



**MINUTES**  
**TOWN BOARD**  
**TOWN OF OSSINING**  
**JUNE 8, 2021**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**7:30 P.M.**

**THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING ONLY**  
**Pursuant to Governor's Executive Order 202.1 dated March 12, 2020**

**SUPERVISOR**  
**Dana A. Levenberg**

**COUNCILMEMBERS**  
**Elizabeth R. Feldman      Gregory G. Meyer**  
**Jackie G. Shaw          Northern Wilcher, Jr.**

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

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on June 8, 2021 via video conference, pursuant to Governor's Executive Order 202.1 dated March 12, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Dana A. Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Jackie G. Shaw, Elizabeth R. Feldman, Northern Wilcher, Jr., and Gregory G. Meyer. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Victoria Cafarelli, and Deputy Town Clerk Martha C. Quituisaca.

**II. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

Recreation Superintendent Bill Garrison update the Town Board on summer programs happening at the Recreation and Parks Department. Summer day camps will begin on June 28 and will run until August 6. Staff members are holding meeting to go over and discuss COVID-19 guidelines. Various new programs will offered by the Recreation and Parks Department this summer. Swim teams meets will be happening in the summer as well as the summer concert series. The Department has seen people coming back and renewing their membership as COVID-19 restrictions are being lifted and we are going back to normal. We are putting together the Ossining Youth Bureau and are looking to come up with 20 job openings for young people to work in for 6 weeks this summer.

Assessor Fernando Gonzalez updated the Town Board on the filing of the tentative assessment roll. The tentative roll was filed on June 1, 2021. Sale of neighborhoods was analyzed during the assessment process. Assessor Gonzalez discussed changes between the 2020 and 2021 assessment roll. Councilmember Feldman asked if there had been some assessment reductions. Assessor Gonzalez said that very few properties had a reduction in their assessment. Most properties' assessment increased while some stayed the same.

**III. WORK SESSION**

Work Session did not occur.

- Letter to Town of Cortlandt Planning Board regarding proposed Hudson Wellness Project

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Levenberg said the following:

**It has been super hot these past few days, so our Spray Park at Louis Engel Waterfront Park has seen lots and lots of use, which is great, because that's why it's there! So we are happy. Just a reminder to all those bringing children there: the Spray Park is open from noon to 7pm every day throughout the summer. Please remember that masks should be worn in the playground area around the spray park for people who are not fully vaccinated (so yes, that includes most children), but masks are not to be worn while using the Spray Park itself. Please do not use the spray park if you or your children are not feeling well – we all need to do our part to keep the spread of COVID-19 down while we await further authorization for younger children to get vaccinated! Starting Wednesday, June 30, and running each Wednesday until August 4, the Spray Park and Playground area will be closed from 9am to 3pm for Ossining Day Camp use.**

**Also, permits are required for use of the Bryan Johnson Boat Ramp at Louis Engel Park. Daily and seasonal passes are available for purchase online at [www.buymypermit.com/ossining/](http://www.buymypermit.com/ossining/). A direct link and instructions are available on the Town Clerk's page of the Town of Ossining website as well. Please be sure to follow the instructions, and if you are choosing to purchase a seasonal pass, give yourself a few days for the sticker for your trailer to be processed and mailed to you. Seasonal permit holders are able to utilize the dedicated spaces for trailer parking at Louis Engel Park, so this type of permit is definitely recommended! Daily permits are available for immediate use, but trailer parking is not issued to daily permit holders. And if you are planning on launching your boat at least two times this summer, it is more cost effective to buy the Seasonal pass. Please be patient with us while we update signage at the park, and spread the word to your boating friends.**

**Dog Licenses for 2021-2022 are due for renewal now. It is New York State Law that you must license your dog once they reach the age of 6 months. Thanks to our tech savvy Town Clerk Sue Donnelly and Deputy Town Clerk Martha Quituisaca it has never been easier to license your dog. You can now do so online, just visit the Town Clerk's page of the Town of Ossining website and select the link for "Dog License Renewal." It is important to license your dog so we can ensure all dogs in our community are properly vaccinated, and if your dog happens to get lost, your dog will have a tag and registration number with our Clerk so you can be reunited as fast as possible! And the extra bonus is that you will be mailed (if you want to use it) a tag to use the dog parks at Ryder and Cedar Lane Town Parks.**

