

**TOWN OF EASTCHESTER
MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD
July 12, 2022**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 8:00 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: Town Clerk Linda Laird
Town Attorney Louis Reda
Comptroller Dawn Donovan

IV. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS - none

V. APPOINTMENTS

A) CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Per a request from Comptroller Dawn Donovan, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve the probationary appointment of Gary Gibbs of Monroe, NY to the position of Code Enforcement Officer, effective July 29, 2022, at the annual salary of \$85,694.

Mr. Gibbs holds permanent status as Code Enforcement Officer with the Village of Ossining and will be appointed subject to the approval of Westchester County Civil Service Rules with regard to transfers. The appointment is contingent on the successful completion of the background investigation and pre-employment testing. He will be required to serve a probationary period of not less than twelve weeks and not more than fifty-two weeks.

Funds are provided in the 2022 budget.

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

B) TOWN CONSTABLES

Per a request from Town Attorney Louis Reda, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve the appointment of Nick Gerol and Steven Linkowski to the position of Town Constable effective July 13, 2022 through December 31, 2023.

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

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the Minutes of the June 21, 2022 Town Board Meeting as prepared.

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

VII. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Chief Rodriguez reported that over the past several months there has been a significant increase in the operation of electric powered scooters and bicycles within the town. The majority of the time they are being operated by minors under the age of sixteen.

The New York Vehicle and Traffic Law prohibits the following: operating, riding, or permitting operation or riding on an electric scooter by anyone under the age of sixteen. No passengers are allowed, operation of an electric bicycle by anyone under the age of sixteen, operation without a helmet, operation on any sidewalk, walkway or public land other than a roadway.

The Chief reported the Police Department is asking for a concerted effort from parents and guardians ensuring that their children are not operating electric scooters or bicycles in violation of the Vehicle and Traffic Law. We are giving notice that going forward the operation of scooters by those under the age of sixteen or other violations of the Law may result in a fine and/or the scooter or bicycle may be impounded. Impounded scooters or bicycles will only be released to a parent or guardian by appointment.

Supervisor Colavita and Chief Rodriguez discussed an announcement made by Westchester County that the Leewood Tunnel will be closed to traffic beginning Friday, July 15th through May 2023. Impacts from the project include:

- Southbound Bronx River Parkway left turn exit to Leewood Drive will be closed.
- Westbound Leewood Drive left turn entrance to the SB BRP will be closed.
- There will be a long term single lane closed in each direction of the Bronx River Parkway.

It was reported the County will install necessary signage regarding the closures:

SB BRP motorists to Leewood Drive will be detoured south to Thompson Street (Exit 8) then to NB BRP.

WB Leewood Drive motorists to the SB BRP will be detoured north to Harney Road (Exit 10) then to SB BRP.

B) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND STAMEN ANIMAL HOSPITAL TO PROVIDE SHELTER AND CARE OF DOGS SEIZED WITHIN THE TOWN

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an Agreement between the Town of Eastchester and Stamen Animal Hospital so that they may provide shelter and care of dogs that are seized within the Town.

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

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND THE EASTCHESTER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT THE EASTCHESTER HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS, ANNE HUTCHINSON AND GREENVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND WAVERLY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) between the Town of Eastchester and the Eastchester Union Free School District whereby the Town of Eastchester will provide the Eastchester Union Free School District with a School Resource Officer for the physical security and safety at The Eastchester Middle School/High School, Anne Hutchinson Elementary School, Greenvale Elementary School and Waverly Early Childhood Center.

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

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND THE TUCKAHOE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT THE TUCKAHOE HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND THE COTTLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Councilwoman Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) between the Town of Eastchester and the Tuckahoe Union Free School District whereby the Town of Eastchester will provide the Tuckahoe Union Free School District with a School Resource Officer for the physical security and safety at The Tuckahoe Middle School/High School and The Cottle Elementary School.

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

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO RETAIN DAVID R. MALTZ & CO. TO ACT AS AUCTIONEER FOR A TAX FORECLOSURE AUCTION

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Town to retain the services of David R. Maltz & Co., Inc. to act as an auctioneer for a tax foreclosure auction for two properties located within the Town of Eastchester.

