

Hamburg Town Board Special Meeting

Catherine A. Rybczynski, Clerk

11-9-2020

James Shaw, Supervisor	(Present)
Shawn Connolly, Councilmember	(Present)
Elizabeth Farrell, Councilmember	(Present)
Karen Hoak, Councilmember	(Present)
Michael Petrie, Councilmember	(Present)

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Rybczynski, Deputy Town Clerk; Samantha Tarczynski, Director of Finance; Walter Rooth III, Town Attorney; Kevin Trask, Chief, Hamburg Police Department; Nicholas Budney, Captain, Hamburg Police Department

1.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board opens the Special Meeting at 5:30 P.M.

On a motion of Supervisor Shaw, seconded by Councilman Connolly, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	5	Shaw, Connolly, Farrell, Hoak, Petrie
	Noes	0	
	Abstained	0	

The Town Board called for a Special Meeting of the Town Board to be held on November 9, 2020 at 5:30 PM to be held in Meeting Rooms 7A & 7B.

The stated purpose for the convening of the Special Meeting of the Town Board is as follows:

1. To discuss and resolve outstanding questions regarding the adoption of the Town's 2021 Budget;
2. To establish borrowing caps for the Bond resolutions adopted on September 14, 2020.

A discussion took place covering the above topics. After exploring a myriad of options, scenarios, possibilities, and possibilities a small increase in taxes was proposed. All members agreed that a modest 2% tax increase was necessary to protect the integrity of the town fund balance; to avoid or mitigate the risk of completely depleting the fund balance; to avoid or lessen the effect of a continued depressed economy due to COVID-19; to restore funding for public safety, ie. police staffing levels, in preparation for the numerous anticipated retirements from the department; and to take a responsible and fiscally conservative approach to protect the town finances during unpredictable events related to the pandemic.

2.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board adjourns the Special Session at 7:22 P.M.

On a motion of Supervisor Shaw, seconded by Councilman Connolly, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	5	Shaw, Connolly, Farrell, Hoak, Petrie
	Noes	0	
	Abstained	0	

The meeting was closed at 6:55 PM.

Open Meetings Law, Public Officers Law, Article 7, §106. Minutes.

Minutes shall be taken at all open meetings of a public body which shall consist of a record or summary of all motions, proposals, resolutions and any other matter formally voted upon and the vote thereon.

These minutes are an unofficial copy unless the original signature of the Town Clerk is affixed below. The original official paper minutes are stored in the Town's vault.

Catherine A. Rybczynski, R.M.C.
Town Clerk