



**TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
86-88 SPRING STREET
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE COURT FACILITY
OSSINING, NEW YORK
APRIL 12, 2017
7:30 P.M.**

**SUPERVISOR
Dana Levenberg**

**COUNCILMEMBERS
Karen M. D'Attore Elizabeth R. Feldman
Kim L. Jeffrey Northern Wilcher, Jr.**

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

Supervisor Levenberg asked everyone to please remain standing for a moment of silence for Marie Fuesy and her husband, Ralph Fuesy. Marie and Ralph were important members of the Town of Ossining family – Marie was Town Clerk for 18 years, until her retirement in 1999. Marie was also the first person to hold the title of Town/Village Clerk, when the position was created in 1993. Before her time with the Town and Village of Ossining, Marie was the Clerk of the Ossining School Board. Marie dedicated her career to the Ossining community with her husband Ralph standing by her side. Marie and Ralph died days apart recently, and they will certainly be missed. Please join me for a moment of silence for Marie and Ralph Fuesy.

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on April 12, 2017 at the Birdsall-Fagan Police Court Facility, 86-88 Spring Street Ossining, NY. The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Supervisor Dana Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Kim Jeffrey, Northern Wilcher and Elizabeth R. Feldman. Councilmember Karen D'Attore was absent. Also present were Town Counsel Steven Silverberg and Town Clerk Mary Ann Roberts. Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz was absent.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- **Public Hearing in the Matter of Local Law #2-2017 for the Purpose of Amending the Zoning and Cabaret Chapters of the Town Code”**

At 7:35 P.M., the Public Hearing was opened.

Supervisor Levenberg stated that tonight, we are starting with the continuation of the public hearing regarding Local Law #2 of 2017, which proposes amending the zoning and cabaret chapters of the Town Code. These amendments were originally envisioned as a way to codify the work that had been done on the Town's Comprehensive Plan first in 2002, and then most recently revised in 2015. We left off from our last public hearing deciding to change a section of Crotonville's zoning from NC to GB-1. Other than that, we have not discussed any substantive changes recently, so are hoping to put this to rest soon. However if there are a lot more public comments, or additional comments from the planning board, we may want to have an additional work session to discuss any other changes we think would be in the best interest of the Town.

Donna Sharrett read the following statement:

2017_04_12 Town Board Public Hearing comments re: Proposed Local Law # 2-2017

Re: Section 3.3: Section 200-18.D. Setback and screening requirements for nonresidential uses that are contiguous to residentially used or residentially zoned lots.

In Feb. 2014, I asked for increased zoning setbacks between the GB and residential properties, based on an objective in the Comprehensive Plan, months prior to Artis Senior Living's request to add Assisted Living as a usage in the GB district. My request was dismissed until after their zoning usage change and their project was approved. There needs to be more of a priority towards the protection for the environment, residential properties, and neighborhoods, and for what is often residents' greatest financial investment - their property.

The proposal of a 5 foot increase zoning buffer area and no increase for structure setbacks is inadequate. Our town's residents and natural resources should not bear the burden of a truly irresponsible decision to create a GB district in a narrow low lying flood plain corridor, adjacent to higher elevation residential properties, many of which predate the GB district.

You have the opportunity to ensure that adequate setbacks which respond to existing conditions are required for the few remaining GB properties to be developed.

With the benefit of hindsight provided by the site plan review for the Artis Senior Living development to be built behind me and my neighbor's properties, the reality is that our current zoning setbacks do not respond to the reality of the existing conditions which include wetlands and tributaries in the border areas between the GB and residential zones, nor do they respond to the higher elevation residential properties, which increases the difficulty of achieving adequate screening from the GB development as is the law.

Meaningful increases to the zoning buffer and structure setbacks for the few remaining developable GB properties would correct setbacks which have been inadequate from the start, setbacks that do not respond to existing conditions, do not adequately protect resident's properties, their investment, or their ability to enjoy their properties. This change is long overdue.