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

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY ONE OAKRIDGE OWNERS, INC. – ONE OAKRIDGE PLACE, EASTCHESTER

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by One Oakridge Owners, Inc., affecting premises known as Section 65.D, Block 4, Lot 1; One Oakridge Place, Eastchester, NY as follows:

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT A.V.	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2016	2017	\$ 133,800	\$ 120,100	\$ 13,700
2017	2018	\$ 133,800	\$ 121,000	\$ 12,800
2018	2019	\$ 133,800	\$ 121,000	\$ 12,800
2019	2020	\$ 133,800	\$ 122,900	\$ 10,900
2020	2021	\$ 133,800	\$ 112,300	\$ 21,500
2021	2022	\$ 133,800	\$ 113,300	\$ 20,500

Eastchester School Approved
To Be Bonded at a Later Date

TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND.....\$ 23,315.28

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

C) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT for May and June, 2022 we received for filing.

D) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT for June, 2022 we received for filing.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: SEASONAL/PART TIME EMPLOYEES

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to Approve the following list of Seasonal Appointments:

NAME	JOB TITLE	TYPE	RATE	EFF. DATE		DEPT.
Almonte, Amanda	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$12.00	7/12/2022	New	Recreation
Almodovar, Margaret	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Amoretti, Thomas	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Barreto, Kayla	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Brady, Rebecca	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$12.00	7/12/2022	New	Recreation
Capriotti, Jenna	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation

Cen, Emily	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Corrado, Dyllan	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Diaz, Valeria	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	New	Recreation
Dobbin, Elizabeth	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$16.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Doukas, Alexandra	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Doukas, Luke	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	7/12/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Dube, Elias	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	7/12/2022	New	Recreation
Dunleavy, Amanda	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Fioriello, Emily	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Gaudio, Diane	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$26.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Guarino, Thomas	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$18.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Korb, Jack	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$16.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Lebrini, Daniella	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Loukas, Deanna	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Luciano, James	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Mackin-Berger, Gavin	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$12.00	6/27/2022	New	Recreation
McNamee, Jennifer	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Milaccio, Emma	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Nemecek, Christine	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Nurzia, Bethany	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Nurzia, Lauren	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
O'Dwyer, William	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Plakopitas, Victoria	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$18.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Romano, Julianna	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Ruffo, Victoria	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Swikata, Kristen	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$22.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Tiso, Stephanie	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	New	Recreation
Troiano, Isabella	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Tyrrell, Lisa	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$18.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Urena, Keyshla	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$12.00	7/12/2022	New	Recreation
Wade, Andrew	Consultant	Seasonal	\$35.00	7/13/2022	Rate Change	Police
West, Olivia	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Zingaro, Luca	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$14.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation
Ziomber, Olivia	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$13.00	6/27/2022	Rate Change	Recreation

Fiorello, Michael	Bus Driver	PT	16.00	8/1/2022	Rate Change	SPS
Tousa, Joseph	Bus Driver	PT	17.00	8/1/2022	Rate Change	SPS

As well as Approving the following Seasonal Appointments at Lake Isle, effective July 13, 2022:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	TITLE	RATE		DEPT
Ayala	Madelaine	Recreation Attendant	15.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Radesich	Elise	Office Assistant	14.00	REHIRE	Lake Isle
Rivera	Maria	Recreation Attendant	15.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Kindberg	David	Lifeguard	14.00	REHIRE	Lake Isle
Morris	Ryan	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Comar	Chloe	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Tuffy	Ronan	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Beydoun	Brooke	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle

Salvilla	Arielle	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Lindsay	Syrai	Recreation Attendant	15.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Macaluso	Michael	Head Lifeguard	16.00	REHIRE	Lake Isle
Branley	Mary	Head Lifeguard	16.00	REHIRE	Lake Isle
Silvestri	John	Recreation Attendant	11.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Sigurdsson	Hannah	Recreation Attendant	11.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle
Casler	Daniel	Lifeguard	14.00	NEW HIRE	Lake Isle

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

B) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Per a request from Sally Veltidi, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by CL to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing Supervisor Colavita to sign the Agreement with Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services for American Rescue Plan Act- SSC6 for Title III-B Transportation Services, including Schedules A, B, C, D, E and F for the period of April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2024.

