

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Budget Workshop meeting of the Kinderhook Village Board of Trustees

Minutes

Present: Mayor Mike Abrams Clerk/Treasurer Nicole Heeder	Trustees: David Flaherty Dorene Weir James Mark Browne Susan Patterson
Attendees: Dave Booth – DPW Superintendent Bill Mancini – Climate Smart Chair Quinn Murphy – Trustee elect Andrew Pellitteri	

Budget workshop meeting began at 6:02 p.m.

Purpose: Mayor Abrams and Village Trustees held follow-up budget workshop meeting for fiscal year beginning June 1, 2023, through fiscal year end May 31, 2024, to review General Fund revenue and expenditures, Water Fund revenue and expenditures; Sewer Fund revenue and expenditures and Capital Projects.

Treasurer:

The Village Board entered the budget meeting with a total proposed budget of \$166,629,856.00.

The total assessed value of the village of \$166,629,856.

The proposed amount to be raised by taxes of \$375,967.64 with a tax rate of \$2.25630 per thousand of assessed value.

The following changes were made to the tentative budget:

Fund Balance

Increase

\$110,000 to \$135,000

General Fund

Expenses: Increase A.5182.42 Electric for charging station \$1,000.00

Revenue: Increase A1789 from \$2,500 to \$3,500

Sewer Fund

Expenses: Decrease S.8110.4 from \$8,625.00 to \$2,850.00

Revenue: Decrease S.2124 \$275.00

Inter fund transfer \$5,500

Besides the regular expenditures for village maintenance and operations, the following items were discussed:

- 1) Firetruck
- 2) Capital Projects - Streets (McNary and Gaffney)
- 3) Playground Equipment – Rothermel Park
- 4) Buildings (Village Hall maintenance)
- 5) Electric Charging Station fees
- 6) DPW personnel – addition of part time DPW laborer at \$22/hour, 24 hours/week, \$28,000 annual salary

Taxpayer time: Andrew Pellitteri - Jarvis Lane, requested that the Village Board consider allowing residents a public comment period at the beginning, as well as the end of each meeting. Asked questions regarding fire department expenditures and sidewalk expenditures to which Clerk/Treasurer Heeder provided clarity. Mr. Pellitteri encouraged an audit of village sidewalk conditions, mentioned heaving and tripping hazards. Superintendent Booth to revisit sidewalk adjacent to Church St. Mayor Abrams expects Tighe & Bond assessment to be done by Friday which will assess 5 miles

of sidewalks and 8 miles worth of roads. Mr. Pellitteri invited Mayor Abrams and Superintendent Booth to visit Hudson St. to view tree issues and mentioned the DPW does a great job. Superintendent Booth to prioritize hot spots and redo one at a time. Lastly, Mr. Pellitteri asked for clarity on state aid interfund transfer. Mayor Abrams stated we have to spend that money on municipal building improvements and offered to meet with resident to discuss further.

Scheduling: Organizational meeting (with final budget discussions) to be held Monday, April 3rd, 2023, @ 7:00 p.m. upstairs in Village Hall. Village to post electronic version of budget on website and send email notification to public. Public Hearing slated for Wednesday, April 12th, 2023, prior to regular village board meeting.

Trustee Flaherty motioned to adjourn, Trustee Patterson seconded, all voted 'Aye.'

Meeting concluded 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Pulver.