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INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF VALLEY STREAM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUDGET HEARING  
VIA TELECONFERENCE

123 South Central Avenue  
Valley Stream, New York  
April 20, 2020  
7:01 p.m.

M E M B E R S :

EDWIN A. FARE	MAYOR
SEAN WRIGHT	DEPUTY MAYOR
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JOHN L. TUFARELLI	TRUSTEE
DERMOND E. THOMAS	TRUSTEE
MICHAEL FOX	VILLAGE TREASURER
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MAYOR FARE: It's 7:01 and I'm going to call the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, I'm going to ask for a moment of silence for our Village employee, Michael Field, Ex-Captain and now Chief of the Valley Stream Fire Department, who passed away from the COVID-19 virus.

So we're going to have the Pledge and then a moment of silence.

Please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was said and a moment of silence was observed.)

MAYOR FARE: Thank you very much everybody for paying your respects to Michael Field; again, dedicated employee and now posthumously made Chief of the Valley Stream Fire Department.

I'm going to let Jay begin with the purpose of the Annual Budget Meeting and then we'll take the roll call.

If you have your agendas in front of you

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-- Jay -- Deputy Clerk, please.

DEPUTY CLERK: Due to New York State Governor Cuomo's Executive Order dated March 7, 2020, and later amendments thereof, on the temporary suspension and modification of New York State Laws relating to the Disaster Emergency, the Open Meeting Law's requirement allowing in person attendance of the public has been temporarily suspended until further notice by the Office of the Governor.

The Budget Hearing is closed to the public. The public has been allowed from April 6, 2020 to April 20, 2020 to submit written statements and/or inquiries. The hearing will also be transcribed.

MAYOR FARE: All right. I'm going to call the Budget Meeting -- the hearing, excuse me -- to order at 7:03.

Deputy Village Clerk, roll call.

DEPUTY CLERK: Roll call. Trustee Tufarelli?

TRUSTEE TUFARELLI: Present.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Grasso?

TRUSTEE GRASSO: Here.

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DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Thomas?

TRUSTEE THOMAS: Here.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Wright?

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: Here.

DEPUTY CLERK: Mayor Fare?

MAYOR FARE: Here.

DEPUTY CLERK: This hearing is a continuation of the April 6th Budget Hearing. The Tentative Budget for June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021 is posted on the Village website at vsvny.org, and residents could submit questions from April 6, 2020 to April 20, 2020 to vstreas1@vsvny.org.

MAYOR FARE: All right. Michael, I'd like to find out if we had any email inquiries on the budget.

MR. FOX: We had zero inquiries by email on the budget, and I actually just went in and double-checked right up until the minute before we started this meeting and there were no emails to be entered.

MAYOR FARE: All right. So we had no email inquiries.

I'd like to ask the Board for any

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comments on the budget.

Trustee Wright, any comments on the budget?

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: No, sir.

MAYOR FARE: Trustee Thomas, comments on the budget?

TRUSTEE THOMAS: No comments.

MAYOR FARE: Trustee Grasso, comments on the budget?

TRUSTEE GRASSO: No.

MAYOR FARE: Trustee Tufarelli, comments on the budget?

TRUSTEE TUFARELLI: No.

MAYOR FARE: All right. At this point the hearing is closed, and I'm going to ask the Deputy Village Clerk to read the following Resolution into the minutes and be voted upon.

Jay.

DEPUTY CLERK: Resolution 57-2020, resolved that the proposed budget for the fiscal year June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021, as discussed at a Budget Hearing beginning on April 6, 2020 and concluded on April 20th of 2020, be and hereby is adopted.

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MAYOR FARE: Do I have a motion from a  
Trustee?

TRUSTEE TUFARELLI: Motion to move the  
budget.

MAYOR FARE: Motion from Trustee  
Tufarelli.

Second?

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: I'll second.

MAYOR FARE: Second by Trustee Wright.

Further comments from the Board?

(Whereupon, there was no verbal  
response.)

MAYOR FARE: Roll call.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Grasso?

TRUSTEE GRASSO: No.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Tufarelli?

TRUSTEE TUFARELLI: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Thomas?

TRUSTEE THOMAS: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Wright?

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Mayor Fare?

MAYOR FARE: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: I need a motion to close

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the Budget Hearing.

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: Motion to close.

MAYOR FARE: Motion by Wright.

DEPUTY CLERK: Second?

TRUSTEE THOMAS: Second by Dermond.

MAYOR FARE: By Trustee Thomas.

Roll call.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Tufarelli?

TRUSTEE TUFARELLI: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Thomas?

TRUSTEE THOMAS: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Grasso?

TRUSTEE GRASSO: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Trustee Wright?

TRUSTEE WRIGHT: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: Mayor Fare?

MAYOR FARE: Yes.

DEPUTY CLERK: The time is 7:06.

(Time noted: 7:06 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, Julia M. Speros, a Notary Public in  
and for the state of New York, do hereby  
certify:

THAT that the witness whose testimony is  
hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn by me;  
and

THAT the within transcript is a true  
record of the testimony given by said  
witness.

I further certify that I am not related,  
either by blood or marriage, to any of the  
parties to this action; and

THAT I am in no way interested in the  
outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set  
my hand this 20th day of April, 2020.

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