

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD OCTOBER 30, 2012 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M...

PRESENT: MRS. EVELYN WOOD, SUPERVISOR

MR. AL VASAK, COUNCILMAN

MR. ROBERT HITCHCOCK JR., COUNCILMAN

ABSENT: MR. CHARLES BILLS, COUNCILMAN

MR. LEON GALUSHA, COUNCILMAN

Recording secretary: **Cynthia R. Hyde**, Town Clerk

HEARING: The hearing was called to order by **Evelyn Wood**, Supervisor.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF THURMAN NOTICE OF HEARING ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the preliminary budget for the Town of Thurman for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2013 has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk where it is available for inspection by any interested person at all reasonable hours.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that the Thurman Town Board will conduct a public hearing on the proposed budget at The Town Hall 311 Athol Road, Athol, New York on Tuesday October 30, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Any persons may be heard in favor of or against the budget or any item therein.

FURTHER NOTICE is given that pursuant to section 113 of Town Law, the proposed salaries for the Town Officials of Thurman are:

Supervisor \$ 10,800

Town Clerk \$18,384

Highway Superintendent \$40,485

Town Justice \$5,500

Four Councilman (each) \$3,196

Assessors Chairman \$9,010

Assessors (each) \$6,876

Tax Collector \$3,184

*Cynthia R. Hyde
Town Clerk
Town of Thurman
10/24/2012*

Several topics were touched on at this public hearing, there were questions pertaining to town refuse, the tax cap and clarification was needed on various areas of the budget. Also from the floor were suggestions such as allowing the voters to decide on a taxing district to fund the ambulance service.

The majority of speakers on the floor had concerns in two areas, the budget cut to ambulance service and the salary; benefit package budgeted for a bookkeeper/confidential secretary to the supervisor.

The following people were concerned with the budget cut to ambulance service. The amount budgeted for ambulance A4540.4 is \$12,685.

Jay Zullo, Lori Smith, Ed Binder, Barbara Farrell, Jean Coulard, Rebecca Desourdy

The following people were concerned with the amount budgeted for the bookkeeper/confidential secretary to the supervisor position A1430.1.

Richard Kline, Mary Eddy, Jean Coulard, Jennifer Bird, Filomena Riviello, Joan Harris

The Supervisor did not know how much was being spent on this position but offered to get that information to anyone interested.

The following people were concerned that the Deputy Town Clerk's were getting \$7.29 per hour and couldn't do a hunting license.

Steve Wood

PUBLIC HEARING

On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the town board set a public hearing for November 13, 2012 at 7pm to discuss the proposed property tax override local law.

MOTION CARRIED: 3 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, VASAK

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the hearing was adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED: 3 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, VASAK

Respectfully Submitted:

Cynthia R. Hyde

Town clerk

11/13/2012