

# VOC MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, April 13, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Conference Room

## Agenda

Public Hearing - Resolution Directing Public Hearing on Proposed Village Budget 2019-2020 @ 6.45 pm

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- I. Mayor John Thomas Bell, Call the meeting to Order
- II. Audit of Bills for the month of **March 2020**
- III. Approval of Monthly Meeting minutes: **March 9, 2020**
- IV. Treasurer's Report:
- V. Building Inspector's Report:
- VI. Police Chief's Report:
- VII. Street Superintendent's Report:
- VIII. Water Commissioner's Report:
- IX. Park & Recreation Report:
- X. Old Business:
- XI. New Business:
  - 20-11 Resolution Adopting the 2020/2021 Village Budget.
  - 20-12 Resolution Certifying Delinquent Sewer and Water Charges, Authorizing Levy of Same against Real Property in default:
  - 20-13 Resolution Assigning Cell Tower Revenue to the Water Fund & General Fund.
  - 20-14 Resolution of proclamation prevention of Animal Cruelty Month.

## XII **Calendar:**

- **Proposed Comprehensive Plan** , meeting to be determined.
- **Snow Ordinance is in effect**, November 1, 2019 thru April 15, 2020, no parking from 3 am to 6 am.
- **Repair Café**, Saturdays 10 am – 2 pm, Warwick Senior Center- Town Hall Complex, January 18th, March 12th, May 16th, July 18th, September 19th and November 21st.
- **Village of Chester will be closed**, Friday, April 10, 2020 due to Holiday.
- **Chester Union Free School Student Exhibition**, Saturday, March 21, 12 pm to 2pm, March 22,28,29, April 4, 5,11&12 from 12 pm to 2 pm.
- **The Chester Cemetery** Association are holding their annual "Flag Sponsor Fundraiser" during the month of May (Memorial Day). Sponsor a flag for five dollars a flag in order to raise fund for the upkeep of the Village cemetery. Joan Ribando who is part of the committee will oversee selling flags and she can be reached at 845-469-4208.
- **26th Annual Chester Kiwanis' Hambletonian 5K Walk/Run**, Saturday, May 23, 2020, at 8:45am
- **Assessor Office Key Dates: For Village and Town of Chester property owners.**
  - March 1st:** Taxable Status Date: Deadline for filing for all exemptions.
  - May 1st:** Tentative roll date and assessment change mailed to property owners. Property owners may examine their own assessments or assessments of any other parcels in the Town of Chester.
  - Fourth Tuesday in May: Grievance Day
  - July 1st:** Final Roll Filed (writs of certiorari and SCAR must be filed no later than 30 days after final roll date)
  - July 1st** – Valuation Date (the "as of" date of market value utilized to set assessments)  
<https://chester-ny.gov/town-departments/assessor/>

\*See our calendar for more upcoming meetings and events\*: <https://www.villageofchesterny.org>

- XII. Public Comments:
- XIII. Adjournment:
- XIV. Executive Session: (If needed)

**\*\*AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\***

**\*If you require assistance attending the Village's Monthly Meeting in the conference room on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, please contact the clerk a few hours before the meeting. 845-469-2388 ext. 222 \***

**April Resolutions**

**20-11 Resolution Adopting the 2020/2021 Village Budget.**

WHEREAS, a proposed budget (the "Proposed Village Budget") for the Village of Chester was prepared and introduced for the 2020/2021 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held and closed on \_\_\_\_\_, on the Proposed Village Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester hereby adopts the proposed Village Budget of the 2020/2021 fiscal year, which, upon adoption, becomes the Village Budget for the 2020/2021 fiscal year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk and Village Treasurer are authorized and directed to take such actions and perform such other and further acts that are reasonably necessary, proper or convenient to fulfill the purposes of these Resolutions.

**20-12 Resolution Certifying Delinquent Sewer and Water Charges, Authorizing Levy of Same against Real Property in default:**

WHEREAS, the Village of Chester provides, among other things, sewer service to the residents of the Village of Chester and certain outlying property owners; and

WHEREAS, certain property owners have failed to pay their outstanding balances for sewer services and/or water services, including, but not limited to, late fee, interest and/or penalties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 79-45 and 95-11 of the Code of the Village of Chester, the Village Board may, as an alternative to the commencement of an action, levy past due sewer charges and water charges, and the associated late fees, interest and penalties, upon the real property in default; and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk has prepared a statement setting forth the amount of each lien for sewer charges and/or water charges in arrears, including penalties computed to the first day of the month following the month in which the fiscal year commences, the real property affected thereby, and the name of the person in whose name such real property is assessed, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "A,"

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that there shall be levied, assessed, and collected against the real property hereinafter specified the amounts set opposing such real property as certified on the Schedule "A" attached hereto; and be if further

RESOLVED, that a warrant for the collection of such arrears so levied shall be issued to the Tax Collector and collected by her in the same manner and at the same time as other Village Taxes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized to post notice of such warrant and collection as required by the Village Code and the laws of the State of New York;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk and Village Treasurer are hereby authorized to take such actions and to perform such other and further acts that are reasonably necessary, proper or convenient to fulfill the purposes of this Resolution.

### **20-13 Resolution Assigning Cell Tower Revenue to the Water Fund & General Fund**

RESOLVED, that, for the 2020-2021 Village Budget, any and all rent revenue generated from cellular leases for cellular towers located on Village Property shall be assigned one-fourth to the Village's Water Fund and three-fourths to the Village's General Fund.

### **20-14 Resolution of proclamation prevention of Animal Cruelty Month**

WHEREAS, the COUNTY OF ORANGE NY, the citizens of ORANGE COUNTY and the Warwick Valley Humane Society recognize that animals are living, sentient beings and therefore, deserve due consideration and respect, and

WHEREAS, the welfare of animals consists of the Five Freedoms (freedom from hunger, thirst, and malnutrition; freedom from fear and distress; freedom from physical and thermal discomfort; freedom from pain, injury and disease; and freedom to express normal patterns of behavior; and

WHEREAS, the welfare of animals shall be a common objective and all appropriate steps shall be taken to prevent cruelty to animals and reduce their suffering with effective legal protection, and

WHEREAS, the vigorous enforcement of existing animal cruelty laws will hold those accountable for the neglect and abuse of any animal, wild or tame, and,

WHEREAS, there is a proven direct correlation between acts of animal cruelty and violent and criminal acts on people, and

WHEREAS, the kind and humane treatment of animals has a strong correlation to the kind and humane treatment of people, and

WHEREAS, the month of April has been established as "Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month"

NOW, THEREFORE,

#### **PREVENTION OF ANIMAL CRUELTY MONTH**

And calls upon all residents to treat any and all animals with kindness, consideration and respect, and to report the abuse, neglect and cruelty of any animal to the Orange County Sheriff's Department, local law enforcement agencies or to the Warwick Valley Humane Society.