

TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN  
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town Hall

10/2/81

5:35 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Dusanenko  
Councilmen Holbrook, Lettre, Longo, Maloney  
Everett J. Johns, Town Attorney  
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

Supervisor Dusanenko declared the Town Board Meeting open. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to share the budget with the members of the Town Board. Each member was given a copy of the budget. This was to be accompanied by a letter with a place for signature in one of two places. If the budget is deemed to be adequate after perusal it will be acknowledged by signature and returned to the Town Comptroller's Office. If there have been oversights or items overlooked or requests that have not been honored in that budget there is a place for signature requesting meeting with Mrs. Erard, Mr. McLaughlin and myself so that we can hear their case. On days subsequent to that time it will be discussed with the entire Town Board so that there can be relevant discussion on the appointment date.

After each department head has examined their budget and carefully gone over each of their lines we will schedule meetings to discuss those matters requiring correction, addition, deletion, etc.

The total budget right now is increased by approximately 5%. The tax impact, because of a growing rate of ratables this year is approximately 3.4%. This is only a guide. It is not complete. There are certain items you may not find in this budget. There are certain revenue items which may be missing as well because until we have a better idea of what our revenues will be this is the closest estimate we can attain at this point.

After we have our scheduled meetings we need five days for legal notice to adopt the Preliminary Budget and file it with the Journal News. Somewhere around the 20th to the 26th there will be a public hearing and pending comments at that hearing the adoption of the budget just after election unless there are questions of outstanding revenue which have not been addressed and then the law allows an additional twenty days for adoption of the budget.

Supervisor Dusanenko stated in response to a query that there was \$28,000,000 in increased ratables. Last year there was \$30,000,000. Hopefully we will have an even better record for next year especially with regard to industrial development.

\* Please note Councilman Holbrook's comments at bottom. Supervisor Dusanenko gave his special thanks to Dorothy Erard who spent an inordinate amount of time preparing this budget. Supervisor Dusanenko stated that hopefully our computer machinery will be in operation before the end of 1982 so that this will be the last manually prepared budget. Other operations should be made easier and save employees' time also with this computer machinery.

Councilman Longo congratulated Supervisor Dusanenko, Mrs. Erard and Mr. McLaughlin for a job well done.

On motion of Councilman Longo, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted the Special Town Board Meeting was adjourned, time: 5:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Patricia Sheridan*

PATRICIA SHERIDAN,  
Town Clerk

\* Councilman Holbrook said he just wanted to say he appreciated the work that the Supervisor and the Comptroller had done. We will have a much better process this year than we have had in the past.

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