

At an Agenda Meeting and Special Meeting of the Waterford Town Board held on Tuesday October 31, 2023 at 7:00PM at Waterford Town Hall 65 Broad Street Waterford, NY 12188 and via Zoom the following transpired:

Those present:

Councilman David Ball
 Councilman James Boudreau
 Councilwoman Laurie Marble
 Councilman Frank McClement
 Supervisor John Lawler

Supervisor Lawler called the Special Meeting to order.

RESOLUTION #149

RESOLVED, that the Tentative Budget be approved as the Preliminary Budget for 2024 with changes to the following items; decrease Public Safety Administration Salary and Benefits by \$100,000.00, increase Mortgage Tax revenues by \$25,000.00.

Revisions by Town Board to 2024 Tentative Town Budget

<u>Account Number & Title</u>	<u>2024 Tentative Town Budget As Submitted</u>	<u>Revisions to 2024 Tentative Town Budget</u>	<u>Revised Totals for 2024 Preliminary Town Budget</u>
A3010.1 - Public Safety - Admin. - Personal Services	\$75,000.00	-\$75,000.00	\$0.00
A3010.4 - Public Safety - Admin. - Contractual Expense	\$3,675.00	-\$3,675.00	\$0.00
A9030.8 - Employee Benefits - Employer Share - Social Security	\$107,225.00	-\$4,650.00	\$102,575.00
A9035.8 - Employee Benefits - Employer Share - Medicare	\$25,077.00	-\$1,087.00	\$23,990.00
A9060.8 - Employee Benefits - Hospital & Medical	\$306,498.00	-\$15,588.00	\$290,910.00
A3005.0 - Mortgage Tax	\$125,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$150,000.00
A0599.000 Appropriated Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$338,662.00	\$338,662.00

Offered by Supervisor Lawler
 Seconded by Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Ball yes
 Councilman Boudreau yes
 Councilwoman Marble yes
 Councilman McClement yes
 Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION #150

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford will hold a Public Hearing on November 8, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. at Waterford Town Hall 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY to hear comments on the 2024 Preliminary Budget.

Offered by Councilman McClement
Seconded by Councilwoman Marble

Councilman Ball yes
Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilwoman Marble yes
Councilman McClement yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION #151

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby changes the employment classification of Town Highway Department employee Joshua McCrea to CDL/MEO I as a result of him earning his CDL license. Joshua McCrea's hourly rate is adjusted to \$22.00/Hour retroactive to October 12, 2023.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau
Seconded by Councilwoman Marble

Councilman Ball yes
Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilwoman Marble yes
Councilman McClement yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

Supervisor Lawler stated that this is a salary adjustment. We offer these adjustments to encourage them to get their CDL, we need our employees to be able to drive the large trucks. Congratulations to Josh.

Councilman Boudreau made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:05PM, seconded by Councilman McClement. All voted in favor of the motion.

The regular Agenda Meeting began.

Items discussed:

Councilman McClement- the Senior Bus is having mechanical issues and we need to address this. The cost of a new vehicle off state contract is almost double what it was a year ago. We received a few quotes on replacing the motor, which is close to \$8,000. This will extend the life of the vehicle and helps us maintain our level of service. We will need a resolution for next Tuesday.

Councilman Boudreau- The Museum is having a history presentation on November 7th. Kathy Sheehan presents "Setting the scene for HBO's 'The Gilded Age'. An illustrated lecture on how Troy's 19th century architecture became an integral backdrop to the Julian Fellowes HBO series 'The Gilded Age'. Place- Durrant's at Van Schaick Country Club, Cohoes, Tuesday,

November 7, 2023 at 7-8 pm- Admission: \$10 (food and drink not included); RSVP with Durrant's [\(518\) 244-5045](tel:5182445045)

Councilwoman Marble- Added that a previous employee, Russ McAllister, was an extra in that movie. The Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday November 25th. This year there will be a float competition and again the fire truck lighting contest. The visitor center volunteer luncheon is Thursday. The Wesleyan Church Fall festival was postponed this past weekend due to the weather and will now be held on Sunday November 5th from 2-4pm.

Councilman Ball- There are some public safety grants being worked on right now, and at the meeting we will be recognizing an officer with 25 years of service.

Eileen Haldeman- Senior Director- There will be a concert luncheon at Waterford Halfmoon school for the seniors of Waterford on November 20th. The Center Christmas Party is Sunday December 3rd.

Dave Woodin-Planning Director- The Planning Board is finishing up the review for the Riberdy Grove Solar Farm. The Bells Lane project is underway. They have a site plan before them for a Cannabis Dispensary in the Hostig Plaza.

Supervisor Lawler- asked about the construction schedule for the solar project, and will there be power generated in 2024?

Dylan Defrino- Seaboard Solar- stated construction usually begins within 6 months after approval, summer of 2024 is their target. The build takes about 5 months. There will be power from here in 2024.

Supervisor Lawler asked Dave Woodin to please coordinate with our Assessor, Rachael on the status of the project.

Town Clerk Carrigan- stated that the Town of Waterford Food Drive will be held on Saturday November 18th from 10-12pm at the Waterford Community Senior Center. All donations will benefit the three food pantries and they need help filling their shelves. This is the 4th year hosting the food drive.

Supervisor Lawler reminded everyone the November meeting will be on Wednesday November 8th and thanked everyone for coming.

Councilman Boudreau made a motion to close the meeting at 7:17PM, seconded by Councilman McClement. All voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Shannon Carrigan
Town Clerk

