

Special Meeting, Hillsdale Town Board
Tuesday, October 12, 2010

I. Call to order

Supervisor Art Baer called to order the special meeting of the Hillsdale Town Board at 7:00 pm on October 12, 2010, in the Hillsdale Town Hall.

II. Attending

The following persons were present: Supervisor Baer, Board Members Carmen Barbato, Peter Cipkowski, Christian Kersten, and Augie Sena; Town Clerk Julie Kane, Highway Superintendent Richard Briggs, Tax Collector Joe Hanselman, Planning Board Chair Hank Henward, Comprehensive Plan Review Chair Tom Carty; and 3 members of the public.

III. Budget Workshop

Mr. Baer opened the workshop by stating that 2011 budgeted expenditures were higher in total than he had anticipated and that he recommended taking an additional \$25,000 for a total of \$175,000 from reserves and returning \$15,100 in Local Municipal Aid to the budgeted revenues. These measures, he said, would allow the Board to hold the increase in property taxes to just under 4%. He added that it was now more likely that the county would in fact be able to pass the tobacco settlement funds through to the towns as Local Municipal Aid in 2011.

Mr. Baer noted that he had not received the Green River Fire Company's 2011 budget figures and requested that the Clerk follow up with the Company treasurer.

Mr. Baer also reported that the Philmont Fire Protection District had increased its requested fees from \$48,800 to \$52,900 in order to fund the purchase of additional gear for their fire fighters. He added that the impact to district residents might be mitigated by a donation in lieu of taxes from the Hawthorne Valley Association.

IV. Adjournment

Supervisor Baer adjourned the meeting at **7:25 pm**.

Minutes submitted by: Julie Kane, Hillsdale Town Clerk

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