Public Hearing-Tax Cap Override, 7:15 p.m. Town Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. October 19, 2017

<u>Present</u>: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis, Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Marty Irwin.

At 7:19 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Public Hearing on proposed Local Law #7 of 2017 to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of New Paltz pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c and to allow the Town of New Paltz to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2018 requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Lou Cariola expressed his concerns regarding the proposed increase to the budget and how the Highway Department is taking a big hit.

At 7:25 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

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At 7:31 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Town Board meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: +Discussion regarding Water, +PrePay for Renosys

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Various individuals expressed their opinions about the New Paltz Police.

At 8:02 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to take a 5-minute break. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:10 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to return from break. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing the Ethics Board ruling. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Councilman Irwin requested the discussion be held in public. The Board discussed the opinion rendered by the Ethics Board regarding the complaint made by Councilman Torres against Councilman Irwin.

Resignation:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the resignation of Seth McKee from CWOSP. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Councilman Irwin read aloud a letter submitted by Dennis Moore, chair of CWOSP. All aye votes cast, motion carried.

Appointment:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to appoint Tom Weiner to CWOSP to fill an unexpired term left by another member, for a term that will expire 12/18. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Acceptance of Minutes:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the minutes of *October 5, 2017*. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Adoption of Local Law #7-Tax Cap Override:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the Resolution designating the Town Board Lead Agency declaring this a Type II Action and that no further action is required to be taken. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, Councilman Irwin voted no. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the Resolution adopting Local Law #7 to Override the Tax Cap Established in General Municipal Law. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Supervisor Bettez, Councilman Torres and Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis voted aye. Councilman Logan and Councilman Irwin voted no. Motion carried.

Village CFA Resolution:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez that the Village has received a CFA award to do work in the Mill Brook Preserve, a portion of that work may be on Town owned land, and as owner of that property, the Town is allowing them to do the work. Seconded by Councilman Torres. A friendly amendment was offered by Councilman Irwin that that work be executed within the limitations and guidelines of the Conservation Easement, accepted by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis was not present during the vote. Motion carried.

Marshall & Sterling Insurance Renewal:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the insurance renewal proposal from Marshall & Sterling. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Trailways Contract:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Traffic Control Services Contract for Thanksgiving, on behalf of the Town. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Warrant:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the October Warrant in the amount of \$1,614,851.12, after the approval of the budget transfers. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Budget Modifications & Transfers:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the following modifications and transfers to the 2017 budget:

Increase: AAA-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$5,340.00
Increase: AAA-522-7310-400	Youth-C.E.	\$5,340.00
Decrease: AAA-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$4,000.00
Decrease: AAA-522-7310-460	Youth-GAMES	\$4,000.00
Decrease: AAA-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$1,340.00
Decrease: AAA-522-7310-432	Youth-Bus Trips	\$1,340.00

Reason: Consolidation of budget lines into .4.

Increase: BBB-510-0000-000	Estimated Revenues	\$16,000.00
Increase: BBB-980-3590-000	State Grant	\$16,000.00
Increase: BBB-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$16,000.00
Increase: BBB-522-8090-420	DEC Vehicle Charging Station	\$16,000.00

Reason: Unanticipated revenue of \$16,000 rebate for the installation of an electric vehicle charging station.

Increase: BBB-510-0000-000	Estimated Revenues	\$75,000.00
Increase: BBB-980-3590-000	State Grant	\$75,000.00
Increase: BBB-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$75,000.00
Increase: BBB-522-7110-400	Parks-Moriello Pool	\$75,000.00

Reason: Unanticipated revenue for improvements to the town pool from Senator Bonacic through the State & Municipal Facilities Capital Program.

Increase: BBB-510-0000-000	Estimated Revenues	\$10,000.00
Increase: BBB-980-3589-000	Greenway Grant	\$10,000.00
Increase: BBB-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$10,000.00
Increase: BBB-522-8091-400	Master Plan Consultant	\$10,000.00

Reason: Unanticipated revenue of \$10,000 from the Hudson River Valley Greenway for the Rte. 299

Gateway Planning and Zoning Project.

Increase: H08-510-0000-000	Estimated Revenues	\$300,000.00
Increase: H08-980-3397-000	Public Safety Project (State)	\$300,000.00
Increase: H08-960-0000-000	Appropriations	\$300,000.00

Increase: H08-522-5120-200	Bridges-Equipment	\$ 87,950.00
Increase: H08-522-5120-400	Bridges-Contractual Exp.	\$204,050.00
Increase: H08-522-1420-400	Attorney	\$ 2,000.00
Increase: H08-522-1440-400	Engineer	\$ 6,000.00

Reason: Wallkill Valley Rail Trail/Springtown Rd. Bridge Replacement Project at a cost of \$300,000, \$200,000 from Hudson River Valley Greenway, \$100,000 from Senator Bonacic through the State & Municipal Facilities Program.

A FUND TO:	LINE ITEM	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>A FUND</u> FROM:	LINE ITEM	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A1930.400	Judgements & Claims	13,086.00	A1420.400	Attorney-C.E.	13,986.00
A4050.400	Public Health, Other	900.00			
	,	13,986.00			
B FUND	LINE ITEM	AMOUNT	B FUND	LINE ITEM	AMOUNT
<u>TO:</u>			FROM:		
B1440.400	Engineer-C.E.	4,000.00	B1440.400	Engineer-C.E.	4,000.00
B1650.400	Central Communications	1,840.00	B1680.400	Central Data	1,840.00
B1670.430	Print/Mail-Bldg Insp	700.00	B1345.430	Purchasing-Bldg Insp	700.00
B8020.430	Planning Board-Attorney	3,000.00	B8010400	Zoning Board-C.E.	3,000.00
		9,540.00			9,540.00
DA FUND	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	DA FUND	LINE ITEM	AMOUNT
<u>TO:</u>			FROM:		
DA5010.400	Supt of Hwys-C.E.	3,187.00	DA5010.100	Supt of Hwys-P.S.	3,187.00
DB FUND	LINE ITEM	<u>AMOUNT</u>	DB FUND	LINE ITEM	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>TO:</u>			FROM:		
DB1420.400	Attorney-C.E.	240.00	DB1440.400	Engineer-C.E.	240.00

PrePay:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the prepayment of the 10% balance owed to Renosys (less the \$5,000 credit for unused allowance) for the Moriello Pool liner installation in the amount of \$1,211.50, and the prepayment to PoolEquip, LLC for the balance due on the Moriello Pool liner installation and Change Order #2 in the amount of \$9,704.10. The request to prepay would be based on engineer's certification of completion of project. This will enable us to file for reimbursement to DASNY by the end of November and potentially receive funding prior to close of the fiscal year. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Letter to NYS Public Service Commission:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to send a letter to the NYS PSC urging them to reduce the residential fixed customer charges, on behalf of the Town. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

2018 Budget Discussion:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to set the public hearing for the 2018 Preliminary Budget for November 2nd at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Bettez indicated that revenues are down. There was further discussion about how/where further cuts can be made. Councilman Logan suggested cutting the position of Special Prosecutor, which would save \$40,000, as well as cutting 2 positions from the Highway Department, which would total \$180,000. The Board also discussed increasing the fees at the Community Center.

At 9:50 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Supervisor Bettez, Councilman Torres and Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis voted aye. No other votes were taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari Town Clerk