

**TOWN OF FORESTPORT  
HEARING FOR CBDG GRANT MINUTES  
FORESTPORT TOWN HALL  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

**Town of Forestport  
Hearing for CBDG Grant Minutes  
Forestport Town Hall @ 6:15 P.M.  
December 17, 2008**

**Members Present**

Councilman Frederick Ritter  
Councilman William Rockhill  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor  
Supervisor William Hasenauer

**Members Absent**

Councilman Brian Fox

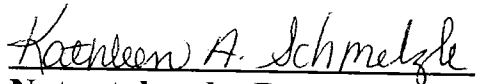
**1. The Hearing was opened by Supervisor William Hasenauer @ 6:15 p.m.**

**2. Discussion**

- Supervisor William Hasenauer has asked Jim O'Neill what the income line is for this grant
- Single \$29,400 and Family \$30,000 to \$35,000
- Next Hearing will be 6:15 p.m. on February 18, 2009

**Meeting Adjourned @ 6:36 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted by**



**Notes taken by Dawn Campbell**

**Kathleen A. Schmelzle**

**Forestport Town Clerk**

**TOWN OF FORESTPORT  
SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT # 1 MEETING MINUTES  
FORESTPORT TOWN HALL  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

**Town of Forestport  
Special Water District # 1 Meeting Minutes  
Forestport Town Hall @ 7:45 P.M.  
January 21, 2009**

**Members Present**

Councilman Frederick Ritter  
Councilman William Rockhill  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor  
Supervisor William Hasenauer

**Members Absent**

Councilman Brian Fox

**1. The Meeting was opened by Supervisor William Hasenauer @ 7:45 p.m.**

**2. Town Clerk Minutes:**

- Not ready yet

**3. Abstracts:**

**\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to pay abstract # 1 vouchers 1 - 12 in the amount of \$1,300.68.**

**Roll call vote:**

**Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES**

**4. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Nothing from the Town Board

**5. OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC:**

- Nothing from the public

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Water notice regarding breaking meters

**7. NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:**

- Nothing from the public

**\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor and seconded by Councilman William Rockhill to adjourn the Board Meeting @ 7:50 p.m.**

**Roll call vote:**

**Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES**

**Meeting Adjourned @ 7:50 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted by**



**Kathleen A. Schmelzle**

**Forestport Town Clerk**

**Notes were taken by Dawn Campbell**

TO: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
FROM: Dawn Campbell  
FUND: General  
SUBJECT: Loan to Water

General loaned Water money to cover 1/09 monthly payroll &  
PR#2 bi-weekly.

General

Debit	391.01	Due from other funds	\$926.88
Credit	201.01	General Savings	\$926.88

Water

Debit	201.08	Water Savings	\$926.88
Credit	630.08	Due to other funds	\$926.88

This was done on 1/28/09.

**TO: Town of Forestport Town Board Members**  
**FROM: Dawn Campbell**  
**FUND: General**  
**SUBJECT: Budget Amendment**

The budget amendment is to add justice leftover grant money.

Add to        11104.01 Justice CE                \$672.00

Left over grant money from 10/17/06 JCAP Pilot Security Program

Add to        11102.01 Justice EQ                \$561.50

Left over grant money from 3/19/08 JCAP grant for equipment.

This was done 2/9/09

TO: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
FROM: Dawn Campbell  
FUND: General  
SUBJECT: Loan to Water

General loaned Water money to cover part of 2/09 monthly bills.

**General**

Debit	391.01	Due from other funds	\$1,565.51
Credit	201.01	General Savings	\$1,565.51

**Water**

Debit	201.08	Water Savings	\$1,565.51
Credit	630.08	Due to other funds	\$1,565.51

This was done on 2/18/09.



**TOWN OF FORESTPORT  
SPECIAL SEWER DISTRICT # 1 MEETING MINUTES  
FORESTPORT TOWN HALL  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

**Town of Forestport  
Special Sewer District # 1 Meeting Minutes  
Forestport Town Hall @ 7:50 P.M.  
January 21, 2009**

**Members Present**

Councilman Frederick Ritter  
Councilman William Rockhill  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor  
Supervisor William Hasenauer

**Members Absent**

Councilman Brian Fox

1. The Meeting was opened by Supervisor William Hasenauer @ 7:50 p.m.

2. Town Clerk Minutes:

- Are not ready yet

3. Abstracts:

\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to pay abstract # 1 vouchers 1 - 8 in the amount of \$996.58.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- Nothing from the Town Board

5. OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC:

- Nothing from the public

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to accept the following Budget Amendment.**

