

VILLAGE OF STRATFORD
Annual Budget Hearing & Special Meeting
Tuesday, November 29, 2022
Community Hall

President Grell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Open meetings requirements were met.

ROLL CALL: Trustees present: Todd Belter, Keith Grell, Dale Heil, Katie Marten, and Kevin Spaeth. Staff present: Clerk Jamie Heindl.

Absent: Maryel Schoenfuss and Troy Wiesman.

BUDGET HEARING: President Grell opened the Budget Hearing at 6:00 p.m. calling for comments or questions regarding the 2023 budget. The local mill rate will be increasing from \$6.27 to \$6.80 per thousand of valuation, and that the levy appears to be a significant increase but is balanced by an increase in assessed value throughout the village.

Hearing no questions or comments, Grell closed the Budget Hearing at 6:08 p.m. There were no further questions from the Village Board.

Motion by Belter/Heil to approve the 2023 Budget as presented. Carried.

Motion by Heil/Belter to set the Village's 2023 tax levy at \$635,548. Carried.

Motion by Marten/Heil to approve Resolution 2022-04 to Adopt the 2023 Budget and Tax Levy. Carried.

Motion by Marten/Belter to approve the sidewalk snow removal agreement with Dairyland Labs for the property located at 212922 Legion Street at a rate of \$25.00/time. Carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Motion by Heil/Belter to approve the meeting minutes from 11/14/2022, 11/16/2022, & 11/21/2022. Carried.

Motion by Marten/Spaeth to approve the employment of Thomas Koontz as Chief of Police. Carried.

Motion by Heil/Belter to approve Resolution 2022-03 to set the 2023 Wages for non-elected employees. Carried.

Roll Call: Belter – yes, Grell – yes, Heil – yes, Marten – yes, Spaeth – abstain.

Motion by Belter/Spaeth to approve the \$1,000 performance bonus for Maria Ledesma payable 03/31/2023 and an additional \$1,000 payable 09/29/2022. Carried.

Motion by Marten/Heil to adjourn. Carried. (7:10 p.m.)

Submitted by:

Jamie Heindl, Clerk