

**Budget Workshop**  
**VILLAGE COUNCIL OF SUGAR MOUNTAIN**  
**MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, May 30, 2017**  
**4:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order of Budget Workshop** – Mayor Pro Tem, Gunther Jochl called the May 30, 2017 Budget Workshop of Council to order at 4:00 p.m. with a quorum present as follows:

**Council Members Present:**

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther Jochl, Council Member Norris Clifton, Council Member David Ammann, and Council Member Scott Brown.

**Council Members Absent:**

Mayor, Dennis Lacey

**Village Hall Staff Present:**

Police Chief David Henson, Public Works Director Bill Daniels, Village Manager Susan Phillips, and Municipal Clerk Tammy Floyd, who recorded official meeting.

No members of the public were in attendance.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Village Manager, Susan Phillips provided council a 2017-2018 budget packet that included department request, revenue summary, expenditure summary, budget worksheet, and capitol requests. The budget presented to council will not utilize money from the fund balance. This is tax revaluation year. Revenue neutral calculations show a reduction in millage rate to forty-four and one half cents, resulting in a loss of twenty-four thousand in tax revenue. Council may keep the current millage rate of forty-six cents or consider a reduction. Council member discussed the millage rate. After discussion it was the census of council to reduce the millage rate to forty-five cents.

The unreserved fund balance of 1,064,446 represents 71% of the FY 2016-17 estimated year end expenditures and is a healthy fund balance for a Village of our size. Council and department heads discussed the capitol requests listed for the administration department, police department, and public works department. Council requested to see a budget with these items totaling approximately seventy one thousand paid with funds from the fund balance. After discussion, it was the census of council to pay for the items in full without financing.

The proposed budget includes a cross the board two percent salary adjustment for full time employees. Village Manager, Susan Phillips advised she is working on developing a merit based salary adjustment program for the 2018-17 fiscal year. Future salaries will be adjustment based on performance objectives. After discussion, it was the census of council to allow the two percent cost of living raise and tabling the 401(K) benefit request.

Council requested to table the Residential Trash Pick-UP Program and requested that a proposed budget be prepared with the capital requests being paid for from the fund balance.

**RECESSED**

All members of Council agreed to recess the workshop.

Mayor Pro Tem, Gunther Jochl recessed the budget workshop until Thursday, June 8, 2017 4:00pm.

**Meeting recessed 4:45 p.m.**