

**TOWN OF NEVERSINK TOWN BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN
GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 3-C
NOVEMBER 8, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Hearing with regard to the consideration of proposed Introductory Local Law 1 of 2023 to Override the Tax Levy Limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C which was introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Neversink in the County of Sullivan and State of New York, was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Chris Mathews with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Town Board Members:

Supervisor Chris Mathews	PRESENT
Councilperson Keith Zanetti	ARRIVED AT 7:09 PM
Councilperson Nicole Gorr	PRESENT
Councilperson Scott Grey	PRESENT
Councilman Richard Coombe Jr.	PRESENT

Other Officials:

Budget Officer Jessica Garigliano	PRESENT
Bookkeeper Teri Lockhart	PRESENT

The Town Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing as published and posted.

GUESTS

Cher Woehl	Walt Zeitschel	Ella Sienitsky
Larry Bracken	Adele Barnard	Alla Sienitsky
Staci Conjura		

Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr. asked that the following be entered into the record: The Town is requesting to exceed the State mandated 2% Tax Cap primarily because of the State mandated increases in State managed Retirement Plan and Medical Plans. The Retirement Plan is requesting an increase of 14% (get from Jessica or Teri) and Medical Plan is requesting an increase of 13%. Combined these two increases alone result in an increase in our overall budget by more than 3.8%. As a result, the Town is unable to stay under the mandated tax cap. The State needs to manage these programs under much stricter guidelines, to keep our taxes lower.

On motion by Councilperson Scott Grey, seconded by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED the Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Garigliano, Town Clerk