

VILLAGE OF RED HOOK WORKSHOP MINUTES

12-15-2016

PRESENT: MAYOR BLUNDELL AND TRUSTEES NORRIS, KOVALCHIK & ZACHARZUK

Guests - Judge Triebwasser at 7 pm – 7:30 pm and Sgt Hildenbrand at 7:30 pm.
Norris left the meeting at 7:40 pm for another appointment.

Mayor opened meeting at 7 pm and made motion to enter Executive Session for matters pertaining to personnel. All were in favor.

Board remained in Exec Session until 7:30 pm when a motion was made to return to regular session. Judge Triebwasser left the meeting.

POLICE VEHICLE:

Sgt Hildenbrand attended to review police vehicle needs and options with the Board. The 2006 Dodge Charger police vehicle has 137,000 miles of service and recently blew a piston. Repairs are projected at \$6,-7,000. Police indicate they need the full fleet and are short now without this car available. Other cars have 21,000; 78,000 and 104,000 miles respectively. The unmarked car has 141,000 miles.

Sgt found a lease agency and got recommendations from other departments that use leasing. He is requesting a lease be considered of a 2016-17 Ford Interceptor with a full police package for 4 years and \$1 buyout at end for \$11,392.24. We would insert our own computer, radio and radar. All else is done.

Financing is the issue; there is police money in the PD vehicle capital fund and a recent donation is in the General Fund Balance from fiscal year ending May31, 2016. Some discussion on funding and capital replacement cycles. We have one car under a loan now and this would make two. But prior years (2007-2011) fiscal issues precluded being fully able to fund capital replacement in a cycle we want prefer. Current PD capital and donations lines have enough money to get the first year paid but we will need to budget next fiscal year. Donations are not contractual and cannot be definite each year so we need to use operating funds in the budget. There is a full warranty available and the Board would like to use that too. It costs about \$540 more per year but we are interested. Concurred we will move forward but Sgt will get warranty and updated quote. Price is based on State Contract values. Mayor will convey, poll board and get order done.

RED HOOK FIRE CONTRACTS:

The Town Board has met and is going to renew their contract with the 4% contract increase to RHFD that we were projecting. This will be 4% one year and flat in the second year.

RHFD has recently sent the Village a lot of data that we had requested months ago. Mayor circulated this to the Board.

The secondary wording of the Town contract with RHFD includes factors that deal with Town contribution to the Village on LOSAP and Work Comp premiums. Blundell indicated that recent meetings with Town led to them agreeing to 75/25 pro-rating on both costs. This makes it consistent and more equitable. The Work Comp had been at 79/21 for a few recent years but LOSAP was at 60/40. Now it is consistent at the newly negotiated rate.

On the main fire contract with the Village the Board still wants to maintain the same increase percentage as the Town, 4%; but we will do it as 2% one year and a new 2% the next year.

Motion by Blundell and seconded by Kovalchik.

Village will continue with the contract stance of 2% plus 2% next year in increases and accept the terms of the Town contract with regard to LOSAP and Work Comp premium sharing at 75/25% pro-rating, including associated costs on work comp.(Town pays the 75%).

Passed with three votes.

TWC/CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS – SPRECTRUM – NEW FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

Blundell updated the Board on a recently received cable franchise agreement. TWC is being bought by Charter Communications so the lapsed contract is being re-done. Offer is the max at 5% of “gross revenues”. Village Attorney and 4 other muni’s are in loop for talks. We are asking for capital purchase fund to include an option to get more \$ than offered. Town of RH Supervisor will act as negotiator for all 5 municipalities.

NYS DOS – CMEC GRANTS

Blundell circulated info to the Board about a new DOS grant option for mergers/consolidations/shared services and asked for creative input and ideas.

Submitted by

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