

**PROCEEDINGS OF A BUDGET MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Monday, March 21, 2022 at 5 PM

PRESENT:

Mayor: Alysa Plummer
Trustees: Dan Keating
Renee Stetzer
Lili Lanphear
Justin Leitgeb
Village Attorney: Jeff Turner
Village Clerk: Dorothea Ciccarelli

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Mayor Plummer and seconded by Trustee Keating, to call the meeting to order.

Vote: Plummer – yes, Lanphear – yes, Keating – yes, Stetzer – yes, Leitgeb—yes. *Motion passed.*

HOME RULE RESOLUTION

Motion by Trustee Stetzer, and seconded by Trustee Leitgeb, to make the Home Rule Resolution for the 25 miles per hour.

Vote: Plummer – yes, Lanphear – yes, Keating – yes, Stetzer – yes, Leitgeb—yes. *Motion passed.*

WHEREAS, over the last fifteen years, the Village of Pittsford has studied and implemented a comprehensive strategy to ensure safer driving behavior and safer pedestrian conditions within the Village limits and has developed a new Active Transportation Plan.

WHEREAS, reducing the Village-wide speed limit on State Road to 25 miles per hour is more appropriate for a dense walkable area like the Village and is a proven method to reduce the number of crashes by increasing driver reaction time. Slower vehicular speeds greatly reduce the severity of vehicular/pedestrian accidents.

WHEREAS, has broad community support and recognizes the growing public’s desire for a safe walkable environment is part of a comprehensive Village Traffic calming plan and active transportation plan.

WHEREAS, follows national trends for best practices toward achieving safe conditions for all users of public streets and

WHEREAS, fulfills recommendations and policies of the Village’s Local Waterfront Redevelopment Plan (LWRP), Traffic Calming Plan, Complete Streets Resolution, and Active Transportation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees fully endorses and approves the Bill # S2959-A sponsored by Senator Brouk and Bill # A3532A sponsored by Assemblywoman Brynes. (To reduce the speed limit on all Village and State roads within the Village of Pittsford to 25 miles per hour.)

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

2022-2023 GENERAL & SEWER BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

The Board discussed the sewer rate and whether to increase the rate by 5% or 10%. Trustee Leitgeb discussed the current reserves and their establishment information. It was suggested that additional reserves for the fund

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would be beneficial. He also reviewed with the Board the vehicle replacement schedule for the DPW. A discussion was had on the replacement schedule and the need to replace vehicles in a manner that allows for the best value. Trustee Leitgeb stated that he would like to see schedules for streets, sidewalks, and sewer lines. He indicated that this could be a tool used for savings goals. The Board decided to increase the sewer rate by 10%.

The Board discussed the breakout of their salaries and decided that 10% would be more appropriate for the Trustees and 25% be more appropriate for the mayor. The Board agreed with the provided sewer/general personal breakdown.

The budget currently does not have a proposed tax increase, Trustee Lanphear discussed the option of having a small incremental tax increase yearly to help offset any possible larger tax increases in the future. Trustee Leitgeb agreed that the Board should discuss that as well, and expressed concerns with the reserve funding in the Budget.

Motion by Trustee Keating, and seconded by Trustee Lanphear, to adopt the proposed 2022-2023 tentative General / Sewer Budget and to set the public hearing for April 14, 2022, at 7 PM.

Vote: Plummer – yes, Lanphear – yes, Keating – yes, Stetzer – yes, Leitgeb—no. *Motion passed.*

The Board discussed the final items to be reviewed at the upcoming budget meetings, which included employee salaries, attorney bills, arboretum, and budget outliers. Trustee Keating would circulate the list to everyone for their review.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Keating, and seconded by Trustee Leitgeb, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Plummer – yes, Lanphear – yes, Keating – yes, Stetzer – yes, Leitgeb—yes. *Motion passed.*

Dorothea M. Ciccarelli, Recording Secretary