

PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP

AUGUST 20, 2018

PRESENT: Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger
Councilman Gary Simpson
Councilman Daniel Meyer
Councilman Jerry Kreiner
Superintendent Rodney Oakley

ABSENT: Councilman Lewis Somers

The meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Alger at 6:30pm.

Mrs. Alger presented everyone with a budget worksheet packet that she had put together. She explained that she would go over the changes she proposes and discuss them. Then she asked that anyone who had different ideas should e-mail her between this meeting and the next workshop.

Mrs. Alger proposed the following changes:

- Justice Personal Services reduced to \$5,200.00.
- Adding a line for the Court Clerk at \$3,000.00.
- Tax Collection Personal Services increased to \$6,400.00.
- Buildings Contractual Expense reduced to 0. (no need for a maintenance person)
- The Unallocated Insurance lines are still in question.
- Superintendent of Highways Personal Services increased to \$50,000.00

At this point Mr. Oakley gave the reasons that he thought he merited a raise. He reported that in comparison with other Towns in Chenango County the position is underpaid. He also stated that the cost of living is still going up. Mr. Oakley said that if the Highway crew were to get a raise

this year combined with their overtime pay, they would be making more than he would .

- Garage Contractual Expense line item is changed to A5132.4. The dollar amount will remain the same.
- Employee Benefit lines are still in question.
- General Repairs Personal Services increased to \$94,600.00.
- General Repairs Contractual Expense increased to \$170,000.00.
- Improvements Capital Outlay increased to \$236,706.38.
- Bridges (Fuel) Contractual decreased to \$98,400.00.
- Machinery Contractual Expense increased to \$126,000.00.
- Miscellaneous – Uniforms decreased to \$4,300.00.
- Snow Removal Personal Services increased to \$128,700.00.
- Snow Removal Contractual Expense decreased to \$86,500.00.

Town Clerk Ginny Brown gave an overview of what had been accomplished in the Town Clerk's Office. She stated that she was not asking for a raise for herself or her Deputy Clerk. The cost to the Tax Collection lines was reduced by 13% and the Town Clerk lines by 11%. The Town's website was initiated which also resulted in an additional duty for the Clerk of keeping the site current. Online banking was also instituted as recommended by the County Treasurer's Office. Another added responsibility is being the focal point for building upkeep issues. She did not ask for a raise last year. Next year Mrs. Brown will be taking the test to become a Notary which would add another service the Town Clerk's Office would be able to offer. Electronic death certificate filing will be put in place in September. Also, if the Board decides to make the clerk responsible for the security footage, that will be an added responsibility.

The next budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 29, 2018, at 6:30pm.

Mr. Meyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia E. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Virginia E. Brown
Plymouth Town Clerk
August 28, 2018