PUBLIC HEARING and REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
October 13, 2026

A public hearing and the regular board meeting were held October 13, 2026 at the Burke Town Court House.

Roll Call:	Supervisor:	Bill Wood
	Councilman:	Tim Crippen
		Jim Otis
		Paddy Wheeler
		Eric Ashlaw
	Supt. of Highways:	Jerry Malark
	Town Clerk:	Judy Tavernier
	Bookkeeper:	Debbie Kemp
	Code Officer:	Brenda Perreault

Supervisor Bill Wood called the public hearing regarding Local Law 2 - Exceed the Tax Cap Levy to order at 6:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the Unites States was said.
Local Law 2 was read. Discussion ensued with comments from townspeople: Albert Johnson, Mac Cummins, Taylor LaPage, and June Parmeter regarding the budget. Concern was expressed over exceeding the tax cap levy and salary raises. It was reported that a budget meeting has been scheduled for October 27, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The hearing adjourned at 6:53 p.m. on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held immediately following the public hearing. This Regular Meeting is being voice recorded by the Burke Town Clerk, Judy Tavernier.

Minutes of the September 8, 2026 meeting were read and on a motion by Jim Otis and seconded by Paddy Wheeler were accepted.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Abstain, Bill - Aye.

Minutes of the September 21, 2026 budget workshop were read and on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Eric Ashlaw were accepted with one correction.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on October 1, 2026 were read and on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Paddy Wheeler were accepted.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

There were no public comments at this time.

New Business:

1. Bio-Solids SEQR information has been sent to the County Planner. This will be further discussed at the October 27th meeting. Bill will contact Matt McArdle about the Bond Counsel for the new truck.

2. The motion to accept **RESOLUTION # 20-2026** to adopt Local Law 2 – 2026 to override the 2027 tax cap levy was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

3. North Country Wind application has been submitted. There will be a public hearing scheduled in the near future.

4. Huntress Report was favorable.

5. Expenditure for CHIPS funds for $306,838.92 will be reimbursed. This money will be used to pay off the new truck.

6. A status update was given for the Glengarry Solar Project.

7. Ag & Markets Dog Control Inspection Report was reviewed.

8. Battery Storage facilities legal concerns will be looked at closer in 2027.

Old Business: None

Code Officers Report was $195 for the month of September. The report was accepted on a motion by Eric Ashlaw and seconded by Jim Otis.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

No Highway Committee Report.

Highway Superintendent Report: Culverts on Callahan Road have been covered. New truck has been received.

Financial Report were reviewed. Paddy Wheeler made the motion to accept the report. Tim Crippen seconded.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Absent, Bill - Aye.

Bank Reconciliation Report: Paddy Wheeler motioned to accept the bank reconciliations and Eric Ashlaw seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Absent, Bill - Aye.

Public Comments: June Parmeter expressed her opinion that the Tax Assessor's salary was too high.

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis.
Roll Call: Tim – Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric – Aye, Bill - Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Tavernier

Judy Tavernier, Town Clerk
Recorded by, Judy Tavernier, Town Clerk

Attachment:
Resolution # 20 – 2026 – To Override Tax Cap Levy for 2027 Budget

RESOLUTION # 20-2026

The Town Board of the Town of Burke, County of Franklin, and State of New York having met in a Public Hearing at the Burke Town Hall in the Town of Burke on the 13th day of October at 6:00 P.M. in the year 2026.

The following resolution was moved, seconded and passed.

The motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen.
Roll Call: Tim - Aye, Jim - Aye, Paddy - Aye, Eric - Aye, Bill - Aye.

WHEREAS: The Town Board of the Town of Burke has determined that the Town Board of Burke must increase the 2027 Tax levy of Burke greater than the 2026 Burke Tax levy cap outlined by New York State;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: The Town Board of the Town of Burke has unanimously voted to pass Local Law #2 of 2026 to override the 2027 tax levy Cap.

I, JUDY TAVERNIER, TOWN CLERK OF BURKE, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE BURKE TOWN BOARD ON THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026, AND THAT THE SAME IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL RECORD IN MY OFFICE AND OF THE WHOLE THEREOF.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
HAVE SET MY HAND AND
SEAL THIS 13TH DAY OF
OCTOBER 2026.

Judy Tavernier

JUDY TAVERNIER, TOWN CLERK

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not app icable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 2 _____ of 2026 of the ~~(County)(City)~~(Town)~~(Village)~~ of BURKE was duly passed by the TOWN BOARD on OCTOBER 13 2026 in accordance with the applicable *(Name of Legislative Body)*

provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved (not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)*

(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ and was deemed duly adopted *(Elective Chief Executive Officer*)*

on _____ 20[ ][ ], in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____ and was (approved) (not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)*

(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____ *(Elective Chief Executive Officer*)*

Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____ and was (approved) (not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)*

(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. Such local *(Elective Chief Executive Officer*)*

law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

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* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a countywide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____ 20____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____ 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)
I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph _____ above.

Judy Tavernier
Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

(Seal)

Date: 10/13/2026