

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford assembled at the Spafford Town Hall, 1984 Route 174, Skaneateles, New York with Supervisor Webb A. Stevens presiding and the following Board members present: Councilor Rick Fesko, Councilor Ken Lieberman, Councilor Merrill Clark and Councilor Jeff Ireland.

The following Town Officers were present: Town Clerk Lisa Valletta, Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers, and Accountant Thomas Chartrand. Supervisor Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED 2011 BUDGET**

A motion to open the public hearing for discussion of the proposed 2011 budget for the Town of Spafford was made at 7:01 p.m. by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

- o Mr. Chartrand explained the Revenue Sharing Payment was lowered to reflect current year figures.
- o The budget signature page from the Spafford Fire Commissioners was missing the numbers at the edge of the document. A complete copy will be requested.

***PUBLIC COMMENTS***

David and Joyce Larrison:

- Why are the rates lower?
- The Highway budget seems high compared to other towns.

There was a brief discussion of various components of the budget and the relation of the tax rates to the total town's assessed value.

There were no additional comments or questions.

A motion to close the public hearing was made at 7:15 p.m. by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Ireland. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

**RESOLUTION 87-2010**

**2011 Budget**

On a motion by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Clark the following resolution was PASSED

AYES – 5	Stevens, Fesko, Lieberman, Clark, Ireland
NAYS – 0	

Resolved to adopt the 2010 Preliminary Budget with the amendment to the State Revenue Sharing from \$6,850 to \$6,315 as the 2010 Budget for the Town of Spafford.

**MEMORIAL TREE**

A blue spruce tree has been purchased and donated to the Town of Spafford in memory of Mr. John Korcz, Sr. The Korcz family requested the tree be planted in the Veterans' Memorial Park. Considering the size of the park the Board is concerned future requests may result in excessive trees and denials. The opposite corner, (past site of the I.G.A. store) was suggested as an alternative location. The Board members will inspect the site for a reasonable location. A final decision will be made at the next Board meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 2010-3

The final version of proposed local law 2010-3 is not yet available. There will be no public hearing on November 11, 2010. A new date for the hearing will be determined at the next Board meeting.

BOCKES ROAD - FESKO PROPERTY

Councilor Clark contacted local surveyor Paul Hood to ask if Mr. Hood surveyed any properties on Bockes Road other than the golf course. Mr. Hood will look through his records. Mr. Hood stated there is an original property stake for the golf course property. Councilor Clark will follow up with Mr. Hood and request an estimate for a survey of the south line along Bockes Road.

Highway Superintendent Wiers mentioned there are likely to be other properties on Bockes Road that infringe on the Town right-of-way. Councilor Ireland suggested a survey may have been done because of a conflict between the Town and the Wiles. Councilor Ireland will research the matter to learn if the survey went all the way to the lake shore. According to Onondaga County Engineering Department, property within a road right-of-way is not protected by the "grandfather" law.

Councilor Lieberman and Councilor Ireland agree if the roof and entry are repaired they would be satisfied. Councilor Ireland will research the survey regarding the

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Next meeting to be held  
Thursday, November 11, 2010 @ 7 p.m.  
@ Spafford Town Hall

Lisa M. Valletta  
Town Clerk  
Town of Spafford