**If you have a young person in your life looking for a summer job, Westchester County is hiring for lifeguards for the 2021 season. Applicants must be 15 years of age or older, possess current American Red Cross Lifeguarding/First Aid and CPR/AED for Lifeguards certifications or equivalent, and pass the Westchester County practical skills test. More information is available online at <https://parks.westchestergov.com/job-opportunities/lifeguards-wanted>. Interested applicants can contact the County's aquatics team at: [prc-aquatics@westchestergov.com](mailto:prc-aquatics@westchestergov.com).**

**Westchester County is hosting its first Household Recycling Day event this year, Saturday, June 12 from 9am to 3pm at FDR Park in Yorktown. Residents can bring properly labelled household chemicals, tires, scrap metal, electronics, appliances, documents for shredding, and other items found in a typical household for safe disposal and recycling. For more information on what to bring to this event, visit [www.westchestergov.com/recycling](http://www.westchestergov.com/recycling) or call 914-813-5425. Also, if you are doing some spring cleaning, the SPCA of Westchester is running low on towels, blankets, and sheets for the animals in their care. If you have some old or spare towels or sheets that you are looking to get rid of, give them new life by dropping them off at the SPCA's temporary location at 1966 Crompond Road in Cortlandt Manor and donations can be left in the donation bin right outside the front door anytime.**

Ossining’s Juneteenth celebrations will continue with the second-annual celebration at Louis Engel Park on Saturday, June 19 from 12noon to 2pm. The Town is proud to be co-sponsoring this event, which has been curated by the Juneteenth Council to recreate the momentous first Juneteenth celebration in Galveston, Texas in 1866 and will feature spoken word and musical performances. Thank you to the founders and members of the Juneteenth Council – Village Historian Joyce Sharrock Cole, Juanda Dabbs, Community Equity Task Force co-chair Althema Goodson, and School Board Trustee Diana Lemon – for organizing this year’s festivities and for their continued efforts to uplift and empower the Black Community in Ossining, and educate us all on our nation’s rich and complex history.

Also, please remember, all of these exciting programs and offerings are only available because we have made such great progress with our vaccination numbers. Governor Cuomo announced that once New York State hits at least 70% adults with at least one dose, most of COVID restrictions will be lifted. We are only 1.4% percent away! Everyone 12 years of age or older is now eligible for the vaccine. Walk-ins are available at the Westchester County Center for Johnson & Johnson vaccines, and appointments are available at the County Center for Pfizer vaccinations, the only vaccine that is currently available to 12-15 year olds. Our local Ossining Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be distributing Johnson & Johnson vaccines on June 13 from 10am to 5pm at OVAC Headquarters at 8 Clinton Avenue and on June 19 from 9am to 1pm at the Ossining Farmers Market. OVAC frequently posts on their Facebook page if they have leftover doses available, too, so check them out. Each person that gets the vaccine gets us one step closer to a COVID-free summer – we can do it Ossining!

Finally, and importantly, the New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) is now open for applications. Visit [otda.ny.gov/programs/emergency-rental-assistance](https://otda.ny.gov/programs/emergency-rental-assistance) to learn more and apply. If you need help completing the application, in Westchester County you can simply dial 211 and you will be connected with a local-to-you not-for-profit that can assist you with your application. This past year has been extremely challenging for so many people, and programs like ERAP are so important to getting us all back to normal.

Councilmember Feldman spoke about the *Get a Shot to Make Your Future* COVID-19 vaccine incentive that NYS vaccine is hosting.

**V. LIAISON REPORTS**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**VII. BOARD RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Approval of Minutes—Regular Meeting – May 25, 2021**

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the May 25, 2021 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion: Carried

**B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report**

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated June 8, 2021 in the amount of \$502,661.37

Motion: Carried

**C. TAX CERTIORARI - GMSUE INC., vs. Town of Ossining**

Councilmember Shaw moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following resolution be approved.

