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Press Release

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On behalf of the Red Hook Town Board, I am pleased to submit for your consideration the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2017 Town Budget. With the good work of our Town employees and dedicated volunteers, as well as an improving economy that has increased our revenues, the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2017 budget does not increase taxes for our residents.

This 2017 budget reflects our emphasis on expense management, while setting aside funds for community investment. Those initiatives include upgrading and expanding our recreational facilities; funding safer roads for pedestrians and bicyclists; and zoning updates to protect community character. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our grant funding partners from New York State; DOS, Ag. & Markets, Hudson River Valley Greenway, DEC, Dutchess County, and our dedicated land trusts, all of whom are critical to our future success and prosperity.

A Public Hearing on the preliminary budget is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. For the average home assessed at \$260,000, residents in the villages will see their taxes lowered from \$288 to \$275. For residents' taxes in the Town outside the Villages, taxes will be lowered to \$598 from \$615.

To review the 2017 Preliminary Budget, log on to www.redhook.org.