

**TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

**November 10, 2016**

The Town Council met for a regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall building, 12 Mitchell Street, Canajoharie, New York.

**Present:** Supervisor Herbert Allen, Councilpersons: John Toomey, Jr. Councilman Rodney Young, and John Peruzzi; Councilman William Armitstead not present; Bookkeeper Amy Kretser, Highway Superintendent David Hodge;

The meeting was opened by the Supervisor at 7:30pm, and the evening's agenda was presented

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Young, the agenda was **approved, all in favor, and carried**

On a **motion** by Councilman Peruzzi, **seconded** by Councilman Toomey, the October regular and special meeting minutes were **approved, all in favor, and carried**

**Public Hearing on Preliminary Budget-** No public present

**Public Comment-** Josh Katz from Onyx Renewables discusses communities/school districts opting-out of NYS Sec. 47 as it relates to solar development. He cautions the Board that if communities such as the Town of Canajoharie do not opt back in to allow property tax exemption for solar developers, there will be no solar development within the Town of Canajoharie; He also clarifies that solar developers pay the land tax; the exemption is on the property [solar equipment]

-Supervisor Allen ask Mr. Katz to bring to the Board information about surrounding Towns' pilot programs

**2017 Budget Discussion-** Supervisor Allen states the increases from past year's budget as follows:

Assessor contractual- \$36,000.00 [for Town-wide reassessment project]  
Elections-\$3,379.00  
Debt Service Principal-\$69,145.00  
Interest-\$2,400.00  
Health Insurance-\$9,400.00  
Fire Coverage-\$1,500.00

3.3% Budget Increase; over the 2% tax cap limit

The Board gives Supervisor Allen permission to mail the fire contract renewals for signatures

The Board gives Supervisor Allen permission to negotiate health insurance contracts

**Motion to Approve the 2017 Preliminary Budget** by Councilman Peruzzi, **seconded** by Supervisor Allen, **all in favor, ayes, passed** [Councilman Armitstead not present for voting]

**SUMMARY OF TOWN BUDGET**

<u>Code</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Appropriations And Provisions For Other Uses</u>	<u>Less Estimated Revenues</u>	<u>Less Unexpended Balance</u>	<u>Amount to Be Raised By Tax</u>
A	General	<u>\$391,384.00</u>	<u>\$116,630.00</u>	<u>\$70,000.00</u>	<u>\$204,754.00</u>
B	General- Outside Village	<u>\$30,065.00</u>	<u>\$22,555.00</u>	<u>\$5,510.00</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
DA	Highway- Townwide	<u>\$596,906.00</u>	<u>\$359,610.00</u>	<u>\$30,000.00</u>	<u>\$207,296.00</u>
DB	Highway- Outside Village	<u>\$420,522.00</u>	<u>\$272,055.00</u>	<u>\$90,000.00</u>	<u>\$58,467.00</u>
S	Special Districts:				
	Village of Ames	<u>\$36,420.00</u>	<u>\$36,420.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Village of Canajoharie	<u>\$36,420.00</u>	<u>\$36,420.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	South Minden	<u>\$3,863.00</u>	<u>\$3,863.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Consolidated Health District	<u>\$1,300.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$1,295.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,516,880.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$847,558.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$196,805.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$472,517.00</u></b>

**SCHEDULE OF SALARIES OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

**Article 8 of the Town Law**

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>Supervisor/Budget Officer</u>	\$6,680.00
<u>Town Clerk/RMO</u>	\$18,905.00
<u>Highway Superintendent</u>	\$39,243.00
<u>Councilmen (4), each</u>	\$1,700.00

**Highway Superintendent-** Happy Hollow Rd. scheduled to re-open Monday, November 14th

**Town Clerk-** None

**Bookkeeper:**

TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE-11/10/16  
CASH REPORT OCTOBER 31, 2016

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	
General	\$ 36,384.35
Fire District	\$ 39.86
Consolidated Health	\$ 25.28
Wide	\$ 11,523.76
Highway Part Town	\$ 12,331.06
Trust & Agency	\$ <u>308.61</u>
Total	\$ 60,612.92

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS	
General	\$161,173.04
Highway Town Wide	\$ 64,391.10
Highway Part Town	<u>\$90,485.72</u>
Highway Town	
Total	\$316,049.86

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Consolidated Health	\$ 1,493.87
Highway Cap Reserv	\$ 14,677.64
Gen-Cap Res Garage	\$174,675.52
Gen-Sale of Land	<u>\$ 53,831.54</u>
Total	\$244,678.57

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy S. Kretser, Bookkeeper

**BILLS**

The Town Clerk presented the following bill vouchers for approval:

General fund vouchers #197 through #215, totaling \$19,926.18;

Highway fund vouchers #229 through #250, totaling \$136,917.94

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Young, the bills were **unanimously approved** for payment.

**8:09pm-Motion to Enter Executive Session** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Peruzzi, **all in favor, ayes, carried**

**8:29pm-Motion to Close Executive Session** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Young, **all in favor, ayes, carried**

**Adjournment**

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by councilman Young, all in favor ayes, the meeting was **unanimously** adjourned at **8:29PM**.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laurie M. Vroman, Town Clerk