WHEREAS, proceedings pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York were instituted by GMSUE INC., against The Town of Ossining, New York to review the tax assessments made on Petitioner’s property located at 1136 Pleasantville Road, Village of Briarcliff Manor in The Town of Ossining, N.Y., and designated on the tax assessment map of The Town of Ossining as Section 98.10, Block 1, Lot 48 for Tax Assessment Years 2015-2020; which proceedings are now pending in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, under Index Nos.67361/15; 65054/16; 66633/17; 66684/18; 66304/19; and 62152/20; and

WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has agreed to a compromise and settlement of such proceedings, subject to the approval of the Town Board, correcting and reducing the assessed valuation of its real property and improvements, as follows:

1136 Pleasantville Road, The Village of Briarcliff Manor, The Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10510

Section 98.10, Block 1, Lot 48

Assessment Year	Tax ID No.	Original Assessed Value	Reduction	Final Assessed Value
2015	98.10-1-48	\$39,300	\$12,180	\$27,120
2016	98.10-1-48	\$454,400	\$45,440	\$408,960
2017	98.10-1-48	\$454,400	\$45,440	\$408,960
2018	98.10-1-48	\$425,000	\$25,000	\$400,000
2019	98.10-1-48	\$425,000	\$25,000	\$400,000
2020	98.10-1-48	\$425,000	\$42,500	\$382,500

WHEREAS, any and all refunds necessitated by said settlement will be made without interest; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, upon the recommendation of the Assessor, concurred by The Counsel to The Town, finds the proposed settlement appropriate and in the best interest of the Town of Ossining; now therefore it is

RESOLVED, that settlement of the proceedings, on the terms set forth herein, is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, wherein such proceedings are pending; and it is further

RESOLVED, that The Counsel to The Town is hereby authorized and directed to procure and execute any documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and it is further

RESOLVED, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, that the Assessor is authorized and directed to make the changes and corrections to the individual unit assessment on the tax assessment roll of the Town of Ossining, which will be ordered pursuant to the Consent

Judgment to be entered in accordance with the terms of this settlement, and the Receiver of Taxes is authorized and directed to process and pay the refund of Town of Ossining taxes estimated to be \$ 293.23, which will be ordered pursuant to said Consent Judgment.

Supervisor Levenberg said the following: We have a few Tax Certiorari resolutions on our agenda like this one. Thankfully, the refunds due to these property owners from the Town are relatively small. This is due in no small part to our Assessor Fernando Gonzalez maintaining our roll at full market value, ensuring that the Town's Assessed Values are almost always accurate. And thank you to our Town Prosecutor, Stephen Dewey, for always going to bat for the Town during these negotiations to arrive at fair settlements.

Motion: Carried

**D. TAX CERTIORARI - 191 Enterprises Corp. vs. Town of Ossining**

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

WHEREAS, proceedings pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York were instituted by 191 Enterprises Corp. against The Town of Ossining, New York to review the tax assessments made on Petitioner's property located at 191 North Highland Avenue in The Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562, and designated on the tax assessment map of The Town of Ossining as Section 89.11, Block 1, Lot 82 for Tax Assessment Years 2016-2020; which proceedings are now pending in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, under Index Nos.63660/2016; 65196/2017; 67335/2018; 66914/2019; 60602/2020; and

WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has agreed to a compromise and settlement of such proceedings, subject to the approval of the Town Board, correcting and reducing the assessed valuation of its real property and improvements, as follows:

191 North Highland Avenue, The Village of Ossining, in The Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562

Section 89.11, Block 1, Lot 82

Assessment Year	Tax ID No.	Original Assessed Value	Reduction	Final Assessed Value
2016	89.11-1-82	\$1,013,100	\$51,100	\$962,000
2017	89.11-1-82	\$1,013,100	\$51,100	\$962,000
2018	89.11-1-82	\$1,013,000	\$101,300	\$911,700
2019	89.11-1-82	\$1,013,000	\$101,300	\$911,700
2020	89.11-1-82	\$911,700	\$0	\$911,700

