

MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN  
HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410

Public Hearing Subject Matter

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE ELDERLY TAX FREEZE  
ORDINANCE SECTION 17-15

Present

Paul A. Bowman, Vice Chairman; Michael Ecke, Patti Flynn-Harris, Liz Linehan, Sylvia Nichols, and Peter Talbot.

Absent: Robert J. Oris, Thomas Ruocco and Timothy Slocum.

Staff: Michael A. Milone, Town Manager; James Jaskot, Finance Director; Police Chief Neil Dryfe; Deputy Chief Brian Pichnarcik.

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. EXPLANATION OF HEARING PROCEDURE AND AGENDA

Mr. Bowman explained the procedure for a public hearing of the Council.

3. READING OF LEGAL NOTICE

The clerk read the legal notice into the record.

4. PRESENTATION ON HEARING SUBJECT

Mr. Bowman explained that the tax freeze program also has a sunset provision, and it follows State guidelines. The Council Budget Committee approved re-adoption of this program in December 2016.

5. QUESTIONS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.

6. PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS STATEMENTS ALTERNATELY  
EXPRESSED.

Derf Kleist, 251 Lancaster Way, stated his support of this program for eligible residents.

At the last meeting the Council requested summary information/analysis on the tax freeze program for future discussion and possible increase of credits for this year. This information will be available to the Council as it looks to consideration of adjustment to the credits in the near future. At this Council meeting there is a need to approve the ordinance so senior citizens and eligible people can apply for the program.

7. REBUTTAL AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bowman adjourned the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Attest:

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Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk