



TOWN OF ORANGETOWN TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday July 27, 2021

This Town Board Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM.

Councilperson Denis Troy	_____
Councilperson Thomas Diviny	_____
Councilperson Paul Valentine	_____
Councilperson Jerry Bottari	_____
Supervisor Teresa M. Kenny	_____

☼ Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ **Car thefts are still occurring so please make sure you remove all valuables including your key FOB from your vehicles, and remember to lock the doors.**
- ◆ **HERITAGE AND HISTORY AWARDS & CELEBRATION** on July 31st at 1 p.m. being presented by NYS Senator Elijah Reichlin-Melnick at the Orangetown Museum in the Depew House to the following honorees:
 - ★ **Mary Cardenas - *Orangetown Historian***
 - ★ **Joyce Sharrock Cole - *Ossining Village Historian***
 - ★ **Ed England - *President of the Mount Moor Association***
 - ★ **Alan Moskin - *Holocaust Liberator and WWII Vet***
 - ★ **Chief Dwaine Perry - *Chief of the Ramapo Lanape Tribe***
 - ★ **Win Perry - *John Green Preservation Coalition***
- ◆ **Orangetown's Do Not Knock Registry / List of residences and businesses in which door-to-door commercial solicitation is prohibited / Call the Town Clerk's Office to put your address on the list and receive a decal to display by your door / (845)-359-5100 x5004**

PRESENTATIONS:

- ◆ **Chris Pagliaroli, Troop 2055 of Blauvelt has earned the rank of Eagle Scout / He revitalized Depot Square Park in Sparkill / The beneficiary of Chris's project is the John M. Perry American Legion Post #1044, and Commander Dave Mart is here tonight to say a few words of appreciation.**

DISCUSSION:

◆ **WORKSHOP OF AGENDA ITEMS**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

RESOLVED, that the public portion is hereby opened.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

2. **CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

RESOLVED, that the public portion is hereby closed.

AGENDA ITEMS:

TOWN BOARD

3. **APPROVE / SUPERVISOR TO SIGN UNIFORM QUALIFIED ASSIGNMENT WITH NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE & ANNUITY CORPORATION / WORKERS' COMPENSATION**

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the Uniform Qualified Assignment with New York Life Insurance & Annuity Corporation regarding the assignment of a workers' compensation claim to New York Life pursuant to the Town's workers compensation policy.

4. **APPROVE / APPLY FOR FUNDING / 2021 CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION (CFA) / SMART GROWTH COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE (NYSDOS) / CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (NYSDEC) / TOWN OF ORANGETOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Orangetown, after due consideration, has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to undertake the necessary activities for the submittal of a grant application under the 2021 NYSDOS Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program & 2021 NYSDEC Climate Smart Communities Grant Program for development of a new comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is hereby committed to using municipal funds to provide a local cash match of at least ten percent (10%) of the total project cost under the NYSDOS Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program, and a local cash match of at least fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost under the NYSDEC Climate Smart Communities Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program grant request will not exceed the maximum request of \$100,000 or ninety (90%) of eligible project costs to complete the study; and the Climate Smart Communities Grant Program grant request will not exceed the maximum request of \$100,000 or (50%) of eligible project costs to complete the study; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Orangetown is hereby committed to using municipal funds to provide a local cash match of ten percent (10%) of the total project cost for the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program and a local cash match of fifty percent (50%) for the Climate Smart Communities Grant Program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to submit an application for the “Town of Orangetown Comprehensive Plan Update Project” and to execute all documents necessary for the implementation of this work relating to the financial and/or administrative processes of the grant program, subject to review and approval of the Town Attorney’s Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) provides that certain actions identified in subdivision (c) of that section are not subject to environmental review under the Environmental Conservation Law and the proposed preliminary planning and necessary budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of the comprehensive plan project has been determined to be a Type II action under SEQRA 617.5(c)(27) and no further review is necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon notice of award, the Director of Finance of the Town of Orangetown is hereby authorized and directed to establish Capital Account H.1622.200.10 which represents the local share of the project not grant funded; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to the extent all or any actions hereby authorized have been executed and/or performed by the Supervisor all are hereby ratified and confirmed and this Resolution take effect immediately.

5. **APPROVE / SERVICE AGREEMENT / ENVIRO-MASTER SERVICES / COVID-19 DISINFECTION / TOWN BUILDINGS / EFFECTIVE APRIL 3, 2020**

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the service agreement with Enviro-Master Services regarding disinfecting Town buildings during the COVID-19 pandemic, as set forth more fully in the agreement, effective April 3, 2020, nunc pro tunc.

