

Village of Harriman
BUDGET WORKSHOP
March 25, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Welle, Deputy Mayor Shuart, Trustee Chichester, Village Treasurer Marie Coimbra. Trustee Sacher, Absent and Excused, Trustee Mosca absent did not hear from him. Also present Trustee Elect Farrell.

The Mayor stated will be discussing the preliminary budget revised March 24, 2015. Based upon comments I received from the Treasurer and the Trustees, currently the tax levy is at 2.7 percent, we need to get that lower prior to the public hearing. Mayor stated the lines that have been adjusted since last budget workshop:

General Fund

A.1110.100 – Justice Line – The Justice line, the justice salary was left alone, combined that with the acting and added some, both Justice will be at the same salary.

A.1110.105 – Court Clerk – Judge put in for 5% increase, I reduced that to 2.5%, that is what was put in for the rest of the staff in Village Hall.

A.1110.111 – Bailiff was increased by \$500.00

A.1110.401 – Special Prosecutor will now be a separate line, it was coming out of contractual.

A.1210.400 – Mayor Contractual Services, I reduced that \$3,000.00 – not a lot comes out of there, I don't put in for reimbursement of things, mainly is used for plaques, etc.

A.1325.400 – reduced down to \$15,000.00 due to where it stands now.

A.1620.402 – based on where we are now, we reduced that down to \$15,000.00

Police Safety/Transportation – I did not touch them due to I didn't feel they could be reduced or did I see anywhere that additional was needed.

Revenues – Don't see any revenue that could be safely increased.

Water Fund

F.1990.400 – Moved \$7,800.00 out of Contingent due to a seasonal worker this can be seen in the new line F8320.115 Seasonal Help.

F.8310.400 – Contractual we reduced that to \$25,000.00.

F.8340.200 – Equipment reduced that \$4,000.00 – the request that was put in to make #4 changes was more a wish- not a necessity. That vehicle will be sold.

F.9060.800 – Health Insurance able to reduce that to \$135,000.

Revenues-F2144 Service Charges and F2148 – Increased a little bit due to where we are now.

Transmission line that needs to be built between the North Main Street Well to the Mary Harriman Wells – that was not budgeted for, nor are a couple of the bigger valves that need to be replaced at the Mary Harriman Well house and the Lizda Well house. Apparently, there is no valve at the Lizda Well house if you need to isolate the system without disconnecting some of apartments. Due to the fact of the Tank Replacement this past year, repairs we have run the capital out and this coming year we are going to have to take out a bond or a note. We are going to borrow whatever is advised. We will take the appropriate actions for the budget; I am not going to put it in the budget without knowing how we are going to pay for it. I will be meeting with the financial people the week after next; we should have all the answer on the best way to handle it prior to the public hearing for the budget. We need to do this work, it is in the process of being engineered but we have to have a mechanism to pay for it. The Mayor stated that he was unable to find any other areas that could be changed. If the board members have any comments or questions at this time, the Mayor stated again that we need to get the general side below the 2% to stay within the cap, even though we passed the override, I want to get it below. Over the next couple of weeks board members need to go through everything again. The Mayor suggests to the board members to take the Treasurer's report that they got in the beginning month to see where the expenses are now. The Mayor suggests that if you see anything that could be looked at more carefully let him know. The Mayor asked the board if they had any questions or comments at this time. Trustee Chichester asks is the sales tax revenue going to be the same? The Mayor replied that the county said that the sale tax revenue is going to be down a little bit but what

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we budgeted this year we should be ok. Trustee Chichester asked about some of the grants that the Mayor has been pursuing did he feel that we could budget those items. The Mayor stated that we are not guaranteed the grants so I would not be comfortable with putting them in the budget.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.
SECOND by Deputy Mayor Shuart
ALL IN FAVOR.

Submitted By: _____

Marie Coimbra, Treasurer