

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

January 23, 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 January 24, 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, and Angelo A. Manicchio. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Town Clerk Jeaneth V. Guinansaca.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

- Maya Riviera – 2024 Cabaret

Public Hearing opened at 7:31 PM.

The following people commented at the Public Hearing:

- Vera Albrecht. 552 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Michael Castello. 10 Ryder Ave. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Rudolf Albrecht. 552 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Mark Rudovic. 533 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

At 7:43 PM Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Manicchio that the Public Hearing be closed.

- Flames Bar & Grill – 2024 Cabaret

Public Hearing opened at 7:43 PM.

The following people commented at the Public Hearing:

- Michael Castello. 10 Ryder Ave. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Vera Albrecht. 552 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Rudolf Albrecht. 552 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Mark Rudovic. 533 N. State Rd. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
- Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona.
- Councilmembers Angelo A. Manicchio.

At 7:53 PM Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Manicchio that the Public Hearing be closed.

III. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Feldman said the Following:

- The Tax Deadline for the 2nd Half of School Taxes is due Wednesday, January 31st. The Tax Receiver's Office will be open late hours until 6:00pm on January 30th and 31st.
- Due to the expiration of our initial grant funding, the 2024 EV Charging Rate for the chargers at our three parks is now \$2.50 per hour. This helps us cover the energy costs and maintenance of the stations.
- 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 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.
- Westchester County Job Fair will be held at the Westchester County Center in White Plains on February 8th, and April 30th.
- Westchester County Police are currently hiring Seasonal Park Rangers. Go to publicsafety.westchestergov.com.
- 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.
- Assemblywoman Dana Levenberg will host an Environmental Town Hall on Thursday, January 25th at 7:00pm at the Ossining Public Library.
- Bethany Arts Center, Theater O presents "They Promised Her the Moon" on January 25, 26, and 27.
- The Ossining Youth Bureau is beginning a program called OYES – Ossining Youth Engaged in Success – a program that creates a safe environment that builds and strengthens skills to enhance academics and social-emotional learning. For more information call 914.941.3189.

IV. LIAISON REPORTS

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes—Reorganizational Meeting – January 9, 2024

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the January 9, 2024 minutes of the Reorganizational Meeting as presented.

Motion: Carried

B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated January 23, 2024 in the amount of \$448,422.38.

Motion: Carried

C. Agreement – Planet Technologies

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Planet Technologies, 9801 Washingtonian Blvd, Suite 360, Gaithersburg, MD 20878 for a yearly subscription of Microsoft Azure, a computing platform that will be used for conditional access controls.

Motion: Carried

D. Contract – Hudson Engineering & Consulting, P.C.

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes the Supervisor to sign the proposal dated January 10, 2024 from Hudson Engineering & Consulting, P.C., 45 Knollwood RD, Suite 201, Elmsford, NY 10523 for professional engineering services for the Engel Park Water Quality Improvement Project.

Motion: Carried

VII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Manicchio 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 December 2023:

- Dale Cemetery

Motion: Carried

IX. VISITOR RECOGNITION

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

X. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for legal advice of counsel and Litigation, and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously


At 08:57 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Manicchio seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 10:08 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Manicchio seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk