



**THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
NEW YORK  
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

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**Monday, December 8, 2014 6:00 pm City Hall**

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**Chairman Mallory** called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL**

**All Present**

**II. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.**

**III. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1. A motion was made by Councilmember Rich and seconded by Councilmember Petsas to receive and print.**

**Chairman Mallory** stated that all Councilmembers were provided time to make comments, offer amendments, and gather support for their amendments. The amendments to the proposed 2015 budget will address crime, safety, youth, and vacant properties. The amendments focus on the needs of a few city departments, and provide Councilmembers additional funding to address the needs of their wards. The amendments also reflect budget reduction, while increasing additional revenue sources. This budget provides money to the Police Department for foot patrol, and a school resource officer, a fire inspector, a fire fighter, and new windows to the fire department. A part time Deputy Building Inspector, a municipal administrative assistant for the Building Department, a part time City Clerk, for the City Chamberlain's Office, and restores funding to Public Works for a heavy equipment operator and sign painter. This budget adds additional funding to youth programs, with specific criteria, and vetting process, established by this Council that will be offered two times in 2015. This budget makes cuts in the Fire Department and Public

Works, and removes all funding for new parking meters. This budget projects additional revenue sources for the Building and Fire Department for permit parking offered for Metro North and Amtrak commuters, sales of city properties, and advertising on city buses. It should be noted, that the additional revenue source in the Building Department will pay for the salaries of their two additional employees. The amended proposed 2015 budget will discontinue meters operating on Saturdays, and increase the user time for 25 cents for ten minutes, for 25 cents for fifteen minutes. All being done by maintaining the levy at 1.56.

**RESOLUTION  
(R-14-76)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER RICH**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Administrative Code of the City of Poughkeepsie, estimates of budget requirements for the year 2015 have been certified to the Mayor, City Administrator and the Commissioner of Finance by the various departments, officers, agencies and boards of the City of Poughkeepsie, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor with the help of the City Administrator and the Commissioner of Finance did review the aforementioned estimates with the various departments, officers, agencies and boards, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor did prepare a proposed budget for the year 2015 based on these aforementioned reviews, which proposed budget with the Mayor's budget message was submitted to the Common Council on September 12, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent to a notice of public hearing being published in the official newspaper in compliance with provisions of the City Administrative Code, a public hearing was duly held on November 3, 2014; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the 2015 preliminary budget amended by the changes set forth on the annexed Exhibit A-G be and hereby is adopted and declared to be the budget of the City of Poughkeepsie for the year 2015, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the amounts of said budget appropriations, estimated revenues, and contributions from fund balances, be and are hereby appropriated as therein specified in accordance with the provision of the Charter and Administrative Code of the City of Poughkeepsie and General and Special laws of the State of New York applicable to said City, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the aforementioned general ad valorem taxes required to be raised for such budget purposes would need a homestead tax rate of \$10.38 per one thousand dollars and a non-

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homestead tax rate of \$13.02 of assessed valuation upon all taxable property of the City of Poughkeepsie according to the valuation of the assessment roll for the current year, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the required water rate for taxable and nontaxable properties is established at \$3.45 per 100 cubic feet, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the required sewer rate for taxable and nontaxable properties is established at \$3.00 per 100 cubic feet, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Local Law 3 of 2012 the required sanitation rate for eligible taxable and nontaxable parcels is established as follows:

Single family residence: \$25.50 a month

Two family residence: \$51.00 a month

Three family residence: \$76.50 a month

4 yard dumpster \$170 a month

6 yard dumpster \$240 a month

8 yard dumpster \$320 a month

**RESOLVED**, in accordance with the Charter and Administrative Code of the City of Poughkeepsie and on or before the date therein specified, a warrant shall be issued to the Commissioner of Finance as City Treasurer, to collect such taxes in accordance with the provisions of the Charter and Administrative Code of the City of Poughkeepsie applicable thereto, with penalties and interest therein provided.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PETSAS**

R14-66			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
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	Councilmember Hermann	Voter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Perry	Voter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Klein	Voter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Petsas	Voter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Rich	Voter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Councilmember Mallory	Voter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by **Councilmember Petsas** and seconded by **Councilmember Johnson** to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

**Dated:** July 17, 2015

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I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Special Common Council Meeting held on Monday, December 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Deanne L. Flynn  
City Chamberlain**



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL**

Common Council Chambers  
Monday, December 8, 2014  
6:30 p.m.

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL**

**II. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.**

**III. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1. FROM CHAIRMAN MALLORY, Resolution R14-76, adopting the 2015 Budget with amendments.**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**