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Village of Youngstown Board of Trustees Budget Public Hearing and Meeting - April 15, 2024

| Trustee attendees | Present | Absent | Staff attendees | Present | Absent |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Mayor Rob Reisman | X | | Clerk-Treasurer Amy Beaudreau | X | |
| Deputy Mayor Rick Stortecky | X | | DPW Super. Greg Quarantillo | X | |
| Trustee Catherine Stella | X | | Chief Joe Paul | X | |
| Trustee Kristel Stevens | X | | Recreation Director Jeff Gruarin | X | |
| Trustee Nicole Quarantillo | X | | Attorney Tom Caserta | X | |
| | | | Engineer Bob Lannon | | X |
| | | | Volunteer Grant Writer Christine Rath | X | |
| | | | Deputy Clerk Alexandra Certo | X | |

Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau announced that there is a quorum and the Board can proceed with the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to the order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

2024-2025 BUDGET:

Mayor Reisman stated that Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau will present the draft budget to the board and residents in attendance.

Mayor Reisman stated he asked Deputy Mayor Stortecky to work with Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau and the department heads to better balance the budget.

Mayor Reisman requested that all comments be held until later however, questions can be asked throughout.

Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau explained that municipal accounting is very different from public sector budgeting. She stated that essentially there are 6 parts of the budget: General expenses, general revenues, water expenses, water revenues and sewer expenses

and sewer revenues. Each revenue needs to zero out with the expense (creating a zero-balance budget).

Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau explained that she would go line by line through the budget and opened the floor to all questions during the meeting. She stated that comments should be reserved until the public hearing portion of the meeting.

The budget was explained after about an hour-long explanation of each line and questions from both the Trustees and residents.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Reisman asked for a motion to open the budget public hearing. Motion was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mayor Reisman read the following public hearing notice:

By order of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Youngstown, 240 Lockport Street, Youngstown, NY a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board room for the purpose of hearing all interested parties concerning the following:

Tentative budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year commencing June 1, 2024 and ending May 31, 2025. Notice is also hereby given that the compensation to be paid to each member of the Board of Trustees from all sources remains unchanged and is as follows: Mayor, \$7,498.00, Deputy Mayor, \$6,151.00 and each Trustee, \$5,656.00.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Reisman asked if there were any comments from the audience.

Resident Henry Sloma stated that the overall budget was good while looking at challenges for the future. He is glad that the Village is processing long term solutions including reserve and replacement funds for not only expendable items but also long-term expenses.

With no further comments or questions from the audience, Mayor Reisman asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was made by Trustee Stella and seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mayor Reisman asked for board comments or discussion.

Deputy Mayor Stortecky stated that he worked closely with Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau and the department heads to better understand the process and to trim out excess items to allow for a better contingency than in year's past. With the collaborative effort to balance this budget, including a larger contingency, he feels this budget represents the best interest of the Village and the residents.

With no further discussion, Mayor Reisman asked for a motion to approve the budget as presented. The motion was made by Trustee Stella and seconded by Trustee Quarantillo. Mayor Reisman, Deputy Mayor Stortecky, Trustee Quarantillo and Trustee Stella were in favor. Trustee Stevens opposed. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION:

Sheridan Benefits Health and Employee Benefits:

Clerk-Treasurer Beaudreau stated that she emailed information to the Board about Sheridan Benefits which is a full-service health and employee benefit consultant. She stated that Sheridan Benefits will provide free human resources as a part of their no-cost package. And that they can update the Village handbook starting at \$1600.

Trustee Stevens requested that this item to be tabled as she had not had the opportunity to review the documentation sent.

ADJOURN / ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting and enter into executive session was made at 8:14 p.m. The motion was made by Trustee Stella and seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

A motion to close executive session and re-enter into the regular meeting at 9:32 p.m. was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

A motion to make the Deputy Clerk position full-time effective immediately was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Deputy Mayor Stortecky. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

A motion to close the meeting was made at 9:37 p.m.