

From the Desk of the Supervisor:

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September 2026 Town Board Meeting

Workshop- The Budget Officer presented the highlights from the tentative budget. He reported that the FAC recommended and created the preliminary budget with a 9.5% tax increase. This is above the 2% tax cap and would therefore require the passage of a local law.

Public Hearings-

Senior and Low-Income Disabled Laws:

Ancram proposed adoption of the amended lower income limit for both the senior and low-income disabled exemptions. In July, the county Board of Supervisors increased the lower limits to \$45,000 and Ancram wished to do the same. There can only be only one exemption per parcel, and disability must be determined by a physician.

Regular Meeting-

The supervisor gave a brief report about the activity at the county Board of Supervisors and Public Safety and Public Works Committees.

Highway Superintendent Jim Miller gave the report for the highway department.

The Town Clerk and Tax Collector Monica Cleveland gave the report for the town clerk's office. She reported that the KISS program was scheduled for September 25th. Recycling permits for 2027 would be available the week of November 30th.

Councilmember Jennifer Boice reported that there were five people trained in CPR/AED on September 14th. She was considering offering another class On September 28th , in the evening. The cost would be \$35.00/person.

Councilmember Amy Gold reported that the Tech committee was continuing work on the website. Isalyn Connell has temporarily transferred her duties to Michael DelRossi, while she is on maternity leave. Ms. Gold also shared a document that she created for seniors, which included resources for both seniors and caregivers.

Council member David Boice shared that he was concerned about cutting the highway budget.

Old Business items were discussed, the town committee attendance policy. The Board also discussed the 2027 budget schedule and decided on October 6th for the Budget Workshop. This workshop will be held at 6pm.

The New business item included the change in the planning board membership status of Darren Mosher. Due to retirement within the planning board, he was appointed to a full voting member. There were two openings on the planning board for alternates and one alternate position on the ZBA.

The Senior and Low-Income Disabled Exemption Laws were unanimously passed.

