



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Michael F. Curley, Mayor
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Deputy Mayor
Steven Alpert, Trustee
Frank Hagen, Trustee
Fred Sauberman, Trustee
Terry Rice, Village Attorney
Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk
Michael A. Genito, Village Treasurer

Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and requested a moment of silence for veterans, first responders, individuals, and families in need.

APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION: NO. 1 OF 2022

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

RESOLVED, that Mayor Michael F. Curley does hereby appoint Stephanie Furgang Adwar as Associate Village Justice, effective December 6, 2021, for a one-year term through 12:00 noon, on December 5, 2022, at an annual salary of \$8,294; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if Ms. 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.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Alpert, Trustee Sauberman, Trustee Hagen, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 2 OF 2022**APPOINTING MELISSA B. REIMER, REGISTRAR FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

RESOLVED, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Melissa B. Reimer as Registrar, effective January 3, 2022, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 5, 2022. MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Sauberman

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Alpert, Trustee Sauberman, Trustee Hagen, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

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 5, 2022:

ADDITIONS TO THE ADVISORY BOARD ON CULTURE AND RECREATION: Heather Ford, Isabel Haggerty, Mary Guccione, and Lynn Linbirck.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION: NO. 3 OF 2022****VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE**

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees shall hold their monthly meetings at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees shall hold their workshop meetings at 7:00 p.m. on the last Monday of each month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all meeting of the Village Board of Trustees will be held at Suffern Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Alpert

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 4 OF 2022**DESIGNATION OF THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**

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

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Hagen

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 5 OF 2022**DESIGNATED POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Public Officers Law, Section 104, the places designated for posting of Village of Suffern public notices shall be the Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board located at 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 6 OF 2022**DESIGNATED LOCATIONS FOR POSTING OF LEGAL NOTICES**

RESOLVED, the designated places for posting legal notices in the Village of Suffern shall be as follows:

1. Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue
2. Suffern Police Department Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue
3. Suffern Post Office, 15 Chestnut Street
4. Suffern Free Library, 210 Lafayette Avenue
5. Suffern Community Center, 41 Lafayette Avenue
6. Leo Lydon Building, Cypress Road

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 7 OF 2022**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**

RESOLVED, that the Village of Suffern shall recognize and shall be closed for business on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day – December 31, 2021 (Observed)
- Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday – January 17, 2022
- President's Day – February 21, 2022
- Memorial Day – May 30, 2022
- Juneteenth – June 20, 2022 (Observed)
- Independence Day – July 4, 2022
- Labor Day – September 5, 2022
- Columbus Day – October 10, 2022
- Veterans Day – November 11, 2022
- Thanksgiving Day – November 24, 2022
- Day after Thanksgiving – November 25, 2022
- Christmas Eve – December 23, 2022 (Observed)
- Christmas Day – December 26, 2022 (Observed)

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 8 OF 2022

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR AUTHORIZED TRAVEL

WHEREAS, Section 77 of the General Municipal Law authorizes the Village of Suffern to pay for the actual and necessary expenses of travel, meals, lodging, registration fees, and tuition fees incurred by officers and employees while attending conferences and other official business; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the New York State Comptroller has a guide entitled *Travel and Conference Expense Management* published September 2020 to assist the Village in establishing payment and reimbursement guidelines for such expenses; and,

WHEREAS, the Village may establish a per diem rate for lodging and meals in lieu of requiring actual receipts, not to exceed the per diem rates provided for by the United States General Services Administration (GSA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Suffern will pay for or reimburse officers and employees the actual and necessary registration, travel, lodging and meal expenses incurred by said officers and employees as authorized by the Village Board and evidenced by written receipts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Suffern will pay for or reimburse officers and employees the actual and necessary mileage, at the IRS Standard Mileage Rate in effect at the time of travel, plus parking and tolls, for the use of their personal vehicle for official Village business as measured from the Village of Suffern Village Hall to and from the destination of the official business; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in lieu of written receipts, the Village of Suffern will reimburse officers and employees the per diem rates for lodging and/or meals as established by the GSA in effect at the time and location of travel, provided that the cost of such lodging and/or meals was not already included in any registration or other fees associated with such official business.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Hagen

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

The next Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

MOTION TO OPEN A PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 254 -VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC – PARKING SCHEDULES

A motion to open the public hearing was made by Trustee Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 254 -VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC – PARKING SCHEDULES

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Trustee Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Sauberman, with all in favor.

RESOLUTION: NO. 9 OF 2022**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2022 AMENDING CHAPTER 254 OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, SCHEDULES XI PARKING PROHIBITED AND XVIII LOADING ZONES ON CHESTNUT STREET**

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2021 the Village Board of Trustees expressed its intention to conduct a Public Hearing to consider amendments to the Village Code Chapter 254 Vehicle and Traffic; and

WHEREAS, on that date the Village Board of Trustees declared its intention to serve as Lead Agency for purposes of SEQRA and no other entity expressing a desire to serve as Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing in consideration of the said amendment was continued at the regular meetings of the Village Board of Trustees opened on December 6, 2021, and continued to January 3, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby declared itself to be Lead Agency for the purpose of environmental review under SEQRA, and determined that the matter is a Type II action thus requiring no further environmental review; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that based on all the information before the Village Board of Trustees, and the findings hereinafter made, the Board of Trustees hereby adopts Local Law No.1 of 2022 as follows:

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Sauberman

SECONDED BY: Trustee Hagen

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR MIA TAPAS – LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

A motion to open the public hearing was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Corrigan, with all in favor.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR MIA TAPAS – LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Trustee Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Sauberman, with all in favor.

