

RED HOOK TOWN BOARD TENTATIVE BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
October 13, 2022

A special budget workshop meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened in person at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook at 7:30 p.m.

Present:	Supervisor Robert McKeon Councilmember Bill O’Neill Councilmember Bill Hamel Councilmember Jacob Testa Town Clerk Deanna Cochran
Also Present:	Town Bookkeeper Ann Conway
Arrived at 8:15pm	Councilmember Christine Kane

Supervisor McKeon opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor McKeon suggested rescheduling the next Town Board meeting due to the conflict of election day on November 8, 2022.

On a motion by Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilmember Hamel to reschedule the Town Board Meeting from Wednesday, November 8, 2022 to Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 7:30pm

Adopted	Ayes	4	McKeon, Hamel, Testa, Solomon
	Nays	0	

Resolution to Set the Date of Public Hearing for the 2023 Preliminary Budget

TOWN OF RED HOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 68
DATED OCTOBER 13, 2022

RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2023 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby set the 2nd day of November, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., as and for the date and time of a Public Hearing to be held by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook to hear all interested parties with regard to the preliminary budget for the Town of Red Hook for the year 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, County of Dutchess, State of New York (the “Town”), as follows:

The compensation to be paid to the following officers is as follows:

Supervisor	\$58,466
Town Board Member (each)	\$9,419
Town Clerk	\$60,562
Town Justices (each)	\$19,371
Highway Superintendent	\$71,126

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of said public hearing in The Poughkeepsie Journal, the official newspaper of the Town, on or before October 28, 2022, which is not less than five days prior to the date of said public hearing.

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened in public session at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook on October 13, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. local time at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook NY.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Robert McKeon, and, upon roll being called, the following members were:

	Present	Absent
Supervisor Robert McKeon	In Person	
Councilmember William Hamel	In Person	
Councilmember Christine Kane		X
Councilmember Julia Solomon	In Person	
Councilmember Jacob Testa	In Person	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Ann Conway, Town Bookkeeper

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor McKeon, seconded by Councilmember Hamel, to wit;

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The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING <u>Absent</u>
Councilmember Julia Solomon	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING <u>Aye</u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On a motion by Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilmember Solomon to reschedule the Public Hearing regarding the Fire Protection Services Agreement to Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 7:35 pm

Adopted	Ayes	4	McKeon, Hamel, Testa, Solomon
	Nays	0	

Town Clerk Deanna Cochran acknowledged that the Supervisor’s Tentative Budget for 2023 was received in her office on September 30, 2022 and distributed to the Town Board on October 3, 2022.

The Town Board members reviewed and discussed the Tentative Budget.

Town Bookkeeper Ann Conway assisted with explanations and clarifications of the Tentative Budget.

Discussion of Town of Red Hook Supervisor Position

Supervisor McKeon recused himself from the discussion.

Councilmember Hamel began the discussion regarding the responsibilities of the Supervisor’s position and how the workload has increased.

The Town Board members discussed adjusting the position to full-time with an increase in salary and also offering benefits with a buy-out option if benefits are unneeded. They used the Towns of East Fishkill and Lagrange as comparisons for the increase in salary. The Town Board members added that these changes could act as an incentive for future officials to allow this position to act as their main vocation.

On a motion by Councilmember Hamel seconded by Councilmember Testa to raise the salary for the Town of Red Hook Supervisor’s position to \$58,466.00.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Hamel, Kane, Testa, Solomon
	Nays	0	

On a motion by Councilmember Kane seconded by Councilmember Testa to move from the Tentative Budget to the Preliminary Budget

Adopted	Ayes	4	Hamel, Kane, Testa, Solomon
	Nays	0	

Supervisor McKeon returned to the meeting.

On a motion by Councilmember Kane seconded by Councilmember Testa to adjourn the meeting

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, Hamel, Kane, Testa, Solomon
	Nays	0	

Respectfully submitted

Deanna Cochran, Town Clerk