

**PUBLIC HEARING OF  
THE VILLAGE OF MARCELLUS  
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL  
ON FEBRUARY 24, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Chad A. Clark, Mayor See List  
James P. Curtin, Trustee  
Jeffrey D. Brown, Attorney  
Charnley A. Abbott, Village Clerk

**ABSENT:** Timothy P. Manahan, Trustee

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Clark made a motion to open the public hearing regarding Local Law #2 of 2025 at 7:02pm, seconded by Trustee Curtin. All board members voted aye and the public hearing was opened.

Mayor Clark explained that the purpose of the public hearing was to allow all interested parties the opportunity to be heard regarding Local Law #2 of 2025, to allow the Village Board to override a property tax cap that is in excess of the tax levy limit of 2%, mandated by the State of New York. The property tax cap of 2% complicates the budget and having learned from the experience of several towns and villages, it is best to override, if only to protect the Village from penalty. Should the adopted budget vary from the actual budget, resulting in a tax hike of more than 2%, the Village would be responsible for a host of fines for violating the tax cap. The public might think that the Village, by overriding the cap, is just ignoring the law and not in support of a tax cap, when the Village is very much in favor of it. However, with the Village continuing to receive unfunded mandates from the state, coupled with a cap on its ability to raise revenue, it is very difficult for the Village to plan or even survive.

Mayor Clark asked if there were any comments from the Village Board. There were none.

Mayor Curtin asked if there were any comments from the public, there were none.

Mayor Clark made a motion to close the public hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Curtin. Mayor Clark called for a vote. All members voted aye and the public hearing was closed and the regular meeting was opened at 7:03pm.

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Charnley A. Abbott, Village Clerk

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