

**Village of Massena  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**BUDGET WORK SESSION  
Meeting Minutes**

**DATE/TIME:**                   **APRIL 4, 2018 (5:30 P.M.)**

**PLACE:**                           Town Hall Building, 60 Main Street, Massena, New York

**PRESENT:**                       **Board of Trustees:**  
 Mayor Tim Currier  
 Trustee Timothy Ahlfeld  
 Trustee Francis Carvel  
 Trustee Albert (Herb) Deshaies  
 Trustee Matthew LeBire

**Staff:**  
 Kevin Felt (Village Treasurer) (5:35p.m.)  
 Lisa Tyo (Deputy Village Treasurer)  
 Monique Chatland (Village Clerk)  
 Hoss Fayad (DPW Supt.)  
 Chief Adam Love (Police Dept.)  
 Aaron Hardy (Fire Dept. Foreman/Code Enforcement Officer)  
 Steve Dailey (Water Foreman)

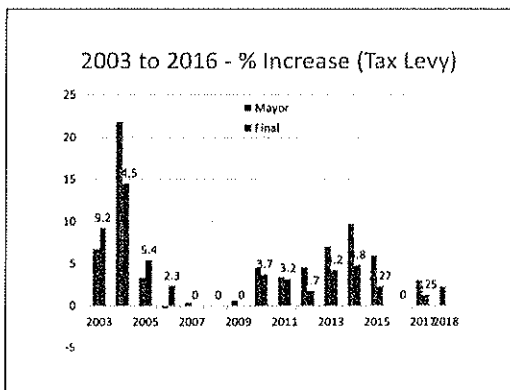
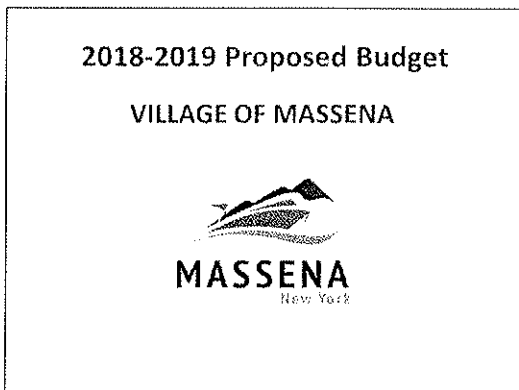
**Press:** John Michaud III (WNTS Television), Bob Beckstead (Daily Courier Observer)  
**Residents/Others:** Mark Patterson (CSEA 5:38 p.m.), Tom Seguin, Mike Besaw, Charlie McGrath

