

# MINUTES TOWN BOARD TOWN OF OSSINING IN PERSON AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING 3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 16 CROTON AVE – OSSINING, NEW YORK AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

December 27, 2023 REGULAR MEETING 8:30 A.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 December 27, 2023 at the Municipal Building 3rd Floor Conference Room 16 Croton Ave – Ossining, New York And Via Video Conferencing. The meeting was called to order at 8:33 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth R. Feldman. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Angelo A. Manicchio, and Matthew Weiss. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona (via Zoom) and Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca.

# II. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Supervisor Feldman said the Following:** 

- Brush pickup will be impacted by the holiday calendar. Brush will be picked up on Thursday December 28<sup>th</sup>.
- If you know of someone who needs food and shelter as we enter the coldest days of the season, they should meet at the Open Door in Ossining daily at 8:00pm and look for the white van. Open Door is located at 165 Main Street. More information by calling 914.645.1482.
- There is a Retirement Walk-Out for retiring Police Chief Kevin Sylvester on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm.
- Swearing In of Elected Officials for both Town of Ossining and Village of Ossining will be January 1<sup>st</sup> at noon at the Rec Center 95 Broadway.
- There is a Winter Coat Drive going on now with collection points at the OPH Family Resource Center (located at 109 Croton Avenue) and Bethany Arts Center. They are collecting coats, jackets, hoodies, hats, mittens and gloves.
- The Westchester County Bee-Line Busses will be free for all residents December 16<sup>th</sup>-January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Westchester County Job Fair will be held at the Westchester County Center in White Plains on January 18<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup>, and April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Westchester County Police are currently hiring Seasonal Park Rangers. Go to publicsafety.westchestergov.com.
- Also, the MTA is hiring Bus Operators. Go to mta.info/busoperator.
- Westchester County has a grant program available to assist with removal of lead-based paint from homes in the county. For more information, search "lead safe Westchester".
- Need help with your winter utility bills? Go to the New York State Department of Public Services at www.dps/ny.gov/winter.

- As always, our Ossining Public Library will be hosting a bevy of events including laser tag, book groups, and films. Please see their website at ossininglibrary.org.
- Applications are now open for the Bethany Arts Center's Fourth Annual Poetry Residency. Go to their website for details. Deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Village of Ossining is holding a Winter Break Camp for kids in grades K-6 on December 27-29.
- Tarot and Astrology Readings for the new year will be available at Hudson Valley Books for Humanity, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:00-5:00pm.
- Sing Sing Kill Brewery hosts NFL Sundays every Sunday throughout the season. The fun starts at 1:00pm each week.

#### III. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

 Highway Superintendent & Dale Cemetery Peter Connolly Pete Connolly Provided an updated for the latest on the Highway Department. He also spoke about the recent storms.
 On the Cemetery Part in 2023 there were 71 internments and 81 new deeds. Staff asks for any holiday decorations to be removed by January 15, 2024.

# IV. LIAISON REPORTS

# V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

# VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

# A. Approval of Minutes—November 28, 2023

Councilmember Manicchio 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 November 28, 2023 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

#### **Motion: Carried**

#### B. Approval of Minutes—December 12, 2023

Councilmember Manicchio 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 December 12, 2023 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

# **Motion: Carried**

# C. Approval of Minutes—Special Meeting – December 19, 2023

Councilmember Manicchio 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 December 19, 2023 minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

#### **Motion: Carried**

# D. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Manicchio 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 December 27, 2023 in the amount of \$964,850.53.

**Motion: Carried** 

#### E. Memorandum of Understanding – Westchester Records Online

Councilmember Manicchio 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 a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Ossining and Westchester County for staff remote access to the County Clerk's Westchester Records Online for 2024.

**Motion: Carried** 

#### VII. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Manicchio 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 November 2023:

• GE Helicopter

Motion: Carried

# VIII. VISITOR RECOGNITION

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

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:45 A.M., Councilmember Manicchio motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

**Motion Carried: Unanimously** 

**Approved:** 

Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk