

TOWN OF MILTON
Special Meeting
October 1, 2009
8:00 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Thompson
Town Clerk Mevec
Councilperson Miranda
Councilperson Blaisdell
Councilperson Saul

Absent: Councilman Blodgett
Town Attorney Craig
Highway Supt. Forbes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Thompson.

Pledge by Councilman Miranda.

Presentation of 2010 Tentative Budget by Town Clerk.

Supervisor read the Budget Message as follows:

I am pleased to present the 2010 Tentative Budget for the Town of Milton.

The total general appropriation (not including special districts) is \$6,587,747, reflecting a 7.2% increase from year 2009. The committee feels that with the exception of the increases mentioned below, this is a bare bones budget.

Significant increases in hospital and medical insurance are estimated to be approximately 15%. Also included is an increase of approximately 6% in retirement contributions to NYS Retirement System. The budget also includes a capital fund for building improvements of \$200,000 and \$400,000 towards the Town Center Grant project.

Sales tax revenues are anticipated to decrease for the year 2010 and, therefore, estimated revenues in the amount of \$2,300,000 have been included in this budget representing a decrease of \$ 300,000 from the estimated revenues for 2009. Other revenues are also estimated to decrease from 2009 revenues.

The Town continues to self-insure the unemployment insurance program.

The committee has reviewed part-time and overtime items in the budget, and made cuts wherever possible. Also, there is no proposed salary increase in this budget. The Tentative Budget also holds the line on all contractual accounts at the 2009 level.

Fiscally, the Town of Milton is economically sound. Milton has no debt. Prudent management and increases in the assessed value of property in the Town has allowed the Town of Milton to maintain the current tax rates.

I am pleased to announce that this Tentative Budget contains the same tax rates as last year. Village of Ballston Spa = \$.1898 and Town Outside Village = \$.2705.

This relates to the following real estate tax levies for a \$200,000 home during 2010.

Village of Ballston Spa = \$37.96

Town Outside the Village = \$54.10

As your Supervisor, I pledge to continue prudent management of our Town's resources.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Miranda to give free copies of the budget to the public on request.

Miranda – yes; Saul – yes; Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Saul to approve the request of the Ballston Spa Soccer Club to use the Community Center for a fundraiser on November 13, 2009 free of charge.

Miranda – yes; Saul – yes; Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

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Motion by Saul seconded by Miranda there being no further business to adjourn.
Miranda – yes; Saul – yes; Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 AM.

Supervisor Thompson reconvened the meeting.

Motion by Saul seconded by Blaisdell to schedule Budget Workshops, October 8th and October 22nd at 7:00 PM.

Miranda – yes; Saul – yes; Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Saul seconded by Blaisdell there being no further business to adjourn.
Miranda – yes; Saul – yes; Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Mevec
Town Clerk