



TOWN OF BROOKLYN

P.O. Box 356 - Route 6 and 169
BROOKLYN, CONNECTICUT 06234

OFFICE OF SELECTMAN
(860) 779-3411 Option 2

TOWN CLERK
(860) 779-3411 Option 4

TAX COLLECTOR
(860) 779-3411 Option 5

ASSESSOR
(860) 779-3411 Option 6

**Board of Selectmen
Budget Workshop
Saturday, January 20, 2018
9:00am**

Present: Rick Ives and Joe Voccio
Absent: Wayne Jolley

Also Present: Austin Tanner

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 9:20am.
2. **Public Comment:** Austin Tanner spoke suggesting various ideas to save money. See Attached.
3. **Discussion on Budget:** Discussion was held on: the Assessors hours; IT position shared with the school; highway roads and bridges, with or without LOCIP; possible Town submission to Capital for the community center roof.
4. **Next Meeting:** February 3rd, 9am-12pm @ Clifford B. Green Memorial Center.
5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **Adjourn:** Joe Voccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Ives seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:35am.

Respectfully Submitted;

Richard Ives / MB

Richard Ives
First Selectman

RECEIVED
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
2018 JAN 25 PM 4:46
RECORDED FILED
Maria C. Mainville
TOWN CLERK, BROOKLYN, CT

1/20/18

With the current fiscal pressure The Town is facing we can not operate as "This is the way we always do it" It has been stated that changes need to be made + more regionalization to save money, but business as usual goes on.

In addition to scrutinizing all Departments here are some suggestions. Some may work or not and some may not be popular. Structural changes need to be explored Now not wait until Budget crunch time.

- Do we need a full time Asst. Tax collector regionalize or privatize
- When The Asst. Assessor went full time it was supposed to pay for itself with more inspections - Did it?
- Fire Marshall + Bldg inspector could they be regionalized
- restructure Rec. Activities Account to save money
- Talk to Killingly About joint library services
- Stop paying Insurance stipends to employees getting insurance
- Could we do four plow routes instead of five. what effect would it have.
- Was it wise to hire a finance director without any other adjustments to staff?

- Could port maintenance and Highway be "regionalized" to eliminate part time employee be more efficient and eliminate duplication of equipment?

These are just some Thoughts To explore - and The Towns people would be more acceptable of Tax increases if They knew all possible savings options were looked into.

Thanks. for your Time

Austin