

Springfield Town Board Minutes - Budget Tuesday, October 14, 2015 @ 7:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance - Chair Don Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., Roll call shows Supervisors Dave Laufenberg, Jim Pulvermacher, Dan Dresen and Art Meinholz present. Also present were Clerk Carolyn Hacker, Road Patrolman Mark Grosse, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jan Barman. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- II. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law - Clerk Hacker reported that notice of this meeting was met by posting at the Town Hall, corner of CTH K and Church Roads and Schneider Road Business Center. Meeting is also being taped.
- III. Informal Public Comment Time - None
- IV. Discussion and possible action for 2016 Budget - Board reviewed what was discussed at the last meeting and went through the line items that were ear marked as questionable.

Hacker and Barman explained that the information that Hacker had received about the ATC impact fees may not be correct. Barman spoke with Shawn Haney from T-Vienna that they received less than half of what was originally promised and there are restrictions on what it can be used for. Board removed this from the budget, we can decide on what to do with it when it comes and we find out the amount that we actually get. Options discussed were salt shed, parking lot or purchase of land for a new Town Hall location. With the Hwy 12 plans, accessibility to this building could be an issue for the residents.

Hacker stated that the number for GL Biogas is what was calculated with this year's levy increase. With the loan payments included in the levy, it came to an increase of \$0.31/1000 from last year. Local mill rate was \$1.74/1000, this year \$2.05/1000 of the total tax base.

Hacker stated that W-EMS has not sent the budget numbers at this time, the number we put in was an estimate. Art stated that he does not receive the emails from the EMS, Hacker will forward them to him from now on.

Grosse brought up that the Part Time employees are getting request to snow plow from other entities starting at about \$23/hr. Board approved to increase experienced PT drivers to \$21/hr. and new PT drivers starting at \$19/hr.

Board discussed options for FT employee increases. They decided on an increase for Barman to \$23.50/hr., Grosse and Hacker to \$24/hr. Hacker significant increase for clerk certification.

Board increase per diem to \$50/meeting, averaging 4 meeting per month.

Hacker stated with these changes, we were in the black, the board stated to put any extra in Major roads.

- V. Adjourn - **Motion made by (Pulvermacher/Meinholz) to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. All ayes, carried.**