

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2019 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD AT THE TOWN HOUSE, 179 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, N.Y., COMMENCING AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR KEVIN HANSAN, COUNCIL MEMBERS: DANIEL PASCHKES, JODY SULLIVAN, DAVID DOW AND DIANE BRIGGS

ALSO PRESENT: DEPUTY SUPERVISOR ALI BOAK
CHIEF OF STAFF NICOLE ENGEL
DEPUTY TOWN ATTORNEY JOHN LOVELESS, ESQ.

ABSENT: TOWN CLERK JOANNE PACE

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye to hold an Executive Session on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for a personnel matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Pound Ridge Elementary School will have a Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sale on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. They will also be honoring Donarde Roach for his years of service with the maintenance department at Pound Ridge Elementary School.
- Pound Ridge Conservation Board is hosting Climate Impacts on Sunday, November 17, 2019 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Conant Hall. A distinguished panel will address state and county legislation regarding climate impacts.
- Pound Ridge Community Church has a Jazz Vespers event at 4:00 p.m.
- Toys for Tots have their boxes available for toys November 6th through December 20th. You will find the boxes at the Police Station, Blind Charlies and the Pound Ridge Square.
- The Business Association will have their annual tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 7th at 5:00 p.m. in front of the Fire House. On the same day, Booksy Galore will have a reading and Little Beans Toy Store will host a craft making event both at 4:00 p.m.
- Pound Ridge Community Church will have their annual cookie walk on December 7th from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES: Acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of the Town Board meeting held on November 7, 2019 and ratify decision

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilwoman Briggs, all voting aye to accept the Town Board minutes of November 7, 2019.

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Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye to accept the decision made at Executive Session to hire Daniel Wilkenloh as MEO in the Highway Department effective Monday, November 25, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Friends of Pound Ridge-approval for skating rink in Town Park**

The Town Attorney requested more of an understanding of what the Friends of Pound Ridge were proposing for the skating rink along with formal plans to be reviewed by the Building Inspector. They brought their formal proposal to Jim Perry, Building Inspector, and he suggested making the overall size of the rink smaller than proposed to 100' x 100'. He also suggested dropping the proposed water level from 6" to 3" with a minimum of 2" in case of rain water filling the rink too high and to also keep the weight down to protect the underlying turf.

Councilman Paschkes had heard some concerns regarding the condition of the turf after the rink is removed. Max Mosolino, Friends of Pound Ridge, responded by saying they read up on this and as long as the rink is removed quickly in late February or early March, the turf will still germinate.

Anthony Girardi, Conservation Board, and turf expert agreed with what Max said and to also be careful when eliminating the water from the rink. Instead of letting it flow over onto the turf, they should pump the water out.

RESOLUTION #: 201-19

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves of the Ice Skating Rink in the Town Park to be installed and monitored by the Friends of Pound Ridge with a hard stop date of February 28, 2020.

- **Town Clerk – approval for sale of cemetery plots**

RESOLUTION #: 202-19

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Dow, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sell Plot # 384-1, Section 3 in the amount of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for one gravesite to Edward Kleiner, 29 Hemlock Hill Road, Pound Ridge, NY 10576, AND BE IT

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sell Plot #: 103, 1 & 2, Section 3 to Jean-Pascal Simon and Nancy Volin, 44 Lower Shad Road, Pound Ridge, NY 10576 in the amount of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars for two gravesites.

- **Wastewater Task Force – update**

Ali Boak, Co-Chair of the Wastewater Task Force and Ellen Ivens, Co-Chair introduced the members of the WTF, James Best, David Dow, Stacy French, Ted Downey, Phil Sears, Peter Marchetti, Peter Vogel, Phil Sears and Max Mosolino. The mission of the Pound Ridge Water/Wastewater Task Force is to assist the Town of Pound Ridge create a long-term wastewater solution for the Scotts Corner Business District.

Ali reported that the Tasks-Completed are:

- Review existing studies and determining the need and scope of further study or mapping.
- Conduct a feasibility study and prepare an engineering report.
- There is now a final Scotts Corner Wastewater Engineering Report along with an addendum. This lays out an engineering solution.

There are Tasks-Ongoing:

- Work collaboratively to manage the process of defining the project area.
- Advise the Town on matters related to developing a wastewater strategy.
- Create a multi-pronged funding strategy for the project that includes Federal/State and other sources of grant funding.
- Keep the Town Board apprised of relevant meetings, trainings, and new developments in technology related to wastewater treatment.

Upon receiving the public release of the final Engineering report, the timeline for the formation of the water/wastewater district is projected to be 2020-2022. The task force will continue to pursue funding sources for the project. All three Business Districts were studied and will be included in the project.

