TOWN OF MARCELLUS TOWN BOARD BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2022

A Budget Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Monday, September 12, 2022, in the Town Hall, 22 E. Main Street, Marcellus, New York.

Those present were: Karen R. Pollard, Supervisor

Jamie Curtin, Councilor Terry Hoey, Councilor Gabe Hood, Councilor Laurie Stevens, Councilor

Also Present: Lori Petrocci, Budget Officer, and Karen Cotter.

Superintendent Pollard gave an overview of the Tentative Budget summary sheet explaining the special districts.

There was discussion on the large amount of Fund Balance that the Town has and where to utilize these funds, stating that the Town is financially sound. Supervisor Pollard stated that a portion of the Fund Balance should be used to offset the budget, lowering taxes for the community, and a piece of that Fund Balance should be added to the Building Reserve to cover future repairs to the Fire Department Building with which the Town owns.

Karen Cotter, Planning & Zoning Clerk discussed her requested salary increase of 10% for the 3 positions she is currently performing and that a job and salary study was mentioned prior and should have been done.

Supervisor Pollard explained that these studies were looked in to, but due to the cost, it was decided not to pursue the studies.

Superintendent Pollard again brought up the establishment of a new Reserve known as Tax Stabilization. This Reserve will assist with the increasing cost of health insurance along with other unanticipated items.

Councilor Stevens made a few suggestions: one to change the lunch hour for employees to a half an hour; and to modify the use of comp time to 30 days instead of 90 days.

Motion by Councilor Stevens seconded by Councilor Curtin to cancel the September 15 budget meeting.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Curtin and Hood

Motion by Councilor Stevens seconded by Councilor Hoey to adjourn the Budget Meeting at 7:25 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Curtin and Hood

Respectfully submitted

Karen R. Pollard Town Supervisor