

At 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Carges called to order a public hearing located at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York on Tuesday, October 25, 2016. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear all persons interested in the budget, in favor of or against the Preliminary Budget for 2017, or any item therein to include the compensation to be paid to all elected Town Officials, pursuant to the requirements of Section 108 of the Town Law.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Robert Carges, Councilperson Mary Rich and Councilperson Lori Skoog. Councilperson Robert Muesebeck was absent. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Highway Superintendent Brian Ingraham, Town Attorney Jim Bell and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were Village Trustee Annie Crane, Joan Hamlin, Christine Hamlin, William Johnson and members and parents of Boy Scout Pack 316 – Joseph Maher, Nathan Maher, Mandy Horschel, Raegan Horschel, Casey Horschel, Mike DeLucia, Gabe DeLucia, Richard Wood and Richie Wood.

Supervisor Carges called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Carges waived the reading of the legal notice.

Supervisor Carges presented the 2017 Preliminary Budget. Mr. Carges explained the services provided by the Town, summarized the 2017 preliminary budget and shared Sweden's tax rate history. Sweden's tax rate history over the past ten years has only increased 6% for parcels outside the Village and 4% for Village parcels. For an average house valued at \$125,000, taxpayers will only pay \$.45 more this year for parcels outside the Village and will actually pay \$1.66 less for parcels in the Village. Mr. Carges shared the exemptions in the Town which total 47.4% of the total value of property. Special district rates were summarized along with the salaries for elected town officials. Mr. Carges stated that no raises were given to the Supervisor or the three councilpersons. Mr. Carges pointed out the NYS Property Tax Cap is only .68% this year and was pleased to share that the Town of Sweden levy is \$2,575 UNDER the limit.

Supervisor Carges asked if anyone had any questions or comments. No comments.

The public hearing closed at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting  
Town Clerk