

SPECIAL BYRON TOWN BOARD BUDGET MEETING

October 24, 2007

The Special Byron Town Board Budget Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Richard Glazier at 7:00 p.m. with the following people present:

- Supervisor.....Richard Glazier
- Councilmen.....Steven Hohn
Suzanne Fuller
Thomas Felton
Craig Ferguson
- Town Clerk.....Debra Buck-Leaton
- Highway Superintendent.....George Heins
- Waste Water Dept.....Robert Cudney

Absent:

- Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer.....Robert Patterson

Public:

- Jim Cudney.....7072 S. Byron Road, Byron
- Jeanne Freeman.....Hessenthaler Road, Byron
- Tom Chapell.....Swamp Road, Byron
- Ted Keiser.....Searls Road, Byron
- Everett Roda.....Rte. 237, Byron
- Glenn Elliott.....Swamp Road, Byron

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Supervisor Glazier led the people in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Special Meeting of the
Byron Town Board***

*The Town Board of the Town of Byron will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Byron Town Hall, 7028 Rte. 237, Byron, New York to review the 2008 budget. Other business may be considered at this time.
Debra Buck-Leaton, Byron Town Clerk*

APPROVAL OF COMPLETION OF WATER DISTRICT NO. 2

RESOLUTION #96:

Councilman Felton offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:
WHEREAS, the construction of the improvements of the Town of Byron Water District No. 2 have been completed and approved by the NYS Department of Health; and
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Byron accepts the project as constructed, subject to completion of the restoration work and/or punch list items as identified by the Project Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a NYS certified operator, provided by the Monroe County Water Authority, will operate the water system.

Councilman Hohn seconded the resolution which was adopted by the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

PROPOSED 2007 TOWN OF BYRON BUDGET:

·The Town Board discussed the Proposed 2008 Town of Byron Budget.

Sewer Preliminary Budget:

- Tentative Sewer Budget was reviewed and approved by the Town Board
- 2008 Special Assessment – Debt Service Charge: 319 units x \$33.44 = \$10,667.36
- 2008 Operation and Maintenance Charge: 315 units x \$103 = \$129,780

Glenn Elliott: Believes it would be more feasible to forego buying a new truck to put money in a reserve fund.

Supervisor Glazier: The total amount in the Sewer Reserve will be approximately \$21,000 for 2008.

Highway Fund:

- Preliminary Budget called for \$224,000 to be raised by taxes, or \$2.35/1,000
- Tentative Budget requires \$188,191 to be raised by taxes or \$1.97/1,000.
- \$50,000 to be put into Capital Reserve
- A portion of the money put into the Highway Reserve could be used to lower the tax rate.
- DA5142.1 (Snow Removal – Personal Services) Superintendent Heins would like \$2,500 put back into this account to make it \$117,500.
- DA5142.4 (Snow Removal – Contractual Expense) Superintendent Heins would also like \$2,500 put back into this account to make it \$92,500.
- Sander would be bought this year with money from Machinery Account – DA5130.2.

General Fund:

- A1430.4 Personnel Contractual – Repairs of the payroll software – could have been put into computer account
- A1450.4 Election Contractual – Does not seem that this will be necessary, but Supervisor Glazier would feel safer leaving \$1,000 in this account.
- A1620.4 Buildings Contractual – Could possibly reduce this amount, but the Salt Barn roof could be taken out of this account.
- A3120.1 Bingo Inspector – the Fire Department does not know whether they'll be having Bingo next year so we need to keep the money in this account.

Councilman Ferguson - questioned whether A8540.4 is for the drainage ditch going through Byron.

Supervisor Glazier – this account is for all drainage issues arising in the Town.

Superintendent Heins - talked to the power company about putting another street light on Mill Pond Road. It will cost approximately \$120/year for a new street light.

·Salt Barn Fund balance could be put back into General Reserve Fund, then don't need to put in \$20,000

Councilman Hohn – he does not agree with amounts budgeted for Youth Program (A7310.4L), Heritage Days (A7550.4), and Park Committee (A7110.4P), would agree to giving the Ambulance Service \$5,000. He also believes Bob Patterson's pay should remain at \$9,400 (A3620.1).

Supervisor Glazier - would suggest giving the Byron-Bergen Library 5% more (\$14,600) in 2008.

·A7110.P (Park Committee Contractual) – agreed to leave proposed budget at \$3,000. If they decide they need a gate keeper they will have to pay for it out of this account.

·A7310.4L (Youth Program - Local) – the Town Board agreed to leave proposed budget at \$3,900.

·A7450.4 (Museum Contractual) – proposed budget amount for 2008 is \$8,000 because the museum needs a new roof.

·A7550.4 (Celebration Contractual) – Heritage Festival – the Town Board agreed to leave \$2,000 in the proposed budget.

·A1110.1D (Justice DiMatteo Person Service) – the Town Board agreed this amount should be lowered from \$9,800 to \$9,500.

·A1620.4 (Buildings Contractual) – the Town Board agreed to leave the proposed budgeted amount at \$38,000

· A3620.1 (Safety Inspection Personal Services) – the Town Board agreed to leave the proposed budget amount at \$9,400

·A9950.9 (General Reserve) - Reduce the \$20,000 by \$5,000 to reduce applied unexpended funds necessary to balance budget.

Water District No. 1:

·Debt service will remain at \$95,000

Water District No. 2:

·Closing RD funding on December 7, 2007. Will have to pay bank back for bond anticipation note.

·Since May 11th when the bond was renewed we haven't been making as much interest.

·Need to review assignment of water units for Water District No. 2. One that could be controversial is S. Byron Fire Dept. – Supervisor Glazier suggests it should go from 2.5 units to 2 units based upon use of property and using proposed Water Local Law.

Byron and South Byron Fire Departments:

·Received year-to-date figures from S. Byron Fire Department.

·Received 2006 year end financials from Byron Fire Department.

·Contract expires this year

·The Byron and S. Byron Fire Departments requested an increase in the 2008 budgeted amount from \$68,000 to \$75,000 for each fire department due to rising costs of utilities.

·The Byron Fire Department is also requesting \$5,000 for the Byron Rescue Squad.

·The Fire Departments would like to extend their contracts for one year.

Councilman Felton – would like to see the contracts extended for another year with no increase until there is further discussion with the Fire Departments and Rescue Squad.

Councilman Hohn – would like to wait to see how much the Rescue Squad has raised so far toward the purchase of a new ambulance. He would also like to extend the contract for one year contract with no increase.

Jeanne Freeman – has the Town received a listing of the types of calls they've received, and how many times they've told the City of Batavia not to respond.

Councilman Ferguson – would also like to see the contracts extended for another year with no increase.

Councilwoman Fuller – would also like to see the contracts extended for another year with no increase.

·According to Superintendent Heins, the firemen are dumping personal garbage in dumpsters.

·The Town Board will consider budgeting \$5,000 for the Rescue Squad if they receive financial information supporting such a purchase.

·Superintendent Heins does not want to commit to plowing the Fire Department driveways. It was agreed that the Highway Department will help plow a path at both Fire Departments. It was also agreed that this would be a gentlemen's agreement, and not anything that would be put into the contract (nothing in writing).

ADJOURN:

A **motion** was made by Councilman Hohn to adjourn the Special Budget Meeting of the Byron Town Board at 9:48 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ferguson and carried with the following vote:

Vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Buck-Leaton
Byron Town Clerk