**Roll call vote:**

**Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES**

**To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
From: Dawn Campbell  
Fund: Sewer  
Subject: Budget Amendment**

**The budget amendment is to cover Y/E payment overdraft 12/31/08 & PR # 27 bi weekly.**

**Entries:**

<b>Transfer:</b>	<b>from</b>	<b>90608.09 Med Ins (Town share)</b>	<b>\$ 19.16</b>
	<b>To</b>	<b>81204.09 Sanitary Sewer CE</b>	<b>\$ 19.16</b>

**Entries:**

<b>Transfer</b>	<b>from</b>	<b>90608.09 Med Ins (Town share)</b>	<b>\$ 0.04</b>
	<b>To</b>	<b>9038.09 Social Security (Town share)</b>	<b>\$ 0.04</b>

**This was done 1/21/09**

**7. NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:**

**- Nothing from the public**

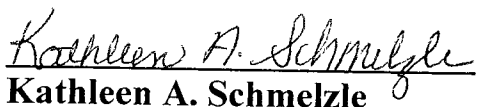
\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman William Rockhill and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to adjourn the Town Board Meeting @ 8:00 p.m.

Roll call vote:

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by



Kathleen A. Schmelzle

Forestport Town Clerk

Notes taken by Dawn Campbell

**TOWN OF FORESTPORT  
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
FORESTPORT TOWN HALL  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

**Town of Forestport  
Town Board Meeting Minutes  
Forestport Town Hall @6:37 P.M.  
January 21, 2009**

**Members Present**

Councilman Frederick Ritter  
Councilman William Rockhill  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor  
Supervisor William Hasenauer

**Members Absent**

Councilman Brian Fox

\*\*\*Attorney William Riley did attend this meeting

\*\*\*Superintendent of Highway's William Gardner did attend this meeting

\*\*\* Deputy Supervisor John Isley was in attendance

\*\*\*Town Clerk was absent and Dawn Campbell took minutes of the meeting.

1. The Meeting was opened by Supervisor William Hasenauer @ 6:37 p.m.

2. **Town Clerk Minutes:**

- Minutes are not ready yet

3. **ATTORNEY:**

- Nationalgrid was reviewed with the Planning Board
- Masonic Temple was reviewed with the Assessor. This is forestland
- The Town Board will be sending the Town's Attorney and Code enforcer to a class.

4. **Abstracts:**

**GENERAL:**

\*\*\*A **Motion** was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilman William Rockhill to pay the General abstract # 1 vouchers # 1 - 61 in the amount of \$38,413.60.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES

\*\*\* A ***Motion*** was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to pay the Contract for Forestport in the amount of \$56,645.00, Otter Lake in the amount of \$41,804.00, and Woodgate Fire in the amount of \$43,185.00 Companies.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor William Hasenauer-YES

**PLANNING ESCROW:**

- None for this month

**CDBG GRANT:**

- None for this month

**HIGHWAY:**

\*\*\* A ***Motion*** was made by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor and seconded by Councilman Mary Ann Rubyor to pay the Highway abstract # 1 vouchers # 1 – 22 in the amount of \$ \$74,223.46.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor-William Hasenauer-YES

**5. Jim O'Neill:**

- No update

**6. Town Clerk Report:**

- Total State, County & Local Revenues were \$33.00. Town's share is \$15.90.

**7. Supervisor's Report:**

- The Supervisor's report was reviewed.

\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to accept the following.

Roll call vote:

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor-William Hasenauer-YES

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
From: Dawn Campbell  
Fund: General  
Subject: Budget Amendment – Correction\*\*\*\*

Theses budget amendments are to cover overdraft on Y/E bills

**Entries:**

Transfer	from	19904.01 Contingency	\$124.00
	To	12204.01 Supervisor CE	\$124.00

**Entries:**

Transfer	from	19904.01 Contingency	\$37.22
	To	13104.01 Bookkeeper CE	\$37.22

**Entries**

Transfer	from	1355401 Assessor CE	\$1,880.72
	To	1355101 Assessor PS	\$1,880.72

**Entries**

Transfer	from	14102.01 Town Clerk EQ	\$400.33	s/h/b/	\$265.34***
	To	14104.01 Town Clerk CE	\$400.33		\$264.34***

**Entries**

Transfer	from	50102.01 Highway Super EQ	\$16.39
	To	50104.01 Highway Super CE	\$16.39

**Entries**

Transfer	from	71804.01 Spec Rec Facilities CE	\$1,185.90
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To 71802.01 Spec Rec Facilities EQ \$1,185.90