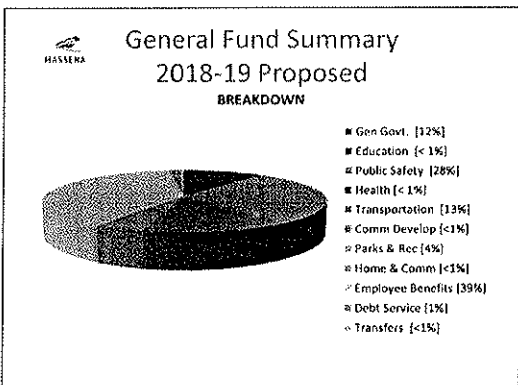
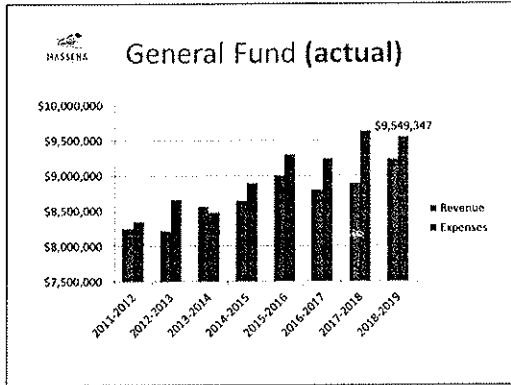
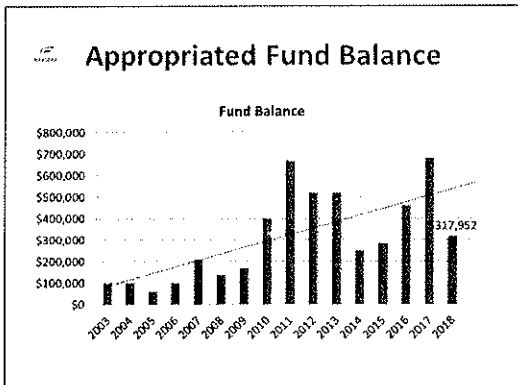
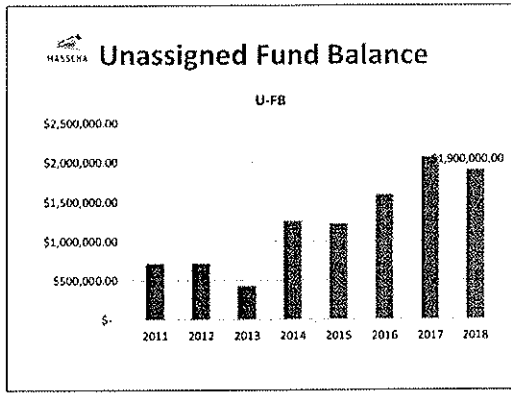
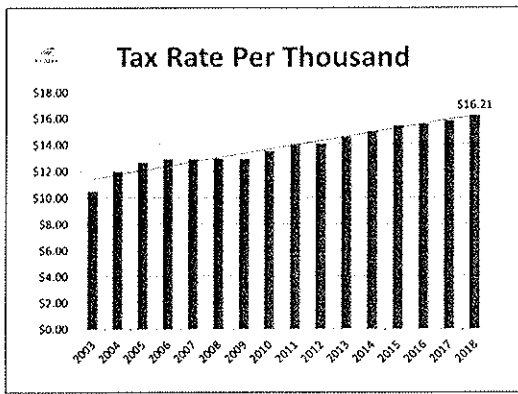
Mayor Currier opened a Special Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees at 5:31 p.m. and conducted a roll call of board members present. A motion was offered by Trustee LeBire and seconded by Trustee Deshaies to dispense with the regular agenda and enter into a Budget Work Session regarding the 2018-2019 Village Budget. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel Deshaies/LeBire).

**MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET PRESENTATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019**

At 5:31 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee LeBire, seconded by Trustee Deshaies to open the meeting to the public hearing on the Mayor's proposed 2018-2019 budget. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire) *(Clerks Note: See page 1604 for legal notice.)*

Mayor Currier presented the following budget message:





