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**VILLAGE OF CATSKILL 2021-2022 BUDGET SUMMARY**  
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Catskill High School Auditorium  
341 W Main Street  
Catskill, New York 12414  
May 11, 2021

- P R E S E N T:**  
President Peter Grasse  
Vice-President Joseph Kozloski  
Trustee Greg Smith  
Trustee Natalie Law  
Village Attorney Ted Hilscher, Esq.

1 (PUBLIC HEARING)

2 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Thank everybody for  
3 showing up here to our 2021-22 Appropriations  
4 Budget Meeting.

5 I want to start off with the Pledge of  
6 Allegiance.

7 (WHEREUPON, THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
8 WAS RECITED.)

9 Okay. So I don't think I need the  
10 mic.

11 Can everybody hear me clear enough;  
12 you are good back there?

13 (NO AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE)

14 I want to call this order -- meeting  
15 to order and Ted is going to take over, go  
16 down the line for us.

17 MR. HILSCHER: Thank you for coming.

18 I am on page -- I am going to start on  
19 page one. I am going to go to the totals and  
20 I am going to go right through the Budget.

21 So let's get started.

22 The Budget for Board of Trustees,  
23 total Legislative is: 11,000.

24 Do I hear a motion?

25 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Motion.

1 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

2 TRUSTEE SMITH: I will second.

3 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

4 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

5 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

6 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

7 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

8 MR. HILSCHER: Village Justice is zero

9 which is nice, we don't have to vote on that.

10 Clerk, Treasurer, Collector: \$63,832.

11 Motion?

12 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.

13 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

14 TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.

15 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

16 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

17 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

18 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

19 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

20 MR. HILSCHER: Bond and Note Issue

21 Expense.

22 Total Finances: \$66,532.

23 Motion?

24 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Motion.

25 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

1 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.

2 THE COURT: All in favor?

3 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

4 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

5 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

6 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

7 MR. HILSCHER: Total staff: \$133,850.

8 Motion?

9 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Motion.

10 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

11 TRUSTEE SMITH: I will second.

12 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

13 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

14 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

15 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

16 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

17 MR. HILSCHER: Village Building.

18 Total Shared Services: \$43,000?

19 Motion?

20 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.

21 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

22 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.

23 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

24 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

25 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

1 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

2 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

3 MR. HILSCHER: Special Items:

4 \$169,250.

5 Motion?

6 TRUSTEE SMITH: I will make that

7 motion.

8 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.

10 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

11 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

12 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

13 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

14 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

15 MR. HILSCHER: Total Government

16 Support: \$423,632.

17 Motion?

18 TRUSTEE SMITH: Motion.

19 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

20 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.

21 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

22 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

23 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

24 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

25 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

1 MR. HILSCHER: Public Safety -- move  
2 onto Public Safety.

3 Total Police Budget: \$1,327,000.

4 Motion?

5 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.

6 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

7 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.

8 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

10 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

11 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

13 MR. HILSCHER: Parking.

14 \$16,700.

15 Motion?

16 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.

17 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

18 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.

19 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

20 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

21 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

23 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

24 MR. HILSCHER: Fire Department.

25 Total Fire Department: \$192,000.

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Motion?

PRESIDENT GRASSE: Motion.

MR. HILSCHER: Second?

TRUSTEE LAW: Second.

MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

MR. HILSCHER: Safety Inspection:

\$54,500.

Motion?

VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Motion.

MR. HILSCHER: Second?

TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.

MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

MR. HILSCHER: Public Safety:

\$1,590,200.

Motion?

TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.

MR. HILSCHER: Second?

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VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.  
MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
MR. HILSCHER: Health, total Health:  
Motion?  
TRUSTEE SMITH: Motion.  
MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.  
MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
MR. HILSCHER: The Department of  
Motion?  
TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

\$75.

Public Works: \$889,738.



1 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
2 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
3 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
4 MR. HILSCHER: Total Transportation:  
5 \$984,738.

6 Motion?  
7 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Motion.  
8 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
9 TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.  
10 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

11 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
12 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
13 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
14 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
15 MR. HILSCHER: Economic Assistance:  
16 \$15,000.

17 Motion?  
18 TRUSTEE SMITH: Motion.  
19 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
20 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
21 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
22 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
23 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
24 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
25 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

1 MR. HILSCHER: Total Parks: \$57,000.  
2 Motion?  
3 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
4 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
5 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
6 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
7 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
8 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
9 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
10 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
11 MR. HILSCHER: Let's see.  
12 I am on page four now.  
13 Home and Community Services:  
14 Total: \$7,500.  
15 Do I have a motion?  
16 TRUSTEE SMITH: Motion.  
17 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
18 TRUSTEE LAW: Second.  
19 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
20 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
21 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
22 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
23 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
24 MR. HILSCHER: Cemetery: \$13,180.  
25 Motion?