I ask that the Town Board require a 30 ft zoning buffer setback to allow room for the mature growth of screening plants and a 50 ft structure setback, changes that respond to existing conditions, and which would allow for the eventual screening for the adjacent residential properties from these developments.

Thank you for considering my comments, and for your work towards these code changes.

Daria Gregg Old Albany Post Road. She understands that Fioritio contracting would like it to stay as commercial. Ms. Bragg feels that this is the wrong thing to do. Hopes that the Board will change it to residential.

Edward Worden 30 Old Albany Post Road asked the Board to leave 39 Old Albany Post Road as a residential zone.

Barbara Henninger 55 Old Albany Post Road would like 39 Old Albany Post Road read the following statement:

My name is Barbara Henninger and I live at 55 Old Albany Post Rd.

I understand that the Town of Ossining has been studying the zoning for the small commercial district in Crotonville, where the corvette repair shop is. I understand that will remain commercial.

I understand than the empty house on the right, 39 Old Albany Post Rd. formerly owned by the Curtin Family has be purchased by Fiorito Contracting and is petitioning to have the property revert back to commercial zone.

Fiorito Contracting wishes to tear down the house and build a battery of commercial garages for trucks and other commercial vehicles.

Since this piece of property serves as a buffer from the current commercial businesses next door, it is necessary then that it remain residential.

Therefore, I hope you will vote to make this parcel residential.

Evelyn Garrett 45 Old Albany Post Road lives three house away from 39 Old Albany Post Road and would like 39 Old Albany Post Road to remain residential. She feels that we don't need any more commercial buildings in this area.

Jaimie Black Quaker Bridge Road would like the town to revisit the iron horse facility, initial agreement for the automotive shop and to rethink based on history what this area is supposed to be used for.

Steven Hampton resident of Cortlandt advised the Board that there is a development that is going to be built at the top of Quaker Bridge Road (92 bed rehab hospital). If this is approved, there will be a lot of traffic going through Crotonville

Patrick Viperman Morningside Drive echoed Ms. Sharrett's comments and asks the Board for some consideration of the set back.

Michael Pitkouvick 44 Old Albany Post Road would like 39 Old Albany Post Road to remain a residential zone.

The following emails were sent to the Town Board regarding this local Law

- **Dear Dana: I would like to share my views on the possible re-zoning of Crotonville. As a resident living at 21 Quaker Bridge Road, I have enjoyed my "sometime/winter" view of the river and the lifestyle in this area of Ossining Town. Yes, I am concerned about taxes in Ossining, but understand completely the need for the schools to support the success of all students and the cost that entails. Ossining's schools add value, not only to our homes, but to the quality of life in our town and the future lives of productive citizens, who will give back through their contributions.**

I do wholeheartedly support a change to a mixed-use zoning in our area. I do not think that industrial sites add to the residential environment that we enjoy. Certainly, I believe that entrepreneurs and manufacturing are critical to our future as a community and nation, providing economic benefit through employment and production. However, I think there are more appropriate sites for this kind of development. I do think that small commercial enterprises would be an advantage to all in our community, coffee shops, etc. that would be attractive to those who live in the community and others who enjoy the environmental assets, the aqueduct parks, for example, that we appreciate. One possible change that could help many who want to stay in their homes, but find the property taxes too daunting, would be a less challenging way to utilize a room or apartment in the home to generate additional income.

**Thank you for your kind attention to this input.
Sincerely,
Fran Wills**

- **Hi Dana:**

I am writing as a Crotonville neighborhood resident regarding the zoning change proposals.

I just learned that the new owner of the property with the abandoned house is hoping to build a commercial garage there. This would be terrible for the neighborhood which has been reveling in the expectation that the commercial properties would be down-zoned to residential.

I, and the other neighbors I have spoken to, assumed that either plan A or B would go through and would eliminate any possibility of that property going commercial.

