

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2022 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: TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM HARRINGTON
DEPUTY SUPERVISOR LES MARON
TOWN CLERK ERIN TROSTLE

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

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

II. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is an Executive Session scheduled for 7:15 pm on Thursday, January 15, 2022, to discuss a personnel matter and a legal matter.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Residents are reminded that the ice on most ponds is not yet thick enough for skating despite the recent cold weather. Questions about when skating will be safe should be directed to Recreation Superintendent David Goldberg.
- Due to rising COVID infection rates, the Town House is short-staffed.
- All KN-95 masks from the county have been distributed.
- There is no information about possible distribution of additional test kits by the county.

IV. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilperson Boak proposed a moment of silence in memory of the St. Luke's student who passed away earlier this week as the result of a tragic accident.

V. MINUTES:

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye, to accept the minutes of the Town Board meeting of January 4, 2022.

VI. OLD BUSINESS – Scotts Corners flower baskets

RESOLUTION 27-22

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

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the expenditure of \$945.00 (thirty percent of the low bid of \$3,150.00) from the General Fund for the purchase of flower baskets for the streetlights in the Business District.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Finance – Presentation of audited financial statements

RESOLUTION 28-22

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the 2019 audited financial statements as presented by PKF O'Connor Davies.

B. Assessor

1. Request to rescind renewal requirements for the Aged All Exemption

RESOLUTION 28-22

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby rescinds the renewal requirements defined in the Real Property Tax Law § 467 (the Aged All Exemption) for the 2022 Roll.

2. Request to adopt change to dates of service for veterans of Vietnam

RESOLUTION 29-22

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the revised definition recently adopted by the New York State Assembly for real property tax purposes whereby veterans of Vietnam are defined as those veterans who performed active duty service in the Republic of Vietnam between November 1, 1955 and May 7, 1975.

C. Old Pound Road Committee – Approval of appraisal estimate

RESOLUTION 30-22

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the estimate of \$1,000.00 from the Landmark Appraisal group for the appraisal of a proposed subdivision, with the funds to be drawn from the Town Board’s professional services budget line.

D. Liaison Reports

Councilperson Brand reported that the Conservation Board is preparing for its annual Big Night event, when volunteers help amphibians cross roads, and said that residents interested in participating can contact her via email at cbrand@townofpoundridge.com.

VIII. FINANCIAL MATTERS – Pay Bills

RESOLUTION 31-21

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 Numbers	Total Amount
General Fund	1165–1215 (2021)	\$47,916.94
	1-13 (2022)	<u>\$54,431.29</u>
		\$102,348.23
Highway Fund	250–266	\$43,542.84

- IX. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:29 pm.
- X. RECONVENE AS PARKING DISTRICT:** Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 9:29 pm.
- XII. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:25 pm.

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XIII. RECONVENE AS PARKING DISTRICT

XIV. OLD BUSINESS – Scotts Corners flower baskets

RESOLUTION 32-22

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes \$2,205.00 (seventy percent of the low bid of \$3,150.00) to be paid from the Parking District Fund for the purchase of flower baskets for the streetlights in the Business District.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:32 pm.

Erin Trostle, Town Clerk
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
January 28, 2022