

# Legal Notice - Town of Chester

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - CHESTER TOWN HALL - 7:30 PM - MAY 22, 2014

The electors of the TOWN OF CHESTER, CT and all other citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the said TOWN OF CHESTER are hereby notified and warned that a Special Town Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Community Meeting Room, Second Floor, to consider and act upon the following:

- To appropriate the sum of \$350,000 from the unassigned General Fund balance to the Capital non-Recurring line item # 10-05-62-1000-150, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To authorize the following Capital transfer, as recommended by the Board of Finance:

From	20-00-01-0000-007	Assigned	\$350,000
To	20-00-31-0000-446	Road/Sidewalk Repairs	\$300,000
To	20-00-36-0000-065	Town Buildings-Repairs/Code Comp.	\$50,000
- To appropriate the sum of \$41,527 from the unassigned General Fund balance to the Chester Elementary School line item # 10-08-90-1000-902, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To select the method of payment and due date of installments of property taxes in keeping with Connecticut General Statutes 12-143 as follows:
  - Real estate taxes due in two halves, first half due July 1, 2014 and the second half due January 1, 2015
  - All motor vehicle bills due in one payment on July 1, 2014
  - All motor vehicle supplement bills are due in one payment on January 1, 2015
  - Minimum interest charge of \$2.00
  - Negate all bills under \$5.00
- To adopt a budget for the Town of Chester General Fund for fiscal year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 in an amount totaling \$12,507,736, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To adopt the five year Capital Plan, as recommend by the Board of Finance.
- To authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to borrow such sums of money from time to time as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Town in accordance with authorized appropriations for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.
- To authorize the following Capital transfer, as recommended by the Board of Finance:

From	20-00-01-0000-007	Assigned	\$4,780
From	20-00-11-0000-010	Revaluation	\$27,850
From	20-00-36-0000-067	Town Hall Renovation/P&R Storage	\$18,300
From	20-00-36-0000-094	Town Building Emergency Generator	\$35,200
To	20-00-31-0000-446	Road/Sidewalk Repairs	\$86,130
- To authorize the expenditure of \$30,000 from the Capital Fund – Town Hall – Computer Replacement line item # 20-00-01-0000-092, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To authorize the expenditure of \$275,000 from the Capital Fund – Road/Sidewalk Repairs line item # 20-00-31-0000-446, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To authorize the expenditure of \$50,000 from the Capital Fund – Town Buildings – Repairs/Code Compliance line item # 20-00-36-0000-065, as recommended by the Board of Finance.
- To authorize the expenditure of \$40,000 from the Capital Fund – Cruiser Replacement line item # 20-00-45-0000-070, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

A copy of all texts is on file with the Town Clerk's office.

Signed and sealed in Chester this 8th day of May, 2014.

