

**TOWN OF EASTCHESTER  
MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD  
April 18, 2023**

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Eastchester Town Board held on April 18, 2023 in the Supervisor's Conference Room of Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester.

Supervisor Colavita called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. noting the presence of the Town Board and Chief Joseph Rodriguez.

The Supervisor stated the purpose of the meeting is to interview one candidate for the position of Police Officer.

The Town Board one candidate for the position of Police Officer.

No vote was taken. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes prepared by;

Linda Laird  
Town Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD  
April 18, 2023**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**II. 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

**III. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A) PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW 1-2023 THE STREET AND SIDEWALK EXCAVATION LAW WITHIN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AMENDS LOCAL LAWS 11-2002; 13-2005; 2-2013 & 1-2017**

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to Open the Public Hearing. An Affidavit of Publication of the Meeting Notice was received.

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

Supervisor Colavita explained that in addition to increasing the fee schedule the Amendments will require all public service corporations or contractors to repair or replace sidewalks and/or all curbs when damage is caused. Further, if the roadway has been resurfaced by the Town of Eastchester within the past forty-eight months the public service corporation

or the contractors must pave the roadway curb-to-curb and at a length designated by the Superintendent of Highways.

There being no public comment and no correspondence received by either the Town Attorney or the Town Clerk, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to Close the Public Hearing.

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

Councilwoman Marcotte offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTON to Adopt Local Law 1-2023.

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

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

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2023 Town Board Meeting and the March 28, 2023 Special Meeting with the Eastchester Union Free School District Board of Trustees as prepared by Town Clerk Linda Laird.

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

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

**A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The Board reviewed and approved for filing the following reports for March 2023; Parking Summonses, Citation Activity Report, Statement of Accounts and the Traffic Report.

Chief Rodriguez reported he and Supervisor Colavita had participated in several Civic Association information sessions to promote crime prevention and safety. The Chief also participated in Career Day at Eastchester Middle School.

Chief Rodriguez reminded parents that 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.

In closing, the Chief announced the Annual Michael Frey Pasta Night to benefit the Eastchester PBA Scholarship Fund to be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and the Eastchester Police Department Award Ceremony to be held on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.

**B) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT** for March 2023 was received for filing.

In addition, Rocco Latella, Superintendent of Highways, announced the annual tree planting program has begun. Residents may request the planting of a tree, on the town right-of-way, by calling the Highway Department.

**C) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT** for March 2023 was received for filing.

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTRROLLER RE: BUDGET REVISIONS**

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve the following Budget Revisions:

Increase:	Seasonal Permits	E 02006	\$50,000.00
Increase:	Contractual Service	E 3520.450	\$50,000.00

Increase: Maint. & Repairs S 8120.414 \$24,500.00  
 Increase: Appropriated Fund Balance SS 00599 \$24,450.00

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

**B) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: PART TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the following Part- Time and Seasonal Appointments:

NAME	JOB TITLE	APPOINTMENT TYPE	RATE	EFFECTIVE DATE	DEPT.
Nicholas Maresco	Laborer	Seasonal	15.00	4/19/2023	Hwy.
Michael Shahin	Laborer	Seasonal	15.00	4/19/2023	Hwy.
Michael Kouloumbis	PEO	P/T	21.00	4/19/2023	Police

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

**C) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS RE: PROCLAMATION OF ARBOR DAY**

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION proclaiming Friday, April 28, 2023, as Arbor Day within the Town of Eastchester.

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

**D) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND WESTCHESTER COUNTY SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Marcotte to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing Supervisor Colavita to sign the Agreement with Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services for Title III-B Transportation Services, including Schedules A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I for the period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

The contract between the Town of Eastchester and Westchester County Senior Programs and Services provides an amount not to exceed \$7,247. 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 \$5,036 in matching funds to the Program. The funding is awarded by the New York State Office for the Aging under Title III-B of the Older Americans Act.

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

**E) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: REQUEST TO BID FOR BUS SERVICE FOR 2023 CAMP SEASON**

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Recreation Department to go out to bid for the Bus Contract for the 2023 Camp Season.

