



**TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
86-88 SPRING STREET
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE COURT FACILITY
OSSINING, NEW YORK**

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2016
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

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on September 27, 2016 at the Birdsall-Fagan Police Court/Facility, 86-88 Spring Street in Ossining. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Dana Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Elizabeth R. Feldman, Karen D'Attore and Kim Jeffrey. Councilmember Northern Wilcher Jr. was absent. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tom Addona and Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz and Town Clerk Mary Ann Roberts.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Levenberg read the following statement:

Good evening, everyone, and welcome to the September 27th, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Town of Ossining. Please stand for the pledge.

This evening, we have a very short meeting, but I do have many announcements to share, as we have been hard at work in the Town of Ossining on a variety of exciting projects. Before we get to that, I want to remind everyone that today is National Voter Registration Day. We are truly at a pivotal time in national politics, and whatever your political beliefs, I'm sure you will agree that the stakes are especially high this time around. Our country is slowly creeping out of a recession, our housing market is rebounding, and many of us are starting to spend the way we once did, albeit with trepidation. The upcoming election has the ability to influence this recovery. For everyone out there who thinks their vote doesn't count, just remember: you shouldn't complain about the outcome if you do not participate. If you aren't registered, you can get signed up at nationalvoterregistrationday.org, it will take just 2 minutes of your time, and you can register online or on a paper form mailed in and postmarked by October 14th to allow you to vote in the November 8th, 2016 election. You can apply in person at the Westchester County Board of Elections through October 19th, 2016 on Quarropas Street in White Plains. If you need an absentee ballot, you can download an application for one, or request one be sent to you by mail, at www.elections.ny.gov.

This Thursday, be sure to visit the Ossining Community Center for the Annual Senior Fair, sponsored by Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and State Senator David Carlucci. You can visit over 50 local vendors and get an idea of resources available to our seniors and their caregivers in our community. The event begins at 10AM and lasts until 1PM.

On Thursday night, we have two Ribbon Cuttings to celebrate some exciting movement in Ossining, including the official opening of Hudson Link's new building

at 23 State Street at 5PM, and Family Veterinary Care at 320 North Highland Avenue at 6:30PM. We also got to visit First Village Coffee yesterday afternoon, and I can tell you that the coffee they're pulling is top notch. Make sure to stop in and see them at 123 Main Street and add something delicious to your day.

On Friday evening, join Gullotta House in celebrating their one year anniversary with an event at the DoubleTree Tarrytown. Enjoy complimentary punch, appetizers and live music, and spend some time celebrating the tremendous work Gullotta House has done for the greater Ossining community to date! If this is what they can do in one year, I can't wait to see what's next! Visit gullottahouse.org for more information.

On Saturday, October 1st, don't miss Green Ossining's community-wide tag sale! While registration is closed for folks who want to sell, treasure hunters can map out your trail online by visiting www.greenossining.org. The sale will be between 10AM and 4PM, so start planning your day now! Just in case, the rain date is Sunday, October 2nd.

In between treasure hauls, stop by Market Square, also this Saturday, for Fall Family Fun Day, hosted by the Ossining Recreation Department. Between 10AM and 1PM, enjoy pumpkin painting, hayrides, a pie eating contest, live music, face painting, and, everyone's favorite, apple cider and donuts! Come down for this awesome free event to kick off the fall season in Ossining.

On Saturday night, the Baker-Collyer Christmas Cheer Fund will be holding a fundraiser at Scarborough Presbyterian Church in Briarcliff Manor, featuring Art, Literature and Music of the Hudson Valley by world-renowned Countertenor Nicholas Tamanga and Ossining's own Rachael Alexander on violin. The concert begins at 6PM. Tickets are available at www.thebakercollyerchristmascheerfund.com.

We are also continuing our plans for New York State's Organ Donor Enrollment Day, scheduled for Thursday, October 6th. Support Team Ossining! Next Thursday, volunteers all over the state will hit the streets to get people to join the national registry. Did you know that of the 120,000 Americans waiting for organ transplants, 10,000 are New Yorkers? And if that weren't bad enough, New York is also 50 out of 50 in the US for organ donor enrollment. So we are partnering with our friends around the community to change that. Team Ossining, with volunteers representing the Town, Village, OVAC, OPL, Ossining Schools, OPD, OFD, the Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce, and the offices of Assemblywoman Sandy Galef, State Senator David Carlucci, and County Legislator Catherine Borgia will be hitting the streets all day on Thursday to get Ossining informed and enrolled! We hope to see you at Walgreens, DD's Diner, the Wobble Café, the Landmark Diner, the Ossining Public Library, Club Fit, and the Joseph G. Caputo Community Center, and at Open Door's Voter Registration Table—you will recognize Team Ossining by our brightly colored t-shirts! Check out enrollmentday.org for more information on this exciting event.