Croton Ville is an undiscovered gem of a neighborhood. It is right on the Croton River and immediately across from the protected van Cortlandt Manor. This is in a sensitive time in our evolution as a community. We are trying to build a greater sense of neighborhood and trying to emphasize our historic beginnings. A commercial garage would push it in The wrong direction from both usage and aesthetic considerations.

Thank you for listening.

**Best Regards,
Gareth**

- I have lived and can continue to live with the current commercial district as it exists (in reality not paper) in Crotonville. However, the previous Curtin house that Fiorito Construction bought must be a buffer for our residential neighborhood. I want it to be developed as a residential property, not a commercial property with garages that will only more trucks to our residential neighborhood.**

Yours sincerely, Daria Gregg, 51 Old Albany Post Rd, Ossining (Crotonville), NY

- Dear Supervisor Levenberg and fellow Board Members:**

I am writing you as a resident of the Crotonville Section of the Town of Ossining. I realize that you have been working on zoning updates for this section of Ossining for over a year. I am writing in regard to the zoning at 39 Old Albany Post Rd, previously owned by the Curtin family and now owned by Fiorito Construction.

This property has been used as a residential building for decades and provides its neighbors a buffer from the current commercial businesses next door. Mr. Fiorito would like to have the zoning become or remain commercial so he can build storage garages. This is not in keeping with our neighborhood, which has improved over the years.

Commercial vehicular traffic, probably trucks in this case, will only make the intersection of Old Albany Post Road and Samstag more dangerous. This is an important school bus stop with mothers and their children waiting morning and afternoon for the buses. We do not have sidewalks in this neighborhood, so this means the mothers and children are waiting near the road. More commercial traffic only increases the danger for these mothers and children as they wait close to the road.

In addition more truck and other traffic will emit more diesel fuel fumes, which decreases the quality of our air in this residential district. Diesel fuel fumes have been shown to increase the incidence of asthma.

I hope you will vote to make this parcel residential. Mr. Fiorito can still make a profit by restoring this property as residential. It has some of the best views of the Hudson and Croton River Valleys. He should have no problem in making money on the property.

Keep this property and the other properties farther up Old Albany Post Road residential.

Yours sincerely,

Daria Gregg, 51 Old Albany Post Road, Ossining

- **Dear Supervisor Levenberg, Fellow Board Members, and Town Building Department**

When you discuss the above, I hope you keep in mind that there are a lot of issues regarding the request by Mr. Fiorito to have his newly acquired property become commercial with the purpose of building garages for his vehicles . First of all, I am glad that someone has purchased the property - it has remained vacant for quite a long time with the result that a lot of the side yard has slid to the property below, and, like any vacant property, its appearance gets worse over time.

My house is three houses down the road from #39 - It was built in the 18th century My 97-year old sister-in-law who grew up in Crotonville and still lives here (with the sharpest memory you could imagine) would tell me about the "olden days" and how the subject house (#39) and property used to be the finest on our "historic" Old Albany Post Road, a road that was the route to Albany in the 19th-20th centuries. You can't imagine the spectacular view from your car of the Hudson and Croton River valleys as you are driving around the bend by # 39 on Old Albany Post Road until you actually see it. It would be a shame to have this property used as garages for commercial vehicles, when it could become a home for someone to enjoy.

We also don't need any more traffic on this road. We have commuters from the development farther north who use this road daily, along with commercial vehicles. I know we can't stop progress, but I ask you to consider our community as you discuss the situation. Thank you.

**Evelyn Garrett
45 Old Albany Post Road
Ossining**

- **Dear Supervisor Levenberg and fellow Board Members:**

As a resident of the Crotonville Section of the Town of Ossining, for over 25 years, I am very concerned regarding the zoning at 39 Old Albany Post Rd.

As you are well aware, this property has been used as a residential building for decades and now the new owner, Mr. Fiorito, would like to have this property as a commercial property to build storage garages.

Our little neighborhood has had many improvements over the years. Building storage garages would certainly take away from our neighborhood, lead to more commercial traffic, and pose possible dangers for pedestrians, including children and parents waiting for school buses in the morning and afternoons.

Please consider making this parcel residential, for the beauty and safety of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Estel Matra, 54 Old Albany Post Road, Ossining

- Ruthanne and Edward H. Worden

30 Old Albany Post Road • Ossining • NY • 10562

April 4, 2017

Dear Supervisor Levenberg:

We are writing to you in regard to a proposed land use change for 39 Old Albany Post Road. This address, historically a residential property, is now owned by Fiorito Construction. Our understanding is that the new owner seeks to build storage garages for trucks on this property. We are in opposition to this plan as we believe it will have a deleterious effect on our neighborhood.

For 26 years we have been residents of 30 Old Albany Post Road, on the corner of Samstag and Old Albany Post Road in the Crotonville neighborhood in the town of Ossining. Over these years we have had a number of different neighbors but one thing has been constant – our neighborhood has a lot of families with young children who love to play outdoors.

We love the family-friendly character of our neighborhood but do have some safety concerns as there are no sidewalks on Old Albany Post Road and some drivers are less than attentive to the stop signs and speed limits on our street. There is a stop sign in front of our house that was put there to protect the children who wait for the school bus each morning. That intersection is only a few yards South of 39 Old Albany Post Road.

Putting in a garage for trucks would add to our safety concerns. Our street is not a wide one, and the absence of sidewalks makes it difficult for pedestrians. That is especially true of the curve adjacent to 39 Old Albany Post Road. The hill on the East side of the road prevents drivers and pedestrians from seeing around the corner. When we walk our dogs there we know to be especially careful as there is no place to go if two cars pass each other on the curve when we are walking there. Having a truck garage at that spot would make the corner even less safe.

Having a garage for trucks at 39 Old Albany Post Road would only make matters worse – and that's before taking air quality issues into consideration. Between the Corvette performance shop and Mr. Cheapee junk haulers, we already have a lot of car and truck exhaust to deal with.

The property possesses a lovely view of the Hudson River. Renovation of this home is certainly possible and likely profitable. We are requesting you keep this property residential.

**Thank you for your
consideration.**

Sincerely,

Ruthanne and Edward H. Worden

cc: Karen D'Attore, Elizabeth Feldman, Kim Jeffrey, Northern Wilcher

- **It has come to our attention, Barbara and Calvin Henninger residing at 55 Old Albany Post Road in the Crotonville section that Fiorito Construction**

has purchased 39 Old Albany Post Rd., a residential property owned by the Curtin Family. I also understand that Fiorito Construction has petitioned a zoning change to commercial.

This would be a disaster. At the moment, the property provides a buffer from the current commercial businesses next door.

Please do not change the zoning. Thank you.

Barbara and Calvin Henninger

- To Whom It May Concern, as a resident of 55 Old Albany Post Road, in the Crotonville section of Ossining, please do not grant Fiorito Construction a zoning change to the property that was purchased at 39 Old Albany Post Rd. The property was owned by Russell Curtin's family for years and he must be turning over in his grave at the thought. This property serves as a buffer to the existing commercial property next door.

It would be a disaster to grant this request to our neighborhood.

Thanks you.

Barbara and Calvin Henniger

Councilmember Feldman provided a brief history of this area. She stated when they first developed the area it was for railroad usage and it wasn't created as a sewer district.

At 8:05 P.M., Councilmember Wilcher moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the Public Hearing be adjourned until April 25, 2017.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Levenberg announced the following:

This week has been a quiet week around Ossining, as most of us take time to spend with our families during spring break and the Easter and Passover holidays. All Town Offices will be closing early this Friday, April 14th, in observance of Good Friday.