WHEREAS, any and all refunds necessitated by said settlement will be made without interest; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, upon the recommendation of the Assessor, concurred by The Counsel to The Town, finds the proposed settlement appropriate and in the best interest of the Town of Ossining; now therefore it is

RESOLVED, that settlement of the proceedings, on the terms set forth herein, is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, wherein such proceedings are pending; and it is further

**RESOLVED, that The Counsel to The Town is hereby authorized and directed to procure and execute any documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and it is further**

**RESOLVED, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, that the Assessor is authorized and directed to make the changes and corrections to the individual unit assessment on the tax assessment roll of the Town of Ossining, which will be ordered pursuant to the Consent Judgment to be entered in accordance with the terms of this settlement, and the Receiver of Taxes is authorized and directed to process and pay the refund of Town of Ossining taxes estimated to be \$ 293.74, which will be ordered pursuant to said Consent Judgment.**

**Motion: Carried**

**E. TAX CERTIORARI - NSRR Realty LLC vs. Town of Ossining**

**Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following resolution be approved.**

**WHEREAS, proceedings pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York were instituted by NSRR Realty LLC against The Town of Ossining, New York to review the tax assessments made on Petitioner’s property located at 532 North State Road, Town of Ossining, New York 10562, and designated on the tax assessment map of The Town of Ossining as Section 90.15, Block 2 and Lot 17, and also Section 90.15, Block 2 and Lot 18 for Tax Assessment Years 2016-2020; which proceedings are now pending in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, under Index Nos. 63732/16; 64562/17; 64908/18; 65005/19; and 60372/20; and**

**WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has agreed to a compromise and settlement of such proceedings, subject to the approval of the Town Board, correcting and reducing the assessed valuation of its real property and improvements, as follows:**

**532 North State Road, Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562**

**Section 90.15, Block 2, Lot 17**

<b>Assessment Year</b>	<b>Tax ID No.</b>	<b>Original Assessed Value</b>	<b>Reduction</b>	<b>Final Assessed Value</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>90.15-2-17</b>	<b>\$476,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$476,300</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>90.15-2-17</b>	<b>\$476,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$476,300</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>90.15-2-17</b>	<b>\$502,200</b>	<b>\$22,200</b>	<b>\$480,000</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>90.15-2-17</b>	<b>\$502,200</b>	<b>\$22,200</b>	<b>\$480,000</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>90.15-2-17</b>	<b>\$533,600</b>	<b>\$53,600</b>	<b>\$480,100</b>

**and**

**532 North State Road, Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562**

**Section 90.15, Block 2, Lot 18**

<b>Assessment Year</b>	<b>Tax ID No.</b>	<b>Original Assessed Value</b>	<b>Reduction</b>	<b>Final Assessed Value</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>90.15-2-18</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>90.15-2-18</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>90.15-2-18</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>90.15-2-18</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>90.15-2-18</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$797,800</b>

**WHEREAS, any and all refunds necessitated by said settlement will be made without interest; and**

**WHEREAS, the Town Board, upon the recommendation of the Assessor, concurred by The Counsel to The Town, finds the proposed settlement appropriate and in the best interest of the Town of Ossining; now therefore it is**

**RESOLVED, that settlement of the proceedings, on the terms set forth herein, is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, wherein such proceedings are pending; and it is further**

**RESOLVED, that The Counsel to The Town is hereby authorized and directed to procure and execute any documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and it is further**

**RESOLVED, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, that the Assessor is authorized and directed to make the changes and corrections to the individual unit assessment on the tax assessment roll of the Town of Ossining, which will be ordered pursuant to the Consent Judgment to be entered in accordance with the terms of this settlement, and the Receiver of Taxes is authorized and directed to process and pay the refund of Town of Ossining taxes estimated to be \$ 348.86, which will be ordered pursuant to said Consent Judgment.**

