

SPECIAL MEETING
COPAKE TOWN BOARD
NOVEMBER 15, 2010

PRESENT

Supervisor Crowley
Councilwoman Gabaccia
Councilman Sacks
Councilman Tompkins
Councilman Kiernan
Highway Superintendent Gregory
Accountant Torchia

Supervisor Crowley opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to go over and consider adoption of the 2011 budget.

Budget Officer LaPorta went over the changes.

Mike Torchia, we shifted some lines in the highway but the money did not change.

Joe LaPorta, its at a 7.6% increase.

A discussion followed on the highway.

Councilman Sacks, no money on the equipment side, he asked for \$50,000, why are we given him zero.

Joe, I was told you were going to bond the equipment.

Councilman Sacks, we need to put some thing in equipment.

Michael Torchia, considering there will be no unknown expenses between now and end of year he could have \$100,000 surplus.

Right now if you don't bond the truck the only thing you have for equipment is \$12,000.

Councilman Sacks, I'm against putting the Town in debt.

Micheal Torchia, if you buy \$250,000 in equipment now and bond it while the price is low and also the rates for 7 to 10 years.

Councilman Sacks, I think we should save when we know your going to sending.

Councilwoman Gabaccia, would you consider putting the police back to six shifts?

Supervisor Crowley, I'm happy with eight.

Councilman Kiernan, we bond the \$250,000 get the pick up truck wait till next year for the large truck. Like a line of credit.

Highway Superintendent I'm asking to replace pick up this year and the ten wheeler next year. \$50,000 was added to equipment line in highway.

Councilwoman Gabaccia, Building Inspector and ZEO consolidate the positions, were paying around \$25,000 now, by consolidating we could pay \$15,000 TO \$18,000 plus a clerk and still save money.

Supervisor Crowley, if you consolidate its going to have to be someone who can check in everyday as our building inspectors do that now.

Jeff Nayer you need a Building Inspector that's available for the contractors.

A discussion followed.

Supervisor Crowley, I suggest we leave the building determent the way it is and look into when we have more time.

Councilwoman Gabaccia, summer program suggest you drop the Art and Crafts position.

Councilman Sacks were getting rid of a department we didn't ask about.

Councilwoman Gabaccia, we ask Bridgette to attend many times.

Dropped arts and craft position in the summer park program.

Marcia Becker, asked for extra money in contractual, \$2000 for engineer, biologist. Sometimes we need their expertise.

Councilman Kiernan, you can get biologist from DEC.

\$3,000 was put in for engineer and or biologist (consultant) for Zoning and Planning Board.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Kiernan seconded by Councilman Tompkins

RESOLVED: that we the members of the Town Board of the Town of Copake do hereby adopt the budget beginning the first day of January 1, 2011. (see attached)

Dated at Copake NY
November 15, 2010
Resolution # 22

Supervisor Crowley	Yes
Councilwoman Gabaccia	Yes
Councilman Sacks	No
Councilman Kieran	Yes
Councilman Tompkins	Yes

A motion was made by Councilman Kiernan seconded by Councilwoman Gabaccia to appoint Joe LaPorta interim Deputy Building Inspector. Motion carried.

Rescue Squad asking for \$220,000.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabaccia seconded by Councilman Tompkins to give the Community Rescue Squad \$212,000 for the year 2011. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Tompkins seconded by Councilman Kiernan the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