6. **APPROVE / ORANGETOWN 2022 BUDGET CALENDAR**

WHEREAS, Article 8 of the Town Law of the State of New York provides for a budget system for a Town and the Town Board wishes to set up a budget schedule as provided in Article 8 of the Town Law by designating various dates to implement the 2022 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following dates are hereby set as official dates of the Town of Orangetown for the submission and adoption of the budget as required by law;

SEPTEMBER 08, 2021 (Wednesday): Special Town Board Meeting at 5:30 P.M. will take place regarding the 2022 budget hearing at Town Hall, Orangeburg, New York, to include all department heads;

SEPTEMBER 28, 2021: At the RTBM of the Town Board at 7:00 P.M., the Town Clerk shall distribute to the Town Board the 2021 Tentative Budget for the Town and the Finance Department will publish it on the Town's website;

SEPTEMBER 28, 2021: Schedule a Public Hearing for October 12, 2021, 7:00 P.M. regarding the Blauvelt Fire District contract;

SEPTEMBER 28, 2021: Schedule Public Hearings for October 12, 2021, 7:10 P.M. regarding the library districts for one year contract (Blauvelt, Orangeburg, Tappan, and Palisades);

SEPTEMBER 28, 2021: Schedule a Public Hearing for October 12, 2021, 7:30 P.M. regarding the Preliminary Budget;

OCTOBER 12, 2021: Last day for the Town Board to complete review of Tentative Budget and file the Preliminary Budget with the Town Clerk, and for the Finance Department to publish on the Town's website;

OCTOBER 12, 2021: Adjourn Public Hearing of Preliminary Budget to November 09, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 09, 2021: At 7:00 P.M. a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget shall be held at Town Hall, Orangeburg, New York. At the conclusion of the Hearing, the Town Board may by resolution adopt a final budget, by either accepting or amending the Preliminary Budget and said budget may become the legally Adopted Budget for the Town of Orangetown for the year commencing January 1, 2022.

HIGHWAY

7. **ACCEPT RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT / THOMAS IACOBELLIS / HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT / EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2021**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation from the Superintendent of Highways, the Town Board accepts with regret the resignation/retirement of **THOMAS IACOBELLIS**, Highway Maintenance Supervisor, in the Highway Department, effective May 31, 2021.

PARKS AND RECREATION

8. **ACCEPT RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT / ROBERT HANDWERG / PARKS AND RECREATION AND BUILDINGS / EFFECTIVE JULY 17, 2021**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation and Buildings, that the Town Board hereby accepts with regret, the resignation / retirement of **ROBERT HANDWERG**, Grounds Equipment Repairer / Groundswoker from the Parks and Recreation Buildings Department, effective July 17, 2021.

DEME

9. **APPOINT / CHRISTOPHER BOTTARI / ASSISTANT OPERATOR GRADE 2 (WASTEWATER) / EFFECTIVE JULY 28, 2021**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Rockland County Personnel and the Commissioner of DEME, Christopher Bottari is hereby appointed to Assistant Operator Grade 2 (Wastewater) Grade 14, Step 1, at an annual salary \$69,420.00 (probationary), effective July 28, 2021.

10. **APPOINT STEPHEN FORDHAM / MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR (SEWERAGE SYSTEMS) / DEME / EFFECTIVE JULY 28, 2021**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of Rockland County Personnel, and the Commissioner of DEME, the Town Board hereby grants Stephen Fordham a NCP-T&E (Non-Competitive Promotion-Training & Experience) in the position of Maintenance Supervisor (Sewerage Systems) Grade 20, Step 19:24, at an annual salary of \$132,511.00 effective July 28, 2021.

ASSESSOR

11. **ADOPT / CURRENT BASE PERCENTAGES AND ADJUSTED BASE PROPORTIONS / 2021 TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Assessor, the Town Board hereby adopts the Certificate of Current Homestead Base Proportions and Adjusted Base Proportions (forms 6701 & 6703) pursuant to Article 19, Section 1903 of New York State Real Property Tax Law for the Levy of Taxes on the 2021 Assessment Roll, and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to affix a Town certification.

AUDIT

12. PAY VOUCHERS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, Jeffrey Bencik, the Finance Office is hereby authorized to pay vouchers for a total amount of two (2) warrants (attached) for a total of \$1,338,356.58.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED, at _____ pm, the Town Board entered Executive Session to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation.

ADJOURNMENTS

14. RE-ENTER RTBM / ADJOURNED / MEMORY

RESOLVED, at _____ pm, the Town Board re-entered the Regular Town Board Meeting and adjourned in memory of:

❖ **Philomena Fasano**, *105 years, Resident of Pearl River*