

**VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM
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SHOREHAM, NEW YORK 11786**

BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, 80 WOODVILLE ROAD, SHOREHAM, NY ON MAY 29, 2018 AT 7:30 O’CLOCK PM.

PRESENT:

Edward Weiss	MAYOR
Brian C. Vail	DEPUTY MAYOR
Leonard Emma	TRUSTEE
Rosemary Connell	TRUSTEE - not present
Sherry Neff	TRUSTEE
Cathy Donahue-Spier	CLERK/ TREASURER

Residents present: Michael Brogden and Marianne Coogan

OPEN MEETING

Pledge of Allegiance

2018 – 19 Proposed Budget

The 2018-19 proposed budget was distributed and reviewed. Two significant factors will affect the 2018-19 budget: a 17% increase in the 2018 Fire Contract and the \$480,000 of road work that is scheduled to be done in the Village during this fiscal year. The proposed budget includes an increase in the tax rate from \$431 to \$443 per \$1,000 of assessed value to cover the increase in the Fire Contract as well as a special roadwork assessment to collect \$80,000 to put toward the road work project.

The roadwork assessment would be collected for the next few years to restore fund balance allocated to pay for the roads. The Board discussed whether the roadwork assessment should be a flat rate or based upon assessed value and concluded that assessed value was the most equitable method of taxation, citing the fact that the roadwork in the old section of the Village was funded by a 13 year bond that is being paid from funds collected on assessed value. The roadwork assessment therefore would be \$53 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Revenues: Other than taxes, revenue would consist of the DASNY grant, CHIPS monies, and reserve funds and fund balance appropriations. The only decreased revenue anticipated would be less rental income. However, that would be matched by a decrease in the steward, building, and code enforcement expenses.

Roadwork: The \$480,000 roadwork project would be funded by the DASNY grant of \$200,000, CHIPS reimbursement of \$50,000, the 2018-19 roadwork assessment of \$80,000, and the use of

\$150,000 of fund balance. The 2019-20 and 2020 -21 road work assessment (\$160,000) would replenish the expended fund balance.

Expenditures: Other than the fire contract and the proposed roadwork, the budgeted expenditures included a line for assessor's fees. Other expenditures remain roughly the same. Approximately \$90,000 is budgeted for capital improvements.

Refuse: The refuse assessment will not be determined until after the refuse bids are received.

Proposed Tax Rate: \$496 per \$1,000 of assessed value over \$431 last year. \$12 increase for fire contract and \$53 increase for roadwork.

Appropriations

The following expenditures were authorized:

Tree Work: Commissioner Walker obtained proposals from various arborists to address problems with trees in three different locations in the Village: on Hillcrest Drive, by the platform tennis courts and on Ashley Lane. The Board allocated \$5,000 to take down the trees. To save money, the lumber by the platform tennis court will be left there and not taken away. A decision will be made later to address disposal of the lumber.

4th of July Sound System: Michael Brogden, who is assisting the Village with the audio system for the 4th of July speeches, recommended that the Village purchase 3 self-powering speakers. He estimated that the speakers would cost approximately \$500 each. He will obtain a proposal from a vendor for the Board. Approval to expend \$1,500 for the purchase of the speaker systems.

Tennis Court Roller: The tennis roller is no longer functioning. Commissioner Richter was able to locate a used roller that would cost \$2,500 from Gold Coast Tennis. She was not able to locate anything cheaper. A new roller would cost \$5,000. The old roller is more than 30 years old. The Board approved a \$2,500 expenditure for the roller.

Access Lift Engineer: Pursuant to a meeting between D.Mayor Vail, Clerk/Treasurer Spier and the Town of Brookhaven officials administrating the handicap access grant, the Village obtained a proposal from LKMA engineering firm for assistance with preparation of bid documents in accordance with Housing and Urban Development requirements. The Board authorizes an expenditure of \$3,000 to complete Tasks 1 and 2 of the proposal relating to the drafting of the bid documents and the analysis of the bids received.

Flower Pots and Beds: Clerk Spier reported that she spoke to the principal at Longmeadow Landscaping about the submitted proposal regarding the flower pots, planters and beds. She was informed that the Village could proceed by authorizing the mulching, weeding, planting and

weekly watering for the summer planting for a cost of \$4,650. The Village will decide in August whether it will authorize a fall planting. Trustee Neff will speak to Longmeadow to confirm.

Additional Deck Furniture: Clerk Spier reported that she located the least expensive on-line vendor who sold the outdoor furniture used for deck nights. The cost to add 4 tables and 12 chairs would be \$1,700 plus a \$250 delivery charge. D.Mayor Vail suggested that we only order 2 tables and 8 chairs for now. If the order is placed on-line, the Village credit card may be used for this purchase. Clerk Spier will investigate whether any local vendors sell the furniture so as to avoid the delivery charge.

Approved.
(Weiss – Vail 4-0)

Change of Time for Next Board Meeting – Mayor Weiss stated that the secretary to the Board of Education informed him that the first order of business at their June 12th 7:00 pm Board meeting would be the future use of Briarcliff School. A motion was made to move the Village Board meeting on the same date to 8:00 p.m. to accommodate residents who wish to attend the Board of Education meeting. Clerk Spier to send out a Village email informing residents of the change in meeting time.

Approved.
(Weiss – Neff 4-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn 9:30 PM

Approved.
(Neff - Vail 4 - 0)

Submitted,
Cathy Donahue Spier
Village Clerk