

NOVEMBER 18, 2020

A Special meeting of the Town of Hartland, County of Niagara, State of New York, was held on the above date at the Town Hall, 8942 Ridge Road, Gasport convening at 5:00 p.m.

Members present:

Supervisor: W. Ross Annable
Councilman: Joseph Reed
Clifford Grant
David Huntington
David Hill

Supervisor Annable opened the meeting at 5:18 pm to discuss the 2021 Preliminary Budget. The general tax will go up .05 cents and the water will decrease by \$1.01, resulting in an 11% reduction in taxes next year. Only those residents who live within the Village limits will see an increase because they do not pay town water, they will not benefit from the water reduction. The rate will be \$2.62/thousand.

The Hartland Volunteer Fire Company will receive an additional \$12,000.00 to assist in repairing their parking area in exchange for lifetime use of the lane. This will be paid out of the fire fund.

Refuse rate is up \$10.00 per unit.

Water is down \$1.24 from \$2.26; we have a fund balance.

Councilman Grant asked how many properties got a raise in assessment. Supervisor Annable answered that the assessment does not always increase to the selling price, only if there have been improvements made to the property. The town is now at 88%, the prices have been stagnant for many years. If there were a total re-Val, then the entire town would see increases in assessment.

Supervisor Annable asked if there were any other items for discussion.

With no further questions the board voted to adopt the final budget.

Adoption of Preliminary Budget to the Final Budget for 2021

RESOLUTION 107-2020

MOTION by Councilman Huntington, seconded by Councilman Reed to adopt the 2021 Preliminary Budget as the Final Budget as presented. Roll call

Annable; aye

Reed: aye

Grant: aye

Huntington: aye

Hill: aye

ADOPTED

Said budget is on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Hartland where any interested person may inspect it during normal business hours. Full text of the budget is attached.

Final budget has been submitted to the Office of State Comptroller.

Executive Session

RESOLUTION 108-2020

MOTION by Councilman Reed, seconded by Councilman Huntington to enter Executive Session at 5:30 pm to discuss matters relative to collective bargaining negotiations.

MOTION by Councilman Hill, seconded by Councilman Reed to close the Executive Session and return to regular meeting at 5:50 pm

With no additional motions made at this time, adjournment was called.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Councilman Hill, seconded by Councilman Grant that since there is no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Cynthia S. Boyler RMC

Town Clerk