

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2011 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE AND PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD AT THE TOWN
HOUSE, 179 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, N.Y., COMMENCING AT
8:00 P.M.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR GARY WARSHAUER; COUNCIL MEMBERS:
RICHARD LYMAN, DANIEL PASCHKES, PETER FALCO AND
PAUL McCONVILLE

ALSO PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY, JAMES J. SULLIVAN, ESQ.
TOWN CLERK, JOANNE PACE
DEPUTY SUPERVISOR, JONATHAN POWERS

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Warshauer called the meeting to order at 8 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Supervisor Warshauer will hold a Supervisor's Forum on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. with the Chairs of Boards and Commissions to discuss goals for 2012.
- Supervisor Warshauer reminded everyone that the Pound Ridge Lions Club will host their annual Holiday Luncheon in Honor of Carol Cioppa for her dedicated service to our residents and community at Le Chateau, Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 12:30 p.m. Supervisor Warshauer will prepare a proclamation for Carol.

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Falco, all voting aye authorizing Supervisor Warshauer to write a proclamation recognizing Carol Cioppa.

MINUTES: Acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of the Town Board Work Session held on October 26, 2011, Town Board Meeting and Executive Session held on November 10, 2011 and Town Board Work Session held on November 23, 2011.

RESOLUTION #: 169-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman McConville, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the minutes of the Town Board Work Session held on October 26, 2011, Town Board Meeting and Executive Session held on November 10, 2011 and Town Board Work Session held on November 23, 2011.

PUBLIC HEARING: To consider and act upon the adoption of the 2012 Budget

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Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Lyman, all voting aye to open the Public Hearing to consider and act upon the adoption of the 2012 Budget.

Supervisor Warshauer opened the Public Hearing at 8:15 p.m. Notice of Public Hearing appeared in the November 18, 2011 issue of the Record Review, the Town's official newspaper. Supervisor Warshauer said that the Town Board together with Steve Conti, as well as the entire Town staff, has worked very hard to make the 2012 budget as efficient as possible providing the services necessary to meet needs of our residents. It is a balanced budget. Steve Conti, Director of Finance, presented a power point presentation of the 2012 Budget. The budget shows the appropriations are approximately \$7.0 million and revenues of \$2.18 million and an appropriated fund balance of \$330,000 with the Tax Levy equaling \$4,478,189. The Tax Levy increased by \$115,969 resulting in a 2.5% tax increase. The appropriations decreased by \$97,307, revenues decreased \$25,545 and the Town decreased the appropriated Fund Balance by \$187,731 to make it \$330,000. Steve continued to read the Highlights of the 2012 Budget which is detailed below. We still have a healthy Fund Balance. Steve Conti summarized the budget as follows:

General Fund appropriations - \$5,038,340

Highway Fund appropriations - \$1,958,249

Land Reserve appropriations - \$ 277,446

Total Proposed Town Budget \$7,274,035, of which we have revenues of \$2,188,400 and Fund Balance of \$330,000; which leaves the Town \$4,755,635 to be raised by taxes. The tax rate for 2011 was 11.8101 and is 12.1056 for 2012. The Land Reserve Fund is \$.75 per \$1,000 assessed value and will be \$277,446 in 2012.

The 2012 Budget Highlights are as follows:

GENERAL & HIGHWAY FUNDS COMBINED:

Appropriations Decreased = -1.37% (-\$97,307)

Salary Decreases for Town Employees = -.53% (-\$17,360)

Estimated Revenues Decrease = - 1.15% (-\$25,545)

Appropriated Fund Balance Decrease = -36.26% (-\$187,731)

Taxable Value Increase (Town-Wide Assessments) = 0.15% (\$6,669)

Taxable Increase over 2011 Adopted Budget = 2.65% (\$115,969)

Tax Increase from Operations after change in Taxable Value = 2.50%

Tax Increase from Land Reserve = 1.93%

Total Tax Increase from Operations and Land Reserve = 4.42%

APPROPRIATIONS:

Repayment of Bonds - \$27,000
Repayment of Installment Debt - \$31,500
GIS - \$5,000

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Advanced Life Support Ambulance - \$102,070
Senior Support Programs & Van Service - \$33,322
Recycling Program - \$13,500
Fireworks and Road Race - \$26,500
Open Space Acquisition Fund - \$277,446

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:

Building Maintenance -\$10,000
Supervisor Warshauer asked if anyone present had any questions or comments on the budget. There were none.

