



MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
16 CROTON AVE – OSSINING, NEW YORK
JANUARY 7, 2020
SPECIAL MEETING
8:17 P.M.

SUPERVISOR
Dana A. Levenberg

COUNCILMEMBERS
Elizabeth R. Feldman Gregory G. Meyer
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 January 7, 2020 in the Town Municipal Building, 16 Croton Ave in Ossining. The meeting was called to order at 8:17 p.m. by Supervisor Dana A. Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Jackie G. Shaw, Elizabeth R. Feldman and Gregory G. Meyer. Also present was Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz. Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, and Confidential Secretary Victoria Cafarelli. Councilmember Northern Wilcher Jr. was absent.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. LIAISON REPORTS

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

V. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes—Special Meeting – December 17, 2019

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the December 17, 2019 minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

Motion: Carried

B. Personnel- Resignation

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts, with regret, the resignation of Intermediate Clerk (Spanish Speaking) Ana Gerena-George, effective January 10th, 2020.

Motion: Carried

C. Personnel- Resignation

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts, with regret, the resignation of Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz, effective January 10th, 2020.

Motion: Carried

D. Personnel- Promotion

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby promotes Victoria Cafarelli, Ossining, from the position of Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor to the position of Budget Officer, effective January 13th, 2020, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$80,000.

Motion: Carried

E. Personnel- Appointment

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining appoints Alban Sylaj, Peekskill, to the probationary full time position of Park Groundskeeper (Step 1), effective January 2nd, 2020, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$61,105.

Motion: Carried

F. Resolution Retaining Attorneys to Represent the Town

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

Resolved, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute an agreement retaining Silverberg Zalantis LLP to provide general legal services to the Town of Ossining for 2020.

Motion: Carried

G. Resolution Retaining Special Counsel to Represent the Town

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

RESOLVED: the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute an agreement retaining Stephen P. Dewey, Esq. to provide prosecutorial services and tax certiorari assistance to the Town of Ossining for 2020.

Motion: Carried

H. Food Scrap Recycling Program – Teatown Lake Reservation

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Teatown Lake Reservation, Inc. for an educational campaign associated with the Town’s food scrap recycling program in the amount of \$28,800 to be funded by a grant from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Motion: Carried

VI. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

VII. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Shaw 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 2019:

- Town Supervisor’s Office**
- Town Building Department**

Motion: Carried

VIII. VISITOR RECOGNITION

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

IX. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 P.M., Councilmember Feldman motioned to enter into Executive Session for Advice of Counsel and Councilmember Shaw seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:33 P.M., Councilmember Shaw motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Feldman seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:33 P.M., Councilmember Feldman motioned to adjourn Executive Session and Councilmember Shaw seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously