

**Village of Mamaroneck Budget Committee
Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, June 10, 2025**

1. Discussion with member of the Board of Ethics
2. Status of FY 2025-26 Capital Budget and Five-Year Capital Plan
3. Follow-up on items discussed at May 6th meeting (there was not a quorum at this meeting)
 - Grant policy
 - Firehouse RFP
 - Fringe benefits allocation
 - Police reimbursement rate
 - Debt Service as a % of the operating budget
4. New items
5. Adjournment

Village of Mamaroneck Budget Committee
123 Mamaroneck Avenue
Meeting Minutes, April 16, 2025

Members present: Len Aubrey, Chair; Ed Zagajeski, Vice-Chair; Glenn Tippet, Gary DeSanctis, Joshua Gubit, and Nora Lucas, Board Liaison

Member Absent: Catherine Chaput

The meeting began at 7:10pm.

Len explained this special meeting was set to discuss the contents of a memorandum on the FY 2025-26 Tentative Budget to the Board of Trustees from the Committee. It is important to get this memo done as soon as possible to give the BOT and Village Manager sufficient time to review and consider the Committee's recommendations before the Budget is adopted on April 28th.

The Committee discussed several issues related to the Tentative Budget including but not limited to the proposed staff and other cost reductions. These included having 2 instead of 3 staff in IT, cutting overtime expenses in the Police Department, and reducing legal expenses. In addition, there were certain other new expenses such as \$960,000 in new debt service based on bonds issued to finance unbudgeted capital projects in the prior year.

The Committee also discussed the very preliminary FY 2025-26 Capital Budget. The Budget did not include any investment in pedestrian safety, specifically sidewalks. The Village Manager proposed a budget that did not include any projects financed by Village bonds. The Committee was concerned about no significant pedestrian safety projects in the Capital Budget; in spite of the fact such projects would be financed by Village bonds.

The Committee discussed many revenue and expense points and agreed to include the following in the memo to the Board of Trustees:

- The Tentative Budget is aggressive, and the Village should be more conservative in the proposed reduction in police and civilian overtime.
- The \$50,000 in revenue budgeted for boat storage is too high and should be reduced or eliminated.
- The Committee agreed to recommend an increase in the fine for parking tickets.
- Other fees, such as for kayaks and non-resident use of the boat ramp, were questionable.
- Increase the police detail hourly reimbursement rate by the same percentage increase as salaries and benefits were scheduled to increase.

- Allocating fringe benefits expenses and debt service to the departments.

Deputy Mayor Lucas mentioned that the question of the number of firehouses in the Village has come up. The Committee discussed the limitations of driving firetrucks from certain firehouses to parts of the community. Gary also mentioned how difficult it would be to recruit volunteers if a firehouse was closed. Nevertheless, the Committee may be able to assist with this analysis.

Len agreed to prepare a draft of the memo for the Board of Trustees and will share it with the Committee for their review and comment. It is very important to get this done quickly to allow sufficient time for the BOT and Village Manager to review and consider the Committee's comments and recommendations.

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.