**Entries**

Transfer from 19904.01 Contingency \$28.02  
To 80204.01 Planning CE \$28.02

This was done 12/30/08

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
From: Dawn Campbell  
Fund: General  
Subject: Appropriation Correction

Appropriation corrections for 12/30/08 Y/E meeting on (V#823 Staples)  
Shredders where purchased put under CE s/h/b/EQ

**Entries:**

Debit 13552.01 Assessors EQ \$134.99  
Credit 13554.01 Assessors CE \$134.99

**Entries**

Debit 14102.01 Town Clerks EQ \$134.99  
Credit 14104.01 Town Clerks CE \$134.99

This was corrected 1/12/08 after found

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
From: Dawn Campbell  
Fund: General  
Subject: Budget Amendment

The budget amendment is to cover PR#27 bi-weekly overdrafts

**Entries:**

Transfer from 13401.01 Budget PS \$385.99  
To 1310.01 Bookkeeper PS \$385.99

**Entries:**

Transfer from 135502.01 Assessors EQ \$1,842.22  
To 135501.01 Assessors PS \$1,842.22

**Entries:**

Transfer from 90108.01 State Retirement \$428.19

To 80201.01 Planning PS \$428.19

**Entries:**

Transfer from 90108.01 State Retirement \$93.63  
To 90308.01 Social Security (Town share) \$93.63

This was done 1/2/09

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members  
From: Dawn Campbell  
Fund: General  
Subject: Encumbrances

Encumbrances for bills from 2008 paid 2009

Assessors balances of TKE systems Inc, bill

**Entries:**

Debit 13552.01 Assessors EQ \$2,712.50  
Credit 521.01 Encumbrances \$2,712.50

**Entries:**

Debit 521.01 Encumbrances \$2,712.50  
Credit 821.01 Reserved for Encumbrances \$2,712.50

Done 12/31/08

Received bill for payment at 1/09 board meeting

**Entries:**

Debit 821.01 Reserved for Encumbrances \$2,712.50  
Credit 13552.01 Assessors EQ \$2,712.50

Bills will be paid through abstract at 1/09 board meeting

**Entries:**

Debit 821.01 Reserved for Encumbrances \$2,712.50  
Credit 13552.01 Assessors EQ \$2,712.50

Bills will be paid through abstract at 1/09 board meeting

Justice balance of Grant money got Equipment 2008

**Entries:**

Debit 11102.01 Justice EQ \$561.50

Credit 521.01 Encumbrances \$561.50

Debit 521.01 Encumbrances \$561.50

Credit 821.01 Reserved for Encumbrances \$561.50

Justice balance of money for Pilot Security Prog 2006

Entries:

Debit 11104.01 Justice CE \$672.00

Credit 521.01 Encumbrances \$672.00

Debit 521.01 Encumbrances \$672.00

Credit 821.01 Reserved for Encumbrances \$672.00

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members

From: Dawn Campbell

Fund: General

Subject: Loan to Water

General loaned Water money to cover part of 1/09 monthly bills

General:

Debit 391.01 due from other funds \$396.92

Credit 201.01 General Saving \$396.93

Sewer

Debit 201.08 Water Saving \$396.92

Credit 630.08 Due to other funds \$396.92

This is done on 1/21/09

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members

From: Dawn Campbell

Fund: Highway

Subject: Budget Amendment

This Budget amendment is to cover Health Ins payment overdraft 12/31/08

Entries:

Transfer from 51421.03 Snow removal \$8,533.62

To 90608.03 Medical Ins (Town share) \$8,533.62

This was done 1/21/09

To: Town of Forestport Town Board Members

**From: Dawn Campbell**  
**Fund: Fire**  
**Subject: Budget Amendment**

**The budget amendment is to cover Workers Compensation payment**

**Entries:**  
**Transfer**

<b>From</b>	<b>34104.06 Forestport</b>	<b>\$0.56</b>
<b>To</b>	<b>34104.08 Otter Lake Fire</b>	<b>\$0.56</b>

**This was done 1/9/09**

**8. ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

- Assessors report was reviewed

**\*\*\* A Resolution was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor to provide tax information.**

**Whereas, the Town of Forestport receives request all year round by attorney's homeowners and bank for statements requiring town and county taxes: and the Town of Forestport feels being able to provide this service is important.**

**Whereas, the Town of Forestport tax collector can only provide those documents from January to the last day of March each tax year.**

**Whereas, the technology is available to purchase a program where the information is available through a web site at the county for municipal employees to access and can be password controlled. And this information is currently available for several counties within the New York State.**

**Therefore be Resolved, the Town of Forestport requests that Oneida County provide this service to the Town as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of April every year.**

