

MINUTES
November 10, 2015
BUDGET HEARING
TOWN OF NEW GLARUS

Town Hall – Swiss Miss Center 1101 Hwy 69 New Glarus @ 6:30 pm

ATTENDING: Board Members: Chris Narveson, Dean Streiff, Susan Crum (6:55), Jim Hoesly (6:55), Robert Elkins, Dennis Nielson and Pattie Salter

ALSO ATTENDING: Tara Bast, Johnson Block; Jim and Mary Phillips (7:00), Tim Schleeper (7:05)

CALL TO ORDER: C. Narveson called the Budget Hearing to order at 6:30 pm – Swiss Miss Center

1. PROOF OF POSTING: Clerk Salter attested to proper posting.
2. Budget Introduction by Accountant, Tara Bast of Johnson Block: Tara Bast from Johnson Block introduced 2016 budget.

Tara Bast explained that the Finance Committee met and went through the proposed budget line by line and noted new areas included an estimate for utilities and moving expenses and furniture. Public safety was contracted amounts along with an estimate of inspection fees.

The Capital projects are the largest area of growth. They include the Pioneer Road project which is estimated at 1.2 million and the new office construction and remodel. Chris explained that the bid for Pioneer Road project will be bid as a base bid from O to Blue Vista then Blue Vista to Titus Lane. The bid breaks out the asphalt and dirt work, in hopes to entice more bidders. There is also an alternate for dropping in conduit.

T. Schleeper presented the board with a proposed construction schedule. The initial board meeting to authorize bidding would be at our December 8, 2015 RTB. Without objection Tim will be back at our December meeting to give us a firm schedule.

The 2016 proposed budget \$2,517,806 with a 2015/16 tax levy of \$723,256 for a 2015/16 tax rate of \$4.97 per 1,000. This represents an increase of 7.7%.

3. Adjourn to Special Meeting of the Electorate: As there were no further comments, C. Narveson suggested that the Public Hearing be closed and we move onto our Special meeting of the electorate. D. Streiff moved to adjourn the Budget Hearing, R. Elkins 2nd. Budget Hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

Pattie Salter, Clerk
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