## Town of North Hudson Special Board Meeting Budget Workshop October 19, 2021 4 pm

Present were Supervisor Stephanie DeZalia, Councilman Marshall Gero, Councilman Robert Dobie, Councilwoman Maureen Marsden, Councilman Brian Caza & Town Clerk Martha (Candy) King and guest Brian DeZalia.

## Call to Order-

Supervisor DeZalia called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm and led in the Pledge to the Flag.

The purpose of this workshop was to review and discuss the tentative 2022 Town of North Hudson budget.

Supervisor DeZalia briefly outlined the remaining revenue and expenditures. The Board was given a 6- year trend for comparison purposes.

Brian Caza was excused at 4:05 pm and reentered the meeting at 4:09 pm.

Some items brought to the Boards attention were possible expenses for Williamson Software for the accounting and budget program and municipal payroll software and also a time clock system.

Discussion took place regarding the time clock system. This question was asked by Public Sector HR while doing the handbook, what time system does the Town use. Information was provided information on a time clock system. A unit in each location will be needed and a monthly fee. The Board was in agreement on this.

Councilman Dobie stated that Supervisor DeZalia presented a good budget and she should be commended.

Supervisor DeZalia explained that personnel were given 2% across the board with the exception of the Town Council. They have indicated they are not seeking an increase. A recommendation from the Board was not to cut the equipment amount in departments.

Questions were asked about specific line items and Supervisor DeZalia addressed these. There lengthy discussion on the highway department personal services line including about the highway employee's classifications. It was noted that Highway Superintendent Foster was not present to add to the discussion on any budget items. Councilman Caza asked specifically the HEO's, the superintendent and laborer. Councilman Dobie discussed raising individual rates and was reminded as to why it can't be done. The rising cost of fuel, batteries, tires and overtime management were discussed at length and will be budgeted accordingly.

All areas of the budget were discussed in length including the fireman's awards program.

Supervisor DeZalia will take the Boards recommendations into consideration and make the changes to the tentative budget.

Motion to allow Supervisor DeZalia make the changes to the 2022 Tentative Budget and present those changes to the Clerk as the Preliminary 2022 Budget.

Moved by Supervisor DeZalia second

Roll Call:

Councilman Caza – Aye Councilman Gero – Aye Councilman Dobie – Aye Councilwoman Marsden – Aye Supervisor DeZalia – Aye

Motion to adjourn at by Supervisor DeZalia Second Councilman Dobie All in favor Ayes - 5, Noes - 0