Minutes February 19, 2025 - Draft Special Budget Workshop DPW Focus

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich held a Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing the 2025/2026 budget at the Community Center, 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich. Present were Trustees Robinson and Moore as well as Superintendent Michael Smith and Treasurer Clothier. The Mayor and the rest of the Board was absent.

Trustee Moore opened the meeting at 1:09 pm.

DPW 2025/2026 Budget

Treasurer Clothier ran through her budget preparations which included a comparisons to prior years and spending year-to-date. She added "wish lists" such as sidewalk expenditures and debt service payment for a new dumptruck which adds up to a bloated budget which will be whittled down as workshops proceed. She noted that salaries have been updated to reflect increases already instituted. The unknown is overtime hours, which have been considerable with snowstorms falling primarily on weekends. Budgeted overtime hours are 100 for everyone but Mike and Nick, who are budgeted for 300 hours because of the mandatory OT at the water/sewer plants. Traditionally, there have been two summer p/t hires, but Mike is thinking of just one this year. Other changes will be to cut down hours of regular p/t workers. Summer p/t salary increases have not been determined. John Solan has CDL license which makes him the regular part timer. The other two part time workers are scheduled for 8 hours each week, mainly on garbage.

A new dump truck is about 400k. Mike has casually searched for a used truck, which is a possibility. The two dump trucks in service are the 2017 and the 1993, which is getting increasingly tough or impossible to obtain parts for.

Garbage discussion revolved around selling more stickers and whittling down hours. Another option is to raise the sticker price a bit to cover the cost of recycling. Or to charge for cardboard. Brush pick-up goes under street maintenance.

Garage has some needs; furnace, roof, doors, salt-shed.

Some numbers were adjusted, and discussion will continue in March.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:18pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Dowling

Village Clerk