

**PUBLIC HEARING 2021 BUDGET**  
**October 20, 2020**

A Public Hearing of the 2021 Budget was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 in the Town Hall, 1 Town Hall Way, Ulster Park, New York at 6:45 PM with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Shannon Harris**  
**Councilperson Evelyn Clarke**  
**Councilperson Kathie Quick**  
**Councilperson Jared Geuss**  
**Councilperson Chris Farrell**

**Also in attendance: Deb Kain, Bookkeeper**  
**Brian Pickard, CPA**

**Recording Administrator Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk, RMC**

**THIS MEETING WAS TELEVISED LIVE ON CHANNEL 23 PUBLIC ACCESS and LIVE-STREAMED ON “TOWN OF ESOPUS” FACEBOOK PAGE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: call (845) 328-0483 to leave a voicemail or email outreach@esopus.com for assistance. The meeting was open to the public, with limited space to ensure social distancing; no public attended.**

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**A MOTION WAS MADE BY Supervisor Shannon Harris TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2021 BUDGET AT 6:50PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY Councilperson Kathie Quick. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor Harris said three public workshops were held on the 2021 budget; 9/16/20, 9/23/20 and 10/2/20. Supervisor Harris said as promised the hearing will be left open until Nov 4, 2020 to provide additional time for feedback. There were revenue shortfalls of \$300,000 due to COVID related issues. The budget includes a 1% increase which is under the tax cap allowed. Councilperson Chris Farrell said if any public comment is received he would like to hear about it.

**Public Comment:** None

**SUPERVISOR SHANNON HARRIS MADE A MOTION AT 6:58 PM TO HOLD OPEN AND CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2021 BUDGET ON NOVEMBER 4, 2020 AT 7 PM; AT THE ESOPUS TOWN HALL. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectively submitted,

Holly A. Netter  
Town Clerk, RMC