

November 26, 2013 (Village Board Budget Hearing)

**ALLOUEZ VILLAGE BOARD BUDGET HEARING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013
6:30 P.M., ALLOUEZ VILLAGE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

President Vanden Avond called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Present: Kopish, Genrich, Green, Vanden Avond, Dart, Gast, Zeller

MODIFY / ADOPT AGENDA

Genrich / Kopish moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zeller

- Public Works Meeting on December 12th has been rescheduled to December 19th

Dart

- Plan Commission cancelled their meeting on December 23rd and have not rescheduled at this time

Baenen

- Board of Appeals Meeting on December 9th has been rescheduled to December 16th

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

- none

2014 BUDGET HEARING

Hearing was held to consider adoption of the 2014 budget.

Clarence Matuszek, 2680 S. Webster Avenue

- bus subsidy is up 9% and nobody is riding the bus
- why is budget for cadets up 18%? (includes an additional 25 hours for enforcement officer wages and for code enforcement software). He is concerned that cadets are being used to raise revenue and that is not right.
- feels the undesignated reserve fund is getting quite high
- are sewer rate or storm sewer rate increases being contemplated? (yes). Suggested they consider offsetting the tax levy by an equivalent amount from the undesignated reserve fund.
- Suggested since a public hearing is not required when you have a contemplated sewer rate increase, that an informational meeting would be appropriate.

Pickett

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- Provided a summary of the 2014 budget which included adjustments proposed during the budget meetings and the supplemental requests for a total levy of 6,263,987 and a total tax rate of 7.079.

Discussion:

- Transit costs and services
- Impact of reassessment
- Use of Fund balance for utility rate stabilization fund
- How to better educate the community about their water and sewer charges

Hearing closed at 6:50 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE 2014 BUDGET

Gast / Dart moved to adopt the 2014 budget as presented with a tax levy of 6,263,987 which represents a negative .281% tax levy as compared to the prior budget. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Green / Genrich moved to adjourn at 6:53 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Debbie Baenen, Clerk-Treasurer