**Motion: Carried**

**F. TAX CERTIORARI - M & M Realty Corp. vs. Town of Ossining**

**Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following resolution be approved.**

**WHEREAS, proceedings pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York were instituted by M & M Realty Corp. against The Town of Ossining, New York to review the tax assessments made on Petitioner's property located at 520 North State Road, Town of Ossining, New York 10562, and designated on the tax assessment map of The Town of Ossining as Section 90.19, Block 2 and Lot 19, for Tax Assessment Years 2016-2020; which proceedings are now pending in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, under Index Nos. 663733/16; 64570/17; 64909/18; 65003/19 and 60373/20; and**

**WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has agreed to a compromise and settlement of such proceedings, subject to the approval of the Town Board, correcting and reducing the assessed valuation of its real property and improvements, as follows:**

**520 North State Road, Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562**

**Section 90.19, Block 2, Lot 19**

<b>Assessment Year</b>	<b>Tax ID No.</b>	<b>Original Assessed Value</b>	<b>Reduction</b>	<b>Final Assessed Value</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>90.19-2-19</b>	<b>\$661,200</b>	<b>\$100,400</b>	<b>\$560,800</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>90.19-2-19</b>	<b>\$661,200</b>	<b>\$100,400</b>	<b>\$560,800</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>90.19-2-19</b>	<b>\$690,000</b>	<b>\$130,600</b>	<b>\$559,400</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>90.19-2-19</b>	<b>\$690,000</b>	<b>\$55,600</b>	<b>\$634,400</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>90.19-2-19</b>	<b>\$691,000</b>	<b>\$55,600</b>	<b>\$635,400</b>

and

520 North State Road, Town of Ossining, N.Y. 10562

Section 90.19, Block 2, Lot 20

Assessment Year	Tax ID No.	Original Assessed Value	Reduction	Final Assessed Value
2016	90.19-2-20	\$19,600	\$0	\$19,600
2017	90.19-2-20	\$19,600	\$0	\$19,600
2018	90.19-2-20	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300
2019	90.19-2-20	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300
2020	90.19-2-20	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300

And

520 North State Road, Ossining, N.Y. 10562

Section 90.19, Block 2, Lot 21

Assessment Year	Tax ID No.	Original Assessed Value	Reduction	Final Assessed Value
2016	90.19-2-21	\$19,600	\$0	\$19,600
2017	90.19-2-21	\$19,600	\$0	\$19,600
2018	90.19-2-21	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300
2019	90.19-2-21	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300
2020	90.19-2-21	\$20,300	\$0	\$20,300

WHEREAS, any and all refunds necessitated by said settlement will be made without interest; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, upon the recommendation of the Assessor, concurred by The Counsel to The Town, finds the proposed settlement appropriate and in the best interest of the Town of Ossining; now therefore it is

RESOLVED, that settlement of the proceedings, on the terms set forth herein, is hereby accepted and approved, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, wherein such proceedings are pending; and it is further

RESOLVED, that The Counsel to The Town is hereby authorized and directed to procure and execute any documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and it is further

RESOLVED, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, that the Assessor is authorized and directed to make the changes and corrections to the individual unit assessment on the tax assessment roll of the Town of Ossining, which will be ordered pursuant to the Consent Judgment to be entered in accordance with the terms of this settlement, and the Receiver of Taxes is authorized and directed to process and pay the refund of Town of Ossining taxes estimated to be \$ 3,044.10, which will be ordered pursuant to said Consent Judgment.

Motion: Carried

**G. Resolution Modifying Town Board Meeting Schedule**

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following resolution be approved.

