

**TOWN OF ORANGETOWN
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016**

This Special Town Board Meeting was opened at 12:05 p.m. Supervisor Stewart presided and Charlotte Madigan, Town Clerk, called the roll. Present were:

	Councilman Denis Troy
	Councilman Gerald Bottari
Absent:	Councilman Thomas Diviny
	Councilman Valentine
Also present:	Charlotte Madigan, Town Clerk
	John Edwards, Town Attorney
	Jeff Bencik, Finance Director

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the Town Clerk, Charlotte Madigan

RESOLUTION NO. 222

**HOMES FOR HEROES GREEN INNOVATION
PROJECT / INTENT TO ASSUME LEAD
AGENCY STATUS UNDER SEQRA, AND
RELATED ACTIONS**

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Troy and was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Town of Orangetown (the "Town") is authorized pursuant to § 64 subdivisions (2), (8) and 11(a) of the N.Y.S. Town Law, to acquire and hold title to real property for a public purpose, including the improvement of same with drainage facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town has made application to United States, acting through the Secretary of Health and Human Services, to acquire a certain parcel of real property, consisting of approximately 6.387± acres of largely vacant land, located at 335 Western Highway, Tappan, New York 10983 (a part of Tax Lot 74.18-3-48 on the Tax Map of the Town of Orangetown), formerly a part of the Camp Shanks Military installation (the "Premises"), for the purpose of improving the said parcel as a stormwater drainage facility that includes the removal of approximately 20,000 square feet of abandoned pavement, and the installation of "green" drainage infrastructure and water quality treatment facilities, dramatically reducing phosphorous and other contamination from the existing runoff, as well as the level of existing runoff, all of which presently enter the Sparkill Creek, a tributary of the Hudson River, in the immediate vicinity of the property (the "Homes For Heroes Green Innovation Project" or the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the proposed improvement of the Premises, as aforesaid, the Town has applied to the Environmental Facilities Corporation ("EFC") for eligibility for funding from the Green Innovation Grant Program to finance the cost of the said Project; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received confirmation from the EFC that the Homes For Heroes Green Innovation Project is eligible for 90% reimbursement of the total cost of the Project up to \$895,000, with a 10% local fund match; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition and improvement of the property in the manner contemplated are actions subject to review under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to proceed with the acquisition of the Premises and the Project, toward which end it wishes to commence the coordinated environmental review process, as well as review by other interested agencies; and

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the proposed action, the Board makes the following preliminary determinations:

1. The proposed action is one subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”);
2. The proposed action as an “Unlisted” action under SEQRA; and
3. The following are involved or interested in the review process:
 - United States of America, acting through the Secretary of Health and Human Services;
 - Environmental Facilities Corporation;
 - Rockland County Highway Department;
 - Rockland County Drainage Agency;
 - N.Y.S. Department of Environmental Conservation;
 - Orangetown Planning Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the purpose of coordinated environmental review of the actions under SEQRA, and directs that a Lead Agency Coordination Letter with relevant documents be circulated to and among the various above referenced agencies.

Ayes: Supervisor Stewart, Councilperson Troy
Councilperson Bottari
Noes: None
Absent: Councilpersons Diviny, Valentine

RESOLUTION NO. 223

**RENEW EXTENSION AGREEMENT
WILSON ELSER/GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
REPRESENTATION FOR 2016**

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Troy and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the extension of an agreement with the law firm of Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP (“Counsel”) to serve as Government Affairs Counsel, to the Town in New York State, for the period of 04/18/2016 through 12/31/2016.

Ayes: Supervisor Stewart, Councilperson Troy
Councilperson Bottari
Noes: None
Absent: Councilpersons Diviny, Valentine

RESOLUTION NO. 224

ADJOURNED

Supervisor Stewart offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Troy and was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, at 12:15 p.m. the Town Board adjourned.

Ayes: Supervisor Stewart, Councilperson Troy
Councilperson Bottari
Noes: None
Absent: Councilpersons Diviny, Valentine

Charlotte Madigan, Town Clerk