

## 2020-05-19 Special Board Meeting

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0:00:00.770,0:00:08.540  
okay welcome to the special meeting of

0:00:04.770,0:00:16.590  
the village of Wappingers Falls for

0:00:08.540,0:00:19.910  
Tuesday May 19th 2020 please acknowledge

0:00:16.590,0:00:58.020  
the flag for the Pledge of Allegiance I

0:00:19.910,0:01:00.120  
pledge allegiance meeting has been

0:00:58.020,0:01:04.530  
convened in accordance with the

0:01:00.120,0:01:07.080  
governor's March 13th 2028 of order two

0:01:04.530,0:01:09.570  
oh two point one and all superseding

0:01:07.080,0:01:12.180  
orders which suspends certain provisions

0:01:09.570,0:01:14.960  
of the open meetings law to allow a

0:01:12.180,0:01:17.460  
municipal board to convene a meeting via

0:01:14.960,0:01:20.490  
videoconferencing in accordance with the

0:01:17.460,0:01:22.530  
executive the public has been provided

0:01:20.490,0:01:25.110  
with the ability to view tonight's board

0:01:22.530,0:01:27.960  
session meeting and a transcript will be

0:01:25.110,0:01:30.030  
provided at a later date we will do a

0:01:27.960,0:01:31.770  
roll call of the board members but I

0:01:30.030,0:01:33.540  
know that there is a quorum present for

0:01:31.770,0:01:35.520  
this meeting and we've also confirmed

0:01:33.540,0:01:37.799  
with the village clerk that this meeting

0:01:35.520,0:01:40.380  
has been duly noticed we've fulfilled

0:01:37.799,0:01:42.509  
our legal notice requirements by posting

0:01:40.380,0:01:46.799  
notice on the villages bulletin boards

0:01:42.509,0:01:49.799  
faxing to the library and news

0:01:46.799,0:01:53.340  
organizations etc posting notice on the

0:01:49.799,0:01:57.689  
village is on page of its website and

0:01:53.340,0:02:01.979  
listing on the village Facebook page so

0:01:57.689,0:02:04.259  
tonight let me share the agenda we are

0:02:01.979,0:02:07.409  
gathered together for one item and one

0:02:04.259,0:02:11.819  
item only the villages in Dutchess

0:02:07.409,0:02:13.770  
County because of the good work done by

0:02:11.819,0:02:16.140  
some village mayor's to the north of

0:02:13.770,0:02:19.560  
and the county we've been having regular

0:02:16.140,0:02:30.810  
Monday and Thursday conference call

0:02:19.560,0:02:36.300  
meetings and I'm good chair agenda but

0:02:30.810,0:02:46.590  
we are if people are in need of

0:02:36.300,0:02:52.740  
assistance with this year's taxes we

0:02:46.590,0:02:54.860  
have put together a resolution and we

0:02:52.740,0:02:58.530  
are participating with the other

0:02:54.860,0:03:02.160  
villages in Dutchess County and and

0:02:58.530,0:03:06.780  
Dutchess County tax collection services

0:03:02.160,0:03:10.800  
to allow for installment payments this

0:03:06.780,0:03:15.840  
year only for village taxes what it

0:03:10.800,0:03:19.200  
would do is if you wanted to pay only

0:03:15.840,0:03:21.420  
half of your village taxes on the first

0:03:19.200,0:03:26.010  
day that they're due you could you could

0:03:21.420,0:03:28.770  
also pay 100% but at your option you

0:03:26.010,0:03:32.360  
could break your tax payment into two

0:03:28.770,0:03:36.920  
payments and make the second payment in

0:03:32.360,0:03:40.320  
July August or as late as September and

0:03:36.920,0:03:43.530  
you would be charged the state mandated

0:03:40.320,0:03:46.200  
interest rate and the same interest rate

0:03:43.530,0:03:49.320  
as all other villages throughout

0:03:46.200,0:03:51.600  
Dutchess County would be paying so that

0:03:49.320,0:03:55.230  
would be five person would be a five

0:03:51.600,0:03:59.280  
percent charge for paying in July a six

0:03:55.230,0:04:03.709  
percent charge for paying in August and

0:03:59.280,0:04:07.410  
a seven percent charge for paying in

0:04:03.709,0:04:08.940  
September this is something that people

0:04:07.410,0:04:11.940  
should only consider if they're having

0:04:08.940,0:04:14.670  
real trouble making the entire tax

0:04:11.940,0:04:19.230  
payment but we wanted to offer some

0:04:14.670,0:04:22.260  
assistance to our residents and parcel

0:04:19.230,0:04:26.820  
owners who might be having trouble with

0:04:22.260,0:04:30.210  
their financial well-being

0:04:26.820,0:04:33.480  
and need another option for making this

0:04:30.210,0:04:35.570  
year's tax payments so there is a

0:04:33.480,0:04:38.430  
resolution that's been put together

0:04:35.570,0:04:42.330  
there I would just add one thing that

0:04:38.430,0:04:44.730  
you know just to clarify this is this

0:04:42.330,0:04:48.650  
interest rate is actually set by statute

0:04:44.730,0:04:51.930  
so under the real property tax alone

0:04:48.650,0:04:56.580  
villages can offer this as a card to see

0:04:51.930,0:05:00.680  
the residents except by the state the

0:04:56.580,0:05:07.010  
state legislature passed this law to pay

0:05:00.680,0:05:32.730  
taxes and installments just gave that

0:05:07.010,0:05:34.770  
caution so I'll just repeat that because

0:05:32.730,0:05:39.240  
there might have been trouble hearing

0:05:34.770,0:05:41.760  
you but so this those interest rates

0:05:39.240,0:05:48.060  
that I stated before are by state

0:05:41.760,0:05:50.610  
statute they are they are we the village

0:05:48.060,0:05:54.240  
is not recommending this as a course of

0:05:50.610,0:05:56.250  
action but we understand that financial

0:05:54.240,0:05:59.640  
constraints might cause some people to

0:05:56.250,0:06:03.270  
need one other option this is an option

0:05:59.640,0:06:05.550  
that you could use and make your packs

0:06:03.270,0:06:09.960  
tax payment into two installments

0:06:05.550,0:06:11.850  
instead of just one and if that makes

0:06:09.960,0:06:13.920  
life easier for you it's something you

0:06:11.850,0:06:17.310  
should use but you should be aware that

0:06:13.920,0:06:20.910  
there is a state mandated interest

0:06:17.310,0:06:26.120  
payment that goes along with this so

0:06:20.910,0:06:29.160  
that being said I'll just read the

0:06:26.120,0:06:37.800  
resolution and we do the roll call bowl

0:06:29.160,0:06:40.139  
over it's now there you go let me do

0:06:37.800,0:06:45.229  
gonna do the roll call vote great mayor

0:06:40.139,0:06:50.099  
Alexander here trusty Marco John absent

0:06:45.229,0:06:57.830  
trusty Davis present rusty come morning

0:06:50.099,0:07:03.659  
yeah uber yeah trusty Whitten absent

0:06:57.830,0:07:07.110  
trusty pernessa absent village attorney

0:07:03.659,0:07:10.919  
Wallace here have a quorum

0:07:07.110,0:07:16.860  
okay thank you John okay so at this time

0:07:10.919,0:07:18.719  
could everybody hit mute on their their

0:07:16.860,0:07:22.169  
screen because I'm getting some other

0:07:18.719,0:07:24.240  
noise coming in and then I'll read this

0:07:22.169,0:07:27.870  
and then we can open it back up for

0:07:24.240,0:07:30.629  
discussion so this resolution has been

0:07:27.870,0:07:34.229  
put together and I'm gonna ask for a

0:07:30.629,0:07:36.180  
motion and a second and it says whereas

0:07:34.229,0:07:38.219  
the board of trustees of the village of

0:07:36.180,0:07:40.590  
Wappingers Falls recognizes that the

0:07:38.219,0:07:43.139  
current cope at nineteen pandemic is

0:07:40.590,0:07:44.580  
creating significant financial hardship

0:07:43.139,0:07:47.310  
for the residents of the village of

0:07:44.580,0:07:49.860  
Wappingers Falls and whereas the village

0:07:47.310,0:07:52.169  
board of trustees has the power pursuant

0:07:49.860,0:07:54.900  
to real property tax law section one

0:07:52.169,0:07:57.210  
four three four to provide for the

0:07:54.900,0:08:00.180  
payment of village taxes in installments

0:07:57.210,0:08:02.099  
now therefore be it resolved that the

0:08:00.180,0:08:03.990  
village board of trustees hereby

0:08:02.099,0:08:08.219  
resolves to set the collection of

0:08:03.990,0:08:10.020  
village taxes as follows on and after

0:08:08.219,0:08:13.110  
the adoption of this resolution the

0:08:10.020,0:08:16.110  
village real property taxes may but do

0:08:13.110,0:08:19.139  
not have to be paid in two installments

0:08:16.110,0:08:21.779  
of approximately equal amounts and I'll

0:08:19.139,0:08:24.870  
just repeat that this does not mean that

0:08:21.779,0:08:27.270  
you have to make two payments this only

0:08:24.870,0:08:30.419  
means that if you would like to make two

0:08:27.270,0:08:32.849  
payments that you may the taxpayer is

0:08:30.419,0:08:35.399  
not obligated to pay by installments and

0:08:32.849,0:08:39.089  
may pay the entire tax bill in whole by

0:08:35.399,0:08:41.789  
