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INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF LAUREL HOLLOW
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING
April 6, 2017
7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE HALL
1492 Laurel Hollow Road
Syosset, New York 11791-9603

PRESENT:

- DANIEL DeVITA, Mayor
- JEFFREY MIRITELLO, Trustee
- JEFFREY NEMSHIN, Trustee
- RICHARD M. NICKLAS, Trustee
- NICHOLAS TSAFOS, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:

- HOWARD AVRUTINE, Village Attorney
- KAREN A. NAVIN, Clerk/Treasurer
- NANCY POPPER, Deputy Clerk

2017-2018 BUDGET

MARY ANNE COPPINS
OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

1 MS. NAVIN: The Public Hearing is
2 called to order at 9:25 p.m. on the
3 Tentative Budget for the period June 1,
4 2017 through May 31, 2018.

5 MR. AVRUTINE: The exhibits in
6 connection with the Public Hearing are
7 as follows:

8 First, the excerpt from the minutes
9 of the March 15, 2017 meeting setting
10 the Public Hearing for April 6, 2017.
11 The next exhibit is a copy of the
12 Tentative Budget as filed with the Board
13 of Trustees on March 15, 2017. The next
14 exhibit is the Notice of the April 6,
15 2017 Public Hearing prepared by the
16 Village Clerk. The next exhibit is an
17 Affidavit of Posting prepared by
18 Nicholas Porcaro stating that the Notice
19 of the Public Hearing was posted at
20 Village Hall on March 17, 2017. The
21 next exhibit is an Affidavit of
22 Publication prepared by Richner
23 Communications Incorporated stating that
24 the Public Notice of the April 6, 2017
25 Hearing was published in the Oyster Bay

1 Guardian on March 24, 2017. The next
2 exhibit consists of evidence that the
3 Public Notice for the April 6, 2017
4 Hearing and the Tentative Budget were
5 posted to the NEWS section of the
6 Village website and forwarded to the
7 Village website subscribers on March 17,
8 2017. And the final exhibit consists of
9 evidence that the Tax Cap certification
10 was filed with the Office of the State
11 Comptroller on March 24, 2017.

12 MAYOR DeVITA: The Village has
13 completed its budgeting procedure.

14 This started with our Budget
15 Workshops in which the Board of Trustees
16 goes through, meticulously, the budgets
17 line-by-line making modifications,
18 estimates and reviewing each budget
19 line's history over the past several
20 years in order to come up with our new
21 budget.

22 So at the end of this long process,
23 and with the review of our outside
24 auditor, Chris Reno of the firm Coughlin
25 and Danowski, we filed our Tentative

1 Budget on March 15, 2017. And prior to
2 this Public Hearing this evening, we
3 approved a new five-year police
4 agreement with the Village of Oyster Bay
5 Cove which will require us, necessitate
6 us, to amend that Tentative Budget.

7 Correct, Karen?

8 MS. NAVIN: Correct. And I have
9 the action that the Board would have to
10 take tonight to amend the Tentative
11 Budget prior to adoption.

12 We need to amend Schedule 1-A to
13 increase it from \$1,550,000 to
14 \$1,625,700, bringing the grand total of
15 appropriations to \$3,403,778.

16 We have to amend Exhibit A to
17 increase the total appropriations to
18 3,403,778 and increase the assigned
19 surplus to \$406,073. Amend Schedule 3,
20 estimated surplus assigned by the Board
21 for fiscal year ending May 31, 2018 to
22 \$406,073, that's it.

23 So I need a motion to amend the
24 Tentative Budget.

25 MAYOR DeVITA: By the way, I'm

1 sorry, even with the amended Budget,
2 there will be no tax increase, or
3 increase in the Tax Levy necessitated by
4 this new Budget, correct?

5 MS. NAVIN: Correct. The Tax Levy
6 will remain the same. There was one
7 other change, I'm sorry.

8 On Schedule 3, the unassigned fund
9 balance at May 31, 2017 would be reduced
10 from 828,753 to 753,053.

11 MAYOR DeVITA: So the fact that the
12 Tax Levy will not increase equates to
13 the fact that we will not be piercing
14 the New York State Tax Cap, correct?

15 MS. NAVIN: Yes. One of the
16 exhibits at the Hearing tonight is
17 notice that that Tax Cap Report was
18 submitted to the Office of the State
19 Comptroller indicating that we were not
20 planning to exceed the Tax Cap.

21 MAYOR DeVITA: Thank you.

22 MS. NAVIN: So I need a motion --

23 MAYOR DeVITA: Does anybody else on
24 the Board have any comments or
25 questions?

1 MS. NAVIN: Motion to amend the
2 Tentative Budget.

3 TRUSTEE NICKLAS: Motion.

4 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Nicklas.

5 MAYOR DeVITA: Second.

6 MS. NAVIN: Seconded by Mayor
7 DeVita.

8 Trustee Nicklas?

9 TRUSTEE NICKLAS: Aye.

10 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Nemshin?

11 TRUSTEE NEMSHIN: Aye.

12 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Tsafos?

13 TRUSTEE TSAFOS: Aye.

14 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Miritello?

15 TRUSTEE MIRITELLO: Aye.

16 MS. NAVIN: Mayor DeVita?

17 MAYOR DeVITA: Aye.

18 MS. NAVIN: Now we have a motion to
19 close the Hearing.

20 TRUSTEE NEMSHIN: Motion.

21 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Nemshin.

22 TRUSTEE MIRITELLO: Seconded by
23 Trustee Miritello.

24 Trustee Nicklas?

25 TRUSTEE NICKLAS: Aye.

1 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Nemshin?

2 TRUSTEE NEMSHIN: Aye.

3 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Tsafos?

4 TRUSTEE TSAFOS: Aye.

5 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Miritello?

6 TRUSTEE MIRITELLO: Aye.

7 MS. NAVIN: Mayor DeVita?

8 MAYOR DeVITA: Aye.

9 MS. NAVIN: And a motion to adopt
10 the Budget as amended this evening.

11 TRUSTEE NICKLAS: Motion.

12 MS. NAVIN: Trustee by Trustee
13 Nicklas.

14 MAYOR DeVITA: Second.

15 MS. NAVIN: Seconded by Mayor
16 DeVita.

17 Trustee Nicklas?

18 TRUSTEE NICKLAS: Aye.

19 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Nemshin?

20 TRUSTEE NEMSHIN: Aye.

21 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Tsafos?

22 TRUSTEE TSAFOS: Aye.

23 MS. NAVIN: Trustee Miritello?

24 TRUSTEE MIRITELLO: Aye.

25 MS. NAVIN: Mayor DeVita?

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MAYOR DeVITA: Aye.

MS. NAVIN: And that motion to adopt would also include that the salaries indicated on the schedule, salary schedule, would be effective June 1, 2017.

MAYOR DeVITA: Do you need a motion?

MS. NAVIN: No, it's all included in that one motion.

MAYOR DeVITA: Thank you very much.

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C E R T I F I C A T I O N:

I, Mary Anne Coppins, Court Reporter, hereby certify that the above transcript is a true and accurate copy of the minutes taken by myself stenographically in the within matter.

Mary Anne Coppins

Court Reporter