# Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at the Rockland Town Hall Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 6:08 p.m. Adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Chairman Cashman and Supervisor Lasee together with Clerk Charette, Treasurer Van Dyck, Assessor Bob Taicher, Bob Gerbers and Lieutenant Steve Perry were present. Supervisor Van Vonderen arrived at 6:26 p.m. Notice was verified by the Clerk.

# **Public Comment**

Bob Gerbers informed the Board that there have been a number of complaints regarding trespassing activity at 3284 Ryan Road. Lieutenant Perry, Brown County Sheriff's Department, informed the Board that approximately two years ago, the owner may have permitted the Sheriff's Department to cite individuals who were trespassing on the property but he could not find anything in writing that substantiated that claim. Lieutenant Perry informed the Board that the owner, Bob Hecker, would need to call or send a letter to the Sheriff's Department authorizing them to cite trespassers. He provided his cell number to the Board to use and to provide to Mr. Hecker. He also provided the non-emergency number that residents can use to call and report any activity occurring on the property. Lieutenant Perry recommended that the Town's attorney draft a letter to Mr. Hecker asking him to secure the building and to assist the Sheriff's Department with any trespassing or suspicious activities taking place on the property.

### **Review quotes from Recycling Cart Vendors**

Clerk Charette provided copies of quotes from Rehrig-Pacific and Toter's for new recycling carts. No action was taken.

### Review Harter's Fox Valley Disposal Sanitation & Recycling Contract for January 1, 2016-December 31, 2019

Clerk Charette provided the Board with a proposed extension to the existing sanitation and recycling agreement with Harter's Fox Valley Disposal. Discussion was had on the new terms addressing the new \$.85/month fee for recycling carts, the length of time remaining on the existing contract, and how the new fee for recycling carts would be documented.

Clerk Charette will contact Harter's to determine if a resident can buy the recycling cart directly from Harter's in 2016.

### Establish 2016 payments due to Greenleaf & Morrison Volunteer Fire Departments

The Assessor provided a preliminary valuation of the town for 2016. Based upon the numbers received thus far, the Town's approximate valuation is \$191,333,800 which is the total of the assessed value (\$190,085.00) and personal property (\$1,248,800). The manufacturing numbers should be in by mid-October which will increase the Town's valuation by approximately \$500,000. The Assessor then provided the increase in assessed value for those properties located within the Morrison Volunteer Fire Department's jurisdiction (\$2,098,900) and the increase in assessed value for those properties located within the Greenleaf Volunteer Fire Department's jurisdiction (\$1,564,400). Those increases were then

multiplied by the appropriate mill rates (3/4 for Greenleaf and 1.0 for Morrison) to obtain the payments due to each fire department in 2016.

	2015 Base Rate	Base Dues	+ New Construction	2016 Base
Greenleaf Fire Dept	79,583	79,583	1,173	\$80,756
Morrison Fire Dept	52,120	52,120	2,098	\$54,218
Total	131,703	131,703	3,271	\$134,974

# Work on and possibly approve 2016 Proposed Budget

Clerk Charette provided a draft worksheet of the proposed 2016 budget along with a draft of the municipal levy worksheet. Discussion was had on the term and total dollar amount of the Hickory Ridge loan. It was decided to seek a \$325,000.00 loan for 10 years. Clerk Charette explained that on this year's municipal levy worksheet, the legislators authorized municipalities to use unused levy adjusted from prior years with some stipulations. Discussion was had on whether to utilize the \$8,814.00 for this year's budget. Chairman Cashman, Supervisor Van Vonderen and Supervisor Lasee verbally agreed that it should be used in the 2016 budget. The proposed budget was then amended to reach the allowable levy limit. The next budget workshop meeting is Monday, October 19, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing and special elector meeting is set for Monday, November 16, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.

### Announcements and Distribution of Correspondence received, if any

Clerk Charette provided the notice of public hearing scheduled for October 13, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. and the notice of non-renewal of the 15-year old contract received from the Greenleaf Volunteer Fire Department. Clerk Charette also informed the Board that the Town of Wrightstown has inquired whether the Board intends to adopt a resolution opposing the proposed bike trail along CTH ZZ.

### Items intended for future meetings

Harter's Contract; resolution Opposing CTH bike trail; final proposed budget and municipal levy worksheet

### Adjournment

M/M to adjourn Supervisor Lasee at 9:26 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Jann Charette Town Clerk

Revised Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by the Town Board on Monday, October 5, 2015.

Dennis J. Cashman Town Chairman