

**Public Hearing-Tax Cap Override, 7 p.m.
Joint Town & Village Meeting
Town Board Meeting
October 4, 2018**

Present: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis, Councilman David Brownstein, Councilman Marty Irwin.

At 7:03 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the public hearing on the proposed local law to override the tax cap. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Comment: None

At 7:05 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to close the public hearing. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Joint Town & Village Meeting

Present: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis, Councilman David Brownstein, Councilman Marty Irwin.

Present: Mayor Tim Rogers, Trustee KT Tobin, Trustee William Murray, Trustee Dennis Young.

Absent: Trustee Don Kerr

At 7:05 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Joint meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: +Waiver of 30-day waiting period for Liquor License, +Adoption of NYS Sexual Harassment Policy, +Executive Session for Joint meeting, +Executive Session for Town Board meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Village Board Agenda:

Approval of Applefest Event Application:

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers to approve the Applefest Event Application. Seconded by Trustee Tobin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution-Climate Smart Task Force:

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers to adopt the following resolution on behalf of the Village; seconded by Trustee Tobin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Formation of Climate Smart Community Task Force

WHEREAS, the Village of New Paltz adopted the New York State Climate Smart Communities Pledge by resolution in the year 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to obtain certification under the Climate Smart Communities Program and is desirous of determining how climate change will affect the Village of New Paltz and take further steps toward reducing greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, a task force or committee can provide local government decision makers with information about establishing and implementing climate smart initiatives, propose new ideas to its local government, and can identify funding sources for projects.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board officially approves the formation of the Climate Smart Community Task Force, with members to be announced at a future date.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the following resolution on behalf of the Town. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

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Authorization to purchase microphones:

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers to authorize the purchase of 2 Shure MX 393/0 omnidirectional boundary microphones for \$242.00 each. Seconded by Trustee Tobin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Authorization to commence legal proceedings:

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers to authorize the Village attorney to commence legal proceedings to compel the payment of an unpaid recreation fee from Mr. Steffens. Seconded by Trustee Young, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Executive Session:

At 7:12 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez for the Joint Boards to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal action. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:12 p.m. a motion was made by Mayor Rogers for the Joint Boards to go into executive session for the purpose of discussion legal action. Seconded by Trustee Young, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:31 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to come out of executive session with no action taken. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:31 p.m. a motion was made by Mayor Rogers to adjourn the Village portion of the Joint meeting. Seconded by Trustee Tobin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Town Board Meeting

Consent Agenda:

- A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez and seconded by Councilman Irwin to approve and/or authorize the following items as part of the consent agenda. All aye votes cast, motion carried.
- 1. Approval of Minutes: 9/20/18 Police Commission, 9/20/18 Town Board, 10/1/18 Special Town Board.
 - 2. Appointment of Janelle Peotter to the Bike-Ped Committee to fill the unexpired term of a former member whose term expires 12/31/2019.
 - 3. Budget Modification for Parkland Funds Transfer to Build Soccer Fields. To record transfer of funds from Parkland Deposit account as per Town Board action of 6/7/18.

Debit: AAA-960	Appropriations	\$10,000
Increase: AAA-522-7150-460	NP Sports/Rec Park	\$10,000
Credit: AAA-510	Estimated Revenue	\$10,000
Increase: AAA-980-2089-000	Other Culture & Rec Income	\$10,000
 - 4. Finance Conference Request to attend 2 trainings: payroll Law on 11/27/18 for \$149 and Human Resources on 12/10/18 for \$149.
 - 5. Approval of DocuWare upgrade for Records Management.
 - 6. Highway Budget Modification to realize Insurance Recovery revenue received for the repair of vehicle damaged on 4/24/18.

Increase: DBB-980-2680-000	Insurance Recoveries	\$2,082
Increase: DBB-510-0000-000		\$2,082
Increase: DBB-522-5130-400	Machinery C.E.	\$2,082
Increase: DBB-960-0000-000		\$2,082
 - 7. Waiver of 30-day waiting period for Liquor License renewal for Novella's.
 - 8. Adoption of NYS Employer Standard Sexual Harassment Policy.

Executive Session:

At 7:32 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing contract negotiations with Comptroller Jean Gallucci. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:09 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to modify the Tentative Budget to reflect current salaries. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

LL #6/2018-Tax Cap Override:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the following resolution:
WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Code of the Town of New Paltz 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 2019 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax PH-Tax Cap Override/Joint Town & Village Meeting/Town Board Meeting-October 4, 2018

levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c must be reviewed to determine any potential impact on the environment as defined by the Environmental Conservation Law in Section 8-0105(6); and

WHEREAS, any project having a potential impact on the environment must have such impact determined by a lead agency pursuant to the State Act and Town Code, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said State Act and Town Code, a lead agency must be designate to review the proposed project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz designates the Town Board as the Lead Agency to determine all environmental matters and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz has compared the proposed action as described in the Environmental Assessment Form Parts One and Two with the list of criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR 617.12 and determined that the application proposed is a Type II Action and that no further action is required to be taken under the Act.

Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, Councilman Irwin voted no. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, proposed Local Law No. 6, 2018, was introduced at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, County of Ulster, State of New York, on the 20th day of September, 2018, with a copy thereof having been duly given to all council members, the intent and purpose of which is 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 2019 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c; and

WHEREAS, due notice of a public hearing to be held thereon on the 4th day of October, 2018, was duly published in the "Daily Freeman," a newspaper printed and published in Kingston, Ulster County, New York, commencing on the 22nd day of September, 2018;and

WHEREAS, due and proper notice of such proposed local law and of the public hearing to be held thereon as aforesaid was given pursuant to all applicable laws, rules and regulations regarding the giving of such notice; and

WHEREAS, such public hearing was held thereon on the 4th day of October, 2018, at which time all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of New Paltz adopt a certain local law entitled “A Local Law to Amend Chapter 27, “Taxation” of the Code of the Town of New Paltz to add a new Article VIII, “Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c”

Seconded by Councilman Brownstein, all aye votes cast, Councilman Irwin voted no. Motion carried.

Budget Discussion:

Comptroller Jean Gallucci indicated that she was able to remove \$80,000 for the purchase of a backhoe from the Recycling Equipment line as a result of grant funds that are expected to be received.

The Town Board discussed some budget items with Highway Superintendent Chris Marx and Building Inspector Stacy Delarede. The Town Board discussed possible reductions in the Snow Removal and General Repairs Personal Services lines, as well as the budgets for some Committees, Commissions and Boards.

The Town Board will compile further questions and concerns and send them to the Supervisor and Comptroller for review.

At 9:56 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari Rosenkranse
Town Clerk