



**TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE/COURT FACILITY
86-88 SPRING STREET
OSSINING, NEW YORK**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2011
7:30 P.M.**

**SUPERVISOR
Catherine Borgia**

**COUNCILMEMBERS
Geoffrey Harter Michael L. Tawil
Peter Tripodi Northern Wilcher**

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

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on February 8, 2011 in the Police/Court Facility, 86-88 Spring Street in Ossining. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Catherine Borgia. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Geoffrey Harter, Michael Tawil, Peter Tripodi and Northern Wilcher. Also present were Town Attorney Wayne Spector and Town Clerk Mary Ann Roberts.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilman Tawil announced that the Board of Education will hold a Hearing at the Roosevelt School on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. regarding the bonding for facility improvements.

Supervisor Borgia announced that the Town of Ossining Police Department has donated a uniform to the Ossining Historical Society.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Bobby Williams, Spring Street, questioned Resolution D (Resignations: Police Lieutenant & Police Sergeants) whether there was a reverter clause after the three year contract. In other words, if the Marriage doesn't last, what are the options?

Supervisor Borgia responded that either party can terminate the IMA with one year notice. If we were reconstituting our Police Department, there is no requirement for the Town to re-hire the officers or the former officers to return to the department. Town Attorney Wayne Spector stated that no special position has been created.

Art Sullivan, Town Outside Resident, questioned whether the Town Outside is still left with a part time officer. Supervisor Borgia responded that there is still a Part Time Officer/Court Officer, Chief and an officer out on 207C still on the payroll.

IV. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Tawil moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Harter that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the January 25, 2011 Minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Harter moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Tawil that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated February 8, 2011 in the amount of \$50,833.78 for 2010 and \$358,115.92 for 2011; for a total of \$408,949.70

Vote: 4-0-1
Voting Aye: Wilcher,
Tawil, Harter Borgia
Voting Nay: Tripodi

C. Calling for a Public Hearing on the application for a Cabaret License for the Tuscan Grille, 581 North State Road, Briarcliff Manor

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Tawil that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby calls for a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 7:30p.m. in the Police/Court facility, 86-88 Spring Street in Ossining, in the matter of the application of the Tuscan Grille, 518 North State Road, Briarcliff Manor, for a Cabaret License for 2011.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Resignations: Police Lieutenant & Police Sergeants

Councilmember Tawil moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Harter that the following be approved:

Whereas, the Police Lieutenant & Police Sergeants have accepted positions with the Westchester County Department of Public Safety effective January 31, 2011 at 12:00a.m.; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the resignation of the following Officers effective January 30, 2011 at 11:59 p.m.

Police Lieutenant	James Provenzano
Police Sergeant	William Thomas
Police Sergeant	Vincent Ragaini
Police Sergeant	Brian Scott

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health – Employee Assistance Services

Councilmember Tawil moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health to provide Employee Assistance Services (EAP) to the Town. The contract is for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Vote: 4-1-0
Voting Aye: Wilcher,
Tawil, Harter Borgia
Abstaining: Tripodi

V. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Harter moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Tawil that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the monthly reports for the month of January 2011 from the Building Department, Tax Receiver's Office and Town Clerk's Office.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VI. VISITOR RECOGNITION

Bobby Williams, Spring Street, suggested that the public attend the School Board Meeting tomorrow night to review the impact on the enlargement of our schools. His major concern is the achievement gap between the minority students and the lower income students.

Art Sullivan, Town Outside Resident, questioned not only the gas necessary for these vehicles but also the insurance, maintenance, replacement as well as mileage. Part time employees in the corporate world usually do not have health insurance. Supervisor Borgia and Councilman Tawil responded that a number of Corporations such as Star Bucks do offer health insurance.

VII. ADJOURNMENT –EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL

At 7:30 P.M. Councilmember Tawil moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the meeting be adjourned.

Approved:

Mary Ann Roberts, Town Clerk