

November 7th, 2019 LaFayette Town Board PUBLIC HEARING Minutes

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held by the LaFayette Town Board on November 7th, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the LaFayette Commons Office Building at 2577 Route 11 in the Town of LaFayette.

Present: Daniel Fitzpatrick, Supervisor
Steve Zajac, Councilor
Melanie Palmer, Councilor
Carole Dwyer, Councilor
William McConnell, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Jacqueline Roorda, Town Clerk

Others Present: Thomas Chartrand, Budget Officer
Jeff Brown, Town Attorney
Ralph Lamson, Bldg. & Code Enforcer

Supervisor Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order. Councilor Palmer led the pledge to the U.S. Flag.

1. Public Hearings

A. Adopt Preliminary Budget as Official 2020 Town Budget –

Supervisor Fitzpatrick advised a motion is needed to open the Public Hearing with regard to the 2020 Town Budget.

R-126-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to open the Public Hearing with regard to the 2020 Budget. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Supervisor Fitzpatrick asked if there is any questions or comments regarding the 2020 Preliminary Budget.

Budget Officer Tom Chartrand advised that there are no changes with the preliminary budget since the last budget workshop.

There was a brief discussion regarding the amount of increase in taxes, several varying rates for different districts, special districts, assessments, percentages since as there are many different rates within the town. The majority of residences will increase \$0.13 per thousand, meaning that a home assessed at \$100,000 will increase \$13.00; a home assessed at \$200,000 will increase \$26.00.

R-127-19 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor McConnell seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing on the 2020 Budget. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-128-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to adopt the 2019 Preliminary Budget as the final General Town Budget; Highway and Library Budgets by the Town Board for the Year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-129-19 Councilor Dwyer moved and Councilor McConnell seconded the motion to adopt the West Shore Lighting Budget as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-130-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to adopt the Coye Road Water District Budget as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-131-19 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor McConnell seconded the motion to adopt the Northeast and Smokey Hollow Road Districts Budgets as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Attorney Jeff Brown advised that he is drafting an indemnity clause for the contracts between the Town of LaFayette LaFayette Fire Department, Ambulance and Jamesville Fire District Contracts, and it was agreed that the board would only vote on the budgets for the LaFayette & Jamesville Fire Departments and LaFayette Ambulance and not the contracts at this time.

R-132-19 Supervisor Fitzpatrick moved and Councilor Zajac seconded the motion to adopt the LaFayette Fire Department Budget as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-133-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Zajac seconded the motion to Town of LaFayette and adopt the LaFayette Ambulance Budget as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 -0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-134-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Zajac seconded the motion to adopt the Cohen Drainage District Budget as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5-0

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-135-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Zajac seconded the motion to adopt the Zumpano Drainage District as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5-0

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

R-136-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Zajac seconded the motion to adopt the Southern Onondaga Trash Budget rates at \$325.00 per residence as presented, for the year 2020. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Supervisor Fitzpatrick added that they needed to approve the language change for the JCAP grant as the state advised that the verbiage need to be changed for re-application.

R-137-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the language change to reflect that *“The Town of LaFayette authorizes the LaFayette Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2019-2020 grant cycle up to \$30,000”*. Motion carried 5-0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

2. Motion to audit and pay bills

R-138-19 Councilor McConnell and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion to audit and pay bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

3. Motion to adjourn.

R-139-19 Councilor McConnell moved and Palmer seconded the motion to adjourn the Meeting. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Danny Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
William McConnell	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline G. Roorda
LaFayette Town Clerk