

Minutes Budget and Appropriation Amendment Ordinance Public Hearing

STATE OF ILLINOIS

LAKE COUNTY

TOWN OF NEWPORT

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk at the Village Hall on October 25, 2017.

Members Present:

J. Daryle Spiller, Trustee

Stan Williams, Trustee

Corey Kirschhoffer, Trustee

Rodger Edmonds, Highway Commissioner

Debbie Spurgeon, Clerk

Randy Whitmore, Supervisor

Call to Order: Supervisor Whitmore called the meeting of the General Township Budget & Appropriation Amendment Ordinance Public Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Whitmore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: In attendance were Daryle Spiller, Jerome Berens, Corey Kirschhoffer, Debbie Spurgeon and Randy Whitmore. Also, present, Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer, PC attorney Kurt Asprooth. Absent, Stan Williams and Mike Wells.

Public Hearing for the Budget & Appropriation Amendment Ordinance – General Township Budget, for Fiscal Year March 1, 2017 - February 28, 2018

Review / Adoption of Tentative General Township Budget Amendment:

Supervisor Whitmore inquires if there is any discussion or comment on the General Town Budget Amendment proposal. No discussion.

Amendments to the current budget include:

- Revenues – ATC Income changes from 0 to \$6,500
- Administration Expenditures – changes from \$123,875 to \$124,875
- Assessor Expenditures – changes from \$50,400 to \$55,400
- Capital Outlay – changes from ATI Settlement to ATC Settlement
- Other Expenditures – Miscellaneous Expense changes from 2,000 to 3,000
- Other Expenditures - Line item #575 (Office Relocation Expense) added - \$5,000
- General Town Fund Appropriations changes from \$174,275 to \$180,275
- Total Appropriations changes from \$202,375 to \$208,375

Resident and former supervisor, Millie Corder asks who posted the notice for the Budget Amendment Hearing (Township Clerk). Corder inquires when the Budget Amendment was made available for public viewing. The clerk received the amended Budget late on the evening of October 5, 2017 and posted it on October 6, 2017 at the required locations. Attorney Asprooth comments this is going above and beyond the public inspection requirement. Corder comments that the amended budget was not made available to the public for 30 days prior to the hearing as IL statute requires.

Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer, PC attorney Kurt Asprooth says the budget was available to the public for inspection at the September 20, 2017 board meeting.

The clerk comments that she did have access to the amended budget until it was received via email on October 5th. She additionally notes the publication notice for public inspection availability was not created until following the September board meeting, as the hearing date and time were only determined at the September board meeting.

No additional public comment. No board discussion.

Motion to Adopt Proposed Budget Amendment: Whitmore requests a motion to adopt the proposed budget amendment.

Motion by Kirschhoffer; seconded by Spiller.

Trustees Wells and Williams arrive at the hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Voice Vote: Ayes, all; Nays none. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion to Adjourn the Budget Amendment Hearing: Whitmore requests a motion to adjourn the General Township Budget & Appropriation Amendment Hearing.

Motion by Spiller; seconded by Williams to adjourn.

Voice Vote: Ayes, all; Nays none. Motion passed 5-0.

Hearing was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Dated the 25th day of October 2017

s/ Debbie Spurgeon

Debbie Spurgeon, Township Clerk