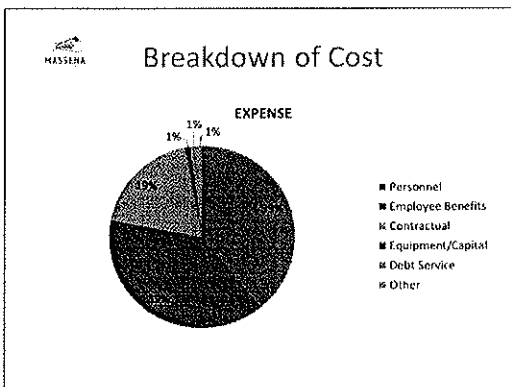
### 2018-2019 Budget-General Fund

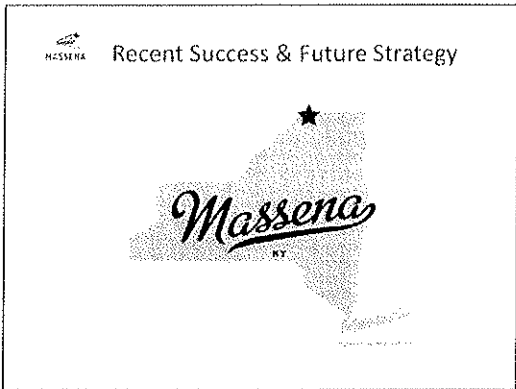
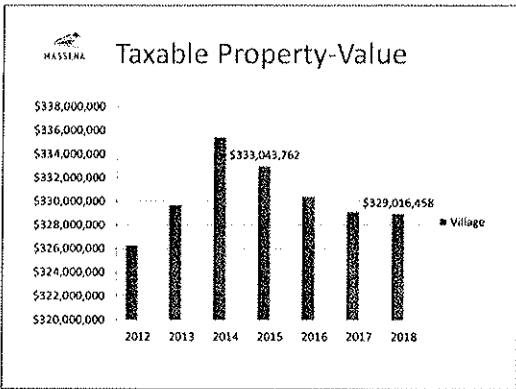
CATEGORY	MAJOR
General Government	\$3,024,350
Education	\$ 0
Public Safety	\$2,722,020
Health	\$ 0
Transportation	\$3,315,758
Community Development	\$ 90,975
Parks & Recreation	\$ 401,697
Home & Community	\$ 79,852
Employee Benefits	\$3,724,265
Debt Services	\$ 143,945
Transfer to Other Fund	\$ 46,485
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,549,347</b>
Raised By Taxes	\$ 5,759,575

### Notable Changes to Dept. Request

1% = \$ 56,332 (\$55,430 last year)  
 [\$126,352 in cuts to get to 0% Tax Levy Increase]

Requested: \$ 10,343,769 (24.76% increase)  
 Mayor's \$ 9,231,395 (2.24% increase)



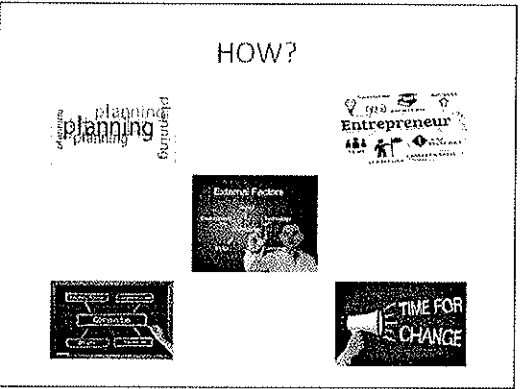
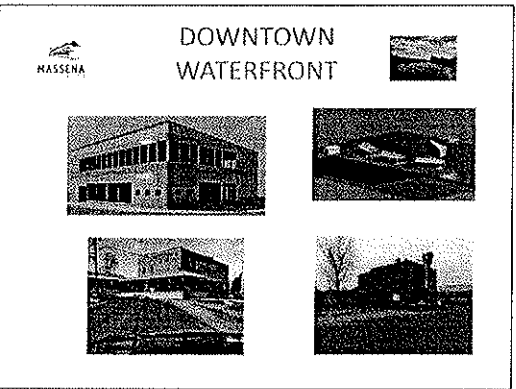
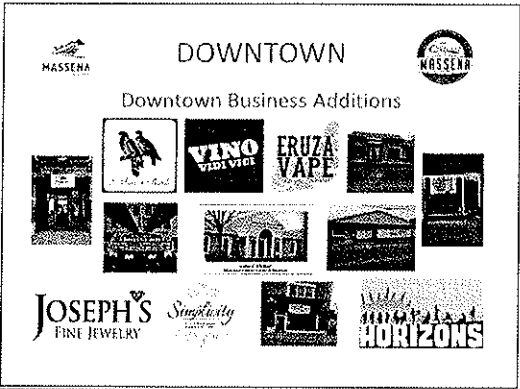


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## HOW DO WE GO FORWARD

Community Development  
Economic Development  
(Job Creation)  
&  
Controlling Cost

- ### LAST THREE YEARS
- #### THREE PRIMARY FOCUSES
1. Changing the Narrative  
Optimism & Progressive Style
  2. Focusing on Community Development
  3. Improving the Downtown Core



- ### CREATING ENVIRONMENT
- Strategic Development Strategies
  - Strategic Development Team
  - 485-A Tax Abatement
  - Core of Community
  - Changing the Narrative (together)
  - Let Us NOT FORGET those who were already here in the downtown!

