

**AGENDA  
HYDE PARK TOWN BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING & WORKSHOP  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M.**

**NOTE:** All Town Board Meetings are broadcast live on cable Channel 22 and archived on the Town's YouTube Page

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ACCEPT MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS ONLY  
NOTE: "TIME LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES"**

**WORKSHOP:**

1. TOWN COMPTROLLER'S COMMENTS ON THE CHANGES MADE TO THE 2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET AND PRESENTATION OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. AUTHORIZE TOWN OF HYDE PARK TOWN BOARD TO APPROVE AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

2. AMEND

RESOLUTION 10:3 – 10 of 2022 RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK  
TOWN BOARD TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF  
ETHICS TO RETAIN SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL  
TO ASSIST IN HANDLING AN ETHICS  
COMPLAINT TO REFLECT A CHANGE IN SAID  
RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE THE AUTHORIZED  
AMOUNT ALLOWED TO BE SPENT FOR THE  
HIRING OF SAID COUNSEL

**NEW AND OLD BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

**\*A MOTION MAY BE MADE TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**RESOLUTION 10:17 - 1 OF 2022**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK TOWN BOARD TO APPROVE AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §106 of the Town Law, the Town Clerk presented the “Tentative Budget” to the Town Board at a “Special Meeting” on Wednesday, October 5, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has reviewed the tentative budget in accordance with the requirements of §106 of the Town Law; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Town Law §108, the Town Board shall hold a public hearing on the “Preliminary Budget” on or before the Thursday immediately following the general election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. The Tentative Budget filed with the Town Clerk on October 5, 2022, has hereby been amended to reflect any and all necessary changes received after the filing of the Tentative Budget and also includes those changes presented to the Comptroller by the Town Board and is hereby approved and filed as the Preliminary Budget; and
2. The Town Board shall conduct a public hearing on said Preliminary Budget on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 6:05 p.m.; and
3. The Preliminary Budget will be posted to the Town’s Official website; and
4. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish and post notice of said public hearing on the Preliminary Budget as required by law.

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**ROLL CALL VOTE BY TOWN CLERK**

Councilwoman Noakes	_____
Councilwoman Ruggiero	_____
Councilman Lombardi	_____
Councilman Prusakowski	_____
Supervisor Torreggiani	_____

**RESOLUTION 10:17 – 2 OF 2022**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK TOWN BOARD TO AMEND RESOLUTION 10:23 – 10 OF 2022 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF ETHICS TO RETAIN SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL TO ASSIST IN HANDLING AN ETHICS COMPLAINT TO REFLECT A CHANGE IN SAID RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE THE AUTHORIZED AMOUNT ALLOWED TO BE SPENT FOR THE HIRING OF SAID COUNSEL**

**WHEREAS**, an ethics violation complaint was filed with the Town of Hyde Park Board of Ethics on or about September 16, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Town Code § 11-6(B), the Attorney to the Town shall serve as counsel to the Board of Ethics except in any matter where a conflict of interest may exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town's Board of Ethics forwarded said complaint to the attention of the Attorney to the Town, Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP; and

**WHEREAS**, after review by the Attorney to the Town, it was decided that a potential conflict of interest exists to warrant Van DeWater & Van DeWater's abstention from providing legal advice to the Ethics Board; and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution 10:3 – 10 of 2022 it was recommended that the Town authorize the Board of Ethics to retain alternative counsel to provide legal guidance in handling said complaint; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 10:3 – 10 of 2022 authorizing the Board of Ethics to retain said counsel did not reflect an authorized amount that the Board of Ethics would be allowed to spend on such counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, the Resolution is amended to authorize the Board of Ethics to spend an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 for the retention of legal counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, should the Board of Ethics exhaust the authorized amount in addressing the complaint as required by Chapter 11 of the Town Code, the Town Board will review and consider the allocation of additional resources for the continued retention of said counsel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Hyde Park Town Board does hereby amend Resolution 10:03 – 10 of 2022 "Authorizing the Board of Ethics to Retain Special Legal Counsel to Assist in Handling an Ethics Complaint to reflect a Change in Said Resolution to Include the Authorized Amount Allowed to be Spent for the Hiring of Said Counsel" not to exceed \$5,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if said designated amount should be exhausted during the handling of the complaint, the Town Board does also hereby agree to reevaluate and consider the allocation of additional resources for the continuation of the services of said counsel.

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**ROLL CALL VOTE BY TOWN CLERK**

Councilwoman Noakes	_____
Councilwoman Ruggiero	_____
Councilman Lombardi	_____
Councilman Prusakowski	_____
Supervisor Torreggiani	_____