

**UNION VALE 2023 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 12, 2022
249 DUNCAN ROAD, UNION VALE, NEW YORK
UNION VALE TOWN HALL 7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Supervisor Betsy Maas

Town Council: Kevin Durland, Kevin McGivney, John Welsh

Town Clerk: Andrea Casey

Absent: Town Attorney, Jeff Battistoni & Town Councilman Perry Gusikoff

Supervisor Maas opened the public hearing at 7:00 PM

Glenn Morrison- Inquired about the \$1.6 for capital projects where is that and what happened with those projects going forward? Things that were baked into budget such as website updates, media, digitizing records, if they haven't happened will they be included in the 2023 budget?

Where the is the projected \$290K for library operating expenses falls in the budget. He also noted an increase in contractual fees.

Corrina Kelley- (by email) Supervisor Maas read email aloud I will be watching closely to the meetings for the budget as some of the numbers appear very confusing. There are areas of the budget under revenues that seem to have unrealistic expectations unless there is a windfall in the last few months of the year that justified the increased projections. There are increases in some salaries that seem unreasonable high in the current economic climate. What glaringly sticks out to me as a resident who has been advocating for full access to sustainable library service for 8+ years is that the Library budget is proposed at \$112,500 which is an increase from 2022 of 308% OR \$75,950. The increase is only \$1,985 less than the Proposition 7 total payment to 3 area libraries of \$77,935 that permitted access to Union Vale residents to the entire MHLs. The Town Board discussed that town residents voted the Proposition down because it was too much money. Logic would propose that \$112,500 would be \$34,565 more money that the majority of residents do not want to spend over the original proposition of \$77,935.

Mary Jane Zukowski- interested to see if there is any consideration or discussion about the dog park, would it be then off the table for 2023?

Tim Dunham- Increase in equestrian center budget how many people use it and what is charged

Elfriede Tillman - On the library page is that for the old-fashioned library or the new-fashioned library?

As there was no further public comment, Supervisor Maas closed the public hearing at 7:14 PM

Town Board Work Session 7:15 PM Topics:

- 2023 Budget Discussion
- Boring Test Dam update at October 18th meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Casey, Town Clerk