

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
IN PERSON AT THE
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE/COURT FACILITY
86-88 SPRING STREET – OSSINING, NEW YORK
AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

April 09, 2024
REGULAR MEETING
7:30 P.M.

SUPERVISOR
Elizabeth R. Feldman

COUNCILMEMBERS
Gregory G. Meyer Angelo A. Manicchio
Jennifer Fields-Tawil Matthew J. Weiss

I. CALL TO ORDER-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-ROLL CALL

The Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on April 09, 2024 at the Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility 86-88 Spring Street – Ossining, New York, 10562 and via video conference. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth R. Feldman. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Gregory G. Meyer, Jennifer Fields-Tawil, Matthew J. Weiss and Angelo A. Manicchio. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Clerk Jeaneth V. Guinansaca.

II. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- I was honored to join County Executive George Latimer and Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins in White Plains for the April 1st Weekly Update.
- On Saturday I joined New York State Senator Pete Harckham and Assemblywoman Dana Levenberg to call for restoration of clean water infrastructure funding in the next state budget.
- I hope everyone had an opportunity to safely view the eclipse yesterday. It was a wonder to see.
- Keep your eyes open for the Town’s new packer truck as the highway crew picks up yard waste.
- We apologize for any inconvenience as we repave near the boat house. The asphalt plant is temporarily unable to fulfill our order. We will finish as soon as possible.
- The deadline for applications to be received in the Town Assessor’s Office for the Senior Citizen Exemption (RP-467) is May 1st. This exemption is a property tax benefit which is separate and distinct from Enhanced STAR for eligible low-income senior citizens.
- If you need help with your taxes, free assistance through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistant program is available through April 18th. For more information, check out my Supervisor’s Update or call the United Way 211 Helpline at 1.800.899.1479.
- Hudson Valley Books for Humanity is hosting author Melisa Trombetta to celebrate her new book, “I Thought I Knew.” This is Thursday at 7:00pm at Hudson Valley Books for Humanity.
- Also this Thursday, Ossining Public Library is hosting Ed Alstrom, the organist who plays at Yankee Stadium on weekends. His presentation is called “From the Organ Bench” and will begin at 7:00pm.

- This Saturday the 13th, you can catch KJ Denhert for a CD release party and performance at Westchester Collaborative Theater on Water Street at 7:30pm.
- Green Ossining’s 14th Annual Earth Day Festival is coming – Saturday April 20th at Louis Engel Waterfront Park.
- As always, our Ossining Public Library will be hosting a bevy of events including Pokemon Club, Chess with Chavez, Mahjong, sewing workshops and more. Please see their website at ossininglibrary.org.
- The next Town of Ossining Legislative Session will be held on Wednesday, April 24th as that Tuesday is Passover.
- There are many fun and interesting events being held locally, and you can look at my weekly Supervisor’s Update on the Supervisor’s webpage to see them.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on any of the resolutions on the agenda.

V. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes – March 26, 2024

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the March 26, 2024 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion: Carried

B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated April 09, 2024 in the amount of \$340,217.23.

Motion: Carried

C. Personnel—Appointment—Seasonal Laborer

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved as amended.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining appoints Xavier Hernandez, Ossining, to the seasonal position of Laborer in the Town Highway Department at an hourly rate of \$17, effective retroactively to April 8, 2024.

Motion: Carried

D. Personnel – Appointment – Court

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining appoints Thomas Tucker Jr., Hawthorne, to the position of Court Attendant in the Town of Ossining Justice Court at an hourly rate of \$25, effective March 26, 2024.

Motion: Carried

E. Contract – Summer Concert Series 2024 – Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce, Inc., 109 Croton Ave, Ossining, NY, 10562, for the administration of 2024 Food Truck Fridays events and marketing of 2024 Summer Events (to include Food Truck Fridays, Summer Concert Series, and Fireworks Celebration for Independence Day).

Motion: Carried

F. Contract—Summer Concert Series 2024 – Mike Risko Music School

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Mike Risko Music School, LLC. d/b/a Mike Risko Music, Ossining, NY 10562, for the administration of the Summer Concert Series for 2024.

Motion: Carried

G. Contract—Summer Concert Series 2024 – Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC, Ossining, NY 10562, for the administration of the craft beverage corral at the Summer Concert Series for 2024.

Motion: Carried

H. Finance- 2024 Capital Project #2024-5254 – Gordon Avenue Drainage Rehabilitation-Highway

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the 2024 Capital Project #2024-5254, entitled “2024 Gordon Avenue Drainage Rehabilitation” for the Town Highway Department, with a project budget of \$1,700,000, for replacing drainage pipe and culvert damaged during the storm in September 2023. The project amount of \$1,700,00 will be funded from a transfer from TOV and Highway fund balance, which could potentially be adjusted for FEMA grant funding from the federally declared storm.

Increase Capital Projects Fund Appropriations:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370 5110.200.5254	2024 Gordon Ave. Drainage Rehabilitation	<u>\$1,700,000</u>

Total Increases to Capital Projects Fund Appropriations \$1,700,000

Increase Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370 0500.503131.5235	I/F Transfer from Highway Fund	<u>\$1,700,000</u>

Total Increase to Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues \$1,700,000

Increase Highway Fund Estimated Expenditures:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
310 9901.905	I/F Transfer to Capital Fund	<u>\$1,700,000</u>

Total Increase to Highway Fund Estimated Expenditures \$1,700,000

Increase Highway Fund Estimated Revenues:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
310 0500.503120	I/F Transfer-TOV	\$1,500,000
310 0600.4795	Highway Fund Balance	<u>200,000</u>

Total Increase to Highway Fund Estimated Revenues \$1,700,000

Increase TOV Fund Estimated Expenditures:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
200 9901.931	I/F Transfer to Highway Fund	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

Total Increase to TOV Fund Estimated Expenditures \$1,500,000

Increase TOV Fund Estimated Revenues:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
200 0600.4795	TOV Fund Balance	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

Total Increase to TOV Fund Estimated Revenues \$1,500,000

Motion: Carried

VI. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the month of March 2024:

- Dale Cemetery
- Supervisor's Office
- Tax Receiver

- Town Building Department
- Town Clerk
- Town Highway

Motion: Carried

VII. VISITOR RECOGNITION

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on issues not relating to the Agenda, but of relevance to the common good of the Town.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT.

At 7:41 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for Advice of counsel and Contract, and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

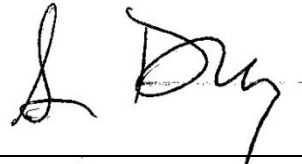
At 8:54 P.M., Councilmember Weiss motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Meyer seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 8:54 P.M., Councilmember Weiss motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Meyer seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk