

Town of St. Armand
2024 Budget Work Session #3
Tuesday, October 15, 2024 – 5:30 pm

These Budget Work Session Minutes were approved by the St. Armand Town Board on November 13, 2024.

A Budget Work Session of the Town of St. Armand was held in person at the above date and time at the Town Hall, Bloomingdale, NY, and virtually on-line.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Town Supervisor Davina Thurston, Deputy Supervisor Karl Law, Councilperson Donna Whitelaw, Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer and Councilperson JP O'Neil.

A quorum of the Board was in attendance.

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

Town Clerk Shauna Manning, Water and Sewer Clerk Barbara Darrah

GUESTS: Warren McCarthy

Notice was posted regarding the date of this meeting.

Supervisor Davina Thurston called the Budget Work Session to order at 5:30 pm and asked all to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barbara Darrah, St. Armand's Water and Sewer Clerk and Records Management manger, took the floor. She explained her request for the increase in pay for Records management. Discussion ensued. The Town Board granted the raise for Records Management with an agreement that Barbara Darrah will have to keep a record of how many hours she is working, with details on what work was done.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

Supervisor Thurston distributed the latest version of the tentative budget.

Councilperson Donna Whitelaw brought up an increase for the Town Supervisor. Supervisor Thurston stated if there were any other increases, it should be to the Budget/AUD Officer. Discussion ensued. The Town Board agreed on a 16% increase for the Budget/AUD Officer.

The third budget work session of 2025 included a review of the expected Water and Sewer rates for 2025.

The Sewer rates were reviewed first. The Sewer Usage rate for 2025 increased from \$ 15.76 to \$16.02, a difference of .26 cents. Sewer debt decreased from \$72.00 to \$67.00, a difference of \$5.00.

The Water rates were reviewed next. The Water Usage rate for 2025 decreased from \$7.84 to \$7.58, a difference of .26 cents. The Water Debt decreased from \$ 1.74 to 1.62, a difference of .12 cents.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS

Supervisor Thurston asked participants of the meeting if there were any questions, comments, or concerns. There were none. Deputy Supervisor Karl Law stated he was very happy that Supervisor Thurston was so successful in keeping the budget in great order.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BUDGET WORK SESSION

Councilperson Donna Whitelaw made a Motion to end the Budget Work Session. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer. The Budget Work Session ended at 7:16 pm.

I, Shauna Manning, Town Clerk for the Town of St. Armand, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct transcript of the Budget Work Session minutes held on the above-referenced date.

Shauna Manning
St. Armand Town Clerk

Dated: October 15, 2024