



**TOWN BOARD  
TOWN OF OSSINING  
OSSINING MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
16 CROTON AVENUE – OSSINING, NEW YORK  
MARCH 19, 2019  
SPECIAL MEETING  
7:30 P.M.**

**SUPERVISOR  
Dana A. Levenberg**

**COUNCILMEMBERS  
Karen M. D’Attore Elizabeth R. Feldman  
Jackie G. Shaw Northern Wilcher, Jr.**

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

The Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on March 19, 2018 in the Ossining Municipal Building 16 Croton Avenue-1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room in Ossining. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Dana A. Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Karen M. D’Attore, Elizabeth R. Feldman, Northern Wilcher Jr. and Jackie G. Shaw. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz and Deputy Town Clerk Ann Marie Rocco

Supervisor Levenberg asked to please remain standing while we observe a moment of silence for all those lost or injured in the tragic mosque shootings in Christchurch, New Zealand.

I wish these moments could add up to a solution to end gun violence worldwide. As we mourn the loss of innocent victims of hate crimes, we must continue to work together on solutions to reduce these incidents in whatever way we can at all levels of government.

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Levenberg announced the following:

Anyone else feel the weather warming up a little? That means it's time for baseball and softball season -- sign up soon for Ossining JCYS Spring Youth Baseball and Softball. Opening day is April 6th, which will be here before you know it. Register at [www.ossiningjcysll.com](http://www.ossiningjcysll.com).

On Thursday, March 21st, join your friends and neighbors at Mike Risko Music on Croton Avenue for Open Mic Night. Starting at 8PM, come to this free event and hear some Ossining locals rock out—you could be one of them, if you sign up in advance by calling 762-8757 or sending a note to [Mail@riskomusic.com](mailto:Mail@riskomusic.com).

Get your tickets now for next weekend's performance of "The Outsiders," Theater O's middle school winter production. I got a sneak peak of the set last night, and some of the kids who will be performing, and it looks like it is bound to be fantastic. The play, by Christopher Sergel, based on the novel by S.E. Hinton, is a powerful drama about friendship, class identity, and young people who are not yet hopeless about latent decency in the midst of struggle. Performances will be held at the Bethany Arts Community on March 21st - 23rd at 7pm. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at [www.theatero.org](http://www.theatero.org).

Next Saturday, March 23rd at 7:30pm, Good Choice Kitchen welcomes local musicians Fred Gillen Jr. and Sarah Browne for an evening of live music. Both Fred and Sarah will perform solo, then combine their prolific singer/songwriter

talents as a duo, joining their poetic folk styles for what is sure to be an excellent performance.

On Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, Village Historian Dana White will present “The History of Croton Avenue” at the Elks Lodge, which also happens to be on Croton Avenue. Doors open at 6:30PM for this fundraiser to benefit Greater Ossining TV-- \$15 per person includes one glass of house wine, and there will be a cash bar and light refreshments available.

On Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, author, actor, activist, and radio host, Malachy McCourt (brother of the late and legendary author, Frank McCourt), will be visiting the Ossining Public Library's Budarz Theater to discuss his newest book, *Death Need Not Be Fatal*, and share his musings on life with his trademark wit. Copies of the book will be available courtesy of the Village Bookstore in Pleasantville.

On Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30PM, visit the Shattemuc Yacht Club for the Ferry Sloops event, “Sing Sing: A History.” Ossining Village Historian Dana White will be walking us through the surprising ways that our famous prison has shaped the Village, and give an update on the Sing Sing Prison Museum project. Come at 6:30 with a dish to share and enjoy a potluck supper. This event is free, all are welcome.

April 15<sup>th</sup> is right around the corner, and you know what that means! If you need some help preparing your 2018 taxes, check out this program at the Ossining Public Library. You could also call IFCA at (914) 941-5252 to see if you qualify for their free VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program.

Finally, as you get a jump start on spring cleaning this weekend, don't forget to sign up for the Green Ossining Community-Wide Tag Sale on May 4<sup>th</sup>. For \$25, you will receive a double sided sign to advertise the sale, as well as a link to your home and the items you have for sale through the Green Ossining website, and inclusion in social media and Pennysaver promotion for the sale. Learn more at [www.greenossining.org](http://www.greenossining.org) – the deadline to register is April 19<sup>th</sup>!

Councilmember Shaw announced the following:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> annual ENU expo will be Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Ossining High School.
- Shout out to the Ossining High School students who are in the Science Research program, they had their competition over the weekend and there were 58 awards given out to our students. 3 of our high school students will be moving on to the international competition.

### III. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

#### A. Resolution Declaring Vehicle As Surplus And Authorizing Disposal

Councilmember D'Attore moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw that the following resolution be approved.