Board Action: Motion by Councilman McConville, seconded by Councilman Falco, all voting aye to close the Public Hearing to consider and act upon the adoption of the 2012 Budget.

RESOLUTION #: 170-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman Falco, the Board polled with Councilman Falco, aye, Councilman Lyman, aye, Councilman McConville, aye, Councilman Paschkes, aye and Supervisor Warshauer, aye motion passing 5-0 on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby adopts the 2012 Budget as proposed.

Supervisor Warshauer thanked Finance Director Steve Conti, all Department Heads and employees and the Town Board for all their input and help in preparing the 2012 budget.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Pound Ridge Community Church – request permission to place a banner across Westchester Ave. by the Fire Dept. for their Holiday Fair on December 9th

RESOLUTION #: 171-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Falco, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Pound Ridge Community Church to erect a banner across Westchester Avenue in Scotts Corners to advertise their Holiday Fair and Cookie Walk on December 9, 2011. It will go up on December 2, 2011 and come down on December 12, 2011.

Maintenance Department – requesting permission to replace a portion of the carpeting in the Town House

The carpets in the hallways on the first floor of the Town House need replacement. An estimate was given for commercial grade carpet tiles and the cost will be \$2,250.00.

RESOLUTION #: 172-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman McConville, seconded by Councilman Lyman, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the installation of new commercial carpet tiles in the first floor hallways of the Town House in the amount of \$2,250.00. It will be charged to A1620.400.

to purchase a replacement plow for the gator

The maintenance department needs to purchase a replacement plow for the gator that was damaged last year. David Goldberg received two quotes:

R.Argento & Son, Inc. in White Plains, NY in the amount of \$2,800.00 and West End Power Equipment Co, Inc. in Danbury, CT. in the amount of \$2,137.50. They are both comparable and Ray and David recommend purchasing it from West End Power Equipment Co., Inc.

RESOLUTION #: 173-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman McConville, all voting aye on the following:

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of a replacement standard-duty 72" V-blade plow and kit in the amount of \$2,137.50 from West End Power Equipment Co, Inc. This will be paid out of A7110.201 line.

for Pound Ridge Museum roof replacement

The roof at the Pound Ridge Museum needs replacement and Ray and David Goldberg received two quotes as follows: Paul Marchiano, PM in Katonah, NY - \$10,500 and Pete Albano, Peter Albano Carpentry, Bedford, NY - \$7,900. They respectfully request the award be given to the lowest bidder, Peter Albano.

RESOLUTION #: 174-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Lyman, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby awards the roof replacement project for the Pound Ridge Museum to Peter Albano Carpentry, Bedford, NY in the amount of \$7,900 pursuant to the joint memo from Ray Andretta and Dave Goldberg subject to confirmation that the quality of work is supervised and approved by Ray and Dave. The amount is for time and materials and couldn't give a definite quote.

2012 Association of Towns Meeting – Town Receiver of Taxes, Deborah Damascus and Councilman Daniel Paschkes are requesting permission to attend

Tax Receiver Deborah Damascus and Councilman Daniel Paschkes are requesting permission to attend the 2012 Training School & Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns on February 19-22, 2012 in New York City. The registration fee is \$100.00 per attendee plus travel and meal costs.

RESOLUTION #: 175 -11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Falco, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby grants permission to Tax Receiver Deborah Damascus to attend the 2012 Training School & Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns on February 19-22, 2012 in New York City. The registration fee is \$100.00.

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RESOLUTION #: 176-11

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman McConville, the Board polled with motion passing 4-0 with Councilman Paschkes abstaining on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby grants permission to Councilman Daniel Paschkes to attend the 2012 Training School & Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns on February 19-22, 2012 in New York City. The registration fee is \$100.00 plus travel and meal expenses not to exceed \$600.00.

FINANCIAL MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Warshauer adjourned the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Joanne Pace
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
December 2, 2011

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