TOWN OF ORANGETOWN WORKSHOP/2016 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015

Before the Workshop, the Town Board held a Police Commission meeting and received updates regarding Police matters.

This Workshop Meeting was opened at 8:05 p.m. Supervisor Stewart presided and the Deputy Clerk, called the roll.

	Councilman Thomas Diviny Councilman Thomas Morr Councilman Paul Valentine
Absent:	Councilman Denis Troy
Also present:	Teresa Accetta-Pugh, Deputy Clerk John Edwards, Town Attorney Teresa Kenny, Deputy Town Attorney Jeff Bencik, Finance Director James Dean, Superintendent of Highways Joe Moran, Commissioner of DEME John Giardiello, Director of OBZPAE Aric Gorton, Superintendent of Parks, Recreation & Building Maint.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the Town Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 477

OPEN PH/2016 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Morr and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the 8:05 p.m. public hearing to consider the 2016 Preliminary Budget is hereby opened.

Ayes:Supervisor Stewart
Councilpersons Morr, Diviny, ValentineNoes:NoneAbsent:Councilperson Troy

The Deputy Clerk presented the Affidavit of Publication and the Notice of Posting; copies are labeled Exhibit 11-A-15 and made a part of these minutes.

Summary of Public Comments:

Cheryl McNeil, Orangeburg Library, explained the library's Senior and Home-bound Residents program of delivering books, DVDs and other items.

Sr. Miriam, Schaub, Orangeburg, express her deepest gratitude of the library's Senior and Homebound residents program. She wishes for this program to continue.

John Buckley, Orangeburg Library, requested the increase in the libraries budgets be adopted. He is concerned that funding for all libraries will become obsolete.

Michele Kalotkin, Palisades Library, believes that this library is also a community center. She requested continued support for the library.

Barbara Delo, Blauvelt, wondered if the mobile library is available to all seniors and the homebound. She supports funding the libraries.

RESOLUTION NO. 478

CLOSE PH/2016 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Valentine and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 478 - Continued

RESOLVED, that the public portion is hereby closed.

Ayes:Supervisor Stewart
Councilpersons Valentine, Diviny, MorrNoes:NoneAbsent:Councilperson Troy

James Dean, John Giardiello, Joe Moran, and Aric Gorton, voiced their concerns regarding deductions in each of their departments' budgets.

RESOLUTION NO. 479

2016 PRELIMINARY BUDGET CONTINUANCE/NOV. 17, 2015

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Valentine and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board reserves their decision on the 2016 Preliminary Budget, continues the Public Hearing on November 17, 2015, 8:00pm for a decision.

Ayes:Supervisor Stewart
Councilpersons Valentine, Diviny, MorrNoes:NoneAbsent:Councilperson Troy

The Town Board discussed the other agenda items.

RESOLUTION NO. 480

ADJOURNED

Councilman Diviny offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Morr and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, at 8:50 p.m., the Town Board adjourned.

Ayes:Councilpersons Diviny, Morr, Valentine
Supervisor StewartNoes:NoneAbsent:Councilperson Troy

Teresa Accetta-Pugh, Deputy Clerk