

No Tax Increase for the Village of Newark

The Village of Newark held a Budget Hearing on April 2, 2019 at which Mayor Jonathan Taylor and the Village Trustees announced that for the sixth time in seven years, there will be no Village tax increase. In addition, for the eighth straight year, the water and sewer rates will remain the same.

Despite the flat tax rate, public safety and Village services will not be compromised. In fact, it is important to note that almost 70% of the total budget is designated for this effort, with 41% percent of the total Village budget being allocated to the Police Department.

Other items of note from the meeting include that nearly half of the Department of Public Works (DPW) budget is earmarked for much needed street paving and snow removal and the Water Treatment Plant will be undergoing an expansion/renovation project. The South Main Street project, the East Avenue Bridge project and the Route 31 culvert replacement project are all expected to be completed in 2019.

"Sound fiscal management by our Village Board and Department Managers has allowed us to present a budget that continues to provide the public safety and services our residents have come to expect, without raising taxes," stated Mayor Jonathan Taylor, "This, coupled with the tremendous amount of economic activity and growth in the village, has helped to eliminate any additional tax burden that could have been placed on village residents."