

November 16th, 2010 Special Meeting to Approve the Tax Levy Resolution

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Linda Soto at 7:01 p.m. The purpose of the Special Meeting is to Approve the Tax Levy Resolution for the tax year 2010.

Mayor Soto led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Clerk Kathy Metzler took roll call. The following Officials were present: Mayor Linda Soto, Trustees Derenoski, Tiffany, Duberstein, Barrett, Daley and Walkington

Also present were: Village Clerk Kathy Metzler and Treasurer Kelly Hensley

Establishment of quorum

Agenda Approval

Trustee Derenoski motioned to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Duberstein.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Derenoski, Tiffany, Duberstein, Barrett, Daley and Walkington

Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Approval of A Resolution Approving the Village of Hainesville's Estimated Aggregate Tax Levy for Tax Year 2010

Trustee Daley stated that this is a process done every year. The Village decides how much they will ask the residents for in total tax dollars. The Finance Committee met a week ago and decided to ask for approximately \$575,000. Trustee Daley discussed how this figure was arrived at.

Trustee Daley also stated that the tax rate could go down, however, taxes could still go up but it would not be caused by the Village.

Trustee Duberstein motioned to Approve A Resolution Approving the Village of Hainesville's Estimated Aggregate Tax Levy for Tax Year 2010 for \$575,000 which would give the Village an estimated tax rate .0676; seconded by Trustee Derenoski.

Trustee Barrett asked what type of cuts is the Village looking at for the community to offset this deficit. Trustee Daley stated that the budget process

doesn't start until December and he has not looked that far ahead to see what can be cut.

Mayor Soto stated that if the Board goes with the amount presented the Village is looking at a decrease of just under \$52,000. If there are no other revenues then the Village would cut that amount from the Village. The water fund has good income to support the maintenance of the water system. The motor fuel tax can assist with snow plow removal and/or street repairs. The Village does need to be cautious with the streets.

Trustee Walkington asked if the motor fuel tax is based on how many people are in the Village. Treasurer Hensley stated that is based on the census number. If the census shows more people, there will be an increase. Village Clerk Metzler stated we should get the census figure some time in January or February.

Treasurer Hensley also stated that the decrease of \$52,000 is only for the general fund not the public work area.

Trustee Duberstein asked Trustee Walkington if there are any big projects anticipated. Trustee Walkington stated that some project will probably have to be done. However, if something big came up the Village would have to do a bond.

Trustee Daley stated that there are a lot of what ifs but he is concerned about the resident's home value drop and the tax bill potentially go up. Mayor Soto stated that makes an argument to maybe not drop it as much. Trustee Daley would like to give the whole picture. Mayor Soto stated that the Board can take a more conservative approach and drop it but not as much and then see what Russo will bring in for the village. Russo's bulk of their sales is in the spring.

Discussion took place regarding the tax levy.

Treasurer Hensley stated that the Village levied for \$638,000 and \$627,000 was received.

Further discussion took place regarding the tax levy.

Trustee Duberstein amended the motion from \$575,400 to \$587,500; seconded withdrawn by Trustee Derenoski; seconded by Trustee Walkington.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Tiffany, Duberstein, Barrett, Daley and Walkington

Nays: Trustee Derenoski

Motion carried

Trustee Barrett motioned to adjourn the November 16th, 2010 Special Meeting to Approve the Tax Levy Resolution; seconded by Trustee Walkington. All in favor say aye, motion carried.

The November 16th, 2010 Public Hearing for an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk