

**YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES ON TRUTH IN TAXATION
DECEMBER 13, 2011**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Margaret Crotty called the December 13, 2011 Public Hearing Meeting of the 2011-2012 Truth in Taxation to order at 7:05 p.m. at the York Center Park District Board room located at 1609 S. Luther in Lombard, Illinois.

2. **ROLL CALL:** The following Roll Call was taken:
Members Present: Margaret Crotty, President
Ann DeGroot, Treasurer
Robert Fritz, Commissioner
Julie May, Commissioner
Terry Purkart, Vice President (Arrived at 7:20 p.m.)
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Sharon Labak-Neubauer, Executive Director/Secretary
Michael Kraus, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities
Joseph Julius, Auditor
Robert Hudecek and Rick Hildreth, Residents of York Center

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Robert Hudecek questioned the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance, Budget and the Tax Levy documents. He asked several questions about the notice in the paper concerning taxes going up 8%. Joseph Julius explained to him that taxes would only go up 1.7% because of the tax cap. To capture the new growth in the area the district is asking for an increase. Joseph Julius explained the Tax Levy, debt, various accounts, and budgets. Mr. Hildreth also expressed concern with everyone raising taxes. Joseph Julius explained that because of the tax cap, taxes cannot go up more than 5%. We can only capture the new growth in the area. In 2009 taxes went up 2.7% and in 2010 taxes went up 1.7%.

4. **DISCUSSION:** Discussion took place concerning how much money the Park District needs to run the district. Capital Improvements and land acquisition were also discussed. After much discussion, Mr. Hudecek and Mr. Hildreth received the information needed from the board. The Board thanked the residents for attending the hearing.

5. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Motion made by Ann DeGroot to approve the 2011/2012 Truth in Taxation/Tax Levy and motion seconded by Robert Fritz. A Roll Call vote was taken: Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Robert Fritz aye, Julie May aye, and Terry Purkart aye. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Julie May to adjourn the Public Hearing Meeting at 8:00 p.m. and motion seconded by Ann DeGroot. On a Roll Call vote, motion passed. Margaret Crotty aye, Ann DeGroot aye, Robert Fritz aye, Julie May aye, and Terry Purkart aye. Ayes=5, Nays=0, Abstain=0 and Absent=0. The Public Hearing adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Margaret Crotty
Board President
Date: _____

Sharon T. Labak-Neubauer
Board Secretary