

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING OF THE WOODRIDGE LAKE SEWER DISTRICT HELD SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2022 AT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WOODRIDGE LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING AT THE WOODRIDGE LAKE CLUBHOUSE LOCATED AT 260 EAST HYERDALE DRIVE GOSHEN, CONNECTICUT

CALL TO ORDER: Raymond A. Turri, President of the Board of Directors of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District called the meeting to order at 10:45 A.M.

ATTENDANCE: There were fifteen Woodridge Lake Sewer District Tax Payers signed in attendance. The list of those present is on file with the minutes of this meeting.

Board members serving at this meeting were Raymond Turri, James Mersfelder, Alfred Shull, and Tax Collector/Clerk Laurie Mosley.

Item #1 on the Agenda – The adopting of the Annual Budget for the fiscal year to run from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023: The Board presented a balanced budget of \$1,441,884; consisting of Operating expenses of \$1,048,229 and a transfer to Capital of \$393,655. The said budget is filed with these minutes. Raymond Turri discussed the changes in the budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Michael Edison seconded by Alfred Shull to adopt the proposed operating budget of \$1,441,884 for fiscal year July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023. There was no discussion. The President called for a vote by hands, for those in favor of the motion and those against. 15 were for the motion, none were against the motion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #2: The laying of the tax for said fiscal year July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023. The tax revenue at 5.2 mil rate will raise \$1,378,784, based on the assessed value of the grand list of \$265,150,780.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Alfred Shull seconded by Lance Leifert to lay the tax rate of \$1,378,784 to be collected in taxes for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022/June 30, 2023. No discussion. The President called for a vote by hands, for those in favor of the motion and those against. 15 were for the motion, none were against the motion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #3: The fixing of the tax rate of 5.2 mils for said fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 based on the October 1, 2021 Grand List of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Alfred Shull seconded by Stuart Grodin to set a tax rate of 5.2 Mil for fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 based on the October 1, 2021 Grand List for the Woodridge Lake Sewer District. No discussion, The President called for a vote by hands, for those in favor of the motion and those against. 15 were for the motion, none were against the motion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Item 4#: To approve a resolution to provide for the re-appropriation of previously approved capital funding for the completion of the planned projects and engineering for the final long term solution to the disposal of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District wastewater. There is no need for this item, there is no capital funding that is being carried over.

Item #5: To consider a resolution providing for the District and or Authority for interim borrowing in anticipation of taxes.

MOTION WAS MADE BY David Parillo seconded by Richard Assenza to approve a resolution providing the District and or Authority interim borrowing in anticipation of taxes. No discussion, The President called for a vote by hands, for those in favor of the motion and those against. There were 15 for the motion, none against the motion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #6: Other business. Vice President/Treasurer James Mersfelder encouraged the WSLD taxpayers to attend the Bantam Lake Protective Associations (BLPA) annual meeting Saturday June 4th at 9:00 AM at the Morris Town Hall (there is also a zoom option). BLPA is partnering with the towns of Goshen, Litchfield, Morris, and Torrington, as well as the White Memorial Foundation, Housatonic Valley Association, and the Woodridge Lake Sewer District to convene the Bantam Lake Watershed Task Force. The Task Force's mission is to coordinate and implement recommendations laid out in the Bantam Lake TMDL and Watershed-based Plan, as well as applying for state and federal government grant, educating the public, and providing resources in town and community leaders. Jim commented that the CT DEEP in association with local stakeholders and the US EPA have initiated efforts within the Bantam Lake Watershed to help address impacts to aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms from nutrients. It has a history of frequent harmful algal blooms. The WSLD adds a percentage of these nutrients to the water shed. In order to improve water quality in the lake, CT DEEP is developing an approach to evaluate and reduce nutrient loads to lakes and impoundments to improve water quality for both the people and ecological communities that use the lake.

There was no other business brought before the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Alfred Shull, seconded by Lance Leifert to adjourn the meeting at 11:11AM. No discussion, The President called for a vote by hands, for those in favor of the motion and those against. There were 15 votes for the motion, there were no hands against the motion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Recording Clerk,

Laurie Mosley

Clerk,

Alfred Shull