

**Town of Genesee
Little Genesee, NY 14754
2017 Budget Work Session
November 2, 2016**

ATTENDANCE: Supervisor Donald Jordan, Deputy Supervisor Joshua Bluhm, Councilmen Alyn Holcomb, Michael Cannon and Howard Cornwall. Highway Superintendent Ben Reynolds, Town Clerk Bonita Brunner and Accountants Kathy and Jack Barry

Town Residents: Kayla Bluhm, Kay Reynolds

This meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Jordan at 7 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Floor Permission: Kay Reynolds, President of the Genesee Library Board, attended the meeting to answer any questions regarding the requested increase for the Library in the 2017 Budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Proposed 2017 Budget, prepared by Accountants Berry & Berry was presented.

In the General Fund:

- There was an increase of \$500 under Supervisor-Contractual to cover additional costs this year for checks, deposits, etc.
- Legal fees were reduced by \$500
- Elections-Contractual was reduced as there are fewer elections scheduled during 2017
- Insurance was increased due to the additional charges for the new truck which will be purchased in 2017
- Salary for the Highway Superintendent was increased by \$500
- The increase to \$6,000 was approved for the Genesee Library
- Employee fringe benefits were increased due to the Union increases
- \$22,000 will be transferred to the Highway Fund from the General to partially defray the cost involved for the bridge project on Deer Creek Road

In the Highway Fund:

- Increase of \$41,500 to Bridges-Contractual for the bridge project on Deer Creek Road
- Wages and fringe benefits were increased due to the Union increases

Both budgets presented by the Portville and Bolivar Fire Departments met the tax cap increase amount. Portville showed an increase of \$176.79 and Bolivar increased by \$257.00 over their 2016 requests.

The proposed budget for 2017 totals \$669,682.00, which is the exact amount recommended by the State to met the tax cap.

Motion made by CP Cannon, 2nd by CP Holcomb, to accept the Proposed 2017 Budget. Ayes all, Motion was carried. The Public Hearing on the budget was set for Tuesday, November 15 at 7 p.m., directly prior to the regular Board meeting. The Clerk was directed to publish the Public Hearing information in the Olean Times Herald.

Discussion also held regarding the renewal of the contract for Accountants Berry & Berry. They are not increasing their charges. A resolution will be presented at the Town Board meeting on November 15.

Motion made by CP Cannon to adjourn the Budget work session, 2nd by CP Cornwall. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonita Brunner
Town Clerk

Dated: November 3, 2016