

VILLAGE OF WESTON

2010 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 29, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER - VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Schuster called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Trustees present were White, Schmutzler, Jaeger, Maloney and Ermeling. Ziegler was absent and excused. Administrator Zuleger, Director of Public Works Donner, Park Superintendent Osterbrink, Finance Director Jacobs, Deputy Finance Director Trautman and Finance Committee Members Bob Bender and Richard Yaeger were also present. There were 2 audience members present.

II. VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES – 11/01/10 Joint Budget Workshop with Finance Committee

**M/S/P Schmutzler/Jaeger: to approve the 11/01/10 Joint Budget Workshop Finance Committee Minutes.*

III. OPENING INSTRUCTIONS ON BUDGET PROCESS - FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jacobs gave an update on the budget process. The budget was presented to the Finance Committee in October and then there was a Budget Workshop held on November 1st.

Schuster thanked staff for all their hard work.

IV. 2011 BUDGET SUMMARY COMMENTS & 2010 TAX RATE RECAP - ADMINISTRATOR and FINANCE DIRECTOR

Zuleger said when working on the budget staff chose to focus on the current economic condition of the Village of Weston. Zuleger said the Village initially received an increase of 8.89 percent on health insurance. Management worked with the represented employees and was able to reduce the health insurance increase to 2.63 percent. He also noted Village employees pay a higher employee share of the premium compared to other local governments. Staff also worked on wellness. Staff is suggesting using \$65,000 of a \$2.5 million undesignated fund balance. This will not affect the Village's bond rating. This budget also reflects lean government. Staff has been reduced by one full-time employee. The Village will also partner with the Village of Kronenwetter if both Boards approve a building inspections service agreement next week. He also stated we will cross utilize departments. The Village continues to utilize our partnerships with the Humane Society, Saint Clare's Hospital, City of Wausau and Town of Rib Mountain.

- **2011 Budget Recap – Operating Budget, Capital Improvements Program Budget, and Capital Borrowing Program**
- **2010 Budget Surplus**
- **2010 Proposed Village Tax Rate for 2011 Budget Year**
- **2010 Estimated Combined Tax Rate, including all taxing jurisdictions**
- **Preview of 2012 Budget**

Jacobs reviewed the assessed tax rates for all taxing districts, with the Village's rate at \$5.08. The total combined tax rate will be \$20.26. He also reviewed the property tax rates for all direct and overlapping governments from 1997 to 2010. He reviewed the new garbage rates. The 90 gallon container will decrease 60 cents and the 45 gallon container will decrease 84 cents. Jacobs also reviewed the tax levy limit and the general fund expenditure limit. Zuleger reviewed the expenditures summary.

V. OPEN 2011 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING – VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Schuster opened the 2011 Budget Public Hearing at 6:28 p.m.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

He asked the Board members and the audience members if they had any comments. They did not. Schuster read letter from Andrew Sutton thanking staff for coming up with a responsible budget solution that does not result in an increased burden to the taxpayers. He also urged the Village Board to pass the no increase 2011 budget.

VII. CLOSE 2011 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING – VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Schuster closed the 2010 Budget Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m.

VIII. ACTION ON 2011 BUDGET:

a) Proposed Adjustments to 2011 Operating Budget, if any

There were no 2011 Operating Budget adjustments.

b) Resolution #VW-17-10 (Adopt 2011 Operating Budget and 2010 Tax Levy)

**M/S/P Ermeling/White: to approve Resolution VW-17-10 in the amount of \$7,735,360 for total operating revenue and expenditures of the General Fund.*

c) Resolution #VW-18-10 (Adopt 2011 Other Funds Budgets)

**M/S/P Jaeger/White: to approve Resolution #VW-18-10.*

d) Proposed Adjustments to 2011 Capital Improvements Program Budget, if any

Zuleger said staff is suggesting an adjustment to the CIP fund of \$40,000. This is an economic development grant. This is the Village's share for the fence that was put up at Yaeger's. The \$40,000 represents half of the cost of the fence. **M/S/P Maloney/Jaeger: to approve using \$40,000 from the CIP fund for the fence that was put up at Yaeger's.*

e) Resolution #VW-19-10 (Adopt 2011 Capital Improvements Program Budget)

**M/S/P Ermeling/Maloney: to approve Resolution #VW-19-10 as amended. Q/Jacobs said the original budget was \$9,129,100. The budget number to be approved is \$9,169,100.*

IX. OTHER NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

a) Resolution #VW-20-10: Resolution Providing for the Sale of \$5,400,000 Taxable General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2010B (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment)

Jacobs said the bids for this borrowing will be approved at the next regular Board meeting. He said this is a preliminary resolution that is needed by bond council to start the Build America Bonds Rebate Program. If the Village does not participate in this program before the end of the year they lose 35 percent in interest. The Board will approve the award of the bond to the lowest bidder on Monday December 6th. This resolution needs to be approved prior to the award of the bid. **M/S/P Ermeling/White: to approve Resolution #VW-20-10.*

b) Salvaged Material Production Award

Donner said with the routine of salvaging asphalt and gravel off of reconstruction projects the Village ends up with a pile of materials at the Ryan Street yard waste site. If this material is reprocessed it will be incorporated into the capital projects being proposed for 2011. The recycled material will be used on Alderson St., Schofield Ave., Crestwood Acres and Park Ridge Dr. The lowest bidder for recycling this material is Michaels Corporation at a unit price of \$2.61 a ton. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Michaels Corporation. **M/S/P Maloney/Schmutzler: to award the bid to Michaels Corporation.*

X. ADJOURN

**M/S/P Schmutzler/Maloney: to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.*

Respectfully,

Sherry Weinkauff
Village Clerk