Buses will be used for the following:

- Two (2) 44-passenger air-conditioned school buses for daily shuttle. Tuesday, June July 6<sup>th</sup> -August 4<sup>th</sup>, Mondays – Fridays. The buses will be used to transport campers from Greenvale and Waverly School to Lake Isle Country Club for daily swimming. Buses will be used between 9:30am-2:30pm.
- Two (2) 44-passenger air-conditioned school buses (unless otherwise indicated) for each of the camp trips for Camp Galaxy Jr. & Sr. Trips will depart form Greenvale and Waverly School. There will be 15 trips in the tri-state area.
- Two (2) 44-passenger air-conditioned buses for Camp Quest A trips **with Commercial GPS Navigation System** that will depart from Tuckahoe Community Center (Haindl Field 6/26-6/30) to various locations in the tri-state area. Trips will take place June 26-July 14 (No trip July 4). 12 trips will be school bus trips, 2 trips will be coach bus trips

- Two (2) 44-passenger air-conditioned buses for Camp Quest B trips **with Commercial GPS Navigation System** that will depart from Tuckahoe Community Center to various locations in the tri-state area. Trips will take place July 17-August 4. 13 trips will be school bus trips, 2 trips will be coach bus trips.

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

**F) MEMORANDUM FROM LAKE ISLE GENERAL MANAGER RE: ADDENDUM TO EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND BRIGHTVIEW GOLF MAINTENANCE**

Supervisor Colavita reviewed a request by George Papademetriou, Lake Isle General Manager, in which he reviews the continued renovation efforts to the golf course authorized by the 2023 Lake Isle Capital Project Budget that was recently approved by the Town Board. The scope and location of the improvements will be in the following areas listed below.

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve an Addendum to be included in the existing License Agreement between the Town of Eastchester and Brightview Golf Maintenance, and authorization to fund this capital work in the amount of \$97,402. Funding has already been approved as part of the 2023 Capital Budget and will be added to the 2023 Brightview contract payment amount.

The addendum is for the installation of asphalt cart path on #2 access, #10 & #11, the dredging of #8 pond and installation of inlet and outlet drains. All other provisions in the original contract shall remain in full force and effect.

Pond Cleanout #8 – Dredging of #8 pond to improve course aesthetics and allow additional positive flow fairway drainage to be installed.

- a. Drain pond water and excavate 24"-36" of undesirable material accumulation. Removal of material would increase pond water holding capacity and provide options for future fairway drainage.  
Estimated Cost #8 Pond - \$42,500

Golf Cart Paths – Renovation/installation of specified areas to the cart traffic system.

- a. Path renovation #2 access area
- b. Path renovation for # 11
- c. Edge repair for #2 #10 & #11
- d. Extension for #10  
Estimated cost for Hole #2 - \$14,256  
Estimated cost for Hole #11 - \$31,296  
Edge Repair for #2 #10 & #11 - \$4,950  
Estimated cost for extension for hole #10 - \$4,400  
Estimated Cost Cart Path Installation - \$54,902

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

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - none**

**IX. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councilman Marcoccia announced the Drive Electric Earth Day Get Charged Up! Bronxville, Eastchester and Tuckahoe Event being held on Apr 29, 2023 from 10 am to noon at the Eastchester Public Library Parking Lot. Westchester County electric buses, WC fleet (Bolts and Prius Primes), Westchester County police (Mach-E) and also charging station companies and EV car dealers / manufacturers will be on hand.

Mr. Marcoccia announced the Lake Isle Golf Course is open. Registration continues for golf, pool and tennis programs.

Councilman Dooley reported the Lake Isle golf season is off to a great start with daily play and the Men's and Women's Leagues gearing up with many Golf Outings being planned.

Councilwoman Nicholson announced Earth Day events, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual CARE Coalition Vigil on Mary 11<sup>th</sup> and the May 13, 2023.

Councilwoman Marcotte announced the Recreation Department is in the process of hiring positions for Summer Camp. Interested parties, 16 years of age and older, should contact the department.

Mrs. Marcotte invited the public to attend the Eastchester Historical Society's lecture; Changing Landscapes, Route 22. Speakers will discuss the historic changes along Route 22 from Mill Road and south. Homes and buildings will be discussed with an emphasis on the area surrounding the "new" Iona University campus.

Supervisor Colavita asked those attending spring sporting events throughout town to be mindful of placing liter and trash into the trash receptacles.

The Supervisor announced the Tax Office will offer extended hours on Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> from 8 am – 7 pm.

**X. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Howard Strawbridge requested the town regulate the use of leaf blowers, especially on Sundays.

Anthony Lore invited the public to participate in the many Memorial Day Events being planned throughout the Town and Villages.

David Levy spoke in opposition to the "New York House Compact" Proposal. Supervisor Colavita encouraged Mr. Levy and all residents to join the Town Board in opposing the proposal. The Board unanimously supported a RESOLUTION in objection to Governor Hochol's proposal on March 7, 2023 that was forwarded to State Senator Mayer, Assemblywoman Paulin and Governor Hochol.

There being no further public business, the meeting was closed with a moment of silence in the memory of former Town Clerk John Waters Eaton.

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