Ellen Ivens spoke about how the existing septic systems in the business district are over utilized and the conditions are not sustainable. She also mentioned that we have to take into consideration climate change and frequency of rain waters and flooding. There is no current water system, so Lombardo Associates evaluated eight properties and selected four as proposed disposal site candidates. They are 29 acres-Lower Trinity Pass; the Town Park; Old Pound Road and Barnegat Road. The properties must be town-owned in order to get the appropriate permits to put in the leach fields.

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An existing open agreement from 1973 allows the Town rights to draw water from Aquarion Reservoirs in Pound Ridge. They would tap into the Aquarion Water Company system tank at the Golf Course or Lower Trinity Pass/High Ridge Road and supply fire hydrants in Scotts Corner.

There was an addendum #1 added in October 2019:

- Test pits performed at 2 properties- 29 Acres and Barnegat Road
- Extra capacity needed
- Additional test pits to be done in Town Park
- Town Park and 29 Acres could potentially handle design flow
- If not-groundwater modeling (MODFLOW)

Ali explained the strategy for funding the project. There is a need to pursue outside funding sources like Environmental Protection; Economic Development; Infrastructure Improvement. The Task Force has also identified two grant opportunities; NYS Department of Environmental (DEC) and NYS Environmental Facility Corporation (EFC).

The next step would be to form a Water and Wastewater District. The Task Force will interview law firms to assist with the formation of the water district. There would have to be a referendum to be voted on by the property owners to approve the Water District. Phil Sears is helping with the SEQRA process and they will coordinate with the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Supervisor Hansan thanked them for all their work and efforts.

- **Joel Seligman-introduction to successor and update on plans for Northern Westchester Hospital**

Joel introduced Derek Anderson, the new President of Northern Westchester Hospital. He went on to say how outstanding Northern Westchester Hospital has become with a state of the art cancer treatment and wellness center and extensive clinical trial center with superb support services. They also have three robotic surgery machines performing many surgeries except heart surgeries. They also have one of the top ten master surgeons performing the robotic surgeries.

Derek Anderson explained many of the advanced services offered through Northern Westchester Hospital and offered at Chappaqua Crossings. There have been studies for obesity and vaping as well which are becoming public health crises. High School students are working on a project to alert the community about the vaping problems in today's society. Another great addition is House Calls being offered with physicians, nurse practitioners and case managers going into the hard to reach communities and help the residents plan their health care and connect with resources in their communities instead of constantly going to the emergency room.

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Councilman Paschkes personally thanked Joel Seligman for his tenure. Supervisor Hansan presented a proclamation from the Town Board thanking Joel for his services over the years.

- **Liaison Reports**

Town Board liaisons reported updates on their Boards and Commissions meetings.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- **Water Control Commission – bond releases**

RESOLUTION #: 203-19

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilwoman Sullivan, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars to Mark Rosenberg Revocable Trust, 11 Shad Road West, Pound Ridge, NY, Bond #:2013-03 for construction within the 150' wetlands regulated area. The work has been completed in accordance with the Code of the Town of Pound Ridge in the State of New York building requirements, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars to Community Based Services, Inc., 3 Fields Lane, North Salem, NY, Bond #2013-07 for construction within the 150' wetlands regulated area at 4 Lower Shad Road, Pound Ridge, NY. The work has been completed in accordance with the Code of the Town of Pound Ridge in the State of New York building requirements AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars to Glen Sulam, 27 Threshing Rock Rd., Pound Ridge, NY, Bond #2015-09 for construction within the 150' wetlands regulated area. The work has been completed in accordance with the Code of the Town of Pound Ridge in the State of New York building requirements,

- **Monthly Reports**

The monthly reports have been received from the various departments and are on file with the Town Clerk's office.

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- **Pay Bills**

RESOLUTION #: 204-19

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, Board polled, motion passing 3-0 with Councilwoman Briggs abstaining, to authorize payment of bills:

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Briggs has audited claims for payment and has reported that same could be paid, Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and is hereby authorized to pay the following claims for payment provided there are sufficient funds in the account to which a claim may be charged:

GENERAL FUND	G		\$
HIGHWAY FUND	D		\$
TRUST AND AGENCY	T		\$
CAPITAL	H		\$ 0

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye to adjourn the Town Board meeting and to reconvene as Parking District Commissioners.

RECONVENE AS THE PARKING DISTRICT COMMISSION

- **Pay Bills**

RESOLUTION #: 205-19

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilwoman Sullivan, motion carried 3-0 with Councilwoman Briggs abstaining on the following:

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Briggs has audited claims for payment and has reported that same could be paid, Now, Therefore, Be It

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PARKING DISTRICT	ST		\$
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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Joanne Pace
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
November 19, 2019