**Community Development**

**Community Development**

WE HAVE SAT AND WATCH DECLINE IN OUR COMMUNITY, WHILE WE "CHASED" ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WITH LITTLE RESULTS. WHY? What's the attraction? Why Choose Massena?

Buying a Car?

**Grants & Funding**

Since Taking Office in Dec of 2014

**6 MILLION**

**HOUSING**

**Expanded Housing Office and Partnered with DANC** to administer it. More than 853K invested in new home ownership (first time buyer) or housing improvements (renovation) – **BLIGHT**

- 11 New (first time) Home Owners (15 total)
- 10 Housing Rehabs (13 total)
- Zombie Property Grant – Prevention!

**PARTNERSHIPS**

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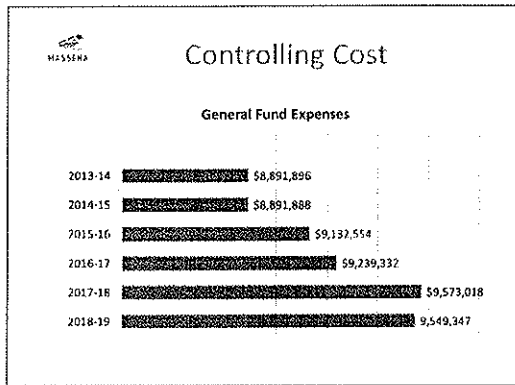
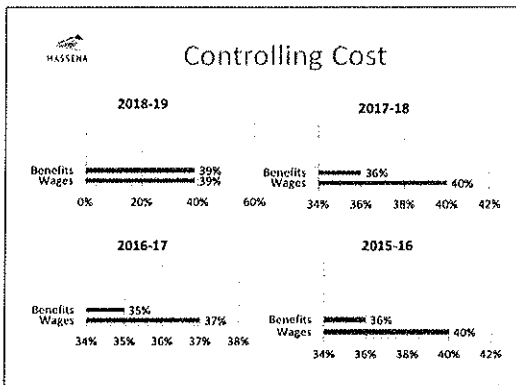
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**REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

**PARTNERS**

- Governor Andrew Cuomo
- Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul
- US Senator Charles Schumer
- US Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
- Federal Co-Chair Mark Scaramo of the NBRC (twice)
- NYS Secretary of State Cesar A. Peralta
- Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Basil Seggos
- NYS Department of Labor Commissioner Roberta Boardman
- NYS Department of State to discuss restructuring program;
- Directors of Veterans Affairs Eric Hessey;
- Commissioner Samuel D. Roberts, Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance;
- Director Brian Stratton of the NYS Canal Corporation;
- Commissioner Arlene Gonzalez-Sanchez of OASAS

**PARTNERS**



**Controlling Cost**

Local Government  
Citizens Reorganizations  
Empowerment Grant

**Filed: March 26, 2018**

**2018-2019 Proposed**

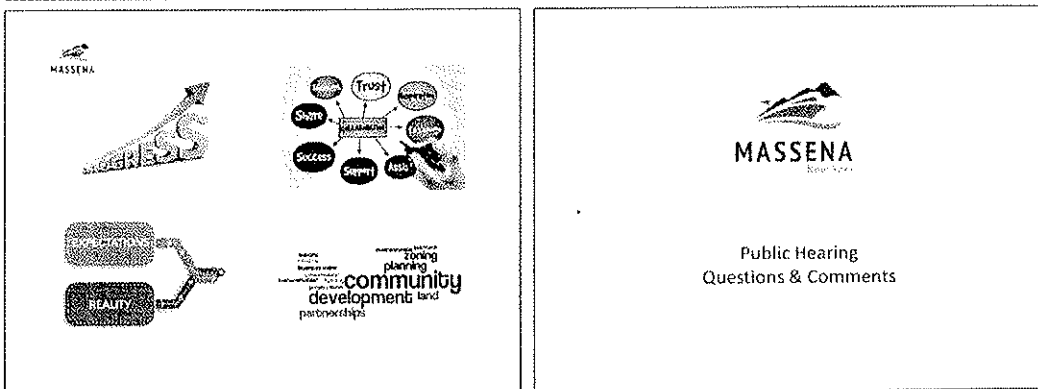
- General Fund: \$ 9,549,347
- Waste & Refuse: \$ 1,685,408
- Water Fund: \$ 2,401,605
- Sewer Fund: \$ 2,257,872
- Debt Service: \$ 564,358
- Capital Projects: \$ 70,000
- Special Grants: \$ 5,000
- Community Center: \$ 65,875
- TOTAL \$16,599,465**

