

TOWN OF GLENVILLE

2014 BUDGET FORUM

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TOWN BUDGET BASICS

Several Different Budget Funds:

- Town General (01) - budget of ~\$3.6M
- Town Outside the Village (02) - budget of ~\$4.8M
- Highway (04) - budget of ~\$3.4M
- Sewer (40) - budget of ~\$1.5M
- Water (50) - budget of ~\$2.5M
- Special Districts (Drainage, Lighting, Parks, Fire #4) – budgets totaling ~\$0.5M
- Total of all budgets = ~\$16.3M

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TOWN BUDGET BASICS (cont.)

Departments within each fund:

- Town General (01) – Town Board, Town Justice, Clerk, Comptroller, Assessor, Receiver of Taxes, 911 Dispatch, Senior Services
- Town Outside the Village (02) – Town Police, Town Parks, Planning, Engineering, Building/Code Enforcement

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2014: BUDGET CALENDAR

- Community Forums on 9/4/13 and 9/11/13
- Supervisor submits his tentative budget by 9/30/13
- Town Board reviews, modifies, and submits a preliminary budget by 10/16/13
- Public hearing on 11/7/13
- Adoption of the final budget by 11/20/13

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OUR MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES

- Live within our means
- Improve services while streamlining government
- Lower long-term debt obligations
- Reduce the use of fund balance

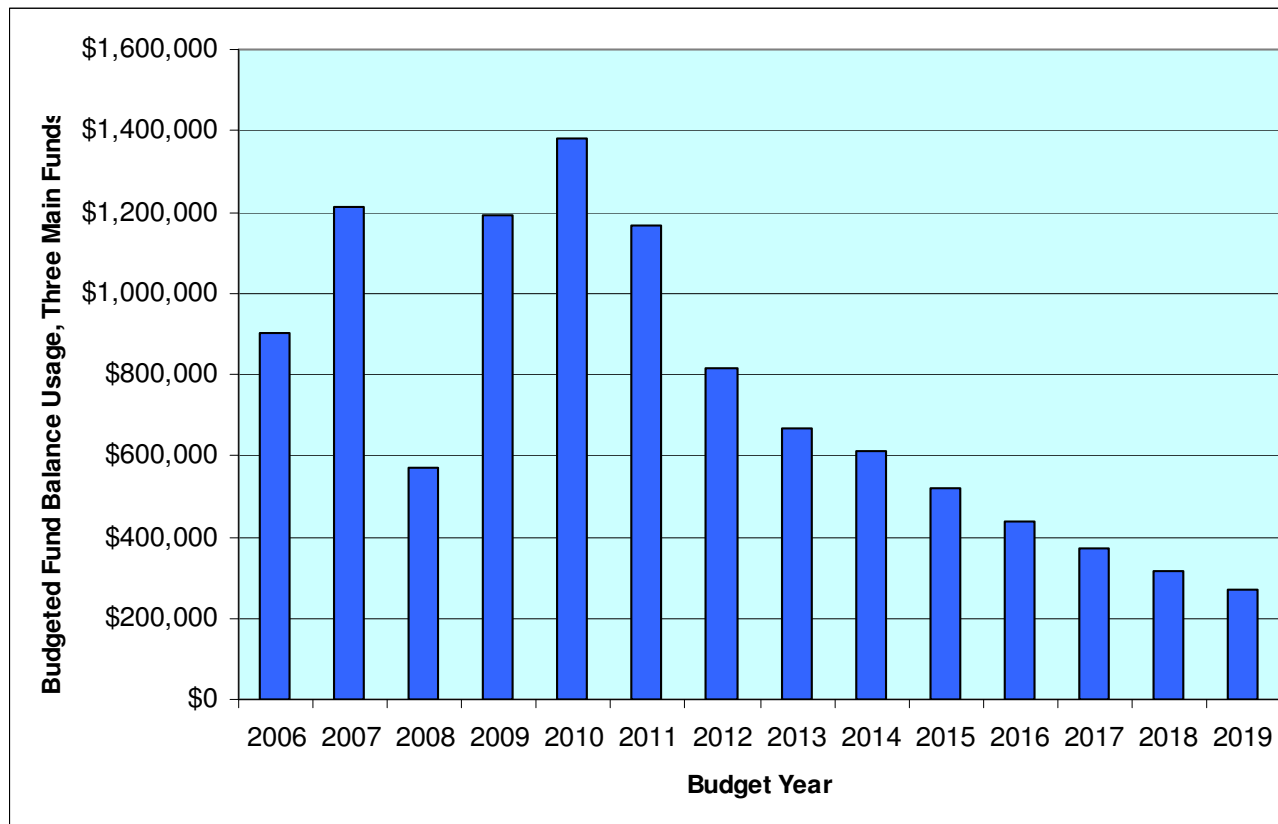
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OUR MANAGEMENT RESULTS

- 2012 surpluses in the three main funds: Town General, Town Outside the Village, and Highway
- Refinancing of two long-term bonds to save taxpayers more than \$1 million
- Reduction in the town workforce of 10% through attrition and workflow consolidation
- A credit rating upgrade from Moody's

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SUCCESS IN REDUCING FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATIONS



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2013 Real Property Tax Dollar Distribution for Residents of the Town Outside the Village



SCHOOL
66.6%
(2013-14)

