

Public Hearing
Local Law No. 1 of 2011
Tax Cap Override Local Law
UNAPPROVED

Present:

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Lynnford Sweet, Gary Gluck, Robert Carney

Also Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk

Absent: Jerry Scott, Lynnford Sweet, Council Persons

The Hearing began at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Twelve people attended, other than the Board. Deming explained the attorney recommended the Tax Cap Local Law as an insurance policy for the 2% Tax Cap Law introduced by New York State. Our proposed budget is under the 2% cap, but only by about \$680. The provisions of the State Law are still changing almost on a daily basis. By passing this Local Law, even though the proposed budget is under, it would cover any errors or changes by the State. After some discussion, Gluck motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Sweet, all in favor, Hearing closed at 6:18 PM.

Public Hearing
Proposed Budget for 2012
UNAPPROVED

Present:

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Lynnford Sweet, Gary Gluck, Robert Carney

Also Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk

Absent: Jerry Scott, Lynnford Sweet, Council Persons

Deming asked if anyone had any questions or comments on the proposed budget. The total for 2012 is about \$30,000 more than 2011. Most of this figure is due to the amount the State requires the Town to contribute to the Retirement Fund and the cost of insurance is up approximately \$4,000. The tax rate will be around 20 cents less per thousand than last year. The Hearing closed at 6:30 PM on the motion of Carney and seconded by Gluck, all in favor.

Public Hearing
Bond Anticipation Note (B.A.N.) To Finance
2011 Chevrolet Marque Commando Model DW4500 Ambulance
UNAPPROVED

Present:

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Lynnford Sweet, Gary Gluck, Robert Carney

Also Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk**Absent:** Jerry Scott, Lynnford Sweet, Council Persons

Deming explained that an Estoppels Notice is a summary of the intended actions of the Town of Cuba to borrow \$85,000 to finish paying for the new ambulance. If no one files a lawsuit against the Town for this action within twenty days, the Town will bond the money needed to pay for the ambulance. The Bond Anticipation Note will be available after November 15, 2012. This equates to a \$17,000 annual payment. The Town is replacing 801, which is over 10 years old. All equipment and meds will take about a week to transfer over before the new ambulance goes into service. At 6:45 PM Carney motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Gluck. All in favor, motion passed.

Regular Meeting of the Town Board
Of the Town of Cuba
UNAPPROVED

Present:

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Lynnford Sweet, Gary Gluck, Robert Carney

Also Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Dustin Burch, Police Chief, Gary Fries, Ambulance Administrator, Steven Nease, Highway Supt.**Absent:** Jerry Scott

Supervisor Deming opened the regular meeting at 7PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

10 Minutes for Public Comments: Mary Raymond congratulated the candidates who won in the recent election.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 10/11/2011: Sweet motioned to accept the Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Gluck seconded the motion, all in favor, Minutes approved.

Approve the Supervisor's Report for October 2011: Sweet motioned to accept the Supervisor's Report as given, seconded by Gluck, all in favor, motion passed. The General Fund received \$20,204.60 and dispersed \$62,536.93 while the Highway Fund received \$0 and dispersed \$23,813.23. The Capital Fund

received \$1,135.60 and did not disperse any funds. Sweet motioned to approve the Supervisor's Report, seconded by Gluck, all in favor, motion passed.

Approve General & Highway Abstract for November 2011: The General Fund dispersed \$25,466.89, and Highway, \$24,251.22, and the Capital Fund, \$0. Sweet motioned to approve the Abstract, seconded by Gluck. All in favor, motion passed.

Clerks Correspondence: The VFW has submitted a request for a waiver of the open container law for November 30, 2011. Sweet motioned to grant a blanket waiver until the end of the year. Gluck seconded, all in favor, motion passed. The American Legion has applied for their Bell Jar License for 2012. Sweet motioned to accept the application, Carney seconded, all in favor.

Board Comments: Gluck and Deming congratulated the winning candidates of the recent election and Deming noted it was an interesting race with the team of Herbst, Raymond, and Ungermann putting on a good campaign.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 378 calls to service and developed 54 cases from these calls. There were 35 traffic summons issued (11 in the town, 9 in the village and 15 on the lake). The Police Department also handled 16 lockouts, 4 parking tickets, 18 other agency assists, and 2 domestic disputes. The police department would like to thank the organizers of the Garlic Festival on their preparation for parking they made the traffic flow for this year's event much smoother and helped the officers tremendously. Residents are beginning to drop off expired prescription pills at the station for safe disposal. There will be a meeting at the community center on October 13th for the public to discuss prescription pill abuse. All residents are welcome to attend. The police department is in the beginning phases of creating a neighborhood watch program. Signs will be ordered and a meeting will be set up in the near future. Any resident will be encouraged and welcomed to attend and voice concerns.

Ambulance Comments: Cuba Ambulance responded to 24 calls in October, with 12 transported to OGH. Two transports were to Jones. Out of these, seven were critical care with Cuba handling 6 and Olean 10 handling one. The ambulance stood by for three football games, Homecoming Parade and Bonfire along with Smokey Sunday. Installed in Cuba 801 was a new stretcher. Both units checked within the department per Part 800 of the Department of Health requirements and are in good order. At the last monthly meeting, it was decided that effective December, monthly meetings would be held the third Sunday of the month at 9:00 AM. This is in hopes of increasing the attendance.

Fire Department Comments: Firefighter Jason Jones reported that Cuba 7 is going in for maintenance. Members cleaned and painted the hall truck bay. The installation of new electric trash pumps is complete. A schedule of events

includes CPR class, officer night, County meeting, Ham and Turkey Party, pump training and cascade training, equipment maintenance, and Toys for Kids. The department responded to 12 calls in November.

Highway Department Comments: Projects for the month of October were hot patching on Gross and Burlingame, North Branch, Summit, Stout, Beebe Hill, and Hamilton roads. Farnsworth, Acme, a section of Youngs and Ungermann roads were graded and rolled. In anticipation for the winter season, the trucks and equipment are being checked. Equipment repairs include 2003 Sterling, replaced two front slack adjusters, power steering reservoir and a rear spring, 2005 Hypac roller, and replaced the engine control module.

Code Enforcement: No report.

Dog Control: The Clerk summarized Steiner's report. There was one call for a missing dog, possibly headed to the Cuba area, three dogs running at large, none to be found, one dog picked up and placed in the kennel on Bull St., then taken to Joyful Rescues.

Old Business:

Union Contract Update: A meeting is set up for next week.

Single Audit: A questionnaire needs completed before the audit is final.

New Ambulance: This topic covered during the Public Hearing.

Fire District: There will be a Public Hearing on November 21, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Fire Hall, 51 E. Main St., Cuba.

Cemetery: There is still no decision on the property given to the Cemetery.

Time Warner Cable Contract: A resolution introduced to the Board was to renew a five-year contract with Time Warner Cable, which previously expired on October 26, 2011. After some discussion, Carney moved its adoption, seconded by Gluck. There were four votes in favor, with one member absent. Resolution passed. The contract begins with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission. There will be a Public Hearing on December 13, 2011 at the library at 6:30 PM.

New Business:

Local Law to Exceed Tax Cap: Deming explained the reason for the law during the Public Hearing. Gluck made the motion to pass the Local Law, seconded by Deming. Sweet and Carney voted no. The Local Law did not pass.

Budget: After a brief discussion, Sweet motioned to adopt the Budget for 2012, seconded by Carney. All were in favor, Budget adopted.

Ambulance Bond Anticipation Note: If no one files a lawsuit against the Town by November 14, 2011, funding will go forward for \$85,000 to purchase a 2011 Chevrolet Marque Commando Model SW4500 Ambulance. The money will then be available on November 18, 2011.

Telephones: Spectrotel has approached the Board about using the company as one local point of contact for all service issues or invoice questions. In the past, Jerry Scott was in charge of contacting Verizon with issues or for upgrades. With Spectrotel, the Town would save 8% off the annual phone bill, or equal to one month of charges. After a brief discussion, the subject was tabled in hopes of finding other companies that may be more beneficial.

Senior Exemptions (Sliding Scale): Every year the Town needs to decide if there will be an increase in the sliding scale for senior tax exemptions. The Town is currently at a ceiling figure of \$17,500. Sweet motioned to raise the amount to \$18,500. Carney seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

At 7:45 PM, Sweet motioned to adjourn the meeting to go into Executive Session, seconded by Gluck, all in favor, motion passed. This portion of the meeting is to discuss personnel.

At 8:05 PM, the regular meeting reopened. With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned by motion made by Gluck, seconded by Deming.

Next meeting will be on December 13, 2011 at the Library meeting room, 7:00PM, with a Public Hearing scheduled at 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt, Town Clerk