

November 1, 2018

The Town Board of the Town of Warwick held a Public Hearing for the 2019 Special Districts Budget. Said public hearing was held on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor Sweeton opened the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Michael Sweeton  
Councilman Floyd DeAngelo  
Councilman Russell Kowal  
Councilman James Gerstner  
Councilman Mickey Shuback – Absent

Stephen Brown, Auditor  
Attorney for the Town, Jay Myrow

**LEGAL NOTICE:** The Clerk read the legal notice, which was duly published in the Warwick Valley Dispatch on October 24, 2018. (Copy of this legal notice is printed at the end of these minutes.)

Supervisor Sweeton – The Special District Budget is one that generally is only paid by those residents who reside in a district and benefit from the district. We have a recycling district which is the largest. The Village of Warwick and the Town of Warwick are both in the Recycling District. Those residents get taxed for the pick-up of their recycling. We expect that to be up only slightly, but it's still a bargain by any stretch. The change in all of our water and sewer districts is pretty much flat, there's no real increase in any of them. One adjustment to the Kings Lighting District to account for some additional electric charges there is up a slight bit. Our Ambulance Corps. have all submitted their budgets and they do a great service as volunteers. It's estimated the cost of paying for that service from paid companies would increase your cost by anywhere from 15 to 20%. We are very fortunate to have very active Volunteer Ambulance Corps. in our town. We thank them for submitting their budgets. I just have one note on the water districts, if you are in a water district and we have several Bellvale, Eurich Heights, West Side Greenwood Lake District, which is our largest, the Fairgrounds which is out by Price Chopper, the new water district at the former prison, and the Pine Island District. We had an audit by the State of New York and the Auditor did focus on the water districts. As often time happens with smaller districts whenever you have something that you need to do like a capital improvement, they tend to not have enough funds so they get a little behind. The water rates were adjusted in the Greenwood Lake West Side Water District, which is one of our largest several years ago. What we did was phase in an increase of water rates in that district. When we did that and achieved that level, we took care of any deficits we had in that district. I will say even at the rate that it's adjusted to now in that district it's still significantly below any of the 8 surrounding communities in our area for water, so it's still a good bargain for that district. We have not raised the rates in any of our other districts as I was advised tonight by our advisor to the budget Steve Brown that it could be up to 20 years from the earlier districts. We will be looking at those rates and we will work with the residents there so that we can phase those rate increases in for them and get them comparable to what our Greenwood Lake Water District was adjusted to, which again will make

them substantially lower in water costs than any other community in our area. I think it will put their district in a much more favorable light and the State in any event will want us to do that as an outcome of their visit to us. I just want to make the public aware of that.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:** Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman DeAngelo that the public hearing be closed. Motion Carried (4 ayes, 0 nays & 1 absent Councilman Shuback absent) 7:34 p.m.  
11-01-18 CP

  
Eileen M. Astorino  
Eileen Astorino, Town Clerk

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York, has completed the Assessment Roll for the purpose of raising funds for the operation and maintenance of the following Special Districts of the Town of Warwick:

1. Wickham Village Water District
2. Eurich Heights Water District
3. Bellvale Park Water District
4. West Side Greenwood Lake Water District
5. Pine Island Water District
6. WVOTCP Water District
7. Warwick Fairgrounds Water District
8. Warwick Sewer District #1
9. Warwick Sewer District #2 (Fairgrounds)
10. Garbage District
11. Warwick Ambulance District #1 (Warwick)
12. Warwick Ambulance District #2 (Greenwood Lake)
13. Warwick Ambulance District #3 (Pine Island)
14. Warwick Ambulance District #4 (Florida)
15. Kings Estates Park District

That the Town Board has completed the Assessment Roll for the purpose of paying the cost of electricity for the lighting system in the Pine Island Lighting District and the Kings Estates Lighting District and that said Assessment Roll is on file in the Office of the Assessor at the Town Hall and that the Town Board will meet at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 7:15 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard for the purpose of hearing and considering any objections which may be made to said Assessment Roll.

DATED: 10/24/17

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF  
THE TOWN OF WARWICK  
Eileen Astorino, Town Clerk