

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

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR KEVIN HANSAN
COUNCILPERSON CARLA BRAND
COUNCILPERSON ALISON BOAK
COUNCILPERSON DIANE BRIGGS
COUNCILPERSON DANIEL PASCHKES

ALSO

PRESENT: DEPUTY SUPERVISOR LES MARON
TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM HARRINGTON
TOWN CLERK ERIN TROSTLE

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Brand, all voting aye, to call for an executive session to discuss a personnel matter on Thursday, December 9, 2021.

[Town Clerk note: The call for an Executive Session was amended later in the meeting.]

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Town House will be closed Thursday, November 11, 2021 for Veterans Day.
- This will be the only Town Board meeting in November. The Town Board will meet twice next month: December 7 and 14, 2021.
- Budget season is underway; there have been a number of productive meetings.
- Construction on the Village Green project has begun. A fence will be put up soon, which means there will no longer be parking available at that site. A groundbreaking ceremony will be scheduled soon.
- Toys for Tots donation sites have been set up at the Police Department, the Market, and Blind Charlie's and will remain there until December 20, 2021.
- The Pound Ridge Business Association will kick off the holiday season with an Open House on Saturday, November 20, 2021.

MINUTES:

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye, to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 Town Board meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS:

A. Remarks by Assemblyman Chris Burdick

State Assemblyman Chris Burdick reported on various matters relevant to the town. It has been a busy year since he took office in January. The ongoing pandemic has been the greatest concern, along with the pandemic-induced recession. Federal COVID relief funds mitigated many anticipated budget challenges at the state level. State aid to the Bedford Central School District increased by over ten percent, which will help hold down local property taxes. Assemblyman Burdick also discussed state funding for transportation, the environment, infrastructure, childcare, relief for small businesses, emergency rental assistance, East of Hudson Watershed Corporation, Legal Services of the Hudson Valley, veteran support services, Arts Westchester, and so on. He also discussed cannabis legislation, a foreclosure moratorium, changes to the Open Meetings Law, congregate care regulation, parole reform, changes to early voting and absentee ballots, the Gender Recognition Act, and advocacy for people with disabilities. Assemblyman Burdick also reported that his office has been working recently to help constituents with vaccine appointments, unemployment claims, and assistance with recovery from Hurricane Ida damage. He noted that he has helped secure grants for a number of community-based organizations including Hope's Door.

B. Old Pound Road Committee

Councilperson Brand introduced Committee Member Mark Mosolino, who described a plan to access to the Old Pound property via purchase of a portion of an adjacent parcel. A raised boardwalk would need to be built across the parcel in question, which is somewhat damp, to link the Maintenance shed and the Old Pound property. The owner of the adjacent parcel is willing to enter discussions, and the Water Control Commission found the boardwalk idea unobjectionable.

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Brand, seconded by Councilperson Paschkes, all voting aye, to amend the call for an Executive Session on December 9, 2021 to include discussion of a legal matter.

C. Supervisor – Approve Hazard Mitigation Plan

Resolution 174-21

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

RESOLVED that the Board hereby renews the existing Westchester County Hazard Mitigation Plan subject to review of pending amendments by the Town Attorney, with the amended version to be referred to the Board for final approval.

D. Sustainable Westchester – Approve memorandum of understanding

Resolution 175-21

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

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Sustainable Westchester at a bid price not to exceed 10.2 cents/kwh.

E. Economic Development Committee – Approve streetlight banner installation

Resolution 176-21

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase and installation of “Finger Pointing” streetlight banners in the Business District at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00, to be funded from the Economic Development Committee’s approved budget, **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase and installation of a banner at the future Village Green site at a cost not to exceed \$500.00, to be funded from the Village Green gift.

F. Planning Board – Approve Land Use Law Center educator

Resolution 177-21

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the hiring of an educator from the Pace University Land Use Law Center at a cost of \$1,050.00 to participate in Hudsonia’s November 19, 2021 presentation on the Natural Resources Inventory to the Planning and Zoning Boards and the Water Control Commission.

G. Recreation – Approve refunds

Resolution 178-21

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby approves the following refunds:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Sandra Shazier	29 Major Tallmadge Lane Pound Ridge, NY 10576	\$90.00	unused swim lessons
Tara Noone	63 Holmes Lane Bedford, NY 10506	\$250.00	flag football cancelation
Liz Omilinsky	908 Old Post Road Bedford, NY 10506	\$250.00	flag football cancelation
Meredith Levine	52 Heming Way Stamford, CT 06903	\$250.00	flag football cancelation
Jaime Ruggiero	71 Salem Road Pound Ridge, NY 10576	\$200.00	flag football cancelation
Vincent Zafonte	41 Hack Green Road Pound Ridge, NY 10576	\$500.00	Conant Hall deposit

H. Tax Receiver – Approve refunds

Resolution 179-21

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the refund of \$5,488.80 to Lereta LLC for a duplicate payment for the parcel known as Block 9816 Lot 20,
AND BE IT FURTHER

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the refund of \$4,127.24 to Marshall Vingi for a duplicate payment for the parcel known as Block 9456 Lot 37, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the following refunds to Corelogic Services LLC, also for duplicate payments:

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>
9317.66-92	\$7,233.31
9317-78.5	\$10,942.50
9452-89	\$5,411.89
10253-60	\$1,063.72
9816-99	\$6,212.13
9820-33	\$2,184.36

[Town Clerk note: An additional tax refund was approved later in the meeting.]

I. Planning Board and Water Control Commission – Approve bond release and return of escrow

Resolution 180-21

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the release of and the return of Water Control Commission Bond #2019-10 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Randall and Terri Pike of 29 Bayberry Way; **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the return of unused Planning Board escrow funds for the property at 65 White Birch Lane in the amount of \$400.00 to Jelitza Delgado, of 43-31 45th Street, Apt 5J, Sunnyside, Queens, NY 11104.

J. Liaison Reports

Councilperson Brand reported that the Conservation Board and the Energy Action Committee will participate in the library's TEDx climate event on Saturday, November 13, 2021.

K. Receiver of Taxes (additional item)

Resolution 181-21

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of \$2,606.12 for the 2020 tax year to James and Deirdre Glascott for the parcel known as Block 9317 Lot 39.2-11 in accordance with the court-ordered stipulation.

L. Liaison Reports (continued)

Councilperson Briggs reported that the Economic Development Committee has been very busy assisting the business association with holiday preparations and coordinating the beginning of Village Green construction.

Councilperson Boak reported that many possible funding opportunities may soon become available for water wastewater projects.

FINANCIAL MATTERS: Pay Bills

RESOLUTION 182-21

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Boak, 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	976–1050	\$149,980.10
Highway Fund	209–227	\$478,564.75
Trust & Agency	97–103	\$30,448.00

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

RECONVENE AS PARKING DISTRICT: Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 9:35 pm.

Pay Bills:

RESOLUTION 183-21

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

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

Fund	Claim Number	Total Amount
Parking District Fund	18	\$2,007.00

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:36 pm.

Erin Trostle, Town Clerk
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
December 7, 2021