

MINUTES OF THE
TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN
ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING
MAY 11, 2015

(7:00 P.M. AT NORTH HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM)

The Town Budget meeting opened at approximately 7:05 P.M. The Town Clerk, J. Stacey Yarbrough, welcomed those present, and introduced herself, and then called the meeting to order.

The Town Clerk gave a brief history of the budget making process.

The Town Clerk advised that the meeting was brought pursuant to chapter VII (7) section 706 of the North Haven Town Charter.

Town Clerk explained the need for the election of a moderator for the meeting, and opened the floor to nominations for the same.

After a single nomination, for John Lambert, as the meeting moderator, the Town Clerk submitted the issue to a vote.

The vote in favor of John Lambert passed unanimously, with no dissenting votes.

The moderator took the podium, and requested that the Town Clerk read the call of the meeting.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting:

“Having received appropriate written notice and warning of the annual town budget meeting and posted same, I hereby convene this annual town budget meeting of the electors, those citizens registered to vote, and citizens qualified to vote at town meetings, being any citizen of the United States eighteen years of age or more who pay taxes to the town on an assessment of property of not less than \$1,000 on the most recent Grand List, for the purpose of discussing the following items:

1. To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to take action regarding the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016;
2. To establish the due dates and number of installments for the payment of property taxes (*Real Estate, Personal Property, Motor Vehicle, and Supplemental Motor Vehicle*) in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Sections 12-142 and 12-144a of the Connecticut General Statutes; and
3. Pursuant to Section 7 – 7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, to adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion and to submit the question concerning the adoption of a budget for fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 to a vote by paper ballot on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, including the establishment of the exact hours of voting at REFERENDUM, pursuant to C.G.S. Section 7-9b, that voting will take place between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the following North Haven polling place:

- ALL DISTRICTS: Mildred Wakely Rec. Center, 7 Linsley Street

The aforesaid recommendations will be placed on paper ballots as the following question: ***“Shall the Town of North Haven, in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Finance, approve and adopt a budget consisting of \$49,733,032.00 for the Board of Education and \$43,005,189.00 for the Town Government, for a total amount of \$92,738,221.00 for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016?”***

Voters approving said question will vote “YES” and those opposing said question will vote “NO”.

Applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS will be available in the Town Clerk’s Office, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT. Please contact the Town Clerk if you have any questions and/or concerns: 203.239.5321 X 630. Thank you.

DATED AT NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, THIS 21st DAY OF APRIL 2015
BOARD OF SELECTMEN: Michael J. Freda, Timothy M. Doheny, Sally J. Buemi”

The moderator advised those present of procedural history of the meeting, and then asked the Town Clerk to read the first item for consideration:

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The moderator then asked those present for any discussion on the first item, and explained the ground rules for any such discussion.

First Selectman Michael Freda presented a short overview of the proposed budget. A few members of the audience provided discussion, as relates to their views and opinions as relates to the pending budget.

When public comment was completed for the first and third items on the agenda, the moderator then asked the Town Clerk to read the second and final item for consideration: Town Clerk advised those present of the following:

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2. "To establish the due dates and number of installments for the payment of property taxes (*Real Estate, Personal Property, Motor Vehicle, and Supplemental Motor Vehicle*) in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Sections 12-142 and 12-144a of the Connecticut General Statutes.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon approval of the town budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, and, in accordance with Section 12-142 & 12-144 of the Connecticut General Statutes, insofar as the adoption of the budget calls for the laying of a tax on property other than motor vehicles, the tax shall be due in two semi-annual installments on July 1, 2015 and January 1, 2016, respectively, and shall be payable without penalty by August 3, 2015 and February 1, 2016, respectively;

AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that insofar as such tax applies to motor vehicles, in accordance with Section 12-144a of the Connecticut General Statutes, such tax shall be due in a single installment on July 1, 2015 and payable without penalty by August 3, 2015; and as to supplementary taxes on motor vehicles, as provided in Section 12-71b of the Connecticut General Statutes, such tax shall be due in a single installment on January 1, 2016 and payable without penalty by February 1, 2016."

The moderator then asked those present for any discussion on the first item, and explained the ground rules for any such discussion.

No public discussion was requested.

Therefore, the Moderator called for a vote on Item Number 2. All voted in favor of Item Number 2.

There being no further business for the town meeting, the moderator declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:56 P.M. He further advised those present that the results of the referendum on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 would be reported by the town clerk, along with the minutes of the meeting, as soon as possible.

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NORTH HAVEN TOWN CLERK,


J. STACEY YARBROUGH
MAY 13, 2015

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