



**BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES  
May 12, 2014  
7:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Notice of this meeting, in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, C. "231", has been posted at the Borough Hall on May 7, 2014, and two newspapers, The Record and The Ridgewood News, were notified on May 7, 2014.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Jeffrey Goldsmith asked for a roll call. Council members Abene, Belgiovine, Bloom, Gadaleta, Rendo and Rosenblatt were present. Borough Attorney Paul Kaufman and Acting Borough Clerk Debbie Dakin were also present. Administrator Thomas Richards was away on vacation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by a member of the audience.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Goldsmith asked for a moment of silence for Patricia Boyd who passed away. Ms. Boyd was a former council member.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

2014 Municipal Budget

MOTION to open to the public was made by Council President Donna Abene, seconded by Councilman Eric Bloom and unanimously approved by all.

Joseph LaPaglia, Woodcliff Lake, asked if there was going to be a formal presentation.

Attorney Paul Kaufman stated that there is no requirement to have a formal presentation. The only requirement that has to be done is to have a public hearing which we are doing now.

Mr. LaPaglia asked that if we already approved the BMW tax appeal, how could you not provide in the budget the amount due to BMW.

Mayor Goldsmith stated that the settlement has not been approved. Additionally, the first payment is not due until 2015.

Mayor Goldsmith further stated to Mr. LaPaglia that from 2008-2012 there was no money put into tax appeals.

John Glaser, Woodcliff Lake, stated that his interpretation was that the budget would be starting around 8:00 PM. Will there be a presentation.

Attorney Paul Kaufman stated that there is no requirement under law to have a presentation.

Councilman Rosenblatt stated that we were not going to be putting the budget presentation on the wall to review. Instead, there are copies of the budget presentation on the table in the front of the room. You are able to look at the budget and ask any questions that you might have. The only difference from previous years is that it will not be shown on the wall.

John Glaser stated that he believes presentations are helpful and he thinks that there is a difference when it is presented in black and white compared to a presentation.

MOTION to close to the public was made by Councilman Rosenblatt, seconded by Council President Abene, and unanimously approved.

**Ordinance 14-02**

**BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
CALENDAR YEAR 2014  
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK  
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% or the cost of living adjustment, whichever is less, unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of living adjustment for calendar year 2014 budgets is calculated at 0.5% pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake in the County of Bergen finds its advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2014 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.0% increase in the budget of said year, amount to \$263,051 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmative concurring, that, in the 2014 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$306,893, and that the 2014 municipal budget for the Borough of Woodcliff Lake be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding year; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mr. Belgiovine  
Second: Mrs. Abene  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rendo,  
Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Resolution No. 14-99 – Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of Reading in Full of the 2014 Budget

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mrs. Abene  
Second: Mr. Bloom  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rendo,  
Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

Resolution No. 14-100 - Resolution to Adopt 2014 Budget

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mrs. Abene  
Second: Mr. Rosenblatt  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Rendo  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

Resolution No. 14-101 – Resolution to Amend 2014 Budget

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mrs. Abene  
Second: Mr. Rosenblatt  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Rendo  
Abstain: None

Absent: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

MOTION to open to the public was made by Councilwoman Gadaleta, seconded by Council President Abene and unanimously approved.

Joseph LaPaglia, Woodcliff Lake, stated he thinks that not having a budget presentation is a disgrace to Woodcliff Lake. In the past 30 years there was always a budget presentation.

Council President Abene stated that if he has any questions or statements, the Council is up here to listen.

John Glaser, Woodcliff Lake, stated that he agrees with Mr. LaPaglia. He also stated that he believes a presentation is valuable.

MOTION to close to the public was made by Councilman Rosenblatt, seconded by Councilman Bloom and unanimously approved.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HOLDING OF CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution No. 14-102**

**May 12, 2014**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b), may meet in closed session; and

**WHEREAS**, the following is the subject matter to be discussed in closed session:

1. Personnel – K. Woods Matter

**WHEREAS**, these Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the aforementioned no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

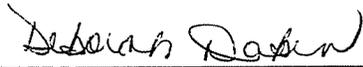
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that formal action may be taken at the Meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mr. Rosenblatt  
Second: Mrs. Abene  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Deborah Dakin, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of the original resolution duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and Council at the meeting of May 12, 2014.



