**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD**

TOWN OF SANDY CREEK
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SANDY CREEK, NEW YORK 13145-0052

**Date:** October 10, 2019

**Kind of Meeting:** Special Meeting

**Place:** Sandy Creek Town Hall

**Town Board Members Present:** Ruth E. Scheppard **Others Present:**

 Nola J. Gove Tammy L. Miller

 Dave Warner Jill Mattison

 Nancy Ridgeway Brittany M. Washburn

 John Wood Phil Widrick

CALL TO ORDER:

Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. This special meeting was scheduled to begin discussion of the 2020 budget.

Town board members and Phil Widrick discussed the former Widrick Implement Inc. building at 6224 US Rt 11. The building is currently occupied by Cazenovia Equipment. They will not be renewing their lease in June of 2020 and the owner, Oswego SC Properties, LLC will be selling the property. This is being considered as a possible future home for the Town of Sandy Creek Highway Department. Mr. Widrick is one of the owners of the property and answered some questions regarding the condition of the building and what stays with the property after it is sold. Mr. Widrick has been talking with Highway Superintendent Kastler. He stated that he told him he would like $475,000 for the property. The monthly rent from Cazenovia Equipment is currently $6,300. The boiler that heats the offices and the showroom is likely the original from when the building was built in the late 1970’s. Other parts of the building have infrared heat. There is natural gas service to the building. He is not interested in holding a mortgage. The functionality of the security system is unknown at this time. He will ask the Cazenovia Equipment staff about it. Mr. Widrick left the meeting at 7:21 pm.

Supervisor Ridgeway turned the discussion over to Budget Officer Jill Mattison, who distributed the Tentative Budget to the Town Clerk and Town Board Members. She also provided current trial balance sheets for each fund. The REDI money match is now 5%, a decrease from 15%. Councilman Scheppard proposed a 4% salary increase for 2020. They agreed that the Constables will receive $60 for each date working for the Town Court. This is the equivalent of 3 hours at $20 per hour. For any time over 3 hours they will be paid at a rate of $20 per hour. The A, B, DA and DB funds were reviewed. The Village of Lacona has requested an increase to $76,500 for the 2020 fire protection contract. Jill Mattison left the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Councilman Wood suggested we ask B&L to do building inspections at the current town barn and at the Cazenovia Equipment building. Supervisor Ridgeway asked the Councilmen to compile their thoughts on union contract negotiations before the next special budget meeting on October 16th.

**On motion** by Ruth Scheppard, seconded by Nola J. Gove, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Miller, RMC

Town Clerk