**WHEREAS, at its annual reorganizational meeting, the Town Board established by resolution its meeting schedule for the year, with its work sessions generally held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month and its legislative sessions generally held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, subject to certain modifications; and**

**WHEREAS, it has come to the Town Board's attention that there are certain conflicts with its meeting schedule that the Board wishes to address, including its June 22, 2021 legislative session that is the date of the primary, which the Town Clerk will be responsible for administering, and its September 9, 2021 work session that is the date of the Westchester Municipal Officers Association Meeting, which certain Town Board members will be attending; and**

**WHEREAS, the Town Board also wishes to cancel two work sessions over the summer in anticipation of lighter agendas due to Board members, Town employees and the public enjoying summer vacations; and**

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby modifies its meeting schedule as follows:**

- **The legislative session scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021 will be held on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7:30pm via Zoom videoconferencing in accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders 202.1 and 202.15, as subsequently extended**
- **The work session scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021 will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 7:30pm via Zoom videoconferencing in accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders 202.1, as subsequently extended, or if Zoom videoconferencing is no longer an option, at the Ossining Municipal Building, 16 Croton Avenue, Ossining, NY;**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby cancels the following Town Board meetings:**

- **Tuesday, July 20, 2021 work session**
- **Tuesday, August 17, 2021 work session**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to notice said meetings as required by law.**

**Supervisor Levenberg said the following: As the resolution states, there are a few changes we need to make to our schedule, first in order to avoid conflict with the upcoming primary election which our Clerk's office needs to supervise as our liaison to the Board of Elections, then over the summer to lighten our schedule as we have done in the past by cancelling two Work Sessions, and finally, to adjust our first Work Session in September to avoid both Rosh Hashanah and an upcoming Westchester Municipal Officials Association meeting.**

**Motion: Carried**

**H. Call for Public Hearing: Community Development Block Grant 2022-2024 Application Cycle**

**Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following resolution be approved.**

**Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby calls for a public hearing in the matter of the Town's applications to the Community**

**Development Block Grant 2022-2024 Application Cycle as part of the Westchester County Urban County Consortium to be held at 7:30pm on Monday, June 21, 2021; and**

**Be it further Resolved, that pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Orders 202.1 and 202.15, and subsequently extended, this public hearing will be held via videoconferencing only, with the information to participate in the public hearing to be duly noticed and circulated in accordance with the requirements for noticing public hearings.**

**Supervisor Levenberg said the following: In anticipation of the June 25 deadline for our CDBG grant applications, we will be holding a public hearing on June 21 for the public to comment on our proposed projects and budgets. We are still crunching the numbers, but we are hopeful that with this grant funding, we are able to complete some high impact, important projects for the community, without overburdening the taxpayers.**

**Motion: Carried**

**I. Personnel – Seasonal Intermediate Clerk – Town Justice Court**

**Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following resolution be approved.**

**Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining appoints Stephanie Coraisaca, Ossining, to the seasonal position of Intermediate Clerk in the Town Justice Court at an hourly rate of \$15, effective June 21, 2021.**

**Supervisor Levenberg said the following: Stephanie is a soon to be OHS grad, who will be helping out in our Justice Court over the summer while one of our full time employees is on maternity leave. The latest addition to our court arrived over the weekend – welcome Mila Lilley to the world! – so we can’t wait for Stephanie to get started.**

**Motion: Carried**

**J. Promotion – Appointment – Town of Ossining Highway Department**

**Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following resolution be approved.**

**Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining promotes Alicia Santucci from the temporary to probationary position of part-time Office Assistant (Automated Systems) in the Town of Ossining Highway Department, effective June 8, 2021; and**

**Be it further Resolved, that Ms. Santucci’s hourly rate remains at \$18 for 2021.**

**Supervisor Levenberg said the following: Although Alicia Santucci has been working part-time in our Highway Department for about a year and a half now, we had some things to straighten out with Civil Service with her title. Alicia recently passed the Civil Service test with flying colors, so we are finally clearing up the issue with Civil Service with this resolution. Thank you Alicia for all your hard work – we are happy to have you staying on for the long haul!**

**Motion: Carried**

**K. Contract – Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC.**

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher 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. (“SSKB”) for SSKB to curate a craft beverage corral during the 2021 Summer Concert Series and Fireworks Celebration events.

Supervisor Levenberg said the following: We are excited to be welcoming back Sing Sing Kill Brewery to the Summer Concert Series and finally bringing to life the Craft Beverage Corral SSKB had proposed for the 2020 season, which of course could not happen. This resolution approves a contract with SSKB laying out the terms of the Town’s relationship with the brewery for these events, and the next resolution approves the paperwork that needs to be completed for the State Liquor Authority to allow SSKB to obtain the necessary Special Events Permit for the summer.

