



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023  
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Michael F. Curley, Mayor  
Steven Alpert, Trustee  
Angela Hogue, Trustee  
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Trustee  
Clarke Osborn, Trustee  
Terry Rice, Village Attorney  
Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk  
Michael A. Genito, Village Treasurer

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for all of our veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice.

#### **OATHS OF OFFICE**

Village Clerk Melissa Reimer administered the Oath of Office to Michael F. Curley for a two-year term as Mayor to expire at 12:00 noon, December 1, 2025

Melissa B. Reimer administered the Oath of Office to:

- Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan to a two-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 1, 2025.
- Trustee Angela Hogue to a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 2, 2024.
- Trustee Clarke Osborn to a two-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 1, 2025.

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Board of Trustees will hold their monthly meetings at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of each month. Unless otherwise noticed, all meetings of the Board of Trustees will be held at Suffern Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

#### **DESIGNATION OF THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

The official newspaper for the Village of Suffern is the Rockland Journal News.

#### **DESIGNATED LOCATION FOR THE POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICES**

Pursuant to Section 104 of Public Officers Law, the designated location for the posting of Village of Suffern public notices will be the Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board located at 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

#### **DESIGNATED LOCATIONS FOR THE POSTING OF LEGAL NOTICES**

The locations designated for the posting of Village of Suffern legal notices will be as follows:

Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue  
Suffern Police Department Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue  
Suffern Post Office, 15 Chestnut Street

Suffern Free Library, 210 Lafayette Avenue  
Suffern Community Center, 41 Washington Avenue  
Leo Lydon Building, Cypress Road

### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**

The Village of Suffern will be closed for business on the following holidays:

New Year's Day – January 1, 2024  
Martin Luther King's Birthday – January 15, 2024  
President's Day – February 19, 2024  
Memorial Day – May 27, 2024  
Juneteenth – June 19, 2024  
Independence Day – July 4, 2024  
Labor Day – September 2, 2024  
Columbus Day – October 14, 2024  
Veteran's Day – November 11, 2024  
Thanksgiving Day – November 28, 2024  
Day after Thanksgiving – November 29, 2024  
Christmas Eve – December 24, 2024  
Christmas Day – December 25, 2024

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

### **APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR**

Mayor Curley appointed Trustee Meegan-Corrigan to the office of Deputy Mayor, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 2, 2024. The appointment of Deputy Mayor is a Mayoral appointment that does not require confirmation of the Board of Trustees.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 183 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTING MELISSA B. REIMER AS VILLAGE CLERK FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley does hereby appoint Melissa B. Reimer as Village Clerk, effective December 4, 2023, for a two-year term through 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025, subject to an employment contract approved as to form by the Village Attorney and executed by the Mayor.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 184 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTING TERRY RICE, ESQ. VILLAGE ATTORNEY FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley does hereby appoint Terry Rice, Esq. as Village Attorney, effective December 4, 2023, for a two-year term through 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board recognizes that the position of Village Attorney is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village that may include activities that occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Terry Rice shall receive any and all benefits afforded under the status of a full-time employee in accordance the Employment Standards and Benefits of the Village of Suffern.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 185 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTING ROBERT MAGRINO, ESQ. ASSISTANT VILLAGE ATTORNEY FOR A ONE YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley does hereby appoint Robert Magrino, Esq. as Deputy Village Attorney, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term through 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board recognizes that the position of Deputy Village Attorney is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village that may include activities that occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if Robert Magrino participates in the New York State Retirement system, he shall be required annually to record or recertify work activities for a period of three consecutive months in accordance with Chapter 315.4, Section (a) Record of Work Activities, of the New York State Retirement System Regulation, Regulation on Reporting for Elected or Appointed Officials.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTING STEPHANIE FURGANG ADWAR AS ASSOCIATE VILLAGE JUSTICE FOR A ONE YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, Stephanie Furgang Adwar is hereby appointed to Associate Village Justice, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at noon on December 2, 2024, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if Stephanie Furgang Adwar participates in the New York State Retirement system, she shall be required annually to record or recertify work activities for a period of three consecutive months in accordance with Chapter 315.4, Section (a) Record of Work Activities, of the New York State Retirement System Regulation, Regulation on Reporting for Elected or Appointed Officials.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

Ms. Furgang Adwar was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 187 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTING MICHAEL GENITO AS TREASURER FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, the Mayor hereby appoints Michael A. Genito as Treasurer, effective December 4, 2023, to a two-year term of office through noon on December 1, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board recognizes that the position of Treasurer is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village including activities that may occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Michael A. Genito shall receive any and all benefits afforded under the status of full-time employees in accordance with Rule 3 – Applicability, of the Employment Standards and Benefits of the Village of Suffern as revised March 16, 1998.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2023****APPOINTING MARIA DUFFY AS DEPUTY TREASURER FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Maria Duffy as Deputy Treasurer, effective December 4, 2023, to a one-year term of office through 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024, A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 189 OF 2023****APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Kathy Van Sickle as Deputy Village Clerk Part-Time, effective December 4, 2023, to a one-year term of office through 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board recognizes that the position of Deputy Village Clerk is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village that may include activities that occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 190 OF 2023****APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE TAX COLLECTOR**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Joanne Cioffi as Village Tax Collector, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 191 OF 2023****APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY VILLAGE TAX COLLECTOR**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Kathy Van Sickle, as the Deputy Village Tax Collector, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 192 OF 2023:****APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE HISTORIAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Craig Long as Village Historian, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 193 OF 2022****APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Richard Gandon as Planning Board Chairman, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 194 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Andrew Dale as Planning Board Member, effective December 4, 2023, for a five-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 4, 2028.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 195 OF 2022**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Hudson Van Sickle as Planning Board Alternate Member, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 196 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Richard V. Byrnes, Jr. as Planning Board Alternate Member, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 197 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Barry Tesseyman as the Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 198 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Cary Adwar as Zoning Board of Appeals member, effective December 4, 2023, for a five-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 4, 2028.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 199 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF SEWER RENT APPEALS MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Bruce McClintock as the Sewer Rent Appeals member, effective December 4, 2023, for a three-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 7, 2026.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

### **RESOLUTION NO. 200 OF 2023**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF SEWER RENT APPEALS BOARD CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Bruce McClintock as the Sewer Rent Appeals Board Chairman, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 2, 2024.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 4, 2023

PLEASE NOTE: Mayoral appointments are one-year appointments that are in the purview of the Mayor and do not require approval of the Board of Trustees. Mayor Curley made the following appointments for one-year terms to expire at 12:00 noon, December 2, 2024:

**TO THE ADVISORY BOARD ON CULTURE AND RECREATION:** Cathy Mills, Trustee Hogue, Nancy Christopher, Melissa Reimer, Lisa Conroy, Lisa DeJuse, Suzanne Joyce, Lynn Limbrick, Michael Murphy, Jonathan A. Theodore, Heather Ford, and Kathy Van Sickle are hereby appointed as members of the Advisory Board on Culture and Recreation, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 2, 2024.

**TO THE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:** Theresa Shedler, Ernie Bosco, Kathy Van Sickle, Fred Rella (Advisor), and Charles Sawicki (Advisor), are hereby appointed as members of the Citizen Advisory Committee for Community Development Program, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 2, 2024.

#### **TO THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:**

Mayor Curley and Trustee Hogue for the Community Foundation Board Members, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 2, 2024.

#### **TO THE MAHWAH RIVER COMMITTEE:**

Trustee Alpert and Trustee Meegan-Corrigan for the Mahwah River Committee Board Members, effective December 4, 2023, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 2, 2024.

#### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

Trustee Osborn thanked everyone in the great Village of Suffern for the opportunity to serve as a trustee. He feels very blessed to have worked with several members in the room, to have served 30 years on the Police Department, born and raised in this Village, and served on the School Board for 13 years. He said that his heart is in this Village. He has served his entire life and he looks forward to continuing to serve. He thanked his family and friends who came tonight. He thanked Mayor Curley and the Board for all their guidance and for all that they have done for the Village so far. He is looking forward to being a good part of the team.

Trustee Hogue thanked everyone who voted for her and allowed her to help out this Village. She said that she adores the Village since she moved here. "Thank you so much."

Trustee Meegan-Corrigan stated that she looks forward to another two years of very exciting forward momentum of this Village. She said that she has been on the Board for quite a bit and it has truly been a pleasure the last two years. She only sees bigger and better things for Suffern and thanks everyone for their support. She thanked everyone for allowing her to do this for another two years.

Mayor Curley stated that this Board kept its word for the last two years and they will continue to work together very well to advance this Village. He stated that he believes that the Board brought hope back to certain areas. The Board is very responsive, and they will continue to do that.

Mayor Curley introduced Judge Buonocore, Legislator Jesse Malowitz, Planning Board Chairman Rich Gandon, Prior Fire Chief Glenn Wilson, and his wife Zoning Board of Appeals Member Lisa Wilson – both of them do a great job with the parade.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 P.M. was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, and passed unanimously by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa B. Reimer, CPA  
Village Clerk