Also this Friday, please keep in mind that St. Ann's Church will be holding its annual Stations of the Cross Procession, beginning at 6pm and ending at 8:00 pm at the church. The procession will travel from St. Ann's on Eastern Avenue along Wolden Avenue to Maurice Avenue, crossing Route 9 to James Street, turning on Edward Street towards Park School, and then turning onto Spring Street and travelling towards Market Square. From Market Square, the procession will return to St. Ann's, crossing Route 9 from Church Street to Ellis Place. The procession will stop at Ossining High School, on Maurice Avenue, at Park School, and Market Square. Please be mindful of potential traffic changes, and follow the instructions of the Ossining Police Department as they assist participants.

On Saturday, if you are looking for baked goods to bring with you for your Easter celebration, visit the Ossining Historical Society Museum's tag sale from 10am until 4pm. Many hidden treasures will be for sale, as well as Easter baked goods. For more information on the bake sale, please contact Peter Cassidy at 845-721-7708.

It is finally starting to feel like spring, and it is just about time to start thinking about the many great events coming up in Ossining for the summer. The Jug Tavern Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 1st at 7:30pm, and will feature a presentation from Village Historian Dana White about Sing Sing Prison and its connection to the Sparta neighborhood in Ossining. Admission is free, but space is very limited, so plan ahead if this sounds of interest to you, and RSVP to info@jugtavern.org or 914-432-7281.

Also, on May 1st, the Briarcliff Rotary is joining a number of other businesses and organizations to sponsor a May Day event at Captain Lawrence Brewery in Elmsford from 6-9pm to benefit the many causes the Rotary supports. There will be beer, wine, food, entertainment and a silent auction. More information is available by emailing or calling Rotary president Scott Lanoff at scottl@asmhome.com or 888-942-8272.

I also want bring your attention to a great event that Mike and Miriam Risko launched last year, and is scheduled for June 21st this year– the summer solstice – Make Music Day Ossining-Briarcliff. We were the first community in Westchester to hold Make Music Day, and it was a huge success, highlighting the many talented musicians that call Ossining and Briarcliff home. This is an event that requires a great deal of planning and coordination, and thank the Riskos for their efforts doing this, so we hope to keep you up to date regarding this event as we get closer and closer to summer. For more information on being involved, please contact MikeRiskoMusicSchool.com or call 914-762-8757.

Finally, we have a lot to look forward to next week. We were recently told that the NYS DOT will be holding its second annual “Trash Blitz” clean up on Tuesday, April 18th, with a rain date of April 20th, which will include the section of Route 9A in Ossining. We often receive complaints about the litter and other debris on this section of 9A, so we are very excited that the DOT is being responsive to these complaints by including it in their Trash Blitz day.

Green Ossining has spent almost an entire year planning its 7th Annual Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 22nd at Louis Engel Park from 11am-4pm. The focus of this year’s festival will be food sustainability, highlighting the many organizations and businesses in Ossining that aim to remediate this important problem facing our world.

Also, on Saturday, April 22nd, the Ossining Historic Cemeteries Conservancy will be holding a gravestone cleaning & restoration workshop at Dale Cemetery from 9:00 am-12:00 noon. I hope you will be able to participate in these important community events.

I want to make sure everyone is invited to the grand re-opening of what was formerly known as the Shine House, and will now be known as the Cedar Lane Arts Center, on the afternoon of Friday, April 21st. Our Parks department has been working very hard to get this new building open (including paving the parking lot and entrance road this week!) and we are very excited to share the product of their hard work with the community. The invitation is on the Town’s website, please RSVP to Victoria in my office at vcafarelli@townofossining.com, or give our office a call at (914) 762-6001.

Councilmember D’Attore announced that on Monday, May 15th the Ossining Rotary will be hosting its annual golf outing. If you would like more information on this event please call John Crawford at 914-438-9843 or Howard Penn at 914-720-7483.

IV. LIAISON REPORTS

V. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Town Assessor Fernando Gonzalez: Town-wide Sales Data

Supervisor Levenberg stated that tonight we have Town Assessor Fernando Gonzalez here to deliver a departmental report regarding the Town-wide sales data recently compiled and published by the Assessor’s office, and available now on the Town’s website. Fernando will also discuss, along with our Town Prosecutor, Ben Leavitt, a resolution we will be considering about hiring a golf course appraiser to help us with two tax certioraris.

