

**Town of Morristown
Budget Meeting
September 13, 2016**

Present: Gary Turner, Harvey Bender, Shawn Macaulay, David Stout III, Christopher Coffin

Also Present: Dean Hoffman, Rick Johnson, Carol Woodcock, James T. Phillips, Jr.

Supervisor Coffin opened the meeting at 6:07 PM. He updated the Board on budget issues. The Town's contribution to the New York State Retirement System has been restored to a previous level at \$50 thousand. Carol Woodcock explained how that number is calculated. The Highway is planning to purchase a replacement truck and the Highway Superintendent will need to add appropriations in the proposed budget for that item.

Board compensation was restored to the 2015 level.

The workers compensation rate for 2017 has been received. The County is in the process of changing the way the contribution is calculated.

David Stout asked where the money for the arbitrator ordered payments coming from. Dean Hoffman stated that there was some money in two Highway line items with the balance from the contingency account.

Rick Johnson stated that the budget information appears to show a surplus in the revenue side. The Board discussed what fund balance is and how it is calculated with Carol Woodcock. She explained that at the end of the budget year line items are reviewed and remaining unexpended balances are the fund balance.

A motion was made by Councilman Macaulay to enter into executive session to discuss matters relating to the employment history of a particular Town employee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bender.

Vote: Gary Turner-Aye, Harvey Bender-Aye, Shawn Macaulay-Aye, David Stout III-Aye, Christopher Coffin-Aye

The Board entered into executive session at 6:35 PM.

The Board left executive session at 7:25 PM. Supervisor Coffin stated that no action was taken. The Supervisor also reported that the Board has discussed eliminating one justice position and operating with just one. No decision has been made.

The meeting was adjourned upon motion at 7:25 PM.

Meeting minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by David Murray-Town Clerk