

Wednesday March 20th
Village of Schuylerville
Presentation to the clerk
of the 2020 tentative budget
and announcement of the 2019 March election results

Mayor Carpenter brought the meeting to order.

PRESENT;

Mayor Daniel Carpenter
Deputy Mayor Young
Trustee Bryan Drew
Trustee Tim LeBaron
Trustee Whitney Colvin

The results of the 2019 Village election are as follows;
Trustee Whitney Colvin won the two-year seat as village trustee.
Trustee Bryan Drew won one of the four year seats as village trustee.
Deputy Mayor Young won the other four year seat as a village trustee.

The board presented the clerk with the 2020 fiscal year budget.

There was extensive discussion regarding grants and the costs associated with application and administration. Wendy Lukas had previously requested that the funds allocated for grants could be posted separately. Treasurer Heyman worked with the comptroller's office to create an account for our budget which would allow for this. This new account will be 8989.400 Home and Community Grants Contractual.

Account A.7140.400 Playground and Rec Contractual will need to be allocated an additional \$10,000.00. This account will be used to fund the parking lot near the visitor's center, on village property, which will serve as the trailhead for the new Empire State Trail that will follow the canal path. This account required additional funds than were previously earmarked for this project, as the village would not be receiving as much of a donation of materials as originally anticipated. The amount for this line needs to be raised from \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00.

There will need to be a change in allocation of fund balance to cover this adjustment.

Mayor Carpenter opened that floor up to public comment on the budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leona Colvin asked if the accounts were up to date. Treasurer Heyman stated that they were. Leona also asked why the snow removal other governments was so low. Mayor Carpenter clarified that we bill the school once a year, at the end of the season, and that the current balance in this account was the billing for salting materials only.

Wendy Lukas expressed her displeasure at the proposal for the increase of the trustee personal line. She also stated that she was confused about the titles of Clerk and Clerk/Treasurer. She did not feel that the clerk and the deputy clerk should be paid the same.

Treasurer Heyman explained that when the position title was changed from Deputy Clerk to Village Clerk, there were distinct documents created with the Saratoga County Human Resources office to list the job descriptions. This allowed for better accountability, as it separated the accounts receivable and the accounts payable duties among other responsibilities.

The board discussed the use of fund balance, and the use of the Fort Hardy reserves to offset the costs of the parking lot for the trailhead.

Trustee Drew made the motion to adjourn, Trustee Young seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned,