# MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2022 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD AT 179 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, NEW YORK, AND VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE, COMMENCING AT 8:00 PM

**PRESENT:** SUPERVISOR KEVIN HANSAN

COUNCILPERSON CARLA BRAND (via videoconference)
COUNCILPERSON ALISON BOAK (via videoconference)

COUNCILPERSON DIANE BRIGGS
COUNCILPERSON DANIEL PASCHKES

**ALSO** 

**PRESENT:** TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM HARRINGTON

TOWN CLERK ERIN TROSTLE

NOT

**PRESENT:** DEPUTY SUPERVISOR LES MARON

#### I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 8:01 pm.

#### II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Repair Café, sponsored by the Conservation Board, will be at Conant Hall Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Repair coaches will fix your broken items at no charge, and Building Inspector Jim Perry will be on hand to answer questions regarding construction, renovation, and the permitting process.
- The Pound Ridge Historical Society will host the premiere "The Raid on Pound Ridge 1779" at 7:15 pm on Thursday, October 20, 2022. You can RSVP through the Historical Society's website.
- The Drug Abuse Prevention Council is co-sponsoring a health and wellness day in collaboration with the Town of Bedford and Northern Westchester Hospital from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Fox Lane High School. The event will feature health and wellness education, workshops, free screenings, live music, giveaways, and food trucks. More information is available on the Town of Bedford's website.
- Town Supervisor Hansan, along with State Assemblymember Chris Burdick and County Legislator Erika Pierce, will host a Coffee and Conversation event at 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 23, 2022. at the Town House. This is an opportunity for residents to discuss matters of interest at the town, county, and state level with elected officials.

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- The Pound Ridge Library is hosting a Volunteer Fair on Saturday, October 29, 2022, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm to connect residents with local nonprofits and community-based organizations.
- The Pound Ridge Business Association is hosting its annual Halloween Walk in Scotts Corners on Monday, October 31, 2022, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
   Afterward, the Pound Ridge Fire Department will host a Halloween party from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Market will also host a Halloween party and costume contest that day from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
- Halloween Fest, a community event sponsored by the Friends of Pound Ridge and the Pound Ridge Elementary School PTA, will be held in the Town Park on Sunday, October 30, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event will include live music, face painting, a bake sale, a chili and rub cookoff, trunk or treat, and a wiffle ball tournament. Tickets can be purchased on the Friends of Pound Ridge website.

#### III. PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing on proposed legislation regarding leaf blowers has been postponed until Thursday, November 10, 2022.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Finance

## 1. Approval for IT upgrades

Director of Finance Steven Conti presented a plan to replace the town's three servers, which are nearing the end of their lifespan. Two would be replaced by a single, updated server, and the third would be migrated to the cloud. A decision regarding the proposal from Logically, the town's current IT provider, will be revisited at the November 10, 2022 meeting. Meanwhile Director of Finance Conti will gather additional information regarding hardware and software pricing and will request that Logically provide alternative options for associated professional services.

## 2. Approval for increased cost of engine repair

#### **RESOLUTION 171-22**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, the motion passing 4–0 with Councilperson Boak abstaining, on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves an increase in the amount authorized for the repair of the Maintenance Department's Kawasaki mower engine by Bedford Mowers from \$2,805.00 to \$2,913.00.

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## B. Recreation – Approval for flag football refunds

## **RESOLUTION 172-22**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the following refunds of registration fees for canceled flag football programs:

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Address</u>                                    | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------|---|---------------|
| Joanne Mineo   | 110 Salem Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576           | \$220.00      |
| Dawn Decker    | 28 Old Snake Hill Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576   | \$220.00      |
| Ben Kur        | 4 Southeastern Farm Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576 | \$220.00      |
| Julie Williams | 9 Ambler Drive<br>Bedford, NY 10506               | \$250.00      |
| Beth Smith     | 576 Old Post Road<br>Bedford, NY 10506            | \$220.00      |
| Megan O'Meara  | 268 Trinity Pass Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576    | \$220.00      |
| Anna Kenoff    | 719 Old Post Road<br>Bedford, NY 10576            | \$250.00      |
| Amy Lowenthal  | 12 Burbank Avenue<br>Bedford Hills, NY 10507      | \$250.00      |
| Gina D'Introno | 32 Sunset Drive<br>Bedford Hills, NY 10507        | \$250.00      |
| Samantha Mann  | 415 Sarles Street<br>Mount Kisco, NY 10549        | \$250.00      |
| Char Caputo    | 50 Allison Road<br>Katonah, NY 10536              | \$250.00      |
| Jessica Elder  | 69 Manchester Drive<br>Mount Kisco, NY 10549      | \$250.00      |

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| Anne DeGaetano  | 180 Allison Road<br>Katonah, NY 10536          | \$250.00 |
|-----------------|--|----------|
| Alexandra White | 4 Brook Farm Road East<br>Bedford, NY 10506    | \$250.00 |
| Courtney Rossy  | 12 Lincoln Avenue<br>Bedford, NY 10506         | \$250.00 |
| Renee Ringler   | 54 South Bedford Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576 | \$220.00 |
| Maria Mutino    | 106 Salem Road<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576        | \$220.00 |
| Isabell Murphy  | 465 Cantitoe Street<br>Bedford, NY 10506       | \$250.00 |
| Kristy Kearney  | 51 Averill Drive<br>Mahopac, NY 10541          | \$250.00 |
| Eric Hayduk     | 34 Ambler Drive<br>Bedford, NY 10506           | \$250.00 |
| Nadege Plumeige | 14 Howe Street<br>South Salem, NY 10590        | \$250.00 |
| Laura Babcock   | 9 Heerdt Lane<br>Pound Ridge, NY 10576         | \$220.00 |
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## C. Supervisor

1. Approval for resolution in support of Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022

### **RESOLUTION 173-22**

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

WHEREAS providing clean drinking water and protecting our local rivers, bays, lakes, streams, and waterfronts from pollution is paramount to quality of life in New York State and the Town of Pound Ridge; AND

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WHEREAS modernizing water infrastructure will safeguard clean water, reduce flooding, reduce lead exposure and other public health threats, and create jobs; AND

WHEREAS the Town of Pound Ridge is vulnerable to extreme weather, including deadly heat from rising temperatures and flooding from severe storms that put people, properties, and public assets across the county at risk; AND

WHEREAS upgrading transportation and stormwater infrastructure, restoring natural resources, growing urban forests, building green roofs, and upgrading cooling centers will reduce the impact of extreme weather, saving lives and money; AND

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated the importance of outdoor recreation and access to fresh local food as people flocked to parks and sought out healthy foods for their families; AND

WHEREAS upgrades to facilities at state and local parks and preserves and the creation of new outdoor recreational areas will benefit our region by protecting wildlife habitat, providing more people with access to nature, and creating jobs in the outdoor recreation economy; AND

WHEREAS the Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 would authorize four billion two hundred million dollars of bonds to finance critical environmental restoration, clean water, and infrastructure projects across New York State; AND

WHEREAS the funds would be targeted toward protecting clean water, reducing flood risk, restoring natural resources, protecting open space and farmland, and reducing the pollution that causes climate change; AND

WHEREAS the Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 was passed by the New York State Legislature as part of the 2022–23 New York State Budget and will appear on the November 8, 2022, New York State General Election Ballot for voter approval; AND

WHEREAS the Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 includes strong labor provisions and will support more than 84,000 family-sustaining jobs for New Yorkers; AND

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WHEREAS the Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 would enable New York State and the Town of Pound Ridge to address pollution and public health threats in disadvantaged communities; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pound Ridge supports passage of the Clean Water, Clean Air, Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022.

## 2. Discussion of sign request for Highview Road

The Town Board discussed a request by Lewisboro Police Chief David Alfano for the Town of Pound Ridge to replace the "No Right Turn" sign at the intersection of Highview Road and Route 124 with a "No Thru Traffic" sign and determined not to take that action at this time.

## D. Receiver of Taxes – Approval for refunds

#### **RESOLUTION 174-22**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the following refunds:

| <u>Name</u>      | <u>Parcel</u> | Reason            | <u>Amount</u> |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Susan Golenbock  | 9816-128      | duplicate payment | \$6,551.67    |
| Wells Fargo      | 9827-34       | duplicate payment | \$5,965.93    |
| David Barber     | 9821-3        | overpayment       | \$100.02      |
| Peter Feinberg   | 9457-3.30     | overpayment       | \$6.00        |
| Vincenzo Venturi | 9455-11       | overpayment       | \$0.10        |

#### E. Town Clerk

## 1. Request to award fuel oil bid

#### **RESOLUTION 175-22**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby awards the #2 fuel oil bid for the 2022–23 heating season to Marshall Oil at a rate of \$0.07/gallon above the daily low New

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York Harbor Barge Reseller's price, with annual service contract prices of \$100 and \$50 each respectively for oil burners and hot water heaters.

## 2. Approval for exchange of cemetery plot

#### **RESOLUTION 176-22**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the even exchange of Plot 10-1 in Section 3 (one gravesite) for Plot 440-B in Section 3 (one gravesite) by Sally Semonite, of 96 Eastwoods Road, Pound Ridge.

## F. Growing Pound Ridge

Carrie Sears, organizer of Growing Pound Ridge, presented the 2022 America in Bloom National Award to the Town of Pound Ridge for outstanding achievement in the area of community involvement.

#### **G.** Liaison Reports

Councilperson Briggs noted that Melissa Trail will start her new job in the Recreation Department as a Recreation Leader on October 17, 2022.

Councilperson Boak announced that the Water Wastewater Task Force had a successful kickoff meeting with its new engineering firm, Laberge Group.

Councilperson Brand reiterated that the Conservation Board's Repair Café is coming up this weekend.

#### V. FINANCIAL MATTERS – Pay bills

### **RESOLUTION 177-22**

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

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay the following claims:

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| Fund                  | Claim Numbers | Total Amount |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| General Fund          | 710–813       | \$177,525.07 |
| Highway Fund          | 177–200       | \$258,545.63 |
| Trust & Agency Fund   | 66–67         | \$10,647.50  |
| Capital Projects Fund | 3–6           | \$71,859.73  |

- **VI. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.
- **VII. RECONVENE AS PARKING DISTRICT:** Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 9:00 pm.
- **VIII. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no business to come before the Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 9:01 pm.

Erin Trostle, Town Clerk Dated at Pound Ridge, New York October 12, 2022

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