

## NEW HAVEN TOWN BOARD STRATEGY MEETING HELD AUGUST 8, 2016

### CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Timothy Teifke called the strategy meeting for August 8, 2016 to order at 5:30 p.m. at the New Haven Town Hall. Roll call: Councilwoman Patricia Prosser, Councilman William Rombough, Councilman James Vergos and Supervisor Timothy Teifke present. Councilman Yancey Wells absent.

### PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the 2017 budget and strategy for keeping the taxes from going up. The meeting was legally advertised and it was posted on the Town's website.

**Fire Alarm System:** Motion by James Vergos, second by William Rombough, to accept the proposal of Volney Multiplex to install a cellular communicator on the fire alarm system and disconnect the land line. Patricia Prosser, Aye; William Rombough, Aye; James Vergos, Aye; Timothy Teifke, Aye; Carried.

**Internet Service:** Motion by Patricia Prosser, second by James Vergos to accept the proposal months of Time Warner Cable for a static IP address and increased internet speed. The term of the contract is Patricia Prosser, Aye; William Rombough, Aye; James Vergos, Aye; Timothy Teifke, Aye; Carried.

### **Budget Strategy:**

**Tax cap:** The tax cap for 2017 is .68%. The amount the Town can increase is \$28,000 to stay under the tax cap.

**Health Insurance:** The Town's health insurance will increase by 5% for 2017.

**Software:** The annual maintenance fee for the Williamson Law Book Software will increase by 2% for 2017.

**Highway Employees:** The Highway Department's laborer has left. The position is not being filled at this time.

**Cameras:** Upgrading the cameras for the building was discussed. They may be upgraded this year.

**Ambulance Contract:** The ambulance contract was discussed. McFee will be contacted.

**Fuel Pump:** The fuel pump is not measuring accurately. Options are being look at.

**Fire Alarms in Homes:** James Vergos asked about passing a law that would require fire alarms be installed in homes that are being sold.

**Building Codes:** The new International Building Codes go into effect October 6<sup>th</sup>. The Town needs to adopt them before then.

### ADJOURNMENT

**Meeting Adjourned:** at 7:40 P.M by motion of William Rombough, second by Patricia Prosser. Patricia Prosser, Aye; William Rombough, Aye; James Vergos, Aye; Timothy Teifke, Aye; Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J Allen  
New Haven Town Clerk