SCH'DY
COUNTY
23.1%

TOWN
8.0%
HIGHWAY
2.4%

*No special districts or village taxes included

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2014: TAX CAP CHALLENGES

- The 2014 inflation factor (CPI) is only 1.66%, or about \$140,000 in cap space
- The formula also gives us credit for our economic growth
- No relief given for our mandated NYS Retirement expense of \$1.3 million

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2014: REVENUE CHALLENGES

- Sales tax revenues from the county are locked in through 2020 at 0% growth
- Metroplex sales tax revenues are flat
- Franchise fee revenues are declining
- Unpredictable mortgage tax revenues
- We don't get to capture the full benefits of our own economic growth

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PILOTS: THE GOOD, THE BAD, & THE UGLY

PILOTS (Payments In Lieu of Taxes) have been used to finance several recent town projects

- The good = further economic growth in the town
- The bad = we lose potential property tax revenue
- The ugly = PILOTS do not count as tax base growth under the state tax cap

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SALES TAX INEQUITY

For every \$1 million in new local sales tax revenues generated within Schenectady County:

- The county keeps approximately \$745,000
- The city receives approximately \$130,000
- Metroplex keeps \$87,500
- Glenville, Scotia, Rotterdam, Duanesburg, Delanson & Niskayuna split \$37,500
- Glenville receives virtually no extra sales tax revenue due to the economic growth within our town

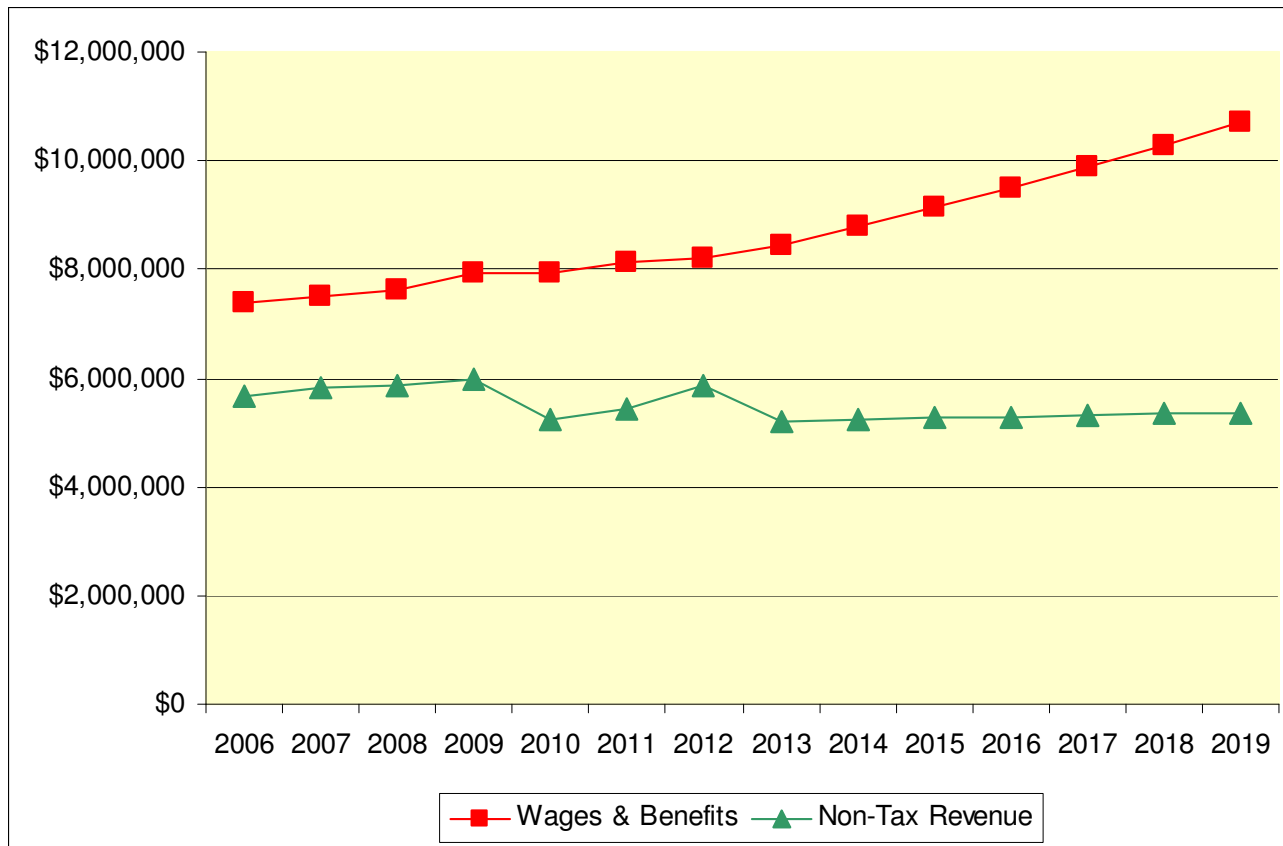
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2014: WORKFORCE CHALLENGES

- 25% of town employees will be eligible for NYS Retirement by the end of 2014
- Previous labor contracts were very generous
- The average leave time payout for our retirement eligible employees is \$30,000
- We need to budget \$400,000 in 2014 just for retirement leave time payouts

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PERSONNEL COSTS vs. NON-TAX REVENUES



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2014: ADDITIONAL CHALLENGES

- All three labor contracts are expired
- Uncertainty regarding the impact of new federal healthcare laws
- NYS Retirement contribution rates are still near 30-year highs
- The effect of 911 dispatch consolidation on finances and operations

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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS