

## **MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING WITH THE VILLAGE OF HUSTISFORD BOARD & THE TOWN OF HUSTISFORD BOARD – NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

The Village Board of the Village of Hustisford met with the Town of Hustisford Board on Monday November 4, 2024 at 6pm at the Hustisford Fire Station to Discuss/Approve the proposed 2025 Library Budget.

**Trustees Present:** Laurie Buchanan, Bob Knueppel, Ted Engelbart, Cynthia Stroessner, Ken Westphal and Andy Buchanan

**Trustees Absent:** Jay Huncosky

**Others Present:** Kim Hopfinger, Dave Margelofsky, Alvin Hildebrandt, Phil Dahnert, Agnes Schulz, Nicole Mszal, Judy Key, and Rebecca Glauvitz

Laurie Buchanan called the meeting to order.

Finance Chairman Andy Buchanan stated that the Village Board went through their budget and the most they can increase the library budget over 2024 is \$4,000. In the proposed budget, originally presented by the Library Board, the Village and Township appropriations would have each increased \$8,000 each over 2024. The library was asking for \$68,000 from both the Village and the Township. Last year, the municipalities each contributed \$60,000. Andy reminded those in attendance that at a prior joint meeting Library Board Chairman Dave Margelofsky stated that they could live with a \$4,000 increase if it had to be. Dave Margelofsky was not in favor of lowering the appropriation, but stated he knows there must be some kind of compromise. After more discussion between the Village Board and the Town Board, Dave Margelofsky made a motion, seconded by Cynthia Stroessner, to approve an appropriation of \$64,000 from both the Village and the Township for 2025. The motion carried unanimously.

Kim asked the library to give her a copy of the revised budget once the library board approved it with the new appropriations.

With no further business before these boards, Andy made a motion, seconded by Ken, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

## **MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING WITH THE VILLAGE OF HUSTISFORD BOARD AND THE TOWN OF HUSTISFORD BOARD – NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

The Village Board of the Village of Hustisford met with the Town of Hustisford Board on Monday November 4, 2024, at 6:30pm at the Fire Station to Discuss/Approve the proposed 2025 Fire Department Budget.

**Trustees Present:** Laurie Buchanan, Bob Knueppel, Ted Engelbart, Cynthia Stroessner, Ken Westphal, and Andy Buchanan

**Trustees Absent:** Jay Huncosky

**Others Present:** Dave Margelofsky, Alvin Hildebrandt, Phil Dahnert, Agnes Schulz, Kim Hopfinger, Colin Marshall, Marcus Kirchoff, Glen Falkenthal, Nicole Mszal, Judy Key and Rebecca Glauvitz

Laurie Buchanan called the meeting to order.

Finance Chairman Andy Buchanan stated that the Village Board went through their budget and the most they can increase the Fire Department budget over 2024 is \$4,000.

In the original proposed budget, the Village appropriation would increase \$11,000 over 2024, the Township would increase \$6,570 over 2024, and the Town of Hubbard contract would go up \$26,680. This is an overall increase of \$44,250 (15.0825%). The proposed operating budget is \$245,644, which is a 13.52% increase, and the proposed Equipment Replacement Fund is \$91,992 which is an increase of 19.48%. The total proposed budget comes to \$337,636. Village Finance Chairman Andy Buchanan stated that the Village is only allowed to raise their expenditures no more than 3.2% this year and that this large increase will not be possible. He restated that \$4,000 was the most the Village could add over the 2024 budget. Township chairman Dave Margelofsky was not in favor of lowering the appropriation and questioned how the department will be funded in the future. Fire Board member Glen Falkenthal stated they he felt the \$4,000 increase for the Village was a fair compromise. He stated that a little less going into the replacement fund will not be a problem because some money will need to be borrowed at the time a new engine is purchased anyway. Falkenthal stated this decrease would not affect the operating budget of the Fire Department at all. After much discussion between the Village Board, the Town Board and the Fire Department Board, Andy Buchanan made a motion, seconded by Dave Margelofsky, to approve an appropriation of \$67,600 from the Village and \$113,025 appropriation from the Town of Hustisford. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business before these boards, Ted made a motion, seconded by Andy, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.