

# FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET HEARING

(5/1/2018 to 4/30/2019)

## VILLAGE OF NILES

April 24, 2018

6:30 p.m.

*A video recording of this meeting can be viewed on the Village of Niles website [www.vniles.com](http://www.vniles.com)*

Pursuant to proper legal notice, the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Niles was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the Village of Niles Municipal Building, 1000 Civic Center Drive, Niles, Illinois.

President Andrew Przybylo called the meeting to order at 6:52 p.m. Present were Trustees George D. Alpogianis, John C. Jekot, Joe LoVerde, Danette O'Donovan Matyas, and Dean Strzelecki. Trustee Denise McCreery was absent. Also present were Finance Director Jeff Martynowicz, Village Attorney Danielle Grcic, Village Manager Steven C. Vinezeano, Assistant Village Manager Hadley Skeffington-Vos, all Department Heads and Deputy Village Clerk Kathryn Angell.

President Przybylo opened the meeting stating that this public hearing is statutorily required in order to receive formal public comments from the residents of Niles concerning the Fiscal Year 2019 proposed budget. Residents were also given the opportunity to make comments at the Finance Committee meetings where the budget was discussed and at the Village Board's budget workshops, in an effort to make the process as open and transparent as possible. As required by State Statutes, the notice for this meeting was published in the April 13, 2018, edition of the Niles Bugle and the proposed budget document has been made available for inspection on the Village's website, at the front counter at Village Hall, and at the Niles-Maine District Library.

President Przybylo asked for public comments from the floor.

*Louella Preston, Niles*

*Ms. Preston expressed concern with how the 2019 budget reflected a surplus, but that money was withdrawn from the reserves for the 2018 budget and was never spent and therefore should not be considered surplus. Next, Ms. Preston mentioned that the two new proposed TIFs that the Village is working to establish are not mentioned in the 2019 Budget Document. The amount of funding requested for the renovation of the Village Hall second floor kitchen is exorbitant according to Ms. Preston, and hopes that some consideration will be given to cutting back on the costs. Finally, Ms. Preston asked the Board to be conscious of the tax increase that will occur for*

*residents with the establishment of the two additional TIF Districts and asked the Board to consider all of the factors in taxing going forward.*

*Bohdan Konarzeski 8441 Olcott*

*Mr. Konarzeski spoke on topics that did not relate to the FY2019 Budget. President Przybylo asked Mr. Konarzeski to hold his comments until Public Comment during the Regular Board Meeting.*

There being no further public comments, President Przybylo adjourned the Public Budget Hearing at 7:03 p.m.

  
Deputy Village Clerk

  
Village President