

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 04, 2016 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD AT THE TOWN HOUSE, 179
WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, NY, COMMENCING AT 8:00 PM

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR RICHARD LYMAN; COUNCIL MEMBERS: DANIEL
PASCHKES, BONNIE SCHWARTZ, JODY SULLIVAN AND DAVID
DOW

ALSO PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY, WILLIAM P. HARRINGTON, ESQ.
TOWN CLERK, JOANNE PACE
DEPUTY SUPERVISOR, JONATHAN POWERS

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

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilwoman Schwartz,
all voting aye to hold an Executive Session immediately following the Town Board
meeting for a legal matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

**MINUTES: Acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of Town Board Meetings on
January 14, 2016.**

RESOLUTION #: 37-16

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of
Town Board Meetings on January 14, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion continues on CCA

Mike Gordon, Co-Chair Sustainable Westchester and Glen Weinberg, Sustainable
Westchester were present to answer questions and concerns regarding the latest version
of the MOU for the CCA program presented to the Town Board. Supervisor Lyman is
still uncomfortable with the fact that they weeded out 70+ suppliers and narrowed it
down to approximately 10 suppliers and not necessarily going for the cheapest possible
rate. They are also required to have renewables versus being affordable. The whole idea
behind this program was to have cheaper energy rates for our residents.

Mike Gordon stated that the MOU is precisely the same focus that was stated initially.
They will guarantee that the price will always be lower than NYSEG rates and there will

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be a savings between 5% and 10% to the residents. The utmost value and compliant price is a fixed price for three (3) years. The residents will see the most value if the costs go up to historical levels, roughly 20% increase. The security would be on the price and there is no penalty option to switch back.

The Town Board members expressed that the potential savings for our residents is not significant enough to make the change. There is also the administrative costs that concern the Town Board. As much as the Sustainable Westchester and the supplier would take the responsibility of administrative actions, the Town of Pound Ridge would have some responsibility and that would require having personnel to do some of the work and bear some of the expense. Counsel expressed that the fact that this is a “pilot program” and the Town Board should be cautious before rushing into this program. After lengthy discussion, the Town Board decided to opt out at this time and possibly revisit it when the next group of municipalities may join in. It makes sense to see how the program works before joining.

RESOLUTION #: 38-16

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Sullivan, seconded by Supervisor Lyman, the Town Board polled and motion passing 5-0 on the side of being cautious on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby chooses not to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for the CCA program at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Resolution on NYS School Tax**

Supervisor Lyman received a draft resolution requesting the reform of NYS Public Education Funding originating from the Orange County Association of Towns asking our municipality to pass the resolution regarding changes to the funding formula for NYS schools. Supervisor Lyman contacted the Bedford Central School Board to see how they felt about this and they sort of liked the idea of sales tax acting as a supplement to the property tax but they also shared the same concerns that Supervisor Lyman felt involving Albany in a resolution like this. They felt that if they were going to approach the Legislature, they should have a specific formula in mind first rather than inviting them to come up with a formula of their own. The Town Board did not take any action on this.

- **Discussion on revising Zoning Chapter 113 Article VIII Special Use Permits-
modify language in 113-50 to provide relief for simple applications**

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Supervisor Lyman drafted language that would be a preamble within Section 113-50 and he asked the Town Board to make any changes and then he would sit down with James Perry, Building Inspector, to get his input. The Planning Board would also be asked for their input. It will be put on the February 11, 2016 Town Board agenda for review and decision.

- **Pound Ridge Garden Club-approval to use the Town House dining room on June 24, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**

RESOLUTION #: 39 -16

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Pound Ridge Garden Club to host the judges for their 75th Anniversary Flower Show on Friday, June 24, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Town House Dining Room. The Garden Club will be responsible for all supplies and clean up.

- **Recreation Commission appointments**

RESOLUTION #: 40-16

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

RESOLVED, that Councilman Dow nominates Lincoln Cleveland as a member of the Recreation Commission with term expiration of 2020, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Councilwoman Sullivan nominates Dawn Levine-Davidson as a member of the Recreation Commission with term expiration of 2022, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Councilman Paschkes nominates Daniel MacDonald as a member of the Recreation Commission with a term expiration of 2019.

- **Town Clerk – authorization to sell Cemetery Plot**

RESOLUTION #: 41 -16

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

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes that the Supervisor be and is hereby authorized to sell cemetery plot# 214, Section 3 to John and Eileen Flynn, 9 Ledge Road, Rowayton, CT 06853 in the amount of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars for two gravesites.

- **Authorization to advertise for Highway Road Materials bid**

RESOLUTION #: 42 -16

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to go to bid for the annual Highway Materials.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- **Recreation Department-authorization to refund deposit fee for Conant Hall**

RESOLUTION #: 43-16

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of five hundred (\$500) dollars to Hannah Klotz, 8 White Birch Road, Pound Ridge, NY for the use of Conant Hall December, 2015 for a birthday party, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of five hundred (\$500) dollars to Kathryn Casey, 170 Thorne Road, Eastham, MA for a memorial service, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of five hundred (\$500) dollars to Kevin Matson, 7 Falcon Wood Ct., Bedford, NY for the Bedford Pound Ridge Baseball Association use of Conant Hall for a fundraiser, AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of five hundred (\$500) dollars to Douglas Aspros, 39 Scofield Road, Pound Ridge, NY for the Garden Club's use of Conant Hall.

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Water Control Commission – authorization to release bonds

RESOLUTION #: 44-16

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the release of the following
Water Control bonds as all the work has been completed satisfactorily:

Clyde Davis, 10 Tatomuck Circle, #2015-13 in the amount of \$2,500
Larry Gottlieb, 28 E. Kinnicutt Road, #2015-06 in the amount of \$5,000
Audra Zuckerman, 38 Old Stone Hill Road, #2014-08 in the amount of \$10,000.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board,
Supervisor Lyman adjourned the regular meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Joanne Pace
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
February 8, 2016