

Nabinger brought up the 2% raise that was done last year, and asked the board their thoughts for this year. The board agreed to do a 2% raise across the board for everyone except for the town board council, Supervisor, Justices.

Town Clerk McKown asked about being paid for his time while recording the minutes for the Board of Assessment Review grievance night, adding that all clerks that do this in Chenango County are paid for their time. The board decided to pay McKown for his time, and budget for this out of the Assessor's contractual in the 2019 year.

Councilwoman Hromada brought up the position of the bookkeeper, and the money that's been spent on paying bookkeeper Sherman. The board discussed when bookkeeper Sherman started, the amount of money that was budgeted and how the town has expended more than that amount already, on paying the bookkeeper. The town board agreed to set the 2019 Bookkeeper budgeted amount to \$3000.00, and see how things go for next year.

Councilwoman Johnson spoke in favor of a 2% increase the board, based on the cost of living.

Councilwoman Hromada advised the board to change the budget title from Budget Officer to Bookkeeper.

The board brought up the court contractual amount of \$6,000.00, and wondered if that would be enough for next year with two new justices. They decided to leave the amount as is.

Terri Bickford came into the budget meeting and introduced herself to the board, as the court's temporary court clerk.

Town Clerk McKown mentioned to the board replacing some of the hardware in the copier in the town clerk's office to help it run better, instead of buying new copier. He also talked about doing an upgrade with the DEC computer, so it would run faster. McKown provided the board with prices to buy or rent a new copier.

Supervisor Nabinger updated the board of her recent communication with the county and the school on the town's position on hiring a resource officer for the school district. Nabinger and the board discussed the potentials for hiring a resource officer, and the essential factors that need to fall into place in order for this to happen. The town board concluded that they are supportive of the idea.

The board stated that Gary has enough money in his garage contractual to replace the fire alarm system in the garage.

Councilwoman Hromada suggested, in the B fund, changing the line item 'Miscellaneous Local Sources' to 'Registrar of Vital Statistics'. She mentioned adding more the Dog Control Officer' contractual in 2019, to account for dog enumeration fees.

The town board held conversation about the added line items of appropriations in the DA and DB fund(s), by Bookkeeper Sherman, and the complications involved from it.

Motion to adjourn @ 5:55PM

Respectively Submitted,

Aric McKown
Bainbridge Town Clerk