This contract between the Town of Eastchester and Westchester County Senior Programs and Services provides an amount not to exceed \$3,427.00. This funding will support two of our daily transportation services for older residents: trips to and from the Senior Nutrition Center at Lake Isle and trips to and from medical appointments. The Town of Eastchester will contribute \$381 in matching funds to the Program. This grant will specifically cover reimbursement for gas for the transportation services listed above. The funding is awarded by the New York State Office for the Aging under Title III-B Transportation Services and American Rescue Plan Act- SSC6.

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

C) MEMORANDUM FROM DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND PLANNING RE: ELECTRICAL INSPECTION SERVICES

Per the request from Margaret Uhle, Director of Building and Planning, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION appointing Better Homes Electrical Inspections Services, Inc. to conduct electrical inspections on behalf of the Town in accordance with Section 6.B. of the Town 's Electrical Code.

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

D) MEMORANDUM FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR RE: AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR WATER REMEDIATION PROJECT – EASTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Supervisor Colavita reviewed a memo from Tracy Wright, Director of the Eastchester Public Library, in which she reports that one bid was submitted on July 6, 2022 for the Eastchester Public Library Water Remediation Project from Suburban Construction Co in the amount of \$356, 225 (base bid) with an Alternate 1 of \$16,986 and a bid of \$8700 for Alternate 2 for a total bid amount of \$381,911.

Per a request from Tracy Wright, Director of the Eastchester Public Library, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION awarding the Eastchester Public Library Water Remediation Project contract to Suburban Construction Co.

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

E) MEMORANDUM FROM JUSTICE COURT RE: 2021-2022 NEW YORK STATE JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (JCAP) GRANT ACCEPTANCE

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve the acceptance of the grant awarded the Court from the New York State Justice Court Assistance Program (JACP) in the amount of \$2,000.

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

F) **LATE FLYING ITEM MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE:
CATERER AGREEMENT WITH HUBBARDS CUPBOURD LLC AND WESTCHESTER COUNTY
DEPARTMENT SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR CONGREGATE AND HOME DELIVERED MEALS**

The Town of Eastchester currently has 3 contracts with Hubbard's Cupboard which are part of Grants with Westchester County's Department of Senior Programs and Services for Congregate and Home Delivered Meals for Seniors in the Town of Eastchester, including the Villages of Bronxville and Tuckahoe.

These grants are the Wellness in Nutrition & Nutrition Services Incentive Program (WIN & NSIP), the Title IIIC/NSIP Grant and the Title IIIC-2 Consolidated Appropriations Act Funds. In these current agreements, the Town was being charged \$5.15 per meal from the caterer and being reimbursed \$6.00 per meal from the County Grants. The county will now reimburse the Town \$8.33 per meal so we will now be charged \$7.00 per meal from the caterer. The difference of \$1.33 will cover costs such as when people cancel, as well as Emergency meals that need to be sent when there is a snow storm coming. The Center will send out Emergency Meals to Home Delivered Meal clients as well will have congregate meal clients take home an additional meal if it will be bad weather for several days.

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing Supervisor Colavita to sign 3 new Caterer Agreements with Hubbard's Cupboard LLC for Congregate and Home Delivered Meals.

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

IX. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to set Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 8:00 p.m. as the date of the single Town Board Meeting in August.

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

X. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Councilman Marcoccia announced the FDR Drive Band will perform on July 13th and the Tramps Like Us band will perform on July 15th at the driving range of Lake Isle, beginning at 8:00 pm.

Councilman Dooley commented on the success of the tree planting program, the flower plantings throughout town and the maintenance of the parks by stating the all look great.

Councilwoman Nicholson encouraged residents, kids and adults alike, to check out the programs at the Eastchester Library.

Councilwoman Marcotte announced a "Princess Party" will be held on Monday, August 8 at 5:30 pm for children 10 years old and younger to attend with a parent or guardian.

Mrs. Marcotte announced the Eastchester Historical Society's Membership Drive remains underway. Since 1958 the organization; '*Where History Is Happening*,' has maintained the Marble School House and the Historical Society Library for the purpose of promoting and encouraging historical research and disseminating information concerning the history of the Town of Eastchester, including the Villages of Bronxville and Tuckahoe.

Supervisor Colavita reported the Town and Village of Bronxville, including their engineers, are working together on flood mitigation in the Crawford Avenue area.

XI. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - none

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:

Linda Laird
Town Clerk