

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Moore
Councilman Dennis Fletcher
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilman Floyd Varney
Councilwoman Deborah Witherell

OTHERS PRESENT: Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent, Helen Denno, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor/Bookkeeper, Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Mark Miller, Enforcement Officer, George Smith, Roy Harrison, John Earl, Bill Bailey, Penny Gould

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Supervisor Moore started the budget workshop by announcing the next budget workshop date is October 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m, followed by the Public Hearing being held November 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. and then on November 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. the 2018 budget would be voted on.

Supervisor Moore stated that little attention is paid to the fund balance but it needs to be watched at all times.

Supervisor Moore went over the cash on hand/fund balance. Paper copies are available in the Town Clerk Office.

Supervisor Moore went over the 11 page 2018 budget. Paper copies are available in the Town Clerk Office as well as on the town's website www.townoffortannny.com

Supervisor Moore suggested using 2% for salary increases. The Town Board agreed with this suggestion.

Supervisor Moore will contact the Lake George Watershed, Fort Ann EMS and David Foote, M.D.

Supervisor Moore gathered information from other towns as to what they contributed to their EMS services. It ranged from nothing (Town of Fort Edward) to \$15,000.00 (Town of Argyle). Supervisor Moore distributed figures from 2010 in which the Fort Ann EMS had a contract of \$23,000.00 to 2017 in which the contract was \$139,000.00.

Supervisor Moore stated that the Law states that the Town Board is Board of Health and Dr. Foote is on call. Supervisor Moore will talk to Dr. Foote to see if he can gather any further data.

Helen Denno, Budget Officer, will provide an electronic copy of the 2018 budget with the modifications made tonight as soon as possible.

Motion was introduced by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Winchell, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York

Dated: October 10, 2017