

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2018 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, DAVID DOW AND DIANE BRIGGS

ALSO PRESENT: TOWN CLERK, JOANNE PACE
TOWN ATTORNEY, WILLIAM P. HARRINGTON
DEPUTY SUPERVISOR ALISON BOAK

ABSENT: COUNCILWOMAN JODY SULLIVAN

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

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Dow, all voting aye to hold an Executive Session on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. for personnel matters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Supervisor Hansan announced that the annual Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018 at the Town Park and invited everyone to attend.

MINUTES: Acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of the Town Board meeting held on October 4, 2018.

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Dow, seconded by Councilwoman Briggs, all voting aye to accept the Town Board meeting minutes of October 4, 2018.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Town Clerk – Award Fuel Oil Bid for 2018-2019**

Three sealed bids for furnishing fuel oil for all the municipal buildings in the Town of Pound Ridge were received on Tuesday, October 2, 2018. The Town Clerk advertised in the Record Review and sent several packets of information to oil companies requesting bids.

Marshall Oil will deliver #2 fuel for all facilities at nine (+.09) cents per gallon above the low New York Harbor Barge Reseller's price. They enclosed a copy of their service contract, the bid for which is one hundred ten (\$110.00) dollars per unit for service and oil burner parts and sixty (\$60.00) dollars for oil fired water heater.

Almeida Oil Co. will deliver #2 fuel for all facilities at seven (+.079) cents per gallon above the low New York Harbor Barge Reseller's price. They enclosed a copy of

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their service contract, the bid for which is ninety-nine (\$99.00) dollars per unit for service and oil burner parts and fifty (\$50.00) dollars for oil fired water heater.

Original Energy (Robison) will deliver #2 fuel for all facilities at fifteen (+.15) cents per gallon above the low New York Harbor Barge Reseller's price. They enclosed a copy of their service contract, the bid for which is one hundred five (\$105.00) dollars per unit for service and oil burner parts and fifty (\$50.00) dollars for oil fired water heater.

RESOLUTION #: 147 -18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby awards the annual oil bid to Almeida Oil Co. to supply the Town with No.2 Fuel Oil and the service contract for the 2018-2019 year as they submitted a complete bid package and were the lowest bidder for the service contracts.

- **Sale of Cemetery Plot**

RESOLUTION #: 148-18

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

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby authorizes the sale of cemetery Plot #: 211, Section 3 to Charles and Rosemarie d'Arcy, 49 Lower Shad Road, Pound Ridge, NY 10576 in the amount of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars for one gravesite.

• **Supervisor's Office – NYSEG Resolution**

The Town Board reviewed a resolution to request that the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) immediately consider NYSEG's application for smart meters as extensive power outages are impairing the functioning of our Town, including our schools, roads and businesses. It was further explained that the frequency and severity of storms continues to increase and the smart meter would allow nearly instantaneous notifications of interruptions. The smart meters can report the exact location of individual electric service outages to NYSEG. Councilman Paschkes still had concerns about the smart meter installation and not sure about the bill introduced in the New York Senate that would allow customers to opt out of installing "smart meter" technology on their homes. It is unclear if there is a charge or not and he is also concerned about the potential hacking into the meter. The other concern is that residents would have to turn off their main before power could be turned on after a power failure. Councilman Paschkes would like to see how the pilot programs work in other municipalities before we grant our support.

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RESOLUTION #: 149 -18

Board Action: Motion by Councilwoman Briggs, seconded by Councilman Dow, the Board polled and the motion passing 3-1 with Councilman Paschkes voting nay on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby supports the following resolution requesting that the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) immediately consider NYSEG's application for smart meters. The resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, we, as Town Board Members for the Town of Pound Ridge are responsible for overseeing the functioning of our town; and

WHEREAS, frequent and sometimes extensive power outages are impairing the functioning of our town, including our schools, our roads, and our businesses; and

WHEREAS, outages occur both with and without severe weather, and with the frequency of extreme weather events extensive outages are increasing; and

WHEREAS, NYSEG has failed to measurably improve service despite long-standing promises to do so; and

WHEREAS, NYSEG has reduced employees and dedicated manpower, to the detriment of our residents; and

WHEREAS, we find it unfortunate that the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) has not mandated that NYSEG employ even the most obvious remedial efforts, such as new technology, improved communications and resiliency measures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pound Ridge request that the PSC immediately consider NYSEG's application for smart meters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pound Ridge calls for an immediate Independent Assessment (IA) of NYSEG, ordered by the PSC contracted and overseen by Westchester County Government and paid for by NYSEG, so that 'best practices' regarding the safest, most technologically advanced, reliable delivery of power is implemented, and that promises by NYSEG of better responses, fewer outages and upgrades of hardware actually occur.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Pound Ridge requests that the PSC mandate an acceleration of NYSEG's tree trimming schedule from

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five years to three years and adopt the more comprehensive method of utility tree trimming employed in the State of Connecticut.

- **Police Department – resignation of Police Officer**

RESOLUTION #: 150-18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Police Officer Adam Grisanti effective November 6, 2018.

-resignation and reinstatement of Police Officer

RESOLUTION #: 151 -18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Police Officer Jonathan Evans effective October 30, 2018 for retirement purposes and reinstate him to the same position as part time Police Officer effective November 8, 2018.

-requesting authorization to accept bulletproof vest partnership grant

RESOLUTION #: 152 -18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes Chief David Ryan to accept a grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for 2018 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) solicitation. This grant will pay 50% of the costs of the bulletproof vests for the next two years. The Town Board thanked Chief Ryan for all his effort in getting this grant.

- **Economic Development Committee- Proposal for 77 Westchester Avenue**

The Economic Development Committee is asking the Town Board to officially charge the Economic Development Committee (EDC) with the task to explore future use possibilities for 77 Westchester Avenue, a property that the Town just acquired.

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RESOLUTION #: 153 -18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Economic Development Committee to be charged with the task of exploring the future use possibilities for 77 Westchester Avenue property.

- **Liaison Reports**

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

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- **Recreation- Conant Hall refund**

RESOLUTION #: 154 -18

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorize the refund of five hundred (\$500) dollars to the Pound Ridge Jewish Community, 43 Boutonville Road, So. Salem, NY 10590 for the use of Conant Hall. They had reserved the hall for October 2, 2018 but due to the power outage, they were unable to use it.

- **Monthly Reports**

The monthly reports have been received for September 2018 and are available in the Town Clerk's office.

- **Pay Bills**

RESOLUTION #: 155-18

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Dow, 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

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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		\$ 124,447.40
HIGHWAY FUND	D		\$ 17,503.52
TRUST AND AGENCY	T		\$ 133,372.88
CAPITAL	H		\$ 0

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the regular meeting at 8:45p.m.

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

RESOLUTION #: 156-18

Board Action: Motion by Councilman Dow, 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:

PARKING DISTRICT	ST		\$ 231.07
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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Joanne Pace
 Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
 October 12, 2018