

**TOWN OF EASTCHESTER  
MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD  
May 17, 2022**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Present: Supervisor Anthony Colavita  
Councilman Joseph Dooley  
Councilwoman Theresa Nicholson  
Councilman Luigi Marcoccia  
Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte

Present: Deputy Town Clerk Mary T. Swikata  
Town Attorney Louis Reda  
Comptroller Dawn Donovan

**IV. FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD -none**

**V. APPOINTMENTS/DESIGNATIONS**

**A) APPOINTMENTS – POLICE SERGEANTS**

Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Joseph Dooley to approve the probationary appointment of Police Officer Stephen DiLegge of Yorktown Heights, New York to the position of Police Sergeant. Police Officer DiLegge has been on the force since August, 2010.

He will be assigned to the patrol division. This assignment will be effective starting May 20, 2022.

Annual Rate	Holiday Pay	Longevity
\$135,468	\$6,830	\$2,000

Police Officer DiLegge's name appears on the eligible list #78-655 established September 17, 2019. As provided in the Westchester County Civil Service Rules, it is necessary for him to serve a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty- two weeks. Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

Councilman Luigi Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte to approve the probationary appointment of Police Officer Timothy Bonci of Pound Ridge, New York to the position of Police Sergeant. Police Officer Bonci has been on the force since August, 2014.

He will be assigned to the patrol division. This assignment will be effective starting May 20, 2022.

Annual Rate	Holiday Pay	Longevity
\$135,468	\$6,830	\$1,500

Police Officer Bonci's name appears on the eligible list #78-655 established September 17, 2019. As provided in the Westchester County Civil Service Rules, it is necessary for him to serve a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty- two weeks. Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**B) DESIGNATION – DETECTIVE SERGEANT**

Councilman Joseph Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Anthony Colavita to approve the

probationary appointment of Sgt. Jorge Lage of Scarsdale, New York to the position of Detective Sergeant. Sgt. Lage has been with the department since 2005.

This assignment would be effective starting May 20, 2022.

Annual Salary	Holiday Pay	Longevity
\$141,731	\$7,146	\$4,500

Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

### **C) APPOINTMENTS – POLICE LIEUTENANTS**

Supervisor Anthony Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Theresa Nicholson to approve the probationary appointment of Sergeant Lisa Graf of Poughquag, NY to the position of Police Lieutenant effective May 20, 2022.

Sergeant Graf has been with the Town of Eastchester's Police Department since 1999 as a Police Officer and promoted to Sergeant in 2013.

<u>Annual Salary</u>	<u>Holiday Pay</u>	<u>Longevity</u>
\$160,923	\$10,822	\$5,500

Sergeant Graf's name appears on the Eligible List # 73-569 established March 10, 2020. As provided in the Westchester County Civil Service Rules, it is necessary for her to serve a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks. Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

Councilman Luigi Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte to approve the probationary appointment of Sergeant George Castellano of Carmel, NY to the position of Police Lieutenant effective May 20, 2022.

Sergeant Castellano has been with the Town of Eastchester's Police Department since 2010 as a Police Officer and promoted to Sergeant in 2017.

<u>Annual Salary</u>	<u>Holiday Pay</u>	<u>Longevity</u>
\$160,923	\$10,822	\$2,000

Sergeant Castellano's name appears on the Eligible List # 73-569 established March 10, 2020. As provided in the Westchester County Civil Service Rules, it is necessary for him to serve a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks. Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

### **D) APPOINTMENT – EXECUTIVE LIEUTENANT**

Supervisor Anthony Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Joseph Dooley to approve the assignment of Lt. Richard Rosenberg to the position of Executive Lieutenant in the Police Department effective May 20, 2022. This assignment is designated as the Executive Officer of the Department at the annualized rate of \$166,785.00 while Lt. Rosenberg is in the assignment. The Executive Lieutenant is responsible for commanding the Police Department in the absence of the Chief of Police.

Lt. Rosenberg has been a member of the Police Department for over 18 years and was promoted to Lieutenant on June 22, 2018. He will be replacing Lt. Rodriguez, who is being promoted to Police Chief.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

### **E) APPOINTMENT – POLICE CHIEF**

Supervisor Anthony Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Luigi Marcoccia to approve the

probationary appointment of Lt. Joseph Rodriguez of Scarsdale, NY to the position of Police Chief at the annual salary of \$190,675 effective May 20, 2022.

Lt. Rodriguez is a twenty-year veteran of the department. He has worked as a Patrol Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant and Executive Lieutenant. His dedication to his work and professionalism makes him the ideal person to assume the duties of Police Chief at this time.

Lt. Rodriguez name appears on the Eligible List 71-399 established July 30, 2021. As provided in the Westchester County Civil Service Rules, it is necessary for him to serve a probationary period of minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks. Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Joseph Dooley to approve the Minutes of the May 4, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting and the April 20, 2022 Special Town Board Meeting.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**V. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The Board reviewed and approved for filing the following reports for April 2022; Parking Summonses, Citation Activity Report, Patrol Activity Report, Statement of Accounts and the Traffic Accident Report.

**B) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM BY JOSEPH GIZZO**

Supervisor Anthony Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Joseph Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of claim by Joseph Gizzo against the Town of Eastchester in the amount of \$2,466.43 for damages sustained to Mr. Gizzo's vehicle on January 5, 2022.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN EVENT PERMIT BY THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FOR THE RELAY FOR LIFE**

Supervisor Anthony Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Theresa Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the approval of an application for an event permit submitted by the American Cancer Society for the Relay for Life of Eastchester to be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022.

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**C) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT for April 2022 was received for filing.**

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**

Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Luigi Marcoccia to approve the following Seasonal Appointments at Lake Isle, effective May 17, 2022:

<b>LAST NAME</b>	<b>FIRST NAME</b>	<b>JOB TITLE</b>	<b>RATE</b>	<b>TYPE</b>
Arquit	Robert	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Balaez	Joseph	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Bendezu	Teresa	Recreation Attendant	15.00	Rehire
Benson	Benjamin	Lifeguard	14.00	Rehire
Bouvard	Sophia	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire

Braun	Travis	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Capellupo	Virginia	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Cavalier	Andrew	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
D'Agostino	Chris	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
DeMichiel	Samantha	Assistant Swim Coach	5,000.00	Rehire
Diaz	Maria	Recreation Attendent	15.00	Rehire
Duffy	Carolyn	Head Guard	16.00	Rehire
Erdman	Taylor	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Ferrara	Jayden	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Ferrotta	Gianluca	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Fountain	Isabella	Assistant Swim Coach	5,000.00	New Hire
Garcia	Paulina	Recreation Attendent	15.00	Rehire
George	Sean	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Gerard	Kimberly	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Grayson	Kevin	Dive Swim Coach	5,000.00	Rehire
Guldner	Jeremy	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Gurinsky	Mallory	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Handel	Genna	Lifeguard	14.00	Rehire
Hershberg	Jack	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Hershberg	Jack	Lifeguard	14.00	Rehire
Jeannotte	Liam	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
LaBarca	Jenna	Assistant Swim Coach	5,000.00	New Hire
Lessem	Alexander	Head Swim Coach	15,000.00	Rehire
Lopez	Leonardo	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Marcucilli	Michael	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Massa	James	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Mazzone	Gerard	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
McCaffrey	Aiden	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
McEntee	Ewan	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Mcentee	Alannah	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
McMahon	Nick	Recreation Attendent	13.00	Rehire
Mikos	Scott	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Muccino	Elvis	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Narkaj	Julia	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Nguyen	Van	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
O'Brien	Aine	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Pennachio	Jack	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Pinto	Nicholas	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Renzo	Sofia	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Renzo	Marco	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Romano	Jordan	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Sandolo	Kayla	Recreation Attendent	11.00	Rehire
Sarro	Anthony	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Shearon	Zachariah	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Shopovick	Sophia	Assistant Swim Coach	5,000.00	New Hire
Smith	Julia	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Sokoli	Olisa	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Staffin	Julia	Assistant Swim Coach	5,000.00	Rehire
Stanson	Emily	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Tocco	Luke	Recreation Attendent	11.00	New Hire
Torres	Georgina	EMT	16.00	Rehire
Voli	Nica	Lifeguard	14.00	New Hire
Zeltner	Caralyn	EMT	16.00	Rehire

Further, Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Luigi Marcoccia to approve

the following additional Appointments:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>JOB TITLE</b>	<b>JOB CLASS NUMBER</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT TYPE</b>	<b>RATE</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>DEPT.</b>
Almodovar, Margaret	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Amoretti, Thomas	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Annunziata, Andrea	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Baker, Ava	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Battista, Ava	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Capriotti, Jenna	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Carlo, Paul	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$16.00	5/11/2022	Recreation
Cashman, Clare	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Cinguina, Mary	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Coleman, Ann	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Coleman, Karin	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$15.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Consentino, Lola	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Cordova, Dillon	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Cordova, Julia	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
DeStefano, Joseph	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Dobbin, Elizabeth	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$15.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Dunleavy, Amanda	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Egan, Katelyn	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Eiler, Matthew	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Fiorello, Emily	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Fortunato, Jade	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Froehlich, Marygrace	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Gallo, Bailey	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Gennuso, Anthony	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Han, Zena	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Huerta Cedrone, Emma	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Ingram, Shane	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Iovino, Michael	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Jones, Andrew	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
LaFata-Jones, Gianna	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Luciano, James	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Mazzella, Adriana	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
McCauley, James	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
McNamee, Jennifer	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Merli, Kristian	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Monteleone, Amanda	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Nurzia, Bethany	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Nurzia, Lauren	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation

Pisacreta, Joseph	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Puccini, Levia	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Puccini, Thomas	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$25.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Rastina, Annie	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Rastina, Luka	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Risi, John	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Sacomanno, Jessica	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Shi, Chloe	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Terilli, Nicholas	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Tristan Smith	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Troiano, Isabella	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Tucker, Harrison	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Tyrrell, Lisa	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$15.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Wade, Ava	Rec Attendant	PT Available	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Wade, Nathan	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Weitzman, Zachary	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
White, Daniel	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Zingaro, Luca	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Ziomber, Olivia	Rec Attendant		Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	Recreation
Bonci, Timothy	Consultant	Part time	Part time	\$75.00	5/20/2022	Police
Riccio, Shane	Comm Service Aide		Seasonal	\$15.00	5/18/2022	Police

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

**B) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION RE: AWARDING OF 2022 BUS SERVICE BID CONTRACT**

On Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., the bids for the 2022 Bus Service Bid for the Summer Day Camps were opened and read aloud in the Office of the Town Clerk. There were two (2) bidders and their unit prices and bid totals are incorporated into the attached summary sheet.

Sally Veltidi, Superintendent of Recreation, recommends that the 2022 Bus Service Bid Contract be awarded to County Coach of 30 Nursery Lane, Rye, NY and for the Coach Buses in the amount of \$20,700 and Royal Coach Lines, Inc. of 1010 Nepperhan Ave, Yonkers, NY for the School Buses for \$89,900. The Town has used both bus companies before and have had favorable experiences.

Councilman Luigi Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Anthony Colavita to approve a RESOLUTION to award the 2022 Bus Service Bid Contract to County Coach of 30 Nursery Lane, Rye, NY for the Coach Buses in the amount of \$20,700 and Royal Coach Lines, Inc of 1010 Nepperhan Ave, Yonkers, NY for the School Buses in the amount of \$89,900.

Bus Company	#1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	Total for each Company
<b>County Coach</b>				\$13,800	\$6,900	\$20,700
				Coach Buses Only	Coach Buses Only	
<b>Royal Coach</b>	\$49,560	\$14,445	\$11,736	\$6,800	\$7,359	\$89,900
				School Buses Only	School Buses Only	
						<b>Total: \$110,600</b>

**On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - none**

**VIII. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councilman Marcoccia congratulated Police Chief Timothy Bonci on his retirement, and thanked him for all of his dedication to his job throughout the years. He also congratulated Detective Lieutenant Matthew Kiernan on his retirement, and thanked him for his long and distinguished career. Councilman Marcoccia congratulated Chief Rodriguez and stated he is confident the new Chief will succeed in his new role.

Councilman Marcoccia stated the Lake Isle membership drive is going well and encourages all to sign up soon.

Councilman Dooley attended the Police Memorial Ceremonies in Eastchester and Tuckahoe saying both did a great job in recognizing deceased and current officers. Councilman Dooley congratulated all those appointed tonight, as well as Chief Bonci and Detective Lieutenant Kiernan on their retirement.

Councilman Dooley also congratulated all who are graduating from college.

Councilwoman Nicholson invited all to join the Relay For Life event this Friday at Lake Isle, with the Kick Off time at 5pm and the event continuing until 10pm. Registration is at [www.relayforlife.org](http://www.relayforlife.org).

Councilwoman Nicholson welcomed all to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil for the Eastchester Care Coalition to be held Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the gazebo in the park across from Town Hall.

Councilwoman Nicholson also congratulated all those promoted, and congratulated Chief Bonci and Detective Lieutenant Kiernan on their retirement, wishing them both well.

Councilwoman Marcotte stated the Eastchester summer camps are still hiring counselors, and some camps are still not full. Information can be found on the website at [www.eastchester.org](http://www.eastchester.org).

Councilwoman Marcotte stated the Eastchester Historical Society will have its Annual Town Yard Sale on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Eastchester Library Parking Lot from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Councilwoman Marcotte also congratulated those appointed tonight, and thanked Chief Bonci and Detective Lieutenant Kiernan for their dedicated service. Councilwoman Marcotte also congratulated all the recent retirees from the Eastchester Fire Department, and thanked Eastchester's Bravest.

Supervisor Colavita congratulated all those appointed tonight. Supervisor Colavita congratulated Chief Bonci on his retirement, and thanked him for over 40 years of service to the community. Supervisor Colavita stated Chief Bonci always had the best interest of the people of Eastchester at heart, and he was a pleasure to work with. The Supervisor stated that Chief Bonci is a gentleman, and that it has been truly an honor to serve as Supervisor alongside him. Supervisor Colavita congratulated Detective Lieutenant Kiernan on his retirement, and said after 39 years on the job, he will be sorely missed.

Supervisor Colavita reported the town purchases fuel and gas from Vantage, a company retained in order to bypass purchasing energy from Con Edison. The separation from Con Edison has saved the town half the cost of energy. The Supervisor recommends that the school districts, villages and the Eastchester Fire Department do the same.

Supervisor Colavita stated that in a meeting in the near future there will be a proposal for renovations to Leewood Park. The Town has to retain an engineer to prepare a plan to make public, and funding needs to be approved.

**IX. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - none**

There be no further public business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes prepared by;

Mary T. Swikata  
Deputy Town Clerk