1 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
2 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Second.  
3 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
4 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
5 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
6 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
7 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
8 MR. HILSCHER: Total Home and  
9 Community Service: \$20,680.  
10 Motion?  
11 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
12 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
13 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
14 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
15 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
16 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
17 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
18 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
19 MR. HILSCHER: Employee Benefits:  
20 \$1,487,700.  
21 Do I have a motion?  
22 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Motion.  
23 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
24 TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.  
25 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

1 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
2 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
3 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
4 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye .  
5 MR. HILSCHER: Total Debt: \$133,112.  
6 Motion?  
7 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
8 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
10 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
11 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
12 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
13 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
14 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
15 MR. HILSCHER: Total General Fund  
16 Appropriation: \$4,711,937.  
17 TRUSTEE LAW: Motion.  
18 MR. HILSCHER: Second?  
19 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second.  
20 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?  
21 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.  
22 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.  
23 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.  
24 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.  
25 MR. HILSCHER: Okay.

1 We skip to page eight which is Water.

2 Total Appropriation for Water -- Total

3 Appropriations for Water: \$1,393,319.

4 Motion?

5 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Motion.

6 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

7 TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.

8 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

10 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

11 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

13 MR. HILSCHER: Last but not least we

14 go to our Grand Total Sewer Fund

15 Appropriations: \$973,668.

16 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Motion.

17 MR. HILSCHER: Second?

18 TRUSTEE SMITH: Second.

19 MR. HILSCHER: All in favor?

20 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Aye.

21 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

23 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

24 MR. HILSCHER: All right.

25 That concludes our Budget

1 Appropriations Meeting.

2 Thank you, Mr. President.

3 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Thank you.

4 Do we have any public comment?

5 LISA MARAFIOTI: Lisa Marafioi,

6 M-a-r-a-f-i-o-i.

7 Under Employee Benefits, Hospital and

8 Medical Insurance.

9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Give me a page.

10 LISA MARAFIOTI: Page four, \$854,100

11 To \$896,100 -- big jump.

12 PRESIDENT GRASSE: It looks like it

13 was the Medicare.

14 TRUSTEE LAW: No, that is our health

15 insurance, it goes up every year.

16 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Okay. Yeah...

17 LISA MARAFIOTI: Aw, that went up

18 quite a bit.

19 Did you change policies, did you add

20 anything?

21 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Not that I believe

22 so.

23 TRUSTEE LAW: It went on a percentage,

24 we can --

25 LISA MARAFIOTI: -- because it went

1 from 837 to -- 854 then to 896 --

2 PRESIDENT GRASSE: -- forty thousand.

3 LISA MARAFIOTI: \$42,000.

4 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Lisa, we will look  
5 into that.

6 DEB SAMUALS: Deb Samuals.

7 So Revenue, page six.

8 Did we have some special revenue last  
9 year.

10 Total revenue other than taxes dropped  
11 \$120,000.

12 Was last year some kind of balloon?

13 PRESIDENT GRASSE: We don't include  
14 the Court revenue in anymore.

15 DEB SAMUALS: Which?

16 TRUSTEE LAW: The Court revenue, it is  
17 on page 5, that would have been 110,000 last  
18 year for Fines and Forfeitures but we have to  
19 lower that because the only thing we are  
20 collecting on that now is for Parking Tickets.

21 DEB SAMUALS: There was -- I know I  
22 had left some messages with Joe about it.

23 In the stimulus bill there was a huge  
24 amount of money that was supposed to go to New  
25 York State to be divided up among the

1 municipalities and we were definitely thinking  
2 we were getting some of that; is that in here?

3 PRESIDENT GRASSE: No, and actually  
4 that comes from the Town, the Town has to give  
5 us a percentage of what they receive --

6 TRUSTEE LAW: -- and we have no idea  
7 what that is going to be.

8 DEB SAMUALS: Do we know what the Town  
9 got?

10 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Nobody  
11 received it yet.

12 DEB SAMUALS: So that is an unknown,  
13 but there could be money coming in --

14 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Yes, we hope so,  
15 that would be nice. We can't budget for it if  
16 we don't have it, we don't even know the  
17 amount.

18 DEB SAMUALS: Yeah, yeah, okay.

19 PRESIDENT GRASSE: That is actually --  
20 I don't know if you are supposed to do that in  
21 here --

22 PATRICK McCullen: There is only  
23 certain things you --

24 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Any other questions  
25 in regards to the Appropriations Meeting here



1 or our Budget?

2 (NO AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE.)

3 Hearing none, I make a motion to close  
4 the meeting.

5 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: I will make  
6 that motion.

7 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Second?

8 TRUSTEE SMITH: I will second.

9 PRESIDENT GRASSE: All in favor?

10 Aye.

11 VICE-PRESIDENT KOZLOSKI: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE SMITH: Aye.

13 TRUSTEE LAW: Aye.

14 PRESIDENT GRASSE: Okay.

15 We are adjourned.

16 (WHEREUPON, THE APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET  
17 MEETING WAS ADJOURNED)

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CERTIFICATION

I, KIMBERLY C. ROCHFORD, hereby certify and say that I am a Shorthand Reporter and a Notary Public within and for the State of New York; that I acted as the reporter at the APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET MEETING herein, and that the transcript to which this certification is annexed is a true, accurate and complete record of the minutes of the proceedings to the best of my knowledge and belief.



KIMBERLY C. ROCHFORD

Official Court Reporter

DATED: July 7, 2021