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Ossining hereby declares the following vehicles as surplus equipment and authorizes disposal in accordance with New York State law by sale or otherwise “as is”:

**PARKS DEPARTMENT:**

#23 2008 GMC 550 Dump body style VIN# 1GDE5C3918F407381

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

#82 2003 ELGIN PELICAN P9100S BODY STYLE VIN# PL4045T2778951

#65 2001 DODGE 3500 UTILITY STYLE VIN# 3B6MF36541M560708

#53 2003 INTERNATIONAL 7400 Dump body style VIN# 1HTWEADRO3J055866

#62 1996 CHEVY 3500 Dump body style VIN# 1FBTK3HR7TE265017  
 #73 2001 JEEP CHEROKEE VIN# 1J4FF48S21L601376  
 WESTERN PLOW 10FT  
 MOHAWK LIFT NO VIN

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT:**  
 2007 CHEVY IMPALA 4DSA VIN# 2G1WT58K579202586

Supervisor Levenberg stated that we are declaring 9 vehicles from our Parks, Highway, and Building Departments as surplus and will be putting them up for auction later this week. Hopefully within the next few weeks, we will get some interested bidders and we will be able to sell some of this older equipment that is no longer of use to the town. We will benefit from both the space this will free us and the revenue.

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

**B. Resolution: Retirement Credit for Elected and Appointed Officials**

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

Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember D’Attore that the following resolution be amended.

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Ossining/30042 hereby establishes the following standard work days for these titles and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on their record of activities:**

Title	Standard Work Day	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Current Term Begin & End Dates	Record of Activities Result
Receiver of Taxes	7	Holly Perlowitz			1/1/18-12/31/21	23.95
Town Board Member	7	Jackie Shaw			1/1/19-12/31/21	5.79

Supervisor Levenberg stated that as Per the New York State and Local Retirement Systems, all employees that do not have a standard timekeeping system (for example, a set number of sick, personal, and vacation days) like elected officials, must keep a calendar of their activity for three months at the beginning of their terms so their time in service can be accurately reported to the retirement system. As our Tax Receiver Holly Perlowitz and Town Board Member Jackie Shaw fit in this category and recently started new terms, the Town Board must adopt their “Record of Activities” to be reported to the retirement system. This is a bit of a complicated process and formula, so thank you to Maddi Zachacz and Victoria Cafarelli in my office for coordinating this effort to get our elected officials reported correctly to the retirement system.

**Motion Carried: 4-0-1**  
**Ayes: Wilcher, Feldman, D’Attore & Levenberg**  
**Abstain: Shaw**

**C. Town of Ossining Budget Adjustments**  
**YE 12/31/2018**

**Councilmember Wilcher moved and it  
was seconded by Councilmember Jackie  
that the following resolution be  
approved:**

**General Fund**

**Supervisor**

1001220.406 Office & Sppls. Exp	500.00	500.00	1001220.40901 Conferences
	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	

**Assessment**

1001355.201 Equipment	950.00	950.00	1001355.400 Contractual
	<u>950.00</u>	<u>950.00</u>	

**Clerk**

1001410.406 Office & Sppls. Exp	100.00		
1001410.201 Equipment	1700.00	1800.00	1001420.457 Legal Services
	<u>1800.00</u>	<u>1800.00</u>	

**Municipal Building**

1001620.407 Maint/Rpr Offic Equip	6600.00	6600.00	1001650.402 Telephone
	<u>6600.00</u>	<u>6600.00</u>	

**Parks**

1007110.435 Uniforms	50.00	50.00	1007110.411 Unleaded
	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	

**Benefits**

1009080.800 Life Insurance	800.00	800.00	1009060.800 Health Insurance
	<u>800.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	

**General Fund Total:**

10700.00      10700.00

**TOV Fund**

**Law**

2001420.425 Labor Counsel	100.00	100.00	2001320.450 Auditor
	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	

**Safety Inspection**

2003620.400 Trees-Contractl	350.00	350.00	2003620.402 Telephone
	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	

**TOV Fund Total:**

450.00      450.00

**Highway Fund**

**Street Administration**

3105010.402 Telephone	850.00		
3105010.425 Labor Counsel	180.00	1030.00	3105010.110 Part Time
	<u>1030.00</u>	<u>1030.00</u>	

**Street Maintenance**

3105110.412 Diesel Fuel	250.00	250.00	3105110.411 Unleaded
	<u>250.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>	

<b>Benefits</b>			
3109080.800 Life Insurance	350.00	350.00	3109060.800 Health Insurance
	350.00	350.00	
<b>Highway Fund Total:</b>	1630.00	1630.00	

Supervisor Levenberg stated that with less than 2 weeks until the audit team from O'Connor Davies joins us at 16 Croton Avenue, we still have a bit of legwork to do before they arrive. These budget adjustments should be some of the last! Special thanks to Deputy Town Comptroller Dale Ferreira for staying on top of this and making sure we are all squared away.

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

**D. Resolution- 64 Gordon Avenue**

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

WHEREAS, it recently came to the Town Board's attention that the deed dated July 9, 1998 by which the Town conveyed the property known as 64 Gordon Avenue to the current owner of the property at auction was never recorded in the Office of the County Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to record a deed reflecting the transaction, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute a revised deed confirming the conveyance of the property effective July 9, 1998 and any other documents necessary to facilitate the recording of the deed.

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

**IV.ADJOURNMENT- WORK SESSION**

At 7:41 p.m., Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

At 10:20 p.m. Councilmember Wilcher motioned to leave Exec and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw.

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

Approved:

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Town Clerk Mary Ann Roberts