Finally, it's not too soon to start thinking about Halloween, because Ossining Historic Cemeteries Conservancy has put their tickets on sale for the 2016 Haunted Hayride at Cedar Lane Park on Saturday, October 29th! Visit www.forestOfears.org for more information or to purchase tickets, which are only available online and are anticipated to sell out quickly! New this year is the Gyro Uno food truck and food from the Wobble Café, a fortune teller, old-fashioned carnival games and DJ Johnny G spinning some scary-good tunes! Proceeds go to support the OHCC, so make sure to buy your tickets today. Check out the cool t-shirts on the website, too!

As for our agenda this evening, we have a few sets of minutes to approve, along with a voucher detail report, and two resolutions. After accepting some monthly reports from our departments, we will adjourn into Executive Session. Do any of my colleagues have any other announcements?

Councilmember Jeffrey announced that this year's Forest O Fears event requires more adults than years prior. Please send Fern Quezada an email at FernQ666@gmail.com or call her at 914-414-9909. If you can't help but would like to attend visit www.forestofears.org to purchase your tickets!

III. LIAISON REPORTS

IV. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes

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 approves the September 13, 2016, Minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember D'Attore 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 September 20, 2016, Minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

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 approves the Voucher Detail Report dated September 27, 2016 in the amount of \$265,477.08

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Moving Meeting Date for Yom Kippur Holiday

Councilmember D'Attore moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be approved:

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Ossining had previously moved the Tuesday, October 11th Legislative Session to Wednesday, October 12th to account for the Yom Kippur holiday; and

Whereas, the date of the meeting did not properly allow for observance of the holiday;

Now therefore be it Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining does hereby re-schedule the aforementioned meeting to Thursday, October 13th, 2016 at 9A.M. at 16 Croton Avenue in the 3rd Floor Conference Room.

Supervisor Levenberg stated: When we held our Re-Organizational Meeting in January of 2016, we identified several meeting dates that needed to be moved to properly observe holidays and scheduling conflicts, including the meeting scheduled

for Tuesday, October 11th, which fell on the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur. Unfortunately, we did not move the meeting quite far enough out from the holiday to allow full observance, so we will be again moving the scheduled meeting by one day to Thursday, October 13th at 9AM. This will likely be a short meeting to accept minutes, pay bills, and address any pressing business that cannot wait until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Calling for a Public Hearing in the Matter of Local Law #9 of 2016- Extending A Moratorium on Construction within the Town of Ossining

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 calls for a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, October 18th at 7:30 P.M. in the 1st Floor Board Room, Town/Village Hall, 16 Croton Avenue, Ossining NY, 10562, in the matter of Local Law #9 of 2016, regarding the extension of the imposition of a temporary moratorium on development within the Town of Ossining to allow for a planning and zoning analysis consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

Supervisor Levenberg stated: As you may know, in June of 2016, the Town Board passed a local law enacting a development moratorium in the Town of Ossining which was scheduled to last four months. The reason for the moratorium was to allow for the members of this Board to examine the recommendations and suggestions made in the Comprehensive Plan and study whether they were appropriate to adopt into the Town Code by local law. Our Planning Consultant, David Stolman of FP Clark, submitted to this Board an analysis of the recommendations, and then began work on developing a local law to reflect those findings. At this time, that conversation is not yet complete, nor is the local law, and we expect that it will take another few weeks to wrap up. At the advice of Counsel, we will be proposing an additional local law to extend the moratorium until which time as the Board sees the full evaluation conducted by Mr. Stolman and the consequent Local Law is crafted, vetted by the public, and adopted. We will be holding a Special Meeting at our October 18th Work Session for just this purpose.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

Councilmember D'Attore moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the Planning Board Work Session meeting minutes dated September 7, 2016.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember D'Attore moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Jeffrey that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the August of 2016:

- Tax Receiver's Office
- Dale Cemetery
- Town Senior Center

Motion Carried: Unanimously

IX. VISITOR RECOGNITION

X. ADJOURNMENT – EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL, CONTRACTS & POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Supervisor Levenberg wished a Happy New Year to our Jewish Friends who will be celebrating Rosh Hashanah starting at sundown on Sunday, October 2nd. May you have a sweet year!

At 7:50 P.M., Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session

At 9:44 P.M. Councilmember Jeffrey made a motion to leave Executive Session and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman.

At 9:45 P.M. Councilmember Feldman made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Councilmember D’Attore.

Approved:

Mary Ann Roberts Village Clerk