

**September 23, 2014**

A special meeting was held on the above date at the Tyrone Fire Hall to discuss budget issues and was called to order by Supervisor Kosty at 7:06 pm.

Meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: Supervisor; Town Clerk; Councilpersons: Desrochers, Grimmke, Allen and Bason; Justice Clerk plus those on sign in sheet.

(1) Supervisor Kosty asked the Board to approve payment to the State Comptroller for Court Fines & Fees for the month as the bill was not received until after our last meeting.

Motion by Allen, second by Grimmke to pay this bill. Carried unanimously.

(2) At this time Supervisor Kosty discussed some of the budget constraints that the Town is facing for 2015 and explained that the fund balance for the Highway Department for 2014 was miscalculated by \$55,000.00 which is leaving us in a tight spot for the remainder of the year.

There was also discussion about ways that we can cut back on expenses (such as no overtime for the Highway Dept., which was already resolved at the Sept. 9 2014 meeting.) overriding the tax cap and a layoff within the Highway Department, which can be done due to lack of funding.

Supervisor Kosty had spoken with a staff member of Cornell Local Roads and they informed her that Tyrone's 73 miles of road could be maintained by 4 in some cases maybe 5 full time employees and a Highway Superintendent. Tyrone currently has 6 full-time employees and the Highway Superintendent.

It was discussed if the Town should lay off two full-time employees.

**Motion by Bason, second by Desrochers authorizing lay-offs in the Highway Department.**

#### **Resolution #25 - 2014**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LAYOFFS IN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS, due to the fact that the Highway Budget had an appropriated fund balance of \$73,000, when in fact it should have \$18,000, and the General Fund Budget did not have enough monies appropriated for the State Retirement Fund, we need to implement procedures to decrease spending in both the General Fund Budget and Highway Budget for the remainder of the year, and**

**WHEREAS, there will be a zero appropriated surplus in both the Highway and General Fund Budgets for the year 2015, which means cuts will need to be made in and effort to control taxes.**

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the two least senior employees from the Highway Department be laid off effective the end of the workday September 30, 2014.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Pam Grimke - Aye**

**Tom Allen - Aye**

**Christopher Bason - Aye**

**Donald Desrochers - Aye**

**Jean Kosty - Aye**

**(3) At this time, Supervisor discussed our cash receipting policies and our procurement policies. The Board will be further discussing these policies, including setting an expenditure limit, without Board approval, for all departments.**

**Motion by Allen, second by Grimmke to adjourn at 7:55 pm. Carried unanimously.**