Mr. Gonzalez came to discuss the sales reports data compiled by his office, which allows all property owners and future property owners in Ossining to view current data on sales in their neighbourhoods. This is available on the Town's website at www.townofossining.com and is a great resource for all residents.

- May 1st is taxable status day, meaning all applications for exemptions are due on that day. Please be reminded that anyone that has Enhanced STAR, Senior, Volunteer Fireman's, Clergy, Disability or Religious/Non-Profit exemptions must submit all renewal documentation by May 1st for the 2017 assessment roll.
- Grievance Day is also scheduled for June 20th, which is the last day to file all assessment grievances and meet with the Board of Assessment Review to discuss your case.
- Mr. Gonzalez encourages all residents that feel their assessment is inaccurate to schedule a meeting with the Assessor's Office to discuss your property prior to June 1st, before turning to an expensive consultant.
- If you have any questions, please call the assessor's office at (914) 762-8393 and they will be happy to help.

Town Prosecutor Ben Levitt was present to discuss possibly hiring a golf course appraiser to help us with tax certiorari

Mr. Levitt explained that there are two cases for the Town. Through the courts there has been some downward pressure and it is in the Town's best interest to take a stand on this and these valuations. Therefore, it is necessary to hire a person that is experienced in this.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

VII. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes-Regular Meeting

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the March 28, 2017, Minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Minutes-Special Meeting

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the April 4, 2017, Minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated April 11, 2017 in the amount of \$299,231.72.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Resolution in Support of State Legislation for Tanker-Avoidance Zones

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

Whereas, the U.S. Coast Guard is currently considering a proposal to establish new anchorage areas along the Hudson River between Yonkers and Kingston; and

Whereas, the Town of Ossining is home to a beautiful and ecologically significant waterfront, including the Town's Louis Engel Waterfront Park, the integrity of which would be threatened by the U.S. Coast Guard's proposal, to say nothing of the economic impact that a potential spill could cause our property owners and local businesses who depend on the Hudson River as a driver for tourism; and

Whereas, the Town of Ossining has documented its concerns about the anchoring of petroleum-carrying tankers, including disrupting the economic vitality of the waterfront, endangering drinking water supplies, damaging fish habitat and detracting from scenic beauty and quality of life along the river (see Resolution of August 23rd, 2016); and

Whereas, New York State Assemblymember Didi Barrett has introduced Assembly Bill A06825, which would enable New York State agencies to consider environmental impacts in designating "tanker-avoidance zones"; and

Whereas, New York State Senator Sue Serino has introduced the same measure in the Senate as Bill S05197; and

Whereas this proposal would enable New York State to take a stronger role in controlling the placement of any anchorage areas for petroleum-carrying vessels, to ensure that the needs of the Hudson River and riverfront communities are protected;

Now therefore be it Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining expresses its support for Assembly Bill A06825 and Senate Bill S05197.

Supervisor Levenberg stated that a proposal was announced a number of months ago by the US Coast Guard to establish new anchorage areas along the Hudson River between Yonkers and Kingston. Joining with some fellow River Towns, we are concerned about how this proposal will impact Ossining's beautiful riverfront, including the Town's Louis Engel Park. There are currently bills being considered in the New York State Assembly and Senate to consider the environmental impacts of the Coast Guard's proposal, enabling New York State to protect the Hudson River, by playing a role in controlling the placement of anchorages for these petroleum-carrying ships and barges. We hope this new legislation will help maintain the beautiful waterfront in Ossining, as well as our neighbors up and down the Hudson.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Highway Department: Purchase of 2018 Freightliner

Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute two purchase orders towards the purchase of a 2018 Freightliner vehicle for the Town Highway Department, as planned for in the 2017 Operating Budget of the Town of Ossining and delineated as follows:

New York Freightliner- \$116,398.12 for 2018 Freightliner 108SD SRA Conventional cab chassis and extended warranty

Henderson Products, Inc.—\$94,714.00 for package including dual auger, 11’ reversible plow, and liquid 210 gallon pre-wet and slurry system

And be it further Resolved, that as per the Town’s Procurement Policy, these items are not subject to competitive bidding due to their inclusion on an Oneida County and New York State contract, respectively.

