Mayor & Board of Trustees

Village Board Special Meeting

Continuation of the Public Hearing on the Budget

April 30, 2019

PRESENT:

Mayor Theresa Knickerbocker Trustees Richard A. Funchion, Duane Jackson, Cesare Pasquale and Nicolas Zachary Village Administrator Kevin Hay Village Board Secretary Susan F. Matthews

ABSENT:

Village Attorney Stephanie V. Porteus

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Knickerbocker called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. She led the Pledge of Allegiance and informed everyone of the fire regulations.

2. CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET:

At 7:33 PM a MOTION to reopen the Public Hearing on the Budget was made by Trustee Funchion, seconded by Trustee Pasquale with all in favor.

Mayor Knickerbocker advised that the Board has been working on the Budget for the past couple of months. She asked for comments from the Board.

Trustee Funchion commented that this has been discussed quite a bit.

Trustee Zachary thinks it is a good budget. There is a bigger increase than normal. He thinks that we were too careful last year and got caught short. He commented that this year we are trying to cover everything that needs to get done. It is only going to get harder when we start losing money from Entergy. We will take care of repairs, buying a new garbage truck and other things that need to get done and not have them be added next year when we have the loss of revenue from Entergy and the tax increase might have more shock value. Trustee Zachary commented that he might have done it a little differently but he thinks that after the Board's discussions everything important was addressed and he will support the budget.

Trustee Jackson commended the other Board members, Village Administrator Hay and Mayor Knickerbocker. He commented that there is no fat in this budget. They took a look at all the lines to think of ways to cut the fat. He thinks that the budget is lean going forward. The Board will look to the State and other sources for things happening. Trustee Jackson thinks that overall it is prudent to put a little money away. The increase is within good parameters considering other municipalities and he thinks residents will see that the Board is very concerned about

making sure that we spend money wisely and that this budget represents that. Trustee Jackson is totally is in agreement with the numbers they came up with this year.

Mayor Knickerbocker commented that that this Board has been fiscally conservative over the years and ran a tight ship. It is a lean budget. The Board felt that some of the things that were added in were necessary this year. This is our last year before we feel the effects of the Indian Point shutdown. She commented that we are working on many things which she will be discussing at the State of the Village meeting.

Mayor Knickerbocker called for any comments from the audience. There were none.

At 7:43 PM a MOTION to close the Public Hearing was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor.

19-20 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2019-2020 BUDGET.

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (copy attached).

Cindy Kempter asked if the final tax would be at 12.98% and the Mayor confirmed that was correct.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as read was made by Trustee Funchion, seconded by Trustee Zachary with all in favor.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:44 PM a MOTION to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations was made by Trustee Funchion, seconded by Trustee Zachary with all in favor.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:40 PM a MOTION to exit Executive Session and adjourn this meeting was made by Trustee Duane Jackson, seconded by Trustee Cesare Pasquale with all in favor.