

SPECIAL MEETING - WOLCOTT TOWN BOARD - September 26, 2023

A Special Meeting (Budget Workshop) of the Wolcott Town Board was held Tuesday, September 26th, 2023, at 6:00 PM at the Wolcott Town Hall with the following people present:

PRESENT - Supervisor - Lynn Chatfield
Councilman - Adam Ellis, Jr. (ABSENT)
Councilman - Dan Youngman
Councilman – Jordan Brown (ABSENT)
Councilwoman – Julie Aldrich

OTHERS PRESENT - Jessica Freer, Town Clerk; Amber Roberts, Assessor/ Supervisor's Clerk; Zach Decker, Highway Superintendent.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance -

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss the Tentative Budget for 2024 and any other business that might come before the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS – There was no other business.

2024 TENTATIVE BUDGET – Amber started the meeting by presenting the Board with new modifications to the budget from what they had received the week prior at the Regular Board meeting. She then asked the Board if they had questions for her before; they did not. The board went over the Highway and General Funds first and reviewed any changes and/or modifications from the prior year. The Board discussed any increase in salaries that was different from the scheduled 3% increase that everyone received. The Town Clerk and Supervisor's Clerk/Assessor requested an additional increase; Julie asked Jessica some questions about the increase and position. The Supervisor showed support for both the increases and the rest of the members agreed with approving the requests. Ray was not in attendance at the but had previously spoken to Amber about him being certified now and put in his request for the increase; the Board agreed. Amber said we are still waiting on final numbers for all the Fire and Ambulance contracts so those number new number will still need to be factored into the levy amount; Jessica said she has been in contact with Fair Haven as they are the only ones we are waiting on and will let Amber know as soon as she has them. There was a brief discussion when reviewing the rest of the budget; The Board decided to approve the Tentative Budget as Preliminary with the increase to salaries of the Town Clerk, Supervisor's Clerk/Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer as requested.

RESOLUTION #55-23 APPROVING 2024 TENTATIVE BUDGET AS PRELIMINARY BUDGET -

The following resolution was presented by Julie Aldrich, moved by Dan Youngman, seconded by Lynn Chatfield,

WHEREAS, the 2024 Tentative Budget was submitted to the Town Board for its review; and
WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed it and made changes and/or adjustments where they
deemed necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept the 2024 Tentative Budget as the
Preliminary Budget for 2024 and to set the Public Hearing on said Preliminary Budget for October 17,
2023, at 6:00 PM. (The Town Clerk will place the ad for the public hearing.)

ON ROLL CALL VOTE - Chatfield "YES", Ellis "ABSENT", Youngman "YES",
Brown "ABSENT", Aldrich "YES".

The next regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board will be held Oct 17th, 2023, at 6:00 PM at
the Town Hall.

A motion was made by Dan Youngman, seconded by Lynn Chatfield, to adjourn the meeting at
7:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Freer,
Town Clerk