# MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2021 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE, COMMENCING AT 8:00 PM

<b>PRESENT:</b>	SUPERVISOR KEVIN HANSAN
	COUNCILPERSON ALISON BOAK
	COUNCILPERSON CARLA BRAND
	COUNCILPERSON DIANE BRIGGS
	COUNCILPERSON DANIEL PASCHKES
ALSO	
<b>PRESENT:</b>	DEPUTY SUPERVISOR LES MARON
	TOWN CLERK ERIN TROSTLE
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PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM HARRINGTON

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm.

# CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye, to call for an executive session at 7:00 pm on March 2, 2021.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Demand for COVID-19 vaccines continues to exceed supply.
- The town has completed three vaccine-related tasks identified by the County Executive in the February 2, 2021 meeting: determining how many of our first responders who have been vaccinated (50%), identifying possible locations for mass vaccination (Town Park, Town House, and Conant Hall), and compiling a list of housebound individuals who would need to have vaccines administered to them at home.
- The number of active COVID-19 cases in town is not declining as fast as expected. There has not been a good response to contact tracers. If you receive a call from the state or county department of health, please take the call.
- Project Cupid for seniors will take place this weekend; anyone interested in making deliveries is encouraged to contact Louise Paolicelli.

# **MINUTES:**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilperson Paschkes seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye, to accept the minutes of the February 2, 2021 Town Board meeting.

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# **RATIFY DECISIONS MADE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

### **RESOLUTION 40-21**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye, on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby ratifies the decisions made in executive session to hire Artie DelNegro as Town Prosecutor with a monthly stipend of \$750.00; to appoint Jim Glascott to the Board of Ethics, to hire Nick Agoglia as a Police Officer, to appoint Peter Kraft to the Economic Development Committee, and to appoint Pamela Corey to the Open Space Acquisition Committee.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Maintenance Department

#### **RESOLUTION 41-21**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye, on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the hiring of Stephen Dion as a full-time employee in the Maintenance Department effective March 1, 2021.

#### **B.** Pound Ridge Partnership

James Best described the Pound Ridge Partnership's plans to install hanging flower baskets in the Business District. The Partnership expects to receive as a gift a watering vehicle, which it intends to donate to the town. The Maintenance Department will water the flowers once they are installed.

## C. Liaison Reports

Councilperson Boak reported that the Criminal Justice Reform Committee is currently reviewing policies, will schedule a public hearing in March, and must have its report approved by April 1, 2021. She also noted that the Water Wastewater Task Force is preparing an RFP to be released in the next 30 to 60 days and that a final site walk has been held for TEP. Page 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF POUND RIDGE February 9, 2021

> Councilperson Brand noted that the Planning Board is seeing increased activity. The Conservation Board is currently focused on its Healthy Yards and Healthy Woods educational initiative. The Energy Action Committee is exploring the possibility of transitioning BCSDNY school buses to electric vehicles. The Old Pound Committee is continuing a learning plan regarding town needs and residents' desires; it will meet with the Water Wastewater Task Force soon.

Councilperson Paschkes commented that increased use of many town preserves in some cases by as much as much as 500%—as a consequence of the pandemic makes it clear how important the work of the Open Space Acquisition Committee is.

Councilperson Briggs reported that the Rec Commission is planning spring and summer activities. She encouraged anyone interested in filling an open seat on the commission to contact Chief of Staff Nicole Engel. The Economic Development Committee, which has five new members, is creating subcommittees to tackle various projects, including outreach to property owners in the Business District.

## **FINANCIAL MATTERS: Pay Bills**

#### **RESOLUTION 42-21**

**Board Action**: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, the motion passing 4-0 with Councilperson Brand abstaining:

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay the claims listed below.

Fund	Claim Numbers	Total Amount
General Fund	102-154	\$175,008.39
Highway Fund	30-55	\$35,422.01
Trust & Agency Fund	4-9	\$219,760.88

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

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**RECONVENE AS PARKING DISTRICT:** Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 8:40 pm.

## **Pay Bills:**

### **RESOLUTION 27-21**

**Board Action**: Motion by Councilperson Boak, seconded by Councilperson Paschkes, the motion passing 4-0 with Councilperson Brand abstaining:

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay the claims listed below.

Fund	Claim Number	Total Amount
Parking District Fund	5	\$450.00

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 8:41 pm.

Erin Trostle, Town Clerk Dated at Pound Ridge, New York February 25, 2021