

Minutes
March 3, 2022
Special Budget Workshop

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich held a special meeting for the purpose of discussing the 2022/2023 budget at the Community Center, 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich. Present were Mayor Fuller, and Trustees Brown, Robinson, Vandewater, Tefft and Superintendent Flynn and Treasurer Prime.

Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 7:10pm.

Don Fletcher and Karen Clarke from Barton & Loguidice spoke on the subject of the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade; needs, costs and funding options. A discussion of the overdue need for a new sewer plant was expanded on by Mr. Flynn and the team from B&L. The \$500,000 design portion for the expanded project is not covered by the \$304,000 WQIP grant which pays 75% for construction services. There are a few funding avenues to explore including low-interest USDA loans, CBDG grants, which are tied to income, requiring an income survey of the sewer district customers. Next steps will be discussed in a month or two.

Electrician Jason Nolan has agreed to look at the Community Center on 2/8/22 to take a look at the state of the electrical service.

Thunder Mountain survey has been delivered. Harvesting timber for additional revenue can now be explored.

Budget – Superintendent Flynn talked about the budget for the DPW. Fuel budget will increase. The garage will need a new furnace this year. No new hires yet, the department will use part-time help to take up the slack as the weather permits more projects outdoors. A raise pay for the full-time DPW crew and office staff. Most likely, there will be a tax raise this year. Attorney Kelly will look into the grinder pump contract for GCS with an eye towards raising rates. The Superintendent announced his retirement date; April 29, 2022. He will return as a 20 hour part-time superintendent. The garbage truck needs to be replaced. The option of renting a truck from another municipality will be explored.

Next Budget Workshop will be March 28, 2022 at 6pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Dowling

Village Clerk