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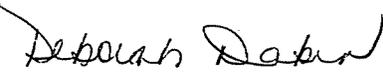
**DEBORAH DAKIN  
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Gadaleta, seconded by Councilman Bloom and approved unanimously by voice call vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah Dakin  
Acting Borough Clerk



# BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE

188 PASCACK ROAD, P.O. BOX 8619, WOODCLIFF LAKE, NEW JERSEY 07677

JEFFREY R. GOLDSMITH, Mayor  
THOMAS RICHARDS, Borough Administrator

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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF READING IN FULL OF THE 2014 BUDGET

MAY 12, 2014  
RESOLUTION NO. 14-99

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 permits that the Budget as advertised may be read by its title providing that at least one week prior to the date of the hearing a complete copy of the approved budget shall

- a. Be posted in a public space where public notices are customarily posted; and
- b. Is made available to each person requesting the same during said week and during the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Woodcliff Lake has complied with the aforesaid requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough is hereby permitted to waive the reading in full, of the Municipal Budget for the year ending December 31, 2014.

### ROLL CALL:

Introduction: Mrs. Abene  
Second: Mr. Bloom  
Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rendo, Mr. Rosenblatt  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

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**SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2014**

(Only to be Included in the Budget as Finally Adopted)

**RESOLUTION 14-100**

Be It Resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake, County of Bergen

that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a) \$9,235,556 (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and
- (b) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,
- (c) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in Type II School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
- (d) \$178,551 (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy
- (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (Item 5 below) Minimum Library Tax

**RECORDED VOTE**

(Insert last name)

Ayes

(Donna Abene  
(Eric Bloom  
(Jacqueline Gadaleta  
(Robert Rosenblatt  
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Nays

(Corrado Belgiovine  
(Carlos Rendo  
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Abstained

Absent

**SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

**1. General Revenues**

Surplus Anticipated	08-100	\$ 925,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	13-099	\$ 1,574,664
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	\$ 175,000
<b>2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)</b>	07-190	\$ 9,235,556
<b>3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:</b>		
Item 6, Sheet 42	07-195	\$
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)	07-191	\$
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools in Type I School Districts Only		
<b>4. To Be Added TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE II SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:</b>		
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)	07-191	
<b>5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY LEVY</b>	07-192	

## SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Within "CAPS"	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	34-201	\$ 8,038,676
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	34-209	\$ 897,160
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$
Excluded from "CAPS"	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305	\$ 891,840
(c) Capital Improvements	44-999	\$ 80,000
(d) Municipal Debt Service	45-999	\$ 843,408
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal	46-999	\$ 498,856
(f) Judgements	37-480	\$
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)	29-405	\$
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$
(k) For Local District School Purposes	29-410	\$
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	50-899	\$ 660,280
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S. 40A:4-13)	07-195	
Total Appropriations	34-499	\$ 11,910,220

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 12th day of May, 2014  
 It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as  
 appeared in the 2014 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this 12th day of May, 2014, Deborah A. Dabiri Clerk

BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION NO. H-101

Resolution Re: Resolution to Amend 2014 Budget

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2014 was approved on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

WHEREAS, it is desired to further amend said approved budget,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake, County of Bergen, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2014 be made:

CURRENT FUND		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
General Appropriations			
(A) Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”			
Utility Expense and Bulk Purchase			
Bergen County Utilities Authority –			
Share Costs Sewer Charges	\$614,942		
Bergen County Utilities Authority –			
Share Costs Sewer Charges – Operating Costs			\$422,657
Bergen County Utilities Authority –			
Share Costs Sewer Charges – Debt Service			192,285

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for certification of the 2014 local municipal budget so amended.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the budget, approved by the Borough Council on the 12th day of May, 2014.

Certified by me

May 12, 2014, 2014

Deborah A. Dakin  
Borough Clerk

[Signature]  
Mayor

It is hereby certified that the approved Budget Amendment annexed hereto and hereby made a part is an exact copy of the original on file with the Clerk of the Governing Body, that all additions are correct. All statements contained herein are in proof and the total of anticipated revenues equals the total of appropriations.

Certified by me, this 12th day of May, 2014

[Signature]  
Registered Municipal Accountant



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