

DECEMEBR 1, 2011 – WORK SESSION/ SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes of a work session/special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Somers held on Thursday evening December 1, 2011 at 7:10 PM at the Town House, 335 Route 202, Somers, New York.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:       Supervisor       Mary Beth Murphy  
                  Councilman       Harold R. Bolton  
                  Councilman       Richard G. Clinchy  
                  Councilman       Frederick J. Morrissey

ABSENT:        Councilman       Thomas A. Garrity, Jr.

Also present were Kathleen R. Pacella, Town Clerk, Patricia Kalba, Deputy Town Clerk and Roland A. Baroni, Jr., Town Attorney.

The Supervisor said that it was in order for the Board to enter into an executive session with regard to personnel.

Thereupon motion of Supervisor Murphy, seconded Councilman Morrissey, the meeting was adjourned to an executive session at 7:10 PM to return that evening.

7:50 PM meeting reconvened

Councilman Garrity present at 7:50 PM.

The Supervisor said that it was in order for the Board to open a public hearing with regard to the 2012 Preliminary Budget.

7:50 PM – hearing opened  
8:00 PM – meeting reconvened

Councilman Clinchy asked if the Board could enter into an executive session with regard to personnel before they adopted the 2012 Preliminary Budget.

Thereupon motion of Councilman Clinchy, seconded by Councilman Garrity, the meeting was adjourned to an executive session with regard to personnel at 8:00 PM to return that evening.

8:10 PM – meeting reconvened

The Supervisor said that it was in order for the Board to adopt the 2012 Preliminary Budget.

Thereupon motion of Councilman Clinchy, seconded by Councilman Garrity, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt the Preliminary Budget as presented on December 1, 2011 as the 2012 Budget.

ROLL CALL:       Councilman Harold R. Bolton        AYE  
                  Councilman Richard G. Clinchy     AYE  
                  Councilman Frederick J. Morrissey   AYE  
                  Councilman Thomas A. Garrity, Jr.   AYE  
                  Supervisor Mary Beth Murphy       AYE

Councilman Garrity said that now that the Budget had been adopted he wanted to thank all of the Departments for their feedback. He said that he felt that the Supervisor's suggestion for the Budget process this year was a great idea. He said that everyone was involved in the process a month earlier and he thought that was the reason that they were able to work through the Budget. He said that being able to do this tonight was a good thing. Councilman Garrity said that this was an incredibly difficult year and in the four

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cycles that he had been involved in this was the toughest Budget. He said that he would love to have a year where revenues had gone up. He said that the meetings were good and everyone on the Board actively participated as well as the Departments. Councilman Garrity said that the Budget was a sign of the times and they worked with what they had and he was happy with the results. He thanked the Supervisor for starting the process earlier and getting the feedback from the Board. He said that in the end it served everyone well.

This being a work session the only other action was taken was:

The Supervisor said that it was in order for the Board to authorize her to execute an Easement request from NYSEG at the Angle Fly Preserve.

Thereupon motion of Councilman Morrissey, seconded by Councilman Garrity, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute an Easement request on the Angle Fly Preserve with NYSEG pending Town Attorney approval.

This being a work session no further actions were taken.

Thereupon motion of Supervisor Murphy, seconded by Councilman Garrity, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

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Town Clerk