



**Town Board  
Tentative Budget Meeting  
October 4, 2022**

The Town Board of the Town of Chester convened at the Town of Chester Municipal Center, 6307 State Route 9, Chestertown, New York, at 4:30 pm.

**Roll Call:**

Supervisor Craig Leggett – Present	Councilman Larry Turcotte – Present
Councilman Chris Aiken - Present	Deputy Supervisor Marion Eagan – Present
Councilwoman Karen DuRose - Present	Town Clerk, Mindy Conway - Present
Councilman Mike Packer – Present	

**Tentative Budget Meeting:**

Supervisor Leggett **opened** the Tentative Budget Meeting at 4:39 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Highway Garage:**

Supervisor Leggett turned the meeting over to Mr. Turcotte to discuss a new highway garage.

Mr. Turcotte used the cost of \$3,000,000 for an example.

Lengthy discussion ensued on whether to build, buy or lease a highway garage.

Supervisor Leggett thanked Highway Superintendent, Jason Monroe for attending.

**RESOLUTION NO. 147 OF 2022: FILL THE POSITION OF ACCOUNT CLERK**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Clerk has advertised for the position of Account Clerk as per Resolution No. 129 of 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, a qualified candidate has applied for the position, and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2022 Budget has appropriated funds for a person to fill in for the Bookkeeper in anticipation of the Bookkeepers reduced work schedule,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board hereby approves the hire Carrie-Jo Hoffman to fill the position of Account Clerk as permanent part time at no more than 15 hours per week at a rate of \$17 per hour to be paid from A1220.13 Backup Bookkeeper on a provisional basis with a 6-month probationary period.

On a motion by Mrs. DuRose, seconded by Mr. Turcotte, Resolution No. 147 of 2022 was **ADOPTED**.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 148 OF 2022: AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR A PART TIME ATTENDANT AT THE TRANSFER STATION**

**WHEREAS**, there is a vacancy for a part time attendant at the Transfer Station due to resignation,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for the position of Part Time Attendant at the Transfer Station until filled.

On a motion by Mr. Turcotte, seconded by Mrs. DuRose, Resolution No. 148 of 2022 was **ADOPTED**.

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**Tentative Budget:**

Supervisor Leggett presented the following:

TENT	Town Budget 2023								
Code	Fund	Appropriations	Less Estimated Revenues	Less Unexpended Balance	Amount to be Raised by Taxes 2023	Assessed Value 2023	Estimated Tax Rate 2023	Tax Rate 2022	Difference 2023-2022
A	General	\$2,105,581	\$1,988,940	\$0	\$116,641	\$759,046,190	\$0.15	\$0.45	(\$0.29)
DA	Highway	\$2,344,150	\$1,203,150	\$90,000	\$1,051,000	\$759,046,190	\$1.39	\$1.33	\$0.06
CD	Cmnty Dev	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$759,046,190	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
L	Library	\$92,491	\$84,691	\$0	\$7,800	\$759,046,190	\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.01
V	Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$759,046,190	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,542,222</b>	<b>\$3,276,781</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>\$1,175,441</b>	<b>\$759,046,190</b>	<b>\$1.55</b>	<b>\$1.77</b>	<b>(\$0.23)</b>
	<b>SPECIAL TOWN DISTRICTS</b>								
SP	Loon Lake Park	\$150,270	\$45,200	\$0	\$105,070	\$245,976,784	\$0.43	\$0.30	\$0.13
CW	Chester Water	\$94,500	\$74,500	\$0	\$20,000	\$37,612,964	\$0.53	\$0.70	(\$0.17)
PW	Pottersville Water	\$58,360	\$30,960	\$0	\$27,400	\$10,337,587	\$2.65	\$2.59	\$0.06
SF	Riverside Fire	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$22,937,026	\$0.44	\$0.52	(\$0.09)
SF	North Creek Fire	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$45,915,184	\$0.65	\$0.66	(\$0.01)
FLAPCD	Friends Lake	\$34,000	\$0	\$0	\$34,000	\$145,598,300	\$0.23	\$0.00	\$0.23
EMS	EMS	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$815,567,039	\$0.37	\$0.00	\$0.37
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$677,130</b>	<b>\$150,660</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$526,470</b>	<b>\$1,323,944,884</b>	<b>\$5.30</b>	<b>\$4.77</b>	<b>\$0.53</b>
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$5,219,352</b>	<b>\$3,427,441</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>\$1,701,911</b>				
					\$1,525,092	Tax Cap 2023			
					\$1,316,000	Tax levy 2022			
	<b>INDEPENDENT DISTRICTS</b>								
-	Schroon Lake	\$1,869	\$0	\$0	\$1,869	\$69,139,588	\$0.03	\$0.03	(\$0.01)
-	Chestertown Fire	\$442,110	\$0	\$0	\$442,110	\$549,010,096	\$0.81	\$0.81	(\$0.00)
-	Pottersville Fire	\$318,923	\$0	\$0	\$318,923	\$190,545,398	\$1.67	\$1.77	(\$0.10)
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$762,902</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$762,902</b>	<b>\$808,695,082</b>	<b>\$2.51</b>	<b>\$2.61</b>	<b>(\$0.11)</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>\$5,982,254</b>	<b>\$3,427,441</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>\$2,464,813</b>		<b>\$2.51</b>	<b>\$2.61</b>	<b>(\$0.11)</b>

Discussion ensued concerning wages.

Supervisor Leggett commented that he would look over the budget again and set a preliminary budget public hearing date at the regular Town Board Meeting.

On a motion by Mrs. DuRose, seconded by Mr. Turcotte, meeting **adjourned** at 6:34 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Mindy Conway, Town Clerk