

VILLAGE OF PERRY
SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
February 29, 2016

A Special Board Meeting of the Village of Perry was held at the Village Hall 46 North Main Street Perry New York at 7:00 p.m. on the 29th day of February 2016.

PRESENT:	Rick Hauser	Mayor
	Dariel A. Draper	Trustee
	Eleanor Jacobs	Trustee
	Bonnita Matson	Trustee
	Anita Billings	Trustee
	Gail Vosburg	Village Clerk
	Terry Murphy	Village Administrator

Mayor Hauser called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Hauser led in the pledge to the flag.

Main Street Improvement Project

Main Street Construction bid awarded to CP Ward – The NYS DOT has concurred that CP Ward is the lowest responsible bidder for the construction of the Main Street Improvement Project. Motion by Trustee Billings, seconded by Trustee Jacobs, to award the construction for the Main Street Improvement Project to CP Ward and authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award. Motion carried with all voting aye. It was noted that there will be inspectors on site at all times during the construction project as per the contract.

2016-17 Budget

Clerk Vosburg reviewed the two spreadsheets that were distributed. One showing the tax rate variations and the other sheet that shows the proposed cuts to the various budget lines. She explained how each colored tax rate was calculated. Mayor Hauser expressed his concern with the proposed cut to the drainage budget of \$5,000. He would rather change the fund balance allocation to \$185,000. Trustee Matson said that there are several sizable projects in the budget; drainage and sidewalks. She is concerned with the fund balance cut in case of problems that arise during the projects. She suggested leaving the drainage budget intact. Administrator Murphy expressed his concern with cutting budget lines too thin as we would lose the flexibility for discretionary spending during the year. He also concerned with the cuts proposed to the streets and snow removal contractual accounts. The more active the DPW is, the more the equipment and fuel that is used to finish the projects. Mayor Hauser said that the averages for the past several years were looked at in coming up with the new budget amounts. Mayor Hauser said that he feels comfortable proceeding with the cuts in the green column (L) with the exception of the drainage cut and to change the fund balance allocation to \$185,000. He is concerned with increasing the fund balance allocation past \$200,000. If we can finalize the budget numbers, the clerk can then present the tentative budget to the board and the board can schedule a public hearing. Administrator Murphy said that the when you put the budget together, it is not for just a one year plan, but you need to look at the long run. He is concerned with going too *thin* for too many years. Motion by Mayor Hauser, seconded by Trustee Draper, to proceed with column (L) with the drainage contractual being left alone and the fund balance allocation changed to \$185,000. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Chicken Code

Draft copies of the chicken code were passed out to board members.

Grant writing proposal

A proposal from LaBella Associated was received to assist on the UADA grant in the amount of \$1,800. Mayor Hauser will discuss with the Mayors of Mt Morris and Geneseo the proposed grant. It was asked to see if they will chip in for the grant assist cost. Livingston County already has a Downtown Partnership under its County Development.

Village Administrator requirements

As per our local law, the Village Administrator must live in the Village. The Village Attorney gave a recommendation as to how to change this requirement. The local law would be amended.

The Mayor said that he will be gone for the last part of March and is looking for names for the Board of Appeals. He is happy with the committees as they are right now.

Motion by Mayor Hauser, seconded by Trustee Matson to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation at 7:43 pm. Motion carried with all voting aye.

As transcribed from Mayor Hauser's notes.

Motion by Trustee Matson seconded by Trustee Jacobs to adjourn the executive session and resume the regular meeting. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Motion to adjourn meeting was offered by Trustee Matson, second by Trustee Jacobs and carried with all voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail I. Vosburg
Gail Vosburg, Village Clerk