

**TOWN OF WASHINGTON**  
**Town Board**  
**November 6, 2019**  
**Special Meeting**

The Town Board of the Town of Washington held a special meeting on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, at 7:00 PM, at the Town of Washington Town Hall. Supervisor Gary Ciferri called the meeting to order with the following present: Councilmen Stephen Turletes, Robert Audia, Al De Bonis and Michael Murphy and Town Clerk Mary Alex.

Howard Schuman was present.

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman Audia, the Public Hearing was opened for the 2020 Budget. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

On a motion made by Councilman Murphy and seconded by Councilman De Bonis, the Board opened the Public Hearing on Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019 to Override the Tax Cap. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

There weren't any comments made by the public.

As there weren't any comments made, on a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis, the Board moved to close the public hearing for Local Law 2 of the Year 2019. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

As there weren't any comments made, on a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman Audia the Board moved to close the Public Hearing on the proposed 2020 Budget. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

**RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION**

Councilperson Turletes, offered the following Resolution which was seconded by Councilperson De Bonis, who moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a public hearing in relation to said local law was held on November 7, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Time; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was given pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, said local law has been on the desks of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Washington for at least seven (7) days, exclusive of Sunday; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has declared the adoption of this local law to be a Type II action pursuant to 22 NYCRR Section 617.5; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Washington

**TOWN OF WASHINGTON LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2019**

**Section 1. Legislative Intent**

It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Washington pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 3-c, and to allow the Town of Washington to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020 that requires a

real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of the General Municipal Law Section 3-c which expressly authorizes the town board to override the tax cap by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty (60%) percent of the town board.

Section 3. Tax levy Limit Override

The Town Board of the Town of Washington, County of Dutchess is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation or circumstance, shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or part of this local law or its application to the person, individual, form or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the state’s Secretary of State.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall file an original certified copy of this local law in the office of the Town Clerk and the required number of original

certified copies in the Office of the Secretary of State, State of New York, in accordance with the Local Law Filing Instructions published by the New York State Department of State.

Dated: Millbrook, New York  
November 6, 2019

  
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MARY ALEX, TOWN CLERK

The foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

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MARY ALEX, TOWN CLERK

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis, the following resolution was offered:

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2020 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Washington has received and reviewed a preliminary budget; and

WHEREAS, the budget includes an increase of \$79,560.00 as major investment in Public Safety by providing 24/7 paid rescue squad services; and

WHEREAS, the Town has seen a decrease in the town wide assessed value from 1,179,822,090 to 1,175,834,377 with a decrease of 3,978,693; and

WHEREAS, the Town has budgeted for a full-time assessor and part time data collector which will allow for greater time in the field to ascertain that correct information is captured; and

WHEREAS, New York State has eliminated the AIM revenue payable to 1,300 towns across the state, which equates to \$16,000.00 in lost revenue for Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Town will have it's first bond payment for the Stanford Road Improvement Project increasing the budget in the amount of; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has had several public meetings revising and fine tuning the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has held a public hearing on the proposed 2020 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Washington does hereby adopt the 2020 Budget as presented.

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

In other business, Councilman De Bonis said he wants to ensure that the Solar Field currently being built at the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies does not receive a Certificate of Compliance until they adhere to all of the requirements in the Town Zoning Code regarding screening and site maintenance. Board members are aware that the solar field can be seen from both Route 44 and Route 82 and constituents are upset. The Town Board wants to ensure full compliance with Town Law before the system becomes operational. Councilman De Bonis would like to speak with Building Inspector Don Smith, to ensure he is aware of the town legislation.

There being no other business, on a motion made by Councilman Audia and seconded by Councilman Turletes the meeting was closed at 8:00 PM. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri	AYE
Councilman Turletes	AYE
Councilman Audia	AYE
Councilman De Bonis	AYE
Councilman Murphy	AYE

  
Mary Alex, Town Clerk 11/7/19