July 1st without penalty or interest if

0:08:39.089,0:08:44.490  
any installment is not paid on or before

0:08:41.789,0:08:46.920  
the date it is to additional interest

0:08:44.490,0:08:50.430  
shall be added as provided by real

0:08:46.920,0:08:54.630  
property tax law section one for three

0:08:50.430,0:08:58.260  
in Section 924 a for each month or part

0:08:54.630,0:09:00.270  
thereof until paid no such installment

0:08:58.260,0:09:02.970  
may be paid unless all prior

0:09:00.270,0:09:05.070  
installments including interest shall



0:09:02.970,0:09:07.950  
have been paid or shall be paid at the

0:09:05.070,0:09:10.080  
same time if paying by installment the

0:09:07.950,0:09:12.570  
first installment shall be due and

0:09:10.080,0:09:15.260  
payable to the village treasurer no

0:09:12.570,0:09:18.450  
later than July 1st with no interest

0:09:15.260,0:09:21.030  
failure or neglect by an owner of real

0:09:18.450,0:09:23.730  
property to pay the first installment on

0:09:21.030,0:09:25.800  
time as herein provided shall be

0:09:23.730,0:09:28.680  
construed as an election to pay the

0:09:25.800,0:09:30.960  
total amount of taxes in one payment in

0:09:28.680,0:09:34.230  
the manner provided by law and shall

0:09:30.960,0:09:36.420  
there fall thereby disqualify the

0:09:34.230,0:09:39.690  
taxpayer from the installment payment

0:09:36.420,0:09:41.880  
option such failure and neglect to pay

0:09:39.690,0:09:44.760  
timely will result in the standard

0:09:41.880,0:09:47.400  
interest penalties and other charges set

0:09:44.760,0:09:52.200  
forth in real property tax law described

0:09:47.400,0:09:54.420  
above the second installment shall be

0:09:52.200,0:09:58.380  
due and payable to the village treasurer

0:09:54.420,0:10:00.480  
on or before September 1st failure or

0:09:58.380,0:10:03.120  
neglect to make this second installment

0:10:00.480,0:10:05.940  
payment timely will result in the

0:10:03.120,0:10:09.000  
standard interest penalties and other

0:10:05.940,0:10:09.680  
charges set forth in the real property

0:10:09.000,0:10:12.330  
tax law

0:10:09.680,0:10:15.210  
taxes which are paid through a real

0:10:12.330,0:10:18.740  
property tax escrow account may not be

0:10:15.210,0:10:18.740  
paid in us in installments

0:10:19.340,0:10:25.740  
unless renewed this resolution shall

0:10:22.170,0:10:28.410  
apply only to the 2020 2021 tax for a

0:10:25.740,0:10:32.460  
year the foregoing was put to a vote and

0:10:28.410,0:10:33.690  
we will take that vote in a second so at

0:10:32.460,0:10:37.110  
this time you want to unmute yourself

0:10:33.690,0:10:41.210  
and if there's any discussion do we need

0:10:37.110,0:10:41.210  
to go into a public hearing

0:10:53.040,0:11:00.600  
though it are there any comments no

0:10:57.740,0:11:06.209  
gives people the right to or the ability

0:11:00.600,0:11:10.430  
to catch a break okay if there's no

0:11:06.209,0:11:17.269  
discussion I'd like to ask for a motion

0:11:10.430,0:11:20.100  
I'll make it second I'll second it

0:11:17.269,0:11:20.910  
seconded by trustee Davis and I'll do a

0:11:20.100,0:11:25.139  
roll call vote

0:11:20.910,0:11:28.339  
trustee Huber I trustee market John is

0:11:25.139,0:11:31.649  
absent trustee Kumar neck all right

0:11:28.339,0:11:35.970  
trustee pernessa is absent trustee davis

0:11:31.649,0:11:39.569  
i trustee Witten is absent and i will

0:11:35.970,0:11:45.990  
vote aye as well and so we have one two

0:11:39.569,0:11:51.810  
three four four eyes and three nays

0:11:45.990,0:11:55.199  
because they're absent and passes this

0:11:51.810,0:11:58.079  
resolution and so your next tax bill

0:11:55.199,0:12:00.600  
will provide you the opportunity should

0:11:58.079,0:12:07.110  
you find it necessary to pay in

0:12:00.600,0:12:10.079  
installments with interest so there was

0:12:07.110,0:12:11.670  
no other business advertised for this

0:12:10.079,0:12:14.940  
meeting this was an emergency meeting

0:12:11.670,0:12:16.769  
just for this subject so at this time

0:12:14.940,0:12:17.550  
I'd like to ask if we could get a motion

0:12:16.769,0:12:22.260  
to adjourn

0:12:17.550,0:12:27.680  
I'll make it second seconded by trustee

0:12:22.260,0:12:32.120  
kornek thank you all stay safe and well

0:12:27.680,0:12:32.120  
thank mayor all right take care