**Roll call vote:**

**Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES**  
**Councilman-William Rockhill-YES**  
**Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES**  
**Supervisor-William Hasenauer-YES**

\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilman Frederick Ritter and seconded by Councilman William Rockhill to accept the Resolution for real Property Tax Law. The Town Clerk will attach to the minutes.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor-William Hasenauer-YES

**9. PLANNING BOARD:**

- The Planning Board will be working on Nationalgrid
- Subdivision are also being reviewed by the Planning Board

**10. NOCCOG:**

- Energy Audit should be done on the North Lake building or any other building
- Remind Supervisor William Hasenauer to talk to Attorney about the Highway contingency

**11. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Nothing from the Town Board

**12. OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC -**

- Nothing from the public

**13. NEW BUSINESS:**

- The Highway will help with the Dry hydrant
- The residence should help with the fire hydrants

**14. NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:**

- Nothing from the public

**15. JUSTICE REPORT:**

- No report this month

**16. HIGHWAY:**

- Highway will be going to Albany for CHIPS. The see if they can do something about them cutting the budget.

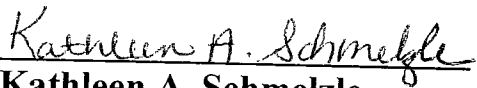
**\*\*\* A Motion was made by Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor and seconded by Councilman William Rockhill to close the Regular town Board Meeting @ 7:45 p.m.**

**Roll call vote:**

**Councilman-Frederick Ritter-YES  
Councilman-William Rockhill-YES  
Councilwoman Mary Ann Rubyor-YES  
Supervisor-William Hasenauer-YES**

**Meeting Adjourned @ 7:45 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted by**



**Kathleen A. Schmelzle**

**Forestport Town Clerk**

Note were taken by Dawn Campbell

# Opposition to Amending Section 544 of the Real Property Tax Law

*WHEREAS*, the State Legislature created the Adirondack Forest Preserve in 1886 to conserve ecologically and recreationally significant tracts of land for watershed protection and ultimately the benefit of all New Yorkers, and in creating said Preserve, legally obligated the State of New York to pay full local property taxes, "as though privately held", on all Forest Preserve lands, and

*WHEREAS*, the legitimacy of the State's tax payments on the Forest Preserve was upheld by the NYS Supreme Court's Appellate Division earlier this year, in the case of *Dillenburg vs. NYS*, in which the outcome in that case gave all Adirondack and Catskill communities assurance that state land taxes on the Forest Preserve were neither arbitrary nor capricious and that these taxes are based on the State's legitimate powers granted to the State Legislature to waive its sovereign immunity from taxation in specified places such as the New York State Forest Preserve, and

*WHEREAS*, while we all understand the economic difficulties that the State is facing, the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages is appalled by the idea that the Division of Budget would confuse their obligation to pay *ad valorem* property taxes with state aid to local communities by proposing a cap on state property tax payments on Forest Preserve lands to Adirondack towns, counties and school districts, when it would be far more constructive for state government to work cooperatively with local governments and school districts to reduce state mandates and help reduce property taxes for everyone, and

*WHEREAS*, the proposed tax cap would set a dangerous precedent by creating two separate *ad valorem* tax rates, one for the State and another for private property owners, and by doing so would shift the State's financial responsibility unequally to local taxpayers, hitting hardest those towns and districts with the fewest residents and the greatest amount of state land, which is often 60 to 70 percent of their property tax base, *NOW*, *THEREFORE, BE IT*

*RESOLVED*, that the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages, which views the payment of taxes on Forest Preserve lands as a permanent, essential and inviolate commitment from the people of New York State, who benefit so greatly from the Preserve, is hereby adamantly opposed to any plan that shifts State spending by amending Section 544 of the Real Property Tax Law by adding a new subdivision 3, which in effect, would cap the State of New York's legal obligation to pay full local property taxes, "as though privately held", on all Forest Preserve lands, and, be it further

*RESOLVED*, the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages respectfully requests the Governor to eliminate this injurious proposal to cap property taxes on the Forest Preserve and rescind the amendment to Section 544 of the Real Property Tax Law, paragraph 3, within the thirty day amendment period of his proposed executive budget and thus provide for the economic survival of our small rural communities which depend on his leadership to dispense "shared sacrifice" equitably, and, be it further

*RESOLVED*, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Governor David Paterson and Adirondack legislators: Honorable Senator Elizabeth Little, Honorable Hugh Farley, Honorable Joseph Griffo, Honorable James Seward, Honorable Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward, Honorable Marc Butler, Honorable Tony Jordan, Honorable Janet Duprey, Honorable Dede Scozzafava and Honorable David Townsend.