

**TOWN OF HECTOR
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
October 22, 2019**

Members Present:

Alvin White, Supervisor
Jessica Rodgers, Councilwoman
Justin Boyette, Councilman
Robert Barton, Councilman
William Preston, Councilman

Others:

Jane Ike, Clerk
Randy Rappleye, Highway Superintendent

Absent: Elizabeth Martin, Councilwoman

Called to order by Supervisor White at 1:13pm followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Tax Cap Override: Discussed the need to hold a public hearing on a local law to override the tax cap for 2020 as the Fire Protection District increases are over the allowable levy increase to remain within the tax cap. Discussion of levy increase allowed.

Water District: Adjustments to appropriated fund balance made to get back to \$89,272 as originally planned. Added to contingency to bring up to \$40,000; raised SW2140 revenue to \$315,139.37

RESOLUTION #140 – offered by Boyette, seconded by Preston.

Resolved to set November 7, 2019 at 7:00pm for a Public Hearing on Local Law #1 of 2019 Tax Cap Over-ride. Ayes 5, Nays 0

RESOLUTION #141 – offered by Preston, seconded by Barton

Resolved to amend the 2020 Water District preliminary budget prior to public hearing by using \$89,272 appropriated fund balance; raising contingency to \$40,000 and rising SW2140 metered water revenue to \$315,139.37 Ayes 5, Nays 0

Fund Balance Review: Discussion of available funds in General Part-Town that could be transferred to Highway Part-Town to reduce taxes. County 2020 tax rates will be down \$.23 or \$.24 cents per 1000.

Supervisor White reviewed the cap on sales tax revenue and the affect it has had on our budget in the last 3-4 years. The County has seen an 11.53% increase in sales tax revenue since 2016; 2019 sales tax revenue is 3% above 2018 now. Hector's lost revenue since 2016 is over \$140,000.

Discussion continued on the use of General Part-Town fund balance; will be discussed again at the public hearing November 7th.

Motion by Councilman Preston, seconded by Councilman Barton to adjourn at 1:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane M. V. Ike, Clerk