**Thank You**

Department Managers  
Treasurer  
Staff  
Organizations:  
Joint Recreation, Business Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Volunteer Fire Dept., Senior Citizens, Citizens

**Schedule**

- April 4 5:30 p.m. Public Hearing - Tentative Budget  
Public Works
- April 10 5:30 p.m. Police, Treasurer / General
- April 16 5:30 p.m. Senior Citizens, Chamber of Commerce, Justice Court, Code Enforcement, Fire
- April 18 5:30 p.m. Joint Recreation, Remainder of Review, Adoption Possible
- April 19 5:15 p.m. Remainder of Budget & Adoption [if necessary]



Mayor Currier fielded various questions from the Board and members of the public regarding the proposed budget. Resident Charlie McGrath urged the Board to consider looking at ways to reduce employee costs, possibly through contract negotiations, noting that Massena is not as prosperous as it once was.

At 6:02 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee LeBire, seconded by Trustee Carvel to close the public hearing on the Mayor's proposed 2018-2019 budget. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire)

#### **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

A Budget Work Session was conducted regarding the Department of Public Works. No changes were made to the Mayor's Tentative Budget at this time. If changes are proposed during subsequent budget work sessions, the Village Treasurer will incorporate same into the final budget at the time it is presented for adoption at a future meeting.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was offered by Trustee Ahlfeld, seconded by Trustee LeBire to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters regarding potential litigation at 6:28 p.m. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire)

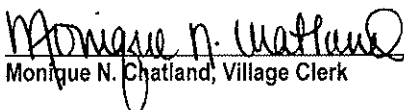
An Executive Session was held, and action was taken. A motion was made by Trustee Ahlfeld, seconded by Trustee Carvel to Rebid the Aluminum Trail Project. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire).

At 7:00 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Ahlfeld and seconded by Trustee Carvel to close the Executive Session and return to open session. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, it was moved by Trustee Carvel and seconded by Trustee Deshaies that the Special meeting be closed. **Motion Carried 4:0** (AYE=Ahlfeld/Carvel/Deshaies/LeBire). It was so ordered by Mayor Currier at 7:01 p.m.

#### **MINUTES SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CURRIER AND PREPARED BY:**

  
Monique N. Chatland, Village Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

# Johnson Newspaper Corporation

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LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Pursuant to Section 5-508 of the Village Law, the 2018-2019 Tentative Budget for the Village of Massena has been prepared and filed with the Village Clerk at the Village Office, Town Hall Building, Massena, New York, where it may be inspected by any interested parties between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Said tentative Budget includes maximum compensation for the Mayor of \$17,000 per annum and for the trustees of \$8,000 each per annum. A summary of the Tentative Budget is as follows:

• GENERAL FUND	\$0,549,347
• WASTE AND REFUSE DISPOSAL	1,885,408
• WATER FUND	2,401,605
• SEWER FUND	2,257,872
• DEBT SERVICE	564,358
• CAPITAL PROJECTS	70,000
• SPECIAL GRANTS FUND	6000
• COMMUNITY CENTER FUND	35678
• TOTAL:	\$10,599,406

A public hearing on the Budget will be held at the Town Hall Building, Massena, New York, on April 4, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. to consider same before final adoption.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:  
Monique N. Chatland DATED: MARCH 21, 2018