

Budget Workshop #2 9/19/24

TOWN BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING #2

September 19, 2024

A Town Board 2024 Budget Workshop Meeting was held on Thursday, September 19, 2024, in the Town Hall 1 Town Hall Way, Ulster Park, New York at 6:00 PM. The following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Danielle Freer
Councilperson Evelyn Clarke
Councilperson Kathie Quick
Councilperson Laura Robinson
Councilperson Jared Geuss**

Recording Administrator Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk

**Brian Pickard, CPA
Debbie Kain, Bookkeeper**

Supervisor Freer called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

The purpose of this meeting was to review the changes made to the budget after the initial review. There was no public comment period held.

Supervisor Freer reminded the Town Board of the proposed 4% increase for all employees and hopes to do a proper salary study in the new year. This would examine positions/workloads and level set compensation accordingly. She expressed her support for Judge Barnett's request to raise the hourly rate for Court Clerks to \$24 for Marianne Wells and \$20 for Dawn LaMarca. This was based on data showing that they are the third lowest-paid clerks in the County. The minimum 2-hour show-up time for the Court Bailiffs was previously discussed at the last budget workshop meeting.

Town Clerk Netter stated that she did not make any requests to increase her budget as we were asked to keep the budget flat. However, she requested the Board to consider an increase for her staff and other administrative staff supporting their department in the absence of the Department Head. The Town Board discussed this and agreed to investigate salary increase options for clerk level positions.

The revised budget includes an increase for the laborers of Parks and Recreation; \$2 increase for Ed Clark and a \$1 Rogelio Hernandez Gazon.

Water Superintendent Nick Butler has also requested a new vehicle for his fleet management.

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BUDGET MEETING #3

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR DANIELLE FREER TO SET BUDGET MEETING #3 FOR OCTOBER 3, 2024, AT 6 PM AT 1 TOWN HALL WAY, ULSTER PARK. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LAURA ROBINSON. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR: MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

SUPERVISOR FREER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JARED GEUSS AT 7:00 PM. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

*Respectively Submitted,
Holly A. Netter
Town Clerk, RMC*