

A Public Hearing on the Budget was held on Monday, April 13, 2009 at the Municipal Building, Van Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520.

The following officials were present:

Mayor Wiegman	Trustee Murtaugh
Treasurer Bullock	Trustee Olver
Manager Zambrano	Trustee Gallelli
	Trustee Restuccia

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Wiegman called the meeting to order. Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010.

On motion of Trustee Olver, seconded by Trustee Gallelli the Public hearing was opened unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York:

Village Manager Zambrano stated that the tentative budget was filed on March 20, 2009 according to New York State Law and that budget presented to the Village Board has a proposed 1.86 percent increase. He believes the budget presented to the Board is an excellent one.

a) PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET:

Treasurer Bullock gave a PowerPoint presentation of the proposed 2009-10 budget. Full text of the presentation is attached.

2. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT:

Art Roosa Jr., Fire Chief of the Croton Volunteer Fire Department , 7 Farrington Road, Mr. Roosa stated that this years budget process is one of the toughest he has had to go through in the last six years but understandable due to the condition of the economy. He stated he is only asking for a 1.7 percent increase over the 08-09 revised budget and mostly because of mandated items by OSHA and NFPA and contractual items. He urged the Board to remember that the Croton Fire Departments are 100 percent volunteer and if the members believe they are not appreciated by not being properly funded they may not get more members to volunteer which would leave only an option of a paid Fire Department that would cost much to operate.

Michelle Celarier, Nordica Drive, congratulated the new Board and read a letter asking for a zero percent tax increase even if services have to be cut and mandating a salary freeze. She went on to suggest employees take mandatory leave without pay, although she does appreciate all the employees hard work.

Joe Streany, 7 High Street, spoke of concerns of maintaining deteriorating Fire Houses urging a preventive maintenance program.

4. PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

a) On motion of TRUSTEE Olver, seconded by TRUSTEE Murtaugh, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York:

WHEREAS, the bids for the Croton-Harmon Train Station parking lot flood mitigation project were opened on April 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, 13 bids were received ranging from \$2,581,023 to \$4,209,500; and

WHEREAS, Sisca Northeast Inc. had the lowest bid at \$2,581,023; and

WHEREAS, the references supplied by Sisca Northeast Inc. have been favorable; and

WHEREAS, on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Village staff met with representatives of Sisca in a pre-award meeting to discuss the project; and

WHEREAS, the Village Engineer has determined that Sisca Northeast Inc. is a reputable firm with many years of experience and well able to complete this project in a timely manner,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is authorized to award the Croton-Harmon Train Station parking lot flood mitigation contract to Sisca Northeast Inc. in the amount of \$2,581,023,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that all costs associated with this project will be charged to capital account #5650 2101 98015.

b) On motion of TRUSTEE Gallelli, seconded by TRUSTEE Restuccia, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York:

WHEREAS, the bids for the Croton-Harmon Train Station shuttle bus project were opened on March 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the shuttle bus project will supply shuttle bus service to parking permit holders during the train station flood mitigation construction project; and

WHEREAS, 5 bids were received ranging from \$58.00 per hour to \$93.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, J&R Tours of Mount Vernon, NY had the lowest bid at \$58.00 per hour with a total estimated cost of \$79,170 based on the estimated number of days the construction project will last; and

WHEREAS, the references supplied by J&R Tours were favorable,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is authorized to award the Croton-Harmon Train Station shuttle bus contract to J&R Tours of Mount Vernon at a total estimated cost of \$79,170,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the costs of this project will be charged to capital account #H5650 2101 98015.

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to adjourn seconded by Trustee Murtaugh; approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Pauline DiSanto

Village Clerk