



# Town of Porter

## Work Session

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3265 Creek Road  
Youngstown, NY 14174

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Monday, October 23, 2023

3:00 PM

Town Hall Auditorium

### I. Call to Order

3:00 PM Meeting called to order on October 23, 2023 at Town Hall Auditorium, 3265 Creek Rd., Youngstown, NY.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
J. Duffy Johnston	Town of Porter	Supervisor	Present	
Jeff Baker	Town of Porter	Deputy Supervisor	Present	
Larry White	Town of Porter	Councilman	Present	
Tim Adamson	Town of Porter	Councilman	Present	
Jipp Ortiz	Town of Porter	Councilman	Present	
Kara Hibbard	Town of Porter	Town Clerk	Present	
Elaine Porto	Town of Porter	Deputy Town Clerk	Present	
Kimberli Boyer	Town of Porter	Bookkeeper	Present	
Dave Burmaster	Town of Porter	Highway Superintendent	Present	
Mike Dowd	Town of Porter	Town Attorney	Absent	
Peter Jeffery	Town of Porter	Code Enforcement Officer	Absent	
Selah Dell	Town of Porter		Absent	

### II. Budget discussion

There was much discussion on the Town 2024 budget. Supervisor Johnston talked about raising property tax by 2% and a 3% raise for Town employees. Town insurance may go up 3% but he won't know until the bill is received. Raising water and sewer rates was also discussed. Highway equipment is needed and Scott Cudney handed out a list of what equipment the Town has including the life expectancy, schedule for cycling down vehicles and replacement costs. Supervisor Johnston and Highway Superintendent Burmaster discussed the highway budget. Some things were taken out and some things were left in. The Town board agreed to keep the funding for the libraries the same as last year. Duffy will stop by the Ransomville library and see why the heat isn't working. Touring and chips money was discussed, the Town needs to front the money before we get reimbursed.

**Motion was made by Councilman Adamson and seconded by Councilman Ortiz to grant emergency roof repairs (not to exceed \$9,000) for the salt building located at 1800 Braley road.**

Motion was made by Councilman Adamson and seconded by Deputy Supervisor Baker to declare the tentative budget Preliminary and to

schedule a public hearing for October 30, 2023 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall auditorium.

**A.    *New Section***