Edmund J. Meehan  
First Selectman

Larry Sypher  
Selectman

Tommy Englert  
Selectman

### Revenue Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Description	Actual 2012/2013	Adjusted Budget 2013/2014	Proposed Budget 2014/2015
<b>State of Connecticut - Education</b>			
Education - ECS	\$665,732	\$688,638	\$674,079
Elementary School Transportation	\$3,509	\$0	\$4,024
<b>Total State of Connecticut - Education</b>	<b>\$669,241</b>	<b>\$688,638</b>	<b>\$678,103</b>
<b>State of Connecticut - General Government</b>			
Elderly Tax Relief - Circuit Breaker	\$22,198	\$23,109	\$22,000
Judicial Fine Reimbursement	\$3,975	\$0	\$4,000
State Owned Property	\$14,226	\$0	\$12,100
Telecommunications	\$12,505	\$0	\$10,000
Veterans' Tax Exemption	\$2,624	\$2,694	\$2,400
Miscellaneous Grants	\$68,007	\$0	\$2,500
Local Capital Improvement Project	\$145,326	\$50,000	\$50,000
Manufacturing New Machine & Equipment		\$0	\$10,800
Mashantucket Pequot	\$12,637	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous State Income		\$0	\$0
DUI Grant	\$8,681	\$15,630	\$10,000
Surplus Revenue Sharing	\$101,466	\$0	\$84,000
Totally Disabled Exemption	\$281	\$269	\$250
Town Aid Road	\$93,108	\$186,217	\$186,333
<b>Total State of Connecticut - General Government</b>	<b>\$485,035</b>	<b>\$277,919</b>	<b>\$394,383</b>
<b>Property Taxes</b>			
Grand List Current Year	\$11,161,076	\$10,836,913	\$10,836,913
Prior Year Taxes	\$162,483	\$75,000	\$90,000
Interest and Fees	\$84,781	\$45,000	\$45,000
<b>Total Property Taxes</b>	<b>\$11,408,339</b>	<b>\$10,956,913</b>	<b>\$10,971,913</b>
<b>Licenses and Permits</b>			
Aircraft Registration	\$13,920	\$13,820	\$13,000
Environmental Fund	\$136	\$150	\$150
Fire Marshal Permits	\$280	\$200	\$200
Building Permits	\$29,028	\$35,000	\$40,000
Pistol Permits	\$3,150	\$800	\$2,000
Inland Wetland Permits	\$2,150	\$1,500	\$1,500
Solicitors' License	\$290	\$100	\$300
Planning and Zoning Permits	\$4,655	\$7,000	\$7,000
Raffle Permits	\$65	\$50	\$50
Sanitation Permits	\$2,455	\$2,500	\$2,500
Zoning Board of Appeals Permits	\$686	\$1,000	\$500
<b>Total Licenses and Permits</b>	<b>\$56,815</b>	<b>\$62,120</b>	<b>\$67,200</b>
<b>Local Revenues</b>			
Ambulance - Transfer in	\$150,000	\$130,000	\$150,000
Bids	\$650	\$0	\$0
Interest	\$7,861	\$8,000	\$8,000
Dog Fund - Transfer in	\$1,869	\$3,000	\$2,000
Police: Private Duty	\$21,037	\$14,000	\$16,000
Conveyance Tax	\$38,927	\$30,000	\$40,000
Community Investment Account	\$2,559	\$0	\$2,000
Police Violations	\$575	\$2,000	\$500
Park and Recreation Park Passes	\$12,023	\$11,500	\$11,500
Park & Recreation Program Fees	\$480	\$0	\$0
Park & Recreation Transfer in	\$18,652	\$19,500	\$20,700
Town Clerk Fees	\$35,797	\$30,000	\$30,000
Library Fines	\$2,207	\$2,400	\$2,200
Rental - Cedar Lake Shack	\$200	\$750	\$750
Rental - Meeting House/Community Center	\$8,265	\$3,000	\$6,000
Rental - 203 Middlesex Avenue	\$59,943	\$67,500	\$67,500
Rental - 20 Water Street	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Misc Grant/Reb & P&Z - Transfer in	\$46	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Income	\$17,023	\$0	\$0
Region #4 Surplus	\$19,252	\$0	\$0
Supervision District Surplus	\$520	\$0	\$0
Copier - Library	\$368	\$300	\$300
Copier - Assessor	\$529	\$400	\$400
Sale Obsolete Items	\$0	\$0	\$0
WPCA Assessment	\$37,684	\$16,000	\$20,000
<b>Total Local Revenues</b>	<b>\$441,469</b>	<b>\$343,350</b>	<b>\$382,850</b>
<b>Designated from General Fund Balance</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$13,287</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$13,060,898</b>	<b>\$12,328,940</b>	<b>\$12,507,736</b>

### Revenue in Brief

State of Connecticut	
Education	\$678,103
General	\$394,383
Local Revenue and Fees	
Property Taxes	\$10,971,913
General	\$450,050
From Fund Balance	
General Fund Balance	\$13,287
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$12,507,736</b>

### Expenditures in Brief

Town Government	\$3,649,681
Capital	\$342,870
Chester Elementary School	\$4,150,677
Regional School District #4	\$4,364,508
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$12,507,736</b>

### Tax Calculation (net assessment x mil rate x projected collection percentage)

Current Year	\$10,836,913 (442,147,023 x .02482 x 98.75%)
Prior Years	\$90,000
Interest and Fees	\$45,000
Tax Warrants	\$0
<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>\$10,971,913</b>

