

TOWN OF CONCORD SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING October 5, 2020  
10:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CLYDE M. DRAKE, SUPERVISOR

PRESENT: CLYDE M. DRAKE, SUPERVISOR  
JAMES M. KREZMIEN, COUNCILMAN  
KENNETH D. ZITTEL, COUNCILMAN

EXCUSED: WILLIAM F. SNYDER, III, COUNCILMAN  
PHILIP DROZD, COUNCILMAN

ALSO PRESENT: DARLENE G. SCHWEIKERT, Town Clerk

Supervisor Drake opened the meeting at 10 a.m.

ITEM #1: PRESENTATION OF THE 2021 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Town Clerk Schweikert presented the Tentative Budget to the Board. Supervisor Drake advised that the amount to be raised by tax in this tentative budget is \$2,093,293.03 and when that amount is entered into the State website it appears the Town is under the tax cap by \$400. This is an estimate and can change as the budget lines change. The Concord IDA still has one PILOT for next year and that may be enough to put the Town over the tax cap. Hopefully the Town will have more direction from the Concord IDA. This budget contains an unexpended fund balance of \$50,000.00. The contingent account was bumped up from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00; not knowing where the Town will end up. Supervisor Drake advised that the budget has been slimmed down and a lot of the hidden fat that had been in the budget previously has been removed. Councilman Krezmien noted that he read an article about reserve funds and that the Town may be able to use it this year. Supervisor Drake advised that it would need to be COVID related. Supervisor Drake advised that he is applying for \$20,000.00 to offset unemployment costs and the protective glass for the Town Clerk, Assessor and the Court. He had looked into glass for the Board Meeting area but even with protective glass the contractor said that area would still be in violation. Some Towns are asking for more money; the Town had two weeks to get it together for submission. Supervisor Drake advised that this would also include the purchase of two laptops so that if any department has to work from home they could do so. Supervisor Drake advised that he is not saying that this budget is not going to change; this budget still includes funding a police department. Supervisor Drake reached out to the Town of Ashford who had been thinking about starting a police department and they have decided not to proceed since they were not sure how much money would come in. Also Ashford will be going down to one Judge. Supervisor Drake will reach out to other Towns with police departments and also Sheriff Howard for more input. There may be need for another budget work session. Motion by Councilman Krezmien, seconded by Councilman Zittel, to accept the 2021 Tentative Budget for the Town of Concord, as presented by the Town Clerk. Councilmen Krezmien & Zittel; Supervisor Drake, voting aye; Councilmen Snyder & Drozd, excused. Carried.

ITEM #2: JUSTICE COURT GRANT RESOLUTION – Supervisor Drake advised that Court Clerk Moriarty is applying for a grant and as part of the application process, a Town Board Resolution is required. This application must be submitted prior to our next Board Meeting on October 8<sup>th</sup>. This grant would be to get the rugs replaced in the Courtroom and the downstairs area used by the Court.

Councilman Krezmien moved the adoption of Resolution 10, seconded by Councilman Zittel:

Resolution of the Concord Town Board

Resolution of the Town Board ("the Board") of the Town of Concord, County of Erie and State of New York, which at a meeting of the Board on Monday, October 5, 2020, did approve and authorize the Town of Concord Justice Court to apply for a grant through the Justice Court Assistance Program ("JCAP") for grant funds in the 2020-2021 grant cycle.

WHEREAS, the Town of Concord Justice Court ("the Court") is the court duly authorized to operate in the Town of Concord;

WHEREAS, the Justice Court Assistance Program ("JCAP"), makes funds available on an annual basis to assist Town and Village Courts in upgrades, enhancements, etc.

WHEREAS, the Court would like to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2020-2021 grant cycle to cover costs for items that would enhance the courthouse's usefulness and appearance. Further, should the grant be denied, said items would not be purchased until other funding was first secured.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Boar of the Town of Concord has voted to support the Court's application and hereby authorizes the Court to apply for JCAP grant funds in the 2020-2021 grant cycle for the purposes so stated in the application.

Voting as follows:

Councilman Drozd	Excused
Councilman Zittel	Aye
Councilman Snyder	Excused
Councilman Krezmien	Aye
Supervisor Drake	Aye

ITEM #3: MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Councilman Krezmien, seconded by Councilman Zittel, to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 a.m. Councilmen Krezmien & Zittel; Supervisor Drake, voting aye; Councilmen Snyder & Drozd, excused. Carried.



Darlene G. Schweikert  
Town Clerk