The Town Board of the Town of Warwick held a Public Hearing on a Proposed Local Law No. 2 entitled "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C." Said public hearing was held on Thursday, September 25, 2025 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor opened the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

**Supervisor Jesse Dwyer** 

Councilman Russell Kowal - Absent

Councilman Floyd DeAngelo Councilman Kevin Shuback Councilman Tom Mattingly

LEGAL NOTICE: The Clerk read the legal notice, which was duly published in the Warwick Valley Dispatch on September 17, 2025. (Copy of this legal notice is printed at the end of these minutes.)

Supervisor Dwyer – This notice was published as per New York State law and it is something that's basically been done every single year whether the town intends to exceed the tax cap or not. The reason that we do it is because we continue negotiations, we continue to get prices for next year's contract, and if the Town Board sets a budget and then we get an unforeseen cost or a revenue shortfall and we have to exceed the tax cap in an emergency basis, we will have the opportunity to do so if we choose. Now, I can just tell you that as we continue to go through the budget, we are seeing shortfalls in many revenue sources that are incredibly high for the town. So, sales tax is one that is going to be projected as lower next year.

Mortgage tax is already lower this year than it was last year and it's projected to continue to be lower. And interest on earnings is lower. Those three combined revenue sources are the largest revenue source for the Town of Warwick, second to property taxes. So, this is a very difficult budget that we're working on right now and we will continue to work very hard with our department heads to bring forward a responsible budget for the town. Are there any comments from the board before we open it to the public for the public hearing on the tax cap resolution? Any comments from the public on Local Law No. 2 during the public hearing? There being none, I make a motion that we close the public hearing on Local Law No.2.

There were no public comments for or against this public hearing from the public or Town Board.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly that the public hearing be closed. Motion Carried (4 ayes, 0 nays & 1 Absent Councilman Kowal Absent) 7:11 p.m. 09-25-25 CP

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Warwick will hold a public hearing to consider Introductory Local Law No. 2 of 2025 entitled "Exceed the two percent (2%) property tax cap". Said Public Hearing to be held on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 7:00 pm or soon thereafter as the matter be heard at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Warwick, NY

A complete copy of the Introductory Local Law is available for inspection in the Clerk's Office and/or the Town of Warwick website, townofwarwick.org.

All interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.

**DATED**: September 17, 2025

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN
BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WARWICK
Eileen M. Astorino
Town Clerk