



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

A Workshop Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held Monday, July 12, 2021. The Village Board of Trustees adopted 25 resolutions as noted below.

Present: Edward Markunas, Mayor
Steven Alpert, Trustee
Charles Barone, Trustee
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Trustee
Fred Sauberman, Trustee
Robert Magrino, Attorney
Lisa-Ann DiMarsico-Smith, Village Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Markunas called the meeting to order, and two performers from the Clifford Theater, Robert Slovanski and Gabrielle Vaval led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and performed the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Markunas requested a moment of silence for the men and women serving in our armed forces throughout the world.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

A Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees will be held Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. **Workshop Meetings have been suspended** for the months of July and August; next workshop meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CANNABIS

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Steven Alpert moved the motion, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The Village Attorney provided a description of the proposed local law and why the Village should opt out. The deadline to opt out is December 31, 2021. The Village may opt in at any

time but only can opt out by December 31, 2021. He also informed the Board that the Cannabis Board to date has not yet been established. Resident, Michael Curley commented.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan moved the motion, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone. All were in favor and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION 120 Of 2021

DECLARE VILLAGE BOARD LEAD AGENCY UNDER SEQRA IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED LOCAL LAW, AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE TO ESTABLISH A NEW CHAPTER 102, ENTITLED “CANNABIS”

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone and seconded by Trustee Fred Sauberman and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 121 Of 2021

ADOPT LOCAL LAW 3 OF 2021, *SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM*, AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE TO ESTABLISH A NEW CHAPTER 102 ENTITLED “CANNABIS”, SPECIFICALLY CODIFYING THE VILLAGE BOARD’S INTENT TO OPT-OUT FROM ALLOWING CANNABIS RETAIL DISPENSARIES AND ON-SITE CONSUMPTION SITES WITHIN THE VILLAGE, AND REQUESTING THE CANNABIS CONTROL BOARD TO PROHIBIT SUCH RETAIL DISPENSARIES AND ON-SITE CONSUMPTION SITES WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, AS AUTHORIZED BY N.Y.S. CANNABIS LAW ARTICLES 4 AND 6.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone and seconded by Trustee Fred Sauberman and passed unanimously.

This resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

CDBG 2021 PROJECT RECOMMENDATION – WEST MAPLE AVENUE SIDEWALK – PHASE 2

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Charles Barone moved the motion, seconded by Steven Alpert. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Fred Rella, Grant writer for the Village provided some history on the recommended project. The cost has increased due to Covid, and the project is now starting the second phase.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan moved the motion, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone. All were in favor and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 122 OF 2021**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2021 CDBG WEST MAPLE AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT-PHASE 2**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone. All were in favor and the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS AND DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Thanked the Board for allowing to attend the Fireman’s Parade in Port Jervis. They were awarded 2 trophies. Discussed sale of tanker.

RESOLUTION NO. 123 OF 2021**ACCEPTING YOEL WEINBERGER AS NEW MEMBER, OVER 18, IN HOOK & LADDER, VOLUNTEER HOSE CO. 1**

The foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Steven Alpert, and passed unanimously by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 124 OF 2021**ACCEPTING WILLIAM ALTER AS NEW MEMBER, OVER 18, IN HOOK & LADDER, VOLUNTEER HOSE CO. 1**

The foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert, seconded by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan, and passed unanimously by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 125 OF 2021**AUTHORIZING VILLAGE OF SUFFERN FIRE DEPARTMENT PERMISSION TO SURPLUS (7) SET OF TURNOUT GEAR TO BE DONATED TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE EXPLORER POST**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - Provided update on the number of calls responded to in the Village. Dare Hockey applications are currently being accepted. The final stages of the station renovations are almost complete. The Department has applied for 3 Federally funded grants.

RESOLUTION NO. 126 OF 2021**APPOINTING DANIEL WYNNE TO THE POLICE OFFICER FULL TIME**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

CULTURE AND RECREATION – Provided updates on the events that will be approaching within the next few weeks in the Village. Pool registrations are currently being accepted. Announced the Vincent Crotty Fund Annual Softball Tournament dates - August 5 – 8.

**RESOLUTION NO. 127 OF 2021
APPOINTING NICHOLAS KOENIGHEIT AS STUDENT LABORER AT THE
SUFFERN MEMORIAL POOL SUMMER 2021**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 128 OF 2021
APPOINTING MATTHEW MOISE AS REFRESHMENT STAND ATTENDANT 1
(SEASONAL) AT THE SUFFERN MEMORIAL POOL SUMMER 2021**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Fred Sauberman and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Numerous residents commented.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

**RESOLUTION NO. 129 of 2021
ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF WASTEWATER OPERATIONS &
MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN II (C)***

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone and seconded by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 130 of 2021
APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEREK DEZAGO TO THE POSITION OF
WASTEWATER OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN II (C)***

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 131 OF 2021
AUTHORIZATION FOR APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT FOR DEWBERRY
ENGINEERS, 600 PARSIPPANY RD, PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054, FOR THE
HARDENING OF WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND BACKUP POWER FOR
CRITICAL FACILITIES PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,154.50**

The foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone, and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 132 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO COVINO AND SONS' CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**

The foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Fred Sauberman, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone, and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 133 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2021 RIGHT OF WAY IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT TO DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Barone and seconded by Trustee Fred Sauberman and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 134 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF PHASE 11 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO
TILCON NY**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone and seconded by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 135 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE DESIGN ENGINEERING/SURVEYING
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE LOT B IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 136 OF 2021
AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 35 OF 2021 TO INCLUDE BACK-UP POWER
FOR CRITICAL FACILITIES AMOUNT OF \$43,026.00**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Fred Sauberman and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 137 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2G GENERAL CONSTRUCTION
CONTRACT NO. 2 FOR THE WWTP UPGRADE PROJECT**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone and seconded by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and passed unanimously by the Board.

**RESOLUTION NO. 138 OF 2021
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2E ELECTRICAL CONTRACT NO. 2 FOR
THE WWTP UPGRADE PROJECT TO MEHL ELECTRIC AND COMMUNICATION
COMPANY**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

TREASURER - Provided updates on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA21) Coronavirus Local Finance Recovery Fund (CLFRF) money due from New York State.

**RESOLUTION NO. 139 OF 2021
AMENDING CAPITAL PROJECT 2021-004 -2021 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Charles Barone, seconded by Trustee Steven Alpert and passed unanimously by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 140 OF 2021

**AMENDING THE BOND RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON NOVEMBER 9, 2020,
RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Mayor Markunas, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Hon. Edward Markunas
Trustee Charles Barone
Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan
Trustee Steven Alpert
ABSENT: Trustee Fred Sauberman

The resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 141 of 2021

**APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARIA DUFFY TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY VILLAGE TREASURER FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN.**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

The Mayor requested a 5-minute recess.

ATTORNEY

RESOLUTION 142 Of 2021

APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF UNION GRIEVANCE ARBITRATION

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES -

Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan – Social Media changes to be discussed at the August meeting.

MAYOR

RESOLUTION NO. 143 OF 2021

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP MEETING OF JUNE
28, 2021**

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Jo Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 144 OF 2021

APPOINTMENT OF BANKS DESTINE TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Steven Alpert, seconded by Trustee Charles Barone and passed unanimously by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Jo Meegan Corrigan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m., seconded by Trustee Charles Barone. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa-Ann DiMarsico-Smith
Village Clerk