

**TOWN OF PENDLETON
PUBLIC HEARING
November 3, 2021**

The Town Board of the Town of Pendleton held a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 6570 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton, NY, on the 3rd day of November 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The hearing was open to the public. The meeting was also conducted as a live GoToMeeting and a conference call line was provided to the public allowing access to live audio.

Supervisor Maerten, Councilman Evchich, Councilman Fischer and Councilman Graham were present. Councilman Leible was absent.

Also present:

Tom Maturski – Budget Officer
Deborah Maurer – Town Clerk
Claude Joerg – Town Attorney
Craig Walter – Highway/Water & Sewer Superintendent
Mark Walter – Deputy Town Supervisor

There were three residents in attendance. There were zero callers on the line.

The notice for the Public Hearing was published in the Lockport Union Sun & Journal on October 22, 2021 and on the Town's website.

Supervisor Maerten opened the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was as indicated below:

1. Public Hearing on the preliminary budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022, as required by Town Law §108 for the purpose of considering the preliminary budget, and receiving comments from the public relative thereto. Said Budget is on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Pendleton and may be inspected by any interested person. Office hours for the Town Hall are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Preliminary Budget will also be located on the Town's website at www.pendletonny.us.

Pursuant to §108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers are hereby specified as follows:

SUPERVISOR	\$	19,619.00
COUNCIL (4 @ \$7,936.00 each)	\$	31,744.00
TOWN CLERK	\$	57,366.00
SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS	\$	52,014.00

2. A public hearing on amounts to be raised by taxation for Special Districts in the following districts:

PENDLETON WATER DISTRICTS	\$	470,384.00
PENDLETON REFUSE DISTRICT	\$	476,273.00
PENDLETON FIRE DISTRICT	\$	550,000.00

3. A Public Hearing to authorize a contract with the Wendelville Fire Company, Inc. at a yearly amount as follows:

WENDELVILLE FIRE COMPANY, INC	\$	365,145.00
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Budget Officer Maturski presented the final version of the Preliminary Budget and reviewed the budget summary on page 15 and the tax levy amounts listed on page 16. He also provided a brief summary of the adjustments made by the Town Board at the October 25, 2021 Work Session.

Next, Supervisor Maerten opened up the discussion to the Town Board members. No questions were asked by the Board members. The discussion was then opened up for public comments.

The first resident to speak provided the members of the Board and the Budget Officer with a list of questions. All of her questions were discussed and answered satisfactorily. Some items were marked for further review.

Another resident asked for clarification regarding the \$\$200,000 of American Rescue Act Funding that was reserved for the Wendelville Fire Company, Inc. (WFC) at the September 13, 2021

Regular Meeting. Supervisor Maerten explained that this was not a “gift” to WFC. It is money set aside for a future purchase by the fire company that will require prior approval by the Town Board.

Lastly, a third resident suggested listing individual grants under “Capital Projects” in the future to make it easier to track.

There were no other questions or comments from the public.

Motion by Councilman Evchich, seconded by Councilman Fischer, to close the Public Hearing at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Deborah K. Maurer, Town Clerk

PENDING APPROVAL