

2017 Budget Hearing Minutes – November 21st, 2016

The meeting was submitted to the Ashland Daily Press for public notice on Monday, October 31st 2016 at 4:00 PM. It was also posted at the Bayfield Town Hall and Town of Bayfield website.

Convene public hearing on Proposed 2017 Budget: The Budget Hearing was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Thomas J. Gordon. Supervisors Gerald Carlson, Craig Hoopman, Karen Boutin, and Robert Meierotto were present as well as Clerk Kelly Faye, Treasurer Larry Weber, and Road Supervisor Carl Cadotte.

A total of approximately four Town Electors and members of the public were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Review of Year-End 2016 and Proposed 2017 Revenues and Expenses: Clerk Faye provided copies of the Notice of Public Budget Hearing which included a summary of the current 2016 Budget and the Proposed 2017 Budget as well as copies of the complete budget spreadsheet developed by the Town Board at the October Budget Workshop meeting to all in attendance. Faye reviewed the estimated 2016 revenue and expenses. The 2016 revenue was estimated to total \$1,496,592 with expenditures totaling \$1,587,377 for a balance of -\$90,785. It was noted that the balance will be taken from retained earnings.

The summary of the 2017 Budget was presented as follows.

General Fund	Current Budget 2016	Proposed Budget 2017	% Change
Revenues			
General Property Taxes	\$ 591,677	\$ 596,623	0.8%
Other Taxes	\$ 93,612	\$ 92,945	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 654,476	\$ 313,006	
Licenses & Permits	\$ 3,668	\$ 4,295	
Public Charges for Services	\$ 11,410	\$ 11,260	
Excess Revenues to Reduce Levy	\$ 311,945	\$ -	
Other Financing Sources	\$ 2,561	\$ 2,359	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,669,349	\$1,020,488	(38.86)%
Expenditures			
General	\$ 145,078	\$ 139,030	
Government			
Public Safety	\$ 108,034	\$ 109,998	
Conservation & Development	\$ 51,000	\$ 53,000	
Public Works	\$1,295,337	\$ 646,860	
Culture, Recreation, Education	\$ 5,100	\$ 6,800	
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
Debt Service	\$ 64,800	\$ 64,800	
Other Financing Uses	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,669,349	\$ 1,020,488	(38.86)%

Receive Public Input on Proposed Budget:

Chairman Gordon allowed time for public input but none was given.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:40 PM.

Minutes Respectfully Prepared by: Kelly Faye – Clerk

Special Electors Meeting – November 21st, 2016

(Minutes to be approved at the 2017 Annual Meeting)

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The Special Electors Meeting was called to order at approximately 6:40 PM by Chairman Thomas J. Gordon.

A total of twelve Town Electors and members of the public were present.

Approve Wage Increase of Elected Officials – Chairman Gordon explained that the electors need to be the ones to consider a raise for the elected officials for 2017-2018 prior to nomination paper circulation and prior to the caucus. A 2% raise is what had been granted in the past. Bob Feyen reported that he did some research to compare the wages of supervisors in local townships and how they compared to the Town of Bayfield. He reported that the Chair of Eileen paid the most of those surveyed providing the Town Chair \$3,900 and the Supervisors \$2,400 each. Chairman Gordon explained that the Town had used a formula to help establish fair wages several years ago which considered variables. Gordon suggested that this could be looked at again if desired. Galazen asked that the Town Crew go back to a year-round five-day work week in the future. Gordon agreed that this could be looked at. No motion was made to increase wages by 2% for the elected officials for 2017/2018 so no change in wages will be made.

Adoption of 2016 Levy to be Paid in 2017 – A motion was made by Craig Hoopman, seconded by David Galazen, to set the 2017 Town Levy at \$596,623. A vote was taken among electors present by raising of hands with a tally of 10-yes, 0-no, 2-abstained. Motion carried.

Approve 2017 Highway Expenditures – A motion was made by Karen Boutin, seconded by Gerald Carlson, to approve expenditures in excess of \$5,000 per mile for 2017. A vote was taken among electors present by raising of hands with a tally of 10-yes, 0-no, 2-abstain. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Galazen. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 PM.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Kelly Faye – Clerk