

BURKE TOWN WORK SESSION
September 24, 2019

A Work Session of the Burke Town Board was held on September 24, 2019 at the Burke Town Court House to work on the 2020 Budget. Supervisor, Bill Wood, called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers:	Arnold Lobdell Tim Crippen Pat Downing, absent Jim Otis
Supervisor:	Bill Wood
Town Clerk:	Elizabeth Downing
Supt. of Highways	Larry LaPlante
Bookkeeper	Linda Trudell

A motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Town Attorney, Brian Stewart, attended the Work Session to address the proposed Teamster Contract for 2020. The following errors were found:

1. Page 7 Article 18 item C under vacations is not worded specific enough (10+ years). It should specify 10-19 years not 10+.
2. Page 10 Loss of Employee Driver License due to off at the job reasons should read Loss of Employee Driver License due to off the job reasons.

Work must be done on Employee Retirement on Page 8, Article 21 that violates NYS Tax Law. This retirement must be changed to be a salary with taxes deducted not an IRA contribution from the Town and must be readdressed by the Teamsters and the Town of Burke. Town Attorney, Brian Stewart, recommended that the Teamster's Contract not be voted upon and be renegotiated. Entering the New York State Retirement System was suggested as an alternative. A meeting with Teamster's Representative Mickey Smith was set up for Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 8:00 A.M. at the Burke Town Courthouse.

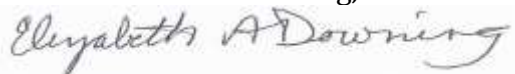
These are some of the changes made to the 2020 Tentative Budget:

1. The Town Board agreed to keep their yearly salary at \$2,250.00.
2. The Town Justice yearly salary was raised to \$12,000.00.
3. The Town Justice Clerk's yearly salary was raised to \$4,300.00.
4. The Town Supervisor's yearly salary was raised to \$9,000.00.
5. The Tax Collector's yearly salary was raised to \$3,500.00.
6. The Town Clerk's yearly salary was raised to \$8,000.00.
7. The Life Flight payment was increased to \$350.00.
8. The Superintendent of Highway's yearly salary was raised to \$46,000.00.
9. Seller's Field's contractual funds were increased to \$1,500.00.
10. The Burke Adult Center payment was increased to \$6,500.00.
11. Payment for mowing Cemeteries was raised to \$9,500.00.
12. The Town Code Officer's yearly salary was raised to \$6,000.00.

Councilman Arnold Lobdell will get an estimate for a 20KW Generator to submit for the 2020 Justice Grant. Councilman Tim Crippen will contact Dow Electric to repair the Outside lighting at the Courthouse. The bill will be submitted for the 2020 Justice Grant.

A motion to adjourn at 9:13 P.M. was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat absent, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk



Recorded by, Elizabeth A. Downing