

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF THE ROMULUS TOWN BOARD  
PROPOSED 2010 BUDGET  
November 12, 2009

**Call to Order:** Public hearing was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Supervisor David Kaiser.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Present
	Councilwoman Barbara McCall	Present
	Councilman Kyle Collinsworth	Present

**Others Present:** Deputy Town Clerk, Angel J. Lawrence  
Gordon Carroll, Water and Sewer Maintainer  
Mary Farnsworth, Office Clerk

There was discussion amongst the board members regarding budget changes. Mr. Kaiser informed the board members that he has had lengthy discussions with the auditor regarding the concerns he has for our surplus being below 10%. He is also concerned that we have a proposed water project and no funding has been budgeted for the cost of the engineer and attorney for this project. Mr. Kaiser explained that he discussed putting an additional amount of funds into the surplus with the auditor, as \$3,000.00 would never be enough to cover unexpected expenses. Dave explained to the board members that it has always been a suggestion by the State that we not allow our budget surplus be below 10% of our budget and since Mr. Havesi came into office the number changed to not less than 25% of our budget for surplus. We are on dangerously low levels for surplus and he also explained that we must have something in our budget to reflect the Route 89 expenses. He went on to explain to the board that if this project goes through, money would have to be paid back to the general fund for all expenses incurred through this process. However, if this Route 89 water project does not go through the General Fund will not be reimbursed the costs.

There was discussion regarding Mr. Hayssen's request to abolish the joint districts for water and sewer. The water district can easily be separated, however the sewer district will not be as easy because debt service is involved with this district. We will be meeting with the attorney to go over all documents regarding this district and separating Romulus and Varick from each other.

Mr. Kaiser asked if there were any questions from the audience or the Romulus Town Board Members. Mr. Kaiser than motioned to pass the budget with the increase of \$27,000.00 to the existing \$3,000 for a total contingency fund of \$30,000.00 and asked for a second. Mr. Gerlach second the motion and then Mr. Kaiser asked for a roll call vote on the proposed budget.

**Resolution:**

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Adopt 2010 Budget with Increase to Contingency Line Item

Motioned: Supervisor David Kaiser

Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Gerlach	Yea
Councilman Walborn	Nay
Councilwoman McCall	Yea
Councilman Collinsworth	Nay
Supervisor Kaiser	Yea
Carried	

**Motion to adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinsworth

Carried Unanimously

The next meeting will be the regular Town Board Meeting will be held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

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Angel J. Lawrence, Deputy Town Clerk

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