Supervisor Levenberg stated that the purchase of a freightliner vehicle for the Highway Department was planned and budgeted for in the 2017 Operating Budget. This vehicle was included on an Oneida County and New York State contract, in compliance with the Town’s procurement policy.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

F. Contract: Golf Property Analysts—Sleepy Hollow Country Club

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

Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be amended:

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign an Assessment Analysis and Appraisal Service contract with Golf Property Analysts of Conshohocken, Pennsylvania for valuation work on the Sleepy Hollow Country Club, with pricing in accordance with their proposal dated March 24th, 2017, pending approval as to form by Counsel to the Town.

Supervisor Levenberg stated that the Town has two golf courses within its jurisdiction. As the appraisal and assessment process is unique for golf courses, the Town will need to engage an expert consultant to determine an accurate valuation of these two properties.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

G. Contract: Golf Property Analysts—Trump National Golf Course

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

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign an Assessment Analysis and Appraisal Service contract with Golf Property Analysts of Conshohocken, Pennsylvania for valuation work on the Trump National Golf Club, with pricing in accordance with their proposal dated March 24th, 2017, pending approval as to form by Counsel to the Town.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

H. Finance- Capital Project #2017-5201- Route 9A/North State Road Improvements

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining authorizes establishment of Capital Project 2201, Route 9A/North State Road Improvements, to widen the intersection at 9A and North State Road, in partnership with the Village of Briarcliff Manor. The project budget of \$160,000 is funded by a transfer from General Fund Balance for \$80,000, and a grant from the State of New York for \$80,000.

Increase: 370.5110.200.5201 \$ 160,000 – Route 9A/North State Road Improvements (Expense)
Increase: 370050.503131.5201 \$ 80,000 – Route 9A/North State Road Improvements (Revenue)
Increase: 370030.3089.5201 \$ 80,000 – Route 9A/North State Road Improvements (Revenue)

Increase: 100060.4795 \$80,000 – Fund Balance (Revenue)
Increase: 1009550.905 \$80,000 – Transfer to Capital (Expense)

Supervisor Levenberg stated that this was the road widening project Briarcliff Village Manager Phil Zegarelli and Mayor Lori Sullivan from Briarcliff came to discuss with us at our last regular meeting where we had some back and forth about how we could appropriate funds for roads from Town General because we do not have an established fund for highway there. Subsequent to that meeting, we have had discussions with both our legal counsel and our auditors and have discovered that we can establish a fund in the Town General for highway expenses. We will do so, and then can appropriate the fund balance from our Town General fund to help this important road project that will serve all of us in the Town General catchment area.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

IX.CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

X.MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember D’Attore moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Wilcher that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the month of March 2017:

- **Town Clerk’s Office**
- **Town Tax Receiver’s Office**
- **Supervisor’s Office**

Motion Carried: Unanimously

XI.VISITOR RECOGNITION

XII.ADJOURNMENT-EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL AND LEGAL ADVICE

Supervisor Levenberg stated the following:

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Town Hall meeting next Tuesday, April 18th – we will be at the Budarz Theater in the Ossining Public Library and will have several special guests making presentations to the Board. I hope you will join us for this exciting meeting. Again, just a reminder, all Town offices will be closing at 12noon on Friday in observance of Good Friday. This week marks important holidays for so many in our community, so I would like to wish everyone a Happy Passover and Happy Easter.

At 9:00 P.M., Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:

Mary Ann Roberts Village Clerk