### General Fund Balance

Total Fund Balance on June 30, 2013	\$1,932,988
Assigned for 12/13 Encumbrances	-\$33,961
Estimated Surplus 13/14	\$302,300
Additional Appropriations	-\$391,527
Assigned to 14/15 Budget	-\$13,287
Return of funds from Chester Elementary	\$41,527
<b>Projected June 30, 2015 Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$1,838,040</b>

### Expenditures Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Description	Actual 2012/2013	Adjusted Budget 2013/2014	Proposed Budget 2014/2015
<b>General Government</b>			
Board of Selectmen	\$100,542	\$105,279	\$110,797
Finance	\$92,783	\$95,561	\$98,109
Town Office Operations	\$56,807	\$59,210	\$51,510
Town Clerk	\$79,807	\$81,212	\$83,464
Treasurer	\$16,560	\$17,782	\$18,239
Tax Collector	\$49,529	\$52,881	\$53,924
Assessor	\$77,993	\$83,936	\$85,026
Board of Assessment Appeal	\$150	\$600	\$400
Board of Finance	\$19,425	\$19,750	\$19,750
Registrar of Voters	\$14,582	\$15,779	\$14,812
Building Department	\$25,448	\$27,268	\$27,704
Conservation Commission	\$0	\$650	\$1,060
Harbor Management	\$728	\$1,245	\$1,185
Planning and Zoning Commission	\$31,769	\$35,889	\$36,942
Inland Wetlands	\$11,996	\$11,751	\$12,022
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$1,063	\$1,200	\$1,200
Economic Development Commission	\$175	\$2,100	\$14,100
Park and Recreation Commission	\$106,717	\$108,943	\$110,819
Library	\$121,191	\$123,336	\$126,369
<b>Total General Government</b>	<b>\$807,264</b>	<b>\$844,372</b>	<b>\$867,432</b>
<b>Public Works</b>			
Highway	\$467,299	\$429,800	\$465,763
Building and Grounds	\$142,983	\$155,685	\$174,325
Municipal Services	\$145,539	\$153,060	\$153,000
<b>Total Public Works</b>	<b>\$755,822</b>	<b>\$738,545</b>	<b>\$793,088</b>
<b>Public Safety</b>			
Fire Protection	\$274,700	\$285,594	\$282,692
Police Protection	\$216,980	\$233,406	\$249,528
Safety Services	\$180,530	\$187,610	\$194,602
Animal Control	\$19,177	\$20,975	\$19,976
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>\$691,387</b>	<b>\$727,585</b>	<b>\$746,798</b>
<b>Health and Welfare</b>			
Health Services	\$31,290	\$31,300	\$33,900
Sanitation Department	\$20,048	\$20,433	\$20,930
Human Services Department	\$82,074	\$85,905	\$87,893
<b>Total Health and Welfare</b>	<b>\$133,412</b>	<b>\$137,638</b>	<b>\$142,723</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Employee Benefits	\$361,378	\$431,175	\$412,785
Retirement Board	\$179,172	\$206,877	\$214,459
Municipal Insurance	\$79,667	\$82,893	\$83,810
Payments to Organization	\$24,813	\$19,574	\$19,991
Bond - Interest/Principal	\$244,940	\$239,395	\$233,595
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>	<b>\$889,970</b>	<b>\$979,914</b>	<b>\$964,640</b>
<b>Reserve Funds</b>			
Capital Reserve Fund	\$513,961	\$373,620	\$342,870
Contingency Account	\$13,946	\$87,000	\$135,000
<b>Total Reserve Funds</b>	<b>\$527,907</b>	<b>\$460,620</b>	<b>\$477,870</b>
<b>Education</b>			
Chester Elementary School	\$4,186,323	\$4,182,373	\$4,150,677
Regional School District #4	\$4,683,977	\$4,257,893	\$4,364,508
<b>Total Education</b>	<b>\$8,870,300</b>	<b>\$8,440,266</b>	<b>\$8,515,185</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$12,676,062</b>	<b>\$12,328,940</b>	<b>\$12,507,736</b>