

**Village of Millbrook
Board of Trustees
Budget Workshop
Minutes April 1, 2013**

Call to Order by Mayor Hurley at 7:05 p.m.

In Attendance-Mayor Hurley, Trustee Herzog, Trustee Spagnola, Trustee Cox and Clerk Linda Wiltse.

The budget for Transcare ambulance service had to be increased due to the need for coverage 6 days a week as compared to the current contractual coverage of 5 days a week. The Statement of indebtedness was submitted and reviewed.

The Board will be focusing on the water capital projects in the coming years. Mayor Hurley met with Cathy Meier and Joy Gomez representing VRI to review the relevy list for unpaid water and/or sewer bills. It was brought to the Mayor's attention that multiple Town of Washington residents had large unpaid amounts. Presently, the Village cannot relevy Town resident's unpaid bills on the County/Town of Washington tax bill. The Clerk was instructed to contact NYCOM and D.C. Real Property Tax Dept. to inquire about relevies and the possibility of adding them to the County/Town tax bill. Trustee Cox questioned if a statutory time limit existed in reference to relevies. These are egregious amounts.

The Board went back to reviewing the tentative and preliminary budgets created line item by line item. The budget was kept under the 2% tax cap requirement.

Updates and the Code of Ethics were discussed as well as the Fire and Rescue Departments bylaws. There is no clear path for disciplinary actions in the bylaws which are very outdated. The Board requested a copy of the bylaws in word document format if available.

The Clerk was instructed to inquire with Homeland Security, U.S. Congressman Chris Gibson and U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand for the purchase of a surplus generator for the Fire House.

Adjourned at 7:34 p.m. with a motion made by Trustee Cox. The motion was seconded by Trustee Spagnola. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda T. Wiltse
Village of Millbrook
Clerk/Treasurer