

**Village Board  
Meeting Minutes  
March 16, 2023  
Approved**

Present: Mayor Lee  
Trustees, Fowler, Farrell, Speer, Zabelny  
Village Manager Shari Wilson-Pearce  
Treasurer Maryalice Edwards  
Deputy Clerk Amy Harter  
DPW Superintendent Jeff Pearce  
Code Enforcement Officer Mark Mazzucco  
Asst. Superintendent Chad McManus

Guests: None

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The meeting was held in the Board Room and was available on Zoom.

**Budget Presentation**

The proposed budget for 2023-2024 was presented by Treasurer, Maryalice Edwards and Village Manager Shari Pearce. A power point presentation was provided, and each department head spoke on their budgeted items.

The budget was built on the current tax rate of \$2.61. This rate has been in place since the 2020-2021 budget year. To remain within the 2% tax cap, the Board may increase the tax rate to \$2.70.

The board agreed the water rate should increase to \$3.70 per 1,000 gallons. The Monroe County Water Authority charges \$3.80 per 1,000 gallons.

Items for the board's consideration. The items were agreed upon; the Board agreed to increase the tax rate to \$2.70, and the appropriation of sales tax shall be in the amount of \$1,600,000 and the health insurance for employees remains unchanged. The board directed the Village Manager to speak with the employees regarding a proposed wage increase of 2.5%. The next budget meeting is scheduled on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 5 p.m.

Equipment: Superintendent Jeff Pearce has been researching used bucket trucks for purchase. In February 2022 the board authorized the Superintendent to expend up to \$40,000 for this purpose. Jeff has found that these vehicles are hard to come by and recommends increasing the amount, he may find the appropriate truck for the department.

**Resolution** to authorize the DPW Superintendent to spend up to \$70,000 for the purchase of a used bucket truck from the equipment reserve account. Motion made by Trustee Fowler, second by Mayor Lee. Carried 5-0.

**Resolution** to authorize the DPW Superintendent to solicit concrete bids for the 2023-2024 season. Motion made by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Zabelny. Carried 5-0.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. was made by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Fowler. Carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Harter, Recording Secretary