

**BUDGET WORKSHOP
MEETING MINUTES
of the Village of Windsor, N.Y.
107 Main Street
Windsor, NY 13865
December 16, 2020**

Present: Mayor: Ronald G. Harting
Trustee James W. Miller
Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
Thomas M. Skinner
Robert E. West
Clerk/Treasurer: Patricia L. Harting
Attendees: 0

Call to Order: **Time:** 12:30 P.M.
By: Mayor Ron Harting

12:30 P.M. - Public Hearing for Local Law #4-2020 – Override the Tax Cap - There was no public comment.

Resolution #31-2020

**RESOLUTION NO.32-2020
ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO.4 OF 2020**

WHEREAS, A RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Windsor for a public hearing to be held by said Board at the Community House, 107 Main Street, Windsor, New York at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16, 2020, to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law No.4 for 2020 authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the Windsor Standard on December 3, 2020; and posted on the Village Clerk’s Sign Board on December 4, 2020; and posted on the Village website on December 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held at the Community House, 107 Main Street, Windsor, NY at 12:30 p.m. on December 16, 2020, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof;

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Windsor, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Village to adopt said Local Law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Windsor hereby adopts said Local Law as Local Law No.4 of 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk be and she is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Village of Windsor, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State; and

RESOLVED that this Resolution will take effect immediately.

Offered by: Thomas M. Skinner

Seconded by: Robert E. West, Jr.

Vote: AYE - All

Resolution effective December 16, 2020

Local Law #4-2020

Be it enacted by the Village Board of the Village of Windsor as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Windsor to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing March 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing board.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Windsor, located in the County of Broome, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing March 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.
Expenditures – 1) Most of the anticipated work has been done on the Community House so we can bring that line item back down to what it was 2 years ago. There is some work to be done yet, but it’s mostly labor. 2) The Treasurer remarked that she felt the Deputy Mayor should get a raise as he audits the payroll every week and also takes on extra responsibilities. 3) We don’t anticipate any extra legal fees coming next year but we do have some property issues that may go to court so the attorney’s contractual will be left the same. 4) We cut the Grant Writer Services in half. Steve stated there are no grants right now so he doesn’t feel he earns that. But he will continue to check on it often and let us know when something comes up. 5) It was decided to give the EMS another \$500.00 this year. 6) We lowered the cost of street lighting. With the new LED street lights, we are showing a cost savings. 7) Our garbage contract increased by \$2,000. 8) Other increases were due to increases beyond our control, such as insurances, health insurances, workers comp, etc. 9) Salaries were discussed.

Budget - The final budget was presented to the board members. There are less expenses and less revenue and less fund balance is needed than as previous years. It was decided to go with a.07% increase.

Motion: to accept the budget as prepared

By: Ronald G. Harting

2nd: James W. Miller

Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to hold a public hearing for the 2021/2022 Budget on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 7:03 p.m.

By: Thomas M. Skinner
2nd: Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to adjourn at 1:15 p.m.

By: James W. Miller
2nd: Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
Vote: AYE - All

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia L. Harting, Village Clerk / Treasurer