

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held by the LaFayette Town Board on November 5, 2009 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: Gregory Scammell, Supervisor
David Knapp, Councilor
Thomas Bailey, Councilor (Arrived 6:05 p.m.)
William McConnell, Councilor
Adrian Shute, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Mary Jo Kelly, Town Clerk

Others Present: Leon Cook, Highway Superintendent
Tom Chartrand, Bookkeeper
John Harper, L.F.D.
Andy Ohstrom
Jerry Doolittle

1. Supervisor Scammell called the Special Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Roll call taken. Councilor Bailey absent. All else present.
3. Pledge to our U. S. Flag.
4. **Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Town Board Public Hearing Minutes of October 26, 2009 for Local Law A-2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.**

Councilor's Knapp moved and Shute seconded the motion to accept the Town Board Public Hearing Minutes of October 26, 2009 for Local Law B-2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.

Councilor's Shute moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Town Board Public Hearing Minutes of October 26, 2009 for Local Law C-2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Town Board Public Hearing Minutes of October 26, 2009 for Local Law D-2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Town Board Public Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

- **COYE ROAD WATER DISTRICT BUDGET.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:03.

Tom Chartrand said the only service we have there right now is the fire hydrants.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any questions or comments. There were none.

Councilor's Knapp moved and Shute seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:04 p.m.

- **NORTHEAST LAFAYETTE/SMOKEY HOLLOW WATER DISTRICTS BUDGET.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

Tom Chartrand reviewed the proposed budget.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any questions or comments. There were none.

Councilor's Knapp moved and McConnell seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:05 p.m.

- **LAFAYETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m.

Tom Chartrand reviewed the proposed budget.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any questions or comments. There were none.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:06 pm.

- **JAMESVILLE FIRE DISTRICT BUDGET.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Tom Chartrand reviewed the proposed budget.

Councilor Knapp thanked the Jamesville Fire District for holding the line budget this year.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any other questions or comments. There were none.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.

- **SOTS - Southern Onondaga County Trash District.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:07 p.m.

Tom Chartrand said the rates will remain the same as last year.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any questions or comments.

Councilor Bailey asked if we would be looking at any type of fuel surcharge.

Councilor Knapp said something was written into the last contract but it has yet to be triggered and we are well below where we were when that started.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:09 p.m.

- **WEST SHORE MANOR LIGHTING DISTRICT.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the Public Hearing at 6:09 pm.

Tom Chartrand reviewed the proposed budget.

Supervisor Scammell asked for any questions or comments.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:10 p.m.

- **TOWN 2010 BUDGET.**

Supervisor Scammell opened the public hearing at 6:10 p.m.

Tom Chartrand reviewed the proposed 2010 budget. He said we got the rates for the health insurance and they show we are up 11% and we estimated about 14% in the budget. The new estimate is about \$110,000 for the Highway Dept. where we had estimated \$120,000 which is based on our current mix of employees.

Councilor Knapp thinks we should keep it the same.

Tom Chartrand said if we don't spend it, it rolls forward to reduce taxes in the next years budget.

The Board agreed to keep it where it's at.

Supervisor Scammell asked if there were any other questions or comments. There were none.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:12 p.m.

Supervisor Scammell opened the Special Town Board Meeting.

Supervisor Scammell read a letter from the Town Board to the LaFayette Fire Dept. stating the Town Board agreed to include \$15,000 in the 2010 Annual budget to help fund the capital equipment reserve of the LaFayette Volunteer Fire Dept. in the event that promised monies are not received from the State of New York. He asked John Harper if this makes sense to him.

John Harper said if he understands this, if they don't have the money by the first of March, the town will include the \$15,000 and if it does come in, they don't pay this back but it will be adjusted in the 2011 budget.

Councilor McConnell asked how this adjustment is made in the 2011 budget. Is it a post approved budget adjustment?

John Harper said they would keep the \$15,000 they get and their capital reserve would be reduced by \$15,000.

Councilor Shute thinks the Board understands their concern that the capital reserve is properly funded.

Councilor Bailey said the purpose of the letter is to assure there is no miscommunication at the next budget process.

Councilor's Shute moved and Knapp seconded the motion to send this letter to the LaFayette Fire Dept. Motion passed unanimously.

Onondaga County Health Department – water inspection violations.

Supervisor Scammell asked if the Board wishes to pay the fine to the Health Dept. as we cannot prove the report was sent by the Library.

Mary Jo said the Library will start bringing the report up to her and she will fax it to the Health Dept. as a confirmation of their receipt will come through and then she will mail it too.

Councilor’s Knapp moved and Bailey seconded the motion to pay the \$100 fine to the Onondaga County Health Dept. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Coye Road Water District Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Northeast LaFayette/Smokey Hollow Water Districts Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s Knapp moved and Bailey seconded the motion to accept the LaFayette Fire Department budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s McConnell moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept the Jamesville Fire District budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s Knapp moved and Bailey seconded the motion to accept the Southern Onondaga County Trash Different budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s Knapp moved and McConnell seconded the motion to accept the budget for the West Shore Manor Lighting District. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor’s Knapp moved and Bailey seconded the motion adopting the Preliminary Budget as the 2010 Budget.

Supervisor Scammell said he will be voting against the budget this year because he thinks we are not even close to funding our Zoning Code Enforcement to the level it needs to be done. Another reason is that over a period of time we have spent at least \$25,000 to \$30,000 on Economic Development, the water district and the sewer district. Economic Development hasn’t brought any jobs into the town, nothing has gone forward on the sewer district and the water district was just defeated.

Voting on above Motion was as follows:

Supervisor Scammell	Voted	No
Councilor Knapp	Voted	Yes
Councilor Bailey	Voted	Yes
Councilor McConnell	Voted	Yes
Councilor Shute	Voted	Yes

Motion carried.

Councilor's Shute moved and Knapp seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no bills submitted to audit and pay.

Councilor's Knapp moved and McConnell seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

The Special Town Board Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Kelly
Town Clerk

Adopted 11/9/2009