

**COMMITTEE MEETING
LAKE PLEASANT, NY
THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 6, 2014**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
PUBLICITY, TOURISM, PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
BUDGET REVIEW
1:00 PM**

Members present: Neil McGovern, Brian Wells, John Frey and Clark Seaman

Also present: Bill Farber, Phil Snyder, Bob Edwards and Frank Mezzano

Economic Development Director Osborne reported line item 6010.401 Hamilton County Promo needs to be increased \$25,000.00 per ROOST request. He decreased 6010.403 Consumer Shows \$2,000 and 6010.404 Event Funding decreased \$11,000. With ROOST'S request the total increase after you figure in the two decreases would be \$7,000.

Director Osborne stated under salaries there isn't an increase for Ms. Christy Wilt Tourism Aide. Mr. Farber asked what type of increase, the COLA? Director Osborne stated no, a promotion. Mr. Farber stated there will be a meeting on November 18th to discuss all salary increases beyond the 1.75% that was requested.

Mr. Farber stated the request from ROOST stems from them picking up a lot more work than what was initially expected of them. Over the next couple of weeks we need to clarify exactly what they will be covering, such as the birding festival.

Mr. Farber questioned Director Osborne's pending retirement in 2015. Director Osborne stated that he would have more of an idea of a date in the near future, he is thinking of shooting for April 1st. He is not sure there is enough economic development within the area as of yet for them to go out and hire an experienced developer at this time.

The members discussed options going forward, possibly an IDA Economic Developer.

Mr. McGovern stated the towns could use a grant writer.

Mr. Frey reported that they use Cap21 for their grants.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
TREASURER
BUDGET REVIEW
1:30 PM**

Present: John Frey, Bob Edwards and Neil McGovern

Also present: Bill Farber, Phil Snyder, Clark Seaman, Brian Wells and Beth Hunt

Treasurer Hunt stated line item 1325.409 - Lien Searches - she decreased to \$7,500.00 as well as line 1325.107 - Temporary - also was decreased \$1,000.

Treasurer Hunt stated she requested a 3% salary increase for herself.

Mr. Frey stated that they will be meeting to discuss all salary increases beyond the 1.75% on November 18th.

Treasurer Hunt gave a list of job duties that she does beyond being County Treasurer.

Mr. McGovern stated they are worth noting.

Treasurer Hunt reported that she had spoken previously to the committee about investing. There were a couple of questions that were asked and she followed up with the Rep. from Morgan Stanley. One question was fees or penalties and the answer is there are no fees, they are all waived for municipalities. There isn't any traditional penalties for selling a CD early. She can have the Rep. Mr. Stephen Sams from Morgan Stanley come and do a presentation for the Board.

Mr. Farber wanted to check the calendar for what was open so that Treasurer Hunt could invite him to give us a presentation.