

**MINUTES
TOWN OF SALEM
SPECIAL FY 2011 BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2010 5:00 P.M.**

Chairman Linda Valentine called this special FY 2011 Budget Workshop Meeting of the Town of Salem Board of Supervisors to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following present: Linda Valentine, Dennis Faber, Joe Meier, Diann Tesar, Pat Casey, Jack Rowland, Brad Zautcke, Crysti Neuman, Eileene Anderson, Mike Slover, Mike Murdock, Chris Lamb and Cindi Ernest.
Supervisor Pat O'Connell is on a leave of absence.

Guests: Carol Husnick, Deneen Smith, A.B. O'Brien, Brian Filatriault, Jim Valentine, Dan Campion, and Greg Brown.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Valentine.

Administrator Casey told the board that the Build America Bonds credit in the amount of \$212,000 wasn't included in the budget, but is now reflected. This would leave \$397,003 from debt service. The library budget also went down and is reflected. This would be a \$392,800 increase, 11.49%. If accepted this would be a mil rate of \$2.969 per \$1,000 and a change of 0.343.

He went on to give the board some options on the budget including doing little if any capital projects next year and taking money from capital.

Discussion followed about the fund balance and capital projects.

The other option would be a \$317,800 reduction in services and people. The board could also do a combination of the two options.

Further discussion followed about the fund balance policy and fund balance level.

MOTION BY Supervisor Faber to amend the General Fund, Fund Balance Policy from 17% to 15%.

Discussion.

MOTION WITH WITHDRAWN BY Supervisor Faber.

Discussion followed regarding items to remove from the budget.

1. Remove incorporation expenses. Yes
2. Eliminate a clerical position. Yes
3. Reduce \$24,000 for inspections. Yes
4. Reduce Water Patrol Expenses. No
5. Reduce Fire Department line items. Yes
6. Reduce the blue signs. Yes
7. Eliminate mosquito spraying. Yes
8. Cut Community Park mowing. Keep as is
9. Eliminate Building inspections on vacations. Yes
10. Reorganize the utility. Yes
11. Increase zoning fees. Yes
12. Eliminate Attorney attendance at meetings. No
13. Combine Clerk & Election expenses & polling places. No

14. Add revenue of \$48,000 to Garbage and recycling for Administration Expenses. Approximately \$10.00 a household. Yes Add to resident bills as a fee. Yes
15. Raise the CCLRD fee for storage to \$5,000. Yes
16. 25% reduction of payments. No

There is a \$271,500 reduction with the options given. If the board takes \$121,300 out of capital there will be a 0% increase. The projected 2011 fund balance would be \$988,000 or 19%. The eliminations were reviewed.

The next budget meeting will be held on October 18, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Meier, second by Supervisor Tesar to adjourn this Special FY 2011 Budget Workshop.

UNANIMOUS VOTE – AYE

MOTION CARRIED

This Special FY 2011 Budget Workshop meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Ernest, Clerk