

THBC Minutes 11/1/24

Meeting called to order at 10:01 am.

Review and acceptance of the 10/29/24 minutes.

The committee continues to wait for more information regarding estimates for current options and future financial support (i.e. grants, foundations, etc.).

On behalf of the Springvale Town Board, the committee is seeking services of a municipal financial advisor. If this information is not received by 11/12/24, the committee will recommend that "no vote" be taken at the November 12, 2024 Special Town Meeting.

Discussion of addendum topics for a future THBC report.

The meeting adjourned at 11:37 am.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 11/4/24

The meeting was called to order at 4:18 pm.

No review of minutes as they had not yet been submitted.

Paul did extensive research and studying of the state aid formulas and the monies associated with the maintenance of town roads. This knowledge will help the committee better understand how the town roadwork affects the town budget.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 11/8/24

The meeting was called to order at 12:09 pm.

Review and acceptance of the 11/1/24 minutes.

Review and acceptance of the 11/4/24 minutes.

Discussion of the town's 2025 budget revenues being down over 19%. Review of the importance that ARPA Funds be identified as being spent prior to 12/31/24. The town may need to recategorize some earlier expenditures, especially in the area of roadwork.

Discussion of timeline adjustments in the future if the board accepts the Proposal to Provide a Capital Plan & Budget Projection by Ehlers at the 11/12/24 monthly Board Meeting. The committee began planning a postcard mailing to highlight the potential information regarding the Town of Springvale projected financial situation. The postcard would be mailed in early January of 2025 if approved by the board.

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 11/13/24

The meeting was called to order at 9:12 am.

Review and acceptance of the 11/8/24 minutes.

Paul will contact Ehlers to secure a December date for Board presentation (9 or 11). In addition, he set up the parameters of the contract for financial advice for the Town of Springvale.

Discussion of what we will see in the Ehlers report. The committee discussed the pros and cons of paying up front some areas of the budget.

Discussion of what the timeline might look like: January 14 Open House to discuss financing and tax impact of a town hall project—if Ehlers report was presented to board in December. At the December Board Meeting the committee would request approval for a January 2, 2025 postcard mailing to inform and notify town electors of an Open House.

Robbie Hale stopped at the committee's meeting and presented Delmore Consulting information for comprehensive road management services, including PASER ratings.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 11/26/24

The meeting began at 4:04 pm.

Paul reviewed some of the communications made and received since the committee's last meeting.

The committee began a thorough examination of the Ehlers draft of the town's 2024 Capital Financing Plan & Budget Projection.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 11/27/24

The meeting began at 9:05 am.

The committee had a thorough discussion of the Ehlers draft report. Numerous questions and a list of clarifications was developed.

Becky will contact the county to gather information as to the number of parcels per address in the township. The committee is trying to learn percentages of 5 acres/1 residence, 10-40 acres/1 residence and then 40 or more acres/1 residence.

The committee called and left messages for Brian and Denise regarding Ehlers draft report.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 12/2/24

The meeting was called to order at 10:41 am.

Review and acceptance of the 11/13/24 minutes.

Review and acceptance of the 11/26/24 minutes.

Review and acceptance of the 11/27/24 minutes.

The committee organized devices for the zoom meeting at 11:00 am with Ehlers and the town treasurer to discuss the draft of the financial information to be presented at the Town Board Meeting on Monday 12/9/24. Two very informative zoom sessions helped to explain, adjust and clarify the 2024 Capital Financing Plan & Budget Projection.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 12/4/24

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

The committee would like the board to consider an Open House at 7 pm for the Town Hall Financial Impact followed by a Special Meeting to be conducted on January 14, 2025 after the monthly meeting and Town Caucus. The committee would like the board to consider the money needed to do a postcard mailing to notify the Town of Springvale electors of the above.

The committee continued its examination and discussion of the Ehlers report which included a call to Brian for some clarification.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.
Submitted by Ellen Richter

THBC Minutes 12/13/24

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am.

Review and acceptance of the 12/2/24 minutes.

Review and acceptance of the 12/4/24 minutes.

Becky had shared after the 12/4/24 meeting the Town Chairperson declined to include the committee's "Requests for Consideration" to be included as part of the board agenda for 12/9/24.

Discussion of Special Meeting Procedures and Parliamentary Procedures. The committee would like the board to consider a method of voting to be decided ahead of time (i.e. at the January board meeting and then reviewed again at the start of a Special Meeting) so all participants are aware of the process prior to a Special Meeting involving a vote. In addition, the purpose for the vote must be stated.

Discussion of the distinction between "binding" vs. "advisory" with regard to voting at a Special Meeting. A clear understanding is helpful when preparing an agenda and could be part of the notice.

The committee continues to question page 18 of the Ehlers Report with regard to the 2026 taxes on a sample property.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Richter