

SPECIAL MEETING - WOLCOTT TOWN BOARD - September 26, 2022

A Special Meeting (Budget Workshop) of the Wolcott Town Board was held Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Wolcott Town Hall with the following people present:

PRESENT - Supervisor - Lynn Chatfield  
Councilman - Adam Ellis, Jr.  
Councilman - Dan Youngman  
Councilman – Ray Hauss  
Councilman – Jordan Brown

OTHERS PRESENT - Jessica Freer, Town Clerk; Amber Roberts, Assessor/ Supervisor's Clerk; Zach Decker, Highway Superintendent; Karli Starczewski, Assessor's Clerk; Chris Bauer, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Roger Misso, Town Justice; Mary Anne McConkey, Court Clerk.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance -

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss the Tentative Budget for 2023 and any other business that might come before the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS –

1. There was an error on the September abstract, and it was missing Time to Spare, the cleaners for the Town Hall.

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS -

GENERAL ACCOUNT - Claim #294 - total - \$260.00

A resolution was presented by Adam Ellis, moved by Jordan Brown, seconded by Ray Hauss “Be it RESOLVED to pay General account claim as presented.”

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET – Amber started off explaining the various changes to the line items from the previous year in the tentative budget and discussed the two options of the budget she gave to the Board. She said she is waiting for a few more things to come out before she can get all the final numbers. Amber said she had a few questions for Roger about the decrease in the Court Contractual account but would ask him to clarify later. There was a question from Adam about the Cemetery line, Amber explained that next year if cemetery bids come in higher and/or an increase in weed harvesting that we should be prepared for it. After a quick discussion the Board moved to talk about salaries. Roger discussed the contractual questions with the Board and Amber, Roger moved onto speaking about his Clerk, Mary Anne and her position, Mary Anne then spoke to the board about her requested increase, there was a lengthy discussion, and it was determined not to increase anyone's salary and to keep in line with the highway contract increases.

2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET – (cont'd)

Adam inquired about the Assessor's Clerk extra education, she said she was very close to obtaining her Assessor's Certification, the Board decided due to her seeking additional classes and knowledge they would increase her hourly rate to \$17.00. There was more discussion about the budget items between the Board. Zach mentioned that he will have to look for a part-time employee for the Highway Department for this upcoming year and pay will be a discussion when he starts looking.

RESOLUTION #38-22 APPROVING 2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET AS PRELIMINARY BUDGET -

The following resolution was presented by Adam Ellis, moved by Dan Youngman, seconded by Ray Hauss,

WHEREAS, the 2023 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 2023 Tentative Budget as the Preliminary Budget for 2023 and to set the Public Hearing on said Preliminary Budget for October 18, 2022, at 6:00 PM. (The Town Clerk will place the ad for the public hearing.)

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

The next regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board will be held Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.

A motion was made by Jorden Brown, seconded by Ray Hauss, to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Freer,  
Town Clerk