

**Hiram Village Council Meeting Minutes
for the Public Hearing on the 2019 Budget**

June 12, 2018

The following Members of Council were present: Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Hemphill, Mr. Smith, Mr. Szell, Mr. Spencer and Mr. Wadkins. The following were also present: Mayor Lou Bertrand, Fiscal Officer Susan Skrovan, Village Administrator James McGee and Police Chief Brian Gregory.

Mayor Bertrand called the hearing to order at 6:33 pm. Please refer to Resolution 2018-15 with exhibit.

The Fiscal Officer explained the 2019 Budget will need to be approved and turned into the County by July 20, 2018. The Fiscal Officer gave the following assumptions made on the 2019 Budget:

- 1) Revenues for the Street Maintenance/Sidewalks Repair fund will increase due to the voter approval of a .25% income tax increase passed May 8, 2018; effective July 1, 2018.
- 2) Only minimal increases in expenditures mostly due to 2018 raises which increased the Personal Services & Benefits line items in all departments. Any increase to our health insurance renewal premiums, I am unaware of at this time.
- 3) The Police & Fire Department budgets will most likely be increased by the amount of the dispatch contract with the City of Aurora; the amount of the increase is unknown at this time.
- 4) The Fire Department revenue budget in the General Fund has been reduced by the amount of the Fire Levy which has been moved into its own special revenue restricted fund 2912. (\$27,295.00 as estimated). The Fire Department expenditures in the General Fund have also been reduced by the same amount.
- 5) The new Fire Department Levy Fund 2912 will have its revenues and expenditures increased by the amounts that were reduced in the General Fund.
- 6) The General Fund operating expenses were reduced due to no audit costs in 2019.
- 7) Increases in the General Fund, Water Operating and Sewer Operating have been made to cover the additional liability insurance coverages approved by Council in 2018. (\$2,100 annually)
- 8) The General Fund operating expenses have been reduced wherever possible based on prior year actual costs.
- 9) A reduction in personal services & benefits for the Water and Wastewater departments are likely.
- 10) Capital Improvement Funds have been reduced to cover the remaining payments due on the Police Cruiser. The Capital Funds have been increased to cover the payments due on the new Fire Truck.
- 11) Water Debt Services have been reduced by \$11,165.45 due to (2) loans being paid off in 2018 & 2019.
- 12) Valuations and anticipated receipts from property tax and levies remain the same as last year.

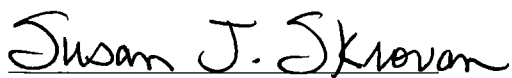
A motion to close the public hearing on the 2019 Budget was made by Mr. Wadkins and seconded by Mr. Dempsey. The result of the voice vote was 6-0 in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

These minutes are pending approval by Council.



Mayor Lou Bertrand

ATTEST:



Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan