

Public Hearing on Tentative Budget and Water Rates
April 14, 2015
5:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor David Truax, Trustees Robert Carter, Melanie Thorp, Rick Bull and Bonnie Golish. Officer in Charge Jim Rumfelt and DPW Superintendent Jeff Smith.
PUBLIC: Tony & Dawn Niedermaier, Mike and Deb Dibble, Bob Meyers, Brian and Deb Reed, Robert Cornell, BJ Cornell.

Questions from the public:

- Why are we raising substation repairs amount by \$5000.00?
- Not happy with the .08 cents per 1000 increase on taxes.
- Why does the Village continue to use Hess tire service for all repairs, are three quotes always given??
- Hess is too expensive on repairs should be shopping around.
- Why do all three DPW workers always come in for overtime? Snow plowing?
- DPW should justify their time.
- Can the Street Sweeper be turned in at any time? Who approved purchasing the Street Sweeper? Why are we replacing the bristles already? Starter had to be replaced already, why? Did any of the Board Members or the Mayor look at the Street Sweeper before purchasing?
- Why does the Village have more than one bucket truck? How many hours a year is the bucket truck used?
- Are the electric rates going up?
- Questioned the water transmission and distribution amount.
- The Village has until May 1st to adopt the Budget.
- Mike Dibble is not happy with Jeff Smiths monthly report.
- Can the Police Dept budget be cut?
- Can we rent a Street Sweeper from Wellsville or Alfred?
- Has the Village discussed shared services?
- Who is responsible for maintaining the bridges in Andover?
- 958 residents have left Andover in the last 10-15 years.
- Why do Village residents have to pay Town taxes?

There were no questions on the water rate changes.

On a motion made by Robert Carter and seconded by Melanie Thorp the Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:44 pm.

Board of Trustees-Regular Board Meeting
April 14, 2015
6:54 pm

PRESENT: Mayor David Truax, Trustees Robert Carter, Melanie Thorp, Bonnie Golish and Rick Bull. Officer in Charge Jim Rumfelt, and DPW Superintendent Jeff Smith.

PUBLIC: Tony & Dawn Niedermaier, Mike & Deb Dibble, BJ Cornell, Robert Cornell, Brian and Deb Reed, Bob Meyers, Brian Quinn.

The minutes from the regular board meeting were reviewed, on a motion made by Melaine Thorp, and seconded by Robert Carter, the Board approved the minutes from the regular meeting on March 10, 2015.

On a motion made by Rick Bull and seconded by Robert Carter Abstract 9 was approved for the following amounts; General \$7,716.54, Electric \$54,823.98, and Water \$6,324.12.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- Tony Niedermaier and Mike Dibble had a few concerns regarding the DPW.
 - Questioned new Deputy Clerk and benefits.. She is at \$9.50 an hour and no paid holidays, vacation or sick time.
 - Why did the Court change their hours? Because it is easier for the Judge to get there in the morning. Court is the 1st 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month.
 - Do dog owners get fined and or ticketed for unlicensed dogs?
 - Frozen water lines: Where does the Village responsibility end? At the curb box. Between the Main and the curb box is the Village responsibility.
 - When hiring someone with a Welder to help thaw water lines the cost is 200.00 to 400.00 an hour. Mike Dibble says he can get a welder for free if and when needed. Mike will give the Village contact information for free welding services.
 - Does someone from the DPW have to be there when the lines are being thawed? Yes, to turn on or shot off the water at the curb box.
 - Is the Village going to do anything with the sweeper? This is under discussion.
 - Do all three DPW workers need to be there when frozen water pipes are taken care of?
 - Drain boxes are full, need some attention. The Street Sweeper has an attachment to clean the drain boxes.
 - There are several broken curbs, when will these be taken care of? Justin Cutten on Rochambeau says is curb is really bad getting water in his driveway.
 - Can we get Hardship Grants? We just received a grant to work on the water problems.

REPORTS:

Jeff Smith submitted his Public Works monthly report to all Board Members.

- Railroad will be replacing the crossing at North Main June 8-12th.

On a motion made by Melanie Thorp and seconded, by Robert Carter the Board approved Jeff Smith's report.

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- Issued 18 traffic tickets.
- Ambulance Dept has paid services now, so they will be requesting a lower amount for next years budget.

On a motion made by Melanie Thorp and seconded by Robert Carter the Board accepted Jim Rumfelts Police Report.

No Code Enforcement Report, Chuck not present

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Bonnie would like to have a Clean-up Main Street Day.. Earth Day..**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **On a motion made by Bonnie Golish and seconded by Rick Bull the board adopted the tentative budget as written.**
- On a motion made by Robert Carter and seconded by Melanie Thorp, the board agreed to participate in the Tax Freeze Efficiency Program, and allow the county to act as our lead.
- There were no questions at the Public Hearing regarding the change in water rates.

RESOLUTION – 2015/2016 WATER RATE CHANGES – Offered by Trustee Rick Bull and seconded by Melanie Thorp – to change the current water rates – Flat rate from \$17.25 to \$18.00, Per thousand gallon rate from \$3.72 to \$4.00.

Roll Call Vote: Melanie Thorp-Aye, Bonnie Golish-Aye, Robert Carter-Aye, Rick Bull-Aye, David Truax-Aye

The Mayor therefore declared the resolution duly adopted.

On a motion made by Rick Bull and seconded by Bonnie Golish the Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.