

ALPINE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
Wednesday, March 23, 2022  
Budget Work Session #1 7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Mayor and Council, Borough of Alpine, convened for this Budget Workshop on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 7:01 p.m. in the Alpine Borough Hall.  
The Public Announcement was read:

*In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the notice of this Budget Work Session Meeting held Wednesday, March 23, 2022 has met the requirements of the law by being published in The Record on January 10, 2022 as part of the Annual Notice, posted on the bulletin board of the lobby in the Borough Hall and a copy filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.*

**ROLL CALL**

Paul Tomasko, Mayor	Present	Vicki Frankel, Council President	Present
Michael Bosworth, Councilman	Present	Gayle Gerstein, Councilwoman	Present
John Cohen, Councilman	Present	Laurence Shadek, Councilman	Absent
Arthur Frankel, Councilman	Present		

**Staff Present:**

Marilyn Hayward, Treasurer/Tax Collector/CFO  
Jeffrey Bliss, Borough Auditor  
Stephanie Wehmann, Borough Clerk  
Borough Engineer Perry Frenzel  
Attorney Levi Kool on behalf of Borough Attorney Russel Huntington  
Deputy Borough Clerk Jo Anna Myung

**Discussion of the Proposed Budget**

Mr. Bliss from the firm of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP was present and reviewed the distributed copies of his 2022 Budget Overview. Mr. Bliss reviewed all revenues and appropriations and presented to the Mayor and Council with a clear understanding of the budget scheduled for introduction at the regular meeting to follow.

The municipal rate will go from 17.7cents per \$100 of assessed value to 18.2 cents, a \$138 per year increase for a property assessed at \$2,763,000.

The tax collection rate for 2021 was 98.43%

The Mayor thanked Mr. Bliss and Ms. Hayward for their work on the budget process.

Budget Workshop #1 adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Wehmann  
Municipal Clerk

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*These minutes have been approved by the Mayor and Council.*