

Town Board Meeting

Town of Chester – Supervisor Brandon Holdridge

October 22nd, 2025 – Chester Town Hall – 6:45PM

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Agenda

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Attendance**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Resolution to Accept the 10/6/25 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Summary of Bills** – The Town will be paying bills in the amount of \$325,923.32
6. **Public Comment**
7. **Public Hearing on Local Law to Override the 2026 Tax Cap**
8. **Public Hearing on Draft 2025 Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Amendments**
9. **Reports** – Planning Board, Zoning Board, Moodna, Senior Independence Program
10. **Resolution to Grant Temporary Hotel/Motel/Airbnb Late Fee Waiver to Cheryl D’Cruz** – Made good faith effort to pay full bill but did not submit full amount due to confusion with the timing
11. **Resolution to Accept Security Camera Installation Quote for the Oak Dr Park in Walton Lake Estates** – Gridless Power at \$16,627.50
12. **Resolution to Allocate up to \$2,000 from Fund Balance for the balance of Security Camera Installation Cost at the Oak Dr Park in Walton Lake Estates**
13. **Sugar Loaf Chamber of Commerce Request for Billboard Use** - Halloween in the Hamlet Announcement Banner
14. **Resolution to Appoint Laura Mosher to the Planning Board**
15. **Resolution to Approve New Panel & Booster for Walton Lake Water District** - \$47,676 to be used from the \$130,000 Senator Skoufis Grant
16. **Resolution to Approve Various Water Department Purchases for Walton Lake Water District** - \$25,994.56 (lowest bid) to be used from the \$130,000 Senator Skoufis Grant
17. **Budget Modification** - \$3,000 for Senior Center Utilities

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- 18. Resolution to Create the Secretary to the Police Chief Position**
- 19. Resolution to Appoint Gabrielle Guastamacchia to Secretary to the Police Chief** – This is using the HELPS program offered by Orange County and NY. This is not a new hire; this is a transfer of an existing employee into a new position at the same rate of pay
- 20. Resolution to Accept Resignation of Kathleen Moran – Effective April 8, 2026**
- 21. OC NY Arts Council SLPAC Rental Fee Waiver Request for their Event on November 8th**
- 22. Sidewalk Maintenance Local Law Discussion**
- 23. Resolution to Accept 2026 Proposal for Legal Services by Law Office of Elizabeth Cassidy, PLLC** - \$150 increase in monthly retainer and \$15 increase in hourly rate
- 24. Changes to the 2026 Tentative Budget**
- 25. Resolution to Accept the 2026 Preliminary Budget**
- 26. Resolution to Set the 2026 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing**
- 27. Executive Session – Litigation & Personnel**
- 28. New Business**
- 29. Public Comment**
- 30. Adjournment**