Motion: Carried

L. New York State Liquor Authority Special Event Permit Application – Summer Concert Series and Fireworks Celebration

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the Landlord Authorization Form for the New York State Liquor Authority Special Event Permit Application made by Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC, for the craft beverage corral at the Summer Concert Series and Fireworks Celebration at Louis Engel Park on Fridays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, September 3, 2021 with rain dates for the July and August concerts for the Sundays following the scheduled Friday dates, and for the September Fireworks Celebration of September 10, 2021; and

Be it further Resolved, that the applicant will provide proof of insurance and the letter of indemnity to the Town in a form acceptable to Counsel to the Town.

Motion: Carried

M. Tax Payment Plan – 18 Forest Avenue

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

Whereas, the Town of Ossining is required to collect Town, County and School taxes for the municipality, with the onus on the Town to make whole the County and School District for any uncollected taxes; and

Whereas, the Receiver of Taxes has been approached by a property owner requesting a short-term payment plan for the property at 18 Forest Avenue, Tax Parcel Designation ID# 89.16-4-64; and

Whereas, the Town Board, pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 180 of the Ossining Town Code, as authorized by section 1184 of the New York Real Property Tax Law, before entry of a final judgment, may withdraw a parcel for which payment of real property taxes is delinquent, from a foreclosure proceeding and enter into an installment plan for payment of all delinquent taxes, as well as interest and penalties, and does occasionally grant such a plan and has the discretion to accept or reject any proposal by a residential property owner, providing the owner meets the eligibility requirements set forth in section 180-17 of the Town Code and the payment plan conforms to

the requirements for such a repayment plan set forth in section 180-18 of the Town Code;

Now, therefore be it Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby grants the aforementioned payment plan, which terms comply with the Town Code, to this property owner, who has been determined to be eligible, with the understanding that this sets no precedent going forward for this or any other property in the future.

Motion: Carried

**N. Memorandum of Understanding – 593 North State Road**

Councilmember Shaw moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following resolution be approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into a memorandum of understanding with 593 North State Road LLC, the owner of 593 North State Road, Ossining, New York, with respect to a Town water main located underneath its property.

Motion: Carried

**O. Stormwater Management System Maintenance and Easement Agreement – Parth Knolls**

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

WHEREAS, as a condition of the site plan approval granted by the Planning Board, Parth Knolls LLC is required to enter into a stormwater facilities maintenance agreement with the Town to ensure the stormwater management system approved by the Planning Board is constructed and installed by the Applicant in accordance with the approved project documents and all applicable NYSDEC regulations, standards and guidelines for the project and thereafter is maintained, cleaned, repaired, replaced and restored in perpetuity by the Applicant to ensure optimum performance; and

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute a Stormwater Management System Maintenance and Easement Agreement with Parth Knolls LLC, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Supervisor is authorized to sign all documents reasonably necessary to have the agreement recorded with the County Clerk.

Supervisor Levenberg said the following: The Parth Knolls project is close to obtaining its temporary Certificate of Occupancy and the site plan approval stipulates that a Stormwater Management System Maintenance and Easement agreement needs to be executed with the Town prior to obtaining the temporary CO. Thank you to our Town Counsel, Christie Addona and Kathy Zalantis for helping to shepherd these remaining administrative items along.

Motion: Carried

**VIII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED**

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following correspondence:

- Planning Board Minutes – May 5, 2021

Motion: Carried

**IX. MONTHLY REPORTS**

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw 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 May 2021:

- Town Building Department
- Tax Receiver
- Town Clerk
- GE Helicopter
- Highway Department
- Town Supervisor

Motion: Carried

**X. VISITOR RECOGNITION**

*Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to speak*

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:47 P.M., Councilmember Wilcher motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for advice of counsel and contracts and Councilmember Shaw seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:38 P.M., Councilmember Feldman motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Shaw seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:38 P.M., Councilmember Wilcher motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Shaw seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:

  
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Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk