BUDGET, FINANCE & PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2025142

RE: DENIAL OF APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES

APPLICANT: Penelope Hedges
37 Delong Street
Poughquag, NY 12570

ACCOUNT NO. 132200-6758-01-341906-0000

Legislators CASWELL, MC HOUL, and GORMAN offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, there is an assessment on the assessment roll for the Town of Beekman for 2024 under the name of Penelope Hedges, 37 Delong Street, Poughquag, NY 12570, Account No. 132200-6758-01-341906-0000, and

WHEREAS, the owner of said parcel, by application attached hereto, has applied for a refund of real property taxes on the basis of a clerical error, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 556 of the Real Property Tax Law, the County Director of Real Property Tax Service has investigated this claim, and has found that a clerical error does not exist, and

WHEREAS, there is attached hereto the written report of said Director, together with her recommendation that the application be rejected by the County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has agreed that the claimed clerical error does not exist, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the application received July 14, 2025, relating to Account No. 132200-6758-01-341906-0000 for a refund of real property taxes be and it hereby is denied, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Legislature be and hereby is authorized and directed to send a copy of this resolution to the applicant, the Commissioner of Finance and the Town Tax Collector.

CA-080-25
EMW/mar; G-0194; 7/23/25; Fiscal Impact: Attached

APPROVED
Susan Serino
SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date 9/9/2025

STATE OF NEW YORK
ss:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 8th day of September 2025, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 8th day of September 2025.

DUTCHESS COUNTY SEAL

Leigh Wager

LEIGH WAGER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☑ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost $ _____

Total Current Year Revenue $ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds *(check one)*: ☐ Existing Appropriations, ☐ Contingency,
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations, ☐ Additional Appropriations, ☐ Other *(explain)*.

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount $ _____
Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____
Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:
Recommendation to deny an application for refund of a 2025 County/Town tax bill.

Prepared by: Catherine Weisse Prepared On: 7/17/2025

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SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

HEIDI SEELBACH
COMMISSIONER

CATHERINE WEISSE
DIRECTOR

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES DIVISION

Dutchess County Real Property Tax Investigative Report for Denial of an Application for Refund or Credit of Real Property Taxes

Parcel: 132200-6758-01-341906-0000
Owners: Penelope Hedges

Mailing Address:
37 Delong Street
Poughquag, NY 12570

Location: 37 Delong Street

July 17, 2025

On July 14, 2025, my office received an application for a refund or credit of real property taxes for the above-referenced parcel. The applicant believes that Dutchess County Water & Wastewater Authority, (DCWWA), relevied an unpaid water rents that was previously paid.

Prior to receiving the application, I began looking into the issue. Three different times, I requested that the property owner provide my office with proof of payment of their water rents to the DCWWA in 2024. The only proof of payment received was a photograph of what appears to be an online payment of $196.05 on May 16, 2025 with no information regarding what DCWWA account was being paid. I did explain several times that I needed evidence that the DCWWA bill was paid in 2024.

I contacted DCWWA and was given copies of the water bills for 37 Delong Street. In reviewing them, it appears that the bill for 6/14/24 to 7/31/24 was not paid. The original amount was $173.23.

On the bill for 7/31/24 to 10/31/24, there was an adjustment of $182.32, ($173.23 plus $9.09 in penalties). This adjustment was because the prior amount was not paid and was now being relevied onto the January 2025 County/Town tax bill. It was no longer able to be collected by DCWWA directly. When the amount was finally relevied onto the County/Town bill in November 2024, an additional penalty of $12.76 was added and the total then became $195.08. DCWWA has reconfirmed that they have no record of any payments before the amounts were relevied.

I have attached the bills and correspondence for reference.

Since I was not provided proof that the 6/14/24 to 7/31/24 bill was paid, the situation described does not meet any of the defined criteria allowed by law, and I must recommend that the application for a corrected tax bill be denied.

Catherine Weisse
Dutchess County Director of Real Property Tax Services

NEW YORK STATE

Department of Taxation and Finance
Office of Real Property Tax Services

Application for Refund or Credit of Real Property Taxes

RP-556
(12/19)

RECEIVED
JUL 14 2025
DC REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

Part 1 – General information: To be completed in duplicate by the applicant.

Names of owners: PENELOPE HEDGES	
Mailing address of owners *(number and street or PO box)*: 37 DELONG ST	Location of property *(street address)*: 37 DELONG ST
City, village, or post office: POUGHQUAG; State: NY; ZIP code: 12570	City, town, or village: POUGHQUAG; State: NY; ZIP code: 12570
Daytime contact number: 914 474 5183; Evening contact number: 914 474 5183	Tax map number of section/block/lot: Property identification *(see tax bill or assessment roll)*: 132200 6758-01-341906-0000
Account number *(as appears on tax bill)*: 001895; Amount of taxes paid or payable: 1,943.71; Date of payment: 5/28/25	
Reasons for requesting a refund or credit: OVER PAYMENT OF $196.05	

I hereby request a refund or credit of real property taxes levied by DUTCHESS, POUGHQUAG for the year(s) '25.
(County, city, village, etc.)

Signature of applicant: Penelope Hedges	Date: 6/ /25

Part 2 – To be completed by the County Director or Village Assessor. Attach a written report including documentation and recommendation. Specify the type of error and paragraph of subdivision 2, 3, or 7 of Section 550 under which the error falls.

Date application received: 7/14/25	Date warrant annexed: 12/18/24
Last day for collection of taxes without interest: 2/28/25	Recommendation: **Approve application*** ☐ **Deny application** ☑
Signature of official: Kathleen Wilson	Date: 7/18/25

* If this application is approved, and the same error appears on a current assessment roll, send a copy of this form, including all attachments, to the assessor and board of assessment review. They must treat this application as a petition for the correction of that current roll (Form RP-553).

Part 3 – For use by the **tax levying body or official designated by resolution** _____:
(insert number or date, if applicable)

Application approved (Mark an *X* in the applicable box):

Clerical error ☐ Error in essential fact ☐ Unlawful Entry ☐

Amount of taxes paid	Amount of taxes due	Amount of refund or credit

Application denied (reason):

Signature of chief executive officer or official designated by resolution	Date

DUTCHESS COUNTY
WATER AND
WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

1 LaGrange Avenue
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
(845) 486-3601
Fax (845) 486-3656
dcwwa@dutchessny.gov
www.DCWWA.org

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DC REAL PROPERTY
TAX SERVICES

July 17, 2025

Cathy Weisse
Dutchess County Real Property Tax
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Re: Penelope Hedges 37 Delong St Poughquag, NY 12570
Parcel #6758-01-341906-0000

To whom it may concern:

The re-levied amount for Mrs. Hedges stems from her first billing period. Mrs. Hedges took ownership on June 14th, 2024 and the billing period ended on July 31st, 2024. For this period, Mrs. Hedges was originally billed $173.23. This amount was not paid prior to the re-levy date of October 1st, 2024. Late fees were added to the re-levy which came to a total of $195.08. Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority did not receive payment for this amount.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jessica McMahon
Deputy Director/ Treasurer
DCWWA

Collection: **Town & County 2025**

Fiscal Year Start: 1/1/2025 **Fiscal Year End:** 12/31/2025 **Warrant Date:** 12/18/2024

Total Tax Due (minus penalties & interest) $0.00

Entered	Posted	Total	Tax Amount	Penalty	Surcharge	Via	Type
5/28/2025	5/28/2025	$1,943.71	$1,867.03	$74.68	$0.00	Counter	Full Payment

Tax Bill #	SWIS	Tax Map #	Status
001895	132200	6758-01-341906-0000	Payment Posted

Address	Municipality	School
37 Delong St	Town of Beekman	Arlington CSD

Owners

Hedges Penelope
37 Delong St
Poughquag, NY 12570

Property Information

Roll Section:	1
Property Class:	1 Family Res
Lot Size:	0.10

Assessment Information

Full Market Value:	362800.00
Total Assessed Value:	242500.00
Uniform %:	66.85

Description	Tax Levy	Percent Change	Taxable Value	Rate	Tax Amount
HOMESTEAD PARCEL		0.0000	0.000	0.00000000	$0.00
County Tax	102108559	2.8000	242500.000	3.24479900	$786.86
Town Tax	2324421	-9.0000	242500.000	1.80396100	$437.46
Beekman Library	600123	11.4000	242500.000	0.46574900	$112.94
Beekman Fire	1860176	10.2000	242500.000	1.38016000	$334.69
DCWW Unpaid Water	0	0.0000	0.000	0.00000000	$195.08

Total Taxes: $1,867.03

Estimated State Aid - Type	Amount
County	112605652.00
Town	520392.00

Mail Payments To:
Laureen Abbatantuono
Receiver of Taxes
4 Main Street Poughquag, NY 12570

DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND
WASTEWATER AUTHORITY
Box 8000 Department 232
Buffalo, NY 14267-0002
(845) 486-3601
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Account Number	AMOUNT DUE
009-013385-01	**$173.23**
Due Date	**After Due Date Pay**
9/9/2024	$183.68
Account Name	
PENELOPE HEDGES	
Service Address	
37 DELONG ST	
Amount Enclosed	

There will be a charge on all returned chec
Please return this portion with your payme

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PENELOPE HEDGES
37 DELONG ST
POUGHQUAG, NY 12571

CUSTOMER ACCOUNT INFORMATION - RETAIN FOR YOUR RECORDS

Name			Address		Account Number
PENELOPE HEDGES			37 DELONG ST		009-013385-01
Billing Period From	**Billing Period To**	**# Days**	**Bill Date**	**Penalty Date**	**Due Date**
6/14/2024	7/31/2024	47	8/10/2024	9/10/2024	9/9/2024

PREVIOUS BALANCE	$0.00
PAYMENTS	$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS	$0.00
PENALTIES	$0.00
PAST DUE AMOUNT	**$0.00**

CURRENT READING	PREVIOUS READING	USAGE
26	23	3

WATER	18.90
WATER SERVICE CHARGE	19.12
SEWER CHARGE	33.33
SEWER SERVICE CHARGE	26.88
TRANSFER CHARGE	25.00
TRANSFER CHARGE	50.00
CURRENT BILL	**$173.23**
AMOUNT DUE	**$173.23**

AMOUNT DUE AFTER 09/09/2024 *$183.68*

Please take note of your new account number and be sure to include it on your check or bill pay. Unpaid Charges may become a lien on the property in September/October 2024. Over payments made on an account will be used for future bills, no refunds will be issued.
Please check the newsletter on the back of the bills for important system updates, rate change information, relevy dates and closing requests.

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PENELOPE HEDGES
37 DELONG ST
POUGHQUAG, NY 12571

Account Number	AMOUNT DUE
009-013385-01	$281.51
Due Date	After Due Date Pay
12/16/2024	$296.30
Account Name	
PENELOPE HEDGES	
Service Address	
37 DELONG ST	
Amount Enclosed	

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CUSTOMER ACCOUNT INFORMATION - RETAIN FOR YOUR RECORDS

Name			Address		Account Number
PENELOPE HEDGES			37 DELONG ST		009-013385-01
Billing Period From	Billing Period To	# Days	Bill Date	Penalty Date	Due Date
7/31/2024	10/31/2024	92	11/16/2024	12/17/2024	12/16/2024

Base
Relevy Amount

PREVIOUS BALANCE	$173.23
PAYMENTS	$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS	$182.32-
PENALTIES	$9.09
PAST DUE AMOUNT	**$0.00**

CURRENT READING	PREVIOUS READING	USAGE
37	26	11

WATER	69.30
WATER SERVICE CHARGE	37.50
SEWER CHARGE	122.21
SEWER SERVICE CHARGE	52.50
CURRENT BILL	**$281.51**
AMOUNT DUE	**$281.51**

AMOUNT DUE AFTER 12/16/2024 *$296.30*

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Budget, Finance, and Personnel Committee Roll Call

District	*Name*	*Yes*	*No*
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt*	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston*		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece (VC)		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell (C)		

Present:	12	**Resolution:**	✓	**Total :**	12	0
Absent:	0	**Motion:**			**Yes**	**No**
Vacant:	0			**Abstentions:**	0	

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SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins	Absent	
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Gorman		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece		
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson		
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger		
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Paoloni		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci	Absent	
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Page		
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago		
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Garito		
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison		
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House		

Present: 23 Resolution: ✓ Total : 23 Yes 0 No

Absent: 2 Motion: ____

Vacant: 0 Abstentions: 0

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SEPTEMBER 8, 2025