RESOLUTION: NO. 10 OF 2022**AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR MIA TAPAS – LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

WHEREAS, Alex Garcia Flores, as owner of Mia Tapas, which is the tenant at the premises located at 20 Chestnut Street, Suffern, NY, has applied for a Special Permit from the Village Board to provide for Live Entertainment, which is authorized pursuant to §266-33(K) of the Suffern Village Code, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has appeared before the Village Board and confirmed that the Special Permit that is being requested is accessory to the permitted use as a bar/restaurant to be conducted within a wholly enclosed structure, subject to occupancy limitations, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has indicated that the live entertainment will consist of acoustical music and/or not more than two instruments, which the Board finds would not be detrimental to the health and safety of other occupants within the structure, and would not have a negative impact on residential dwelling units in the vicinity, and that there are no residential districts within 250 feet of the proposed use, and that the sound is intended not to be audible beyond the premises, and that adequate parking is available, and

WHEREAS, the matter was referred to the Village Planning Board, which waived the necessity for site plan review and made recommendations and comments that are incorporated by reference herein, and

WHEREAS, the action is a Type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), thus no further environmental review is required,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby finds that the applicant has provided sufficient information for the Board to grant a Special Use Permit for Live Entertainment to Mia Tapas located at 20 Chestnut Street, Suffern, New York, provided said Live Entertainment shall adhere to the requirements of §268-(K) of the Village Code, and shall be permitted on Thursday, Friday and Saturday between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Special Permit is authorized for a period of one year, at which time the applicant may return to renew the Special Permit and the Village Board shall consider the extent to which the applicant adhered to the requirements of the Special Permit and whether the authorized conduct created a disturbance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Special Permit may not be transferred.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Sauberman

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING TO AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR ACCOLLA 108 WASHINGTON AVENUE – HOME OCCUPATION UNTIL FEBRUARY 7, 2022.

A motion to adjourn the public hearing was made by Trustee Hagen and seconded by Trustee Corrigan, with all in favor.

RESOLUTION: NO. 11 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO BE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN WATER METER AND AUTOMATED METER READING SYSTEM PROJECT AND CLASSIFYING THE ACTION AS A TYPE II ACTION PURSUANT TO SEQRA

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Suffern (the "Village") water meter and automated meter reading (AMR) system project (the "Project") involves the replacement of all 2,418 current water

meters, the addition of 24 municipal facilities water meters, and the installation of a new AMR system to replace the current "drive-by" meter reading system in order to improve meter accuracy, improve water conservation, and to determine and correct leaks in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, a propagation study was prepared by RIO Supply of New York on May 3, 2021, wherein it was determined that two data collectors would provide well over 95% coverage for reading the 2,566 Village addresses; and

WHEREAS, the data collectors will provide hourly data with flags for continuous consumption, intermittent consumption, and reverse flow through a cloud-based application; and

WHEREAS, the total project is estimated to be completed within one year of the notice to proceed date; and

WHEREAS, the Village 's water distribution system provides potable water to over 11,000 Village residents and several external customers; and

WHEREAS, the water meters currently in use are more than 40 years old and well beyond the recommended replacement age; and

WHEREAS, the installation of a state-of-the-art AMR will allow for the control/automation for operational efficiency, provide operational changes that improve and insure adequate technical, managerial and financial capacity of the system in order to ensure compliance, and is consistent with sound water resources management; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2021, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to establish the Project and a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of \$1.5 million of debt to finance the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Village is seeking financing through the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) for this Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees declares itself lead agency for the purposes of applying for the EFC financing and for the Water Meter and Automated Meter Reading System Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(1).

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Hagen

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 12 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO BE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN WELL FIELDS GENERATOR PROJECT, CLASSIFYING THE ACTION AS AN UNLISTED ACTION AND ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

BE IT ENACTED by the Village Board of Trustees as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Suffern ("Village") owns and operates a community water system ("CWS"), which includes a water treatment plant and distribution system that provides potable water to over 11,000 Village residents, commercial and industrial customers, and several customers beyond the Village boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the ability to provide a continuous and reliable supply of water from the Village's sole source aquifer is critical to the health and safety of the Village's customers; and

WHEREAS, the water is sourced from a series of groundwater wells identified as Well No. 1, Well No. 2 and Well No. 4, all of which are located within the Village and along the Ramapo River in a floodplain subject to periodic flooding; and

WHEREAS, The Village is currently completing a project funded by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery ("GOSR") to harden the well infrastructure by raising well heads and well houses that will provide partial protection and will improve resiliency but could still leave these important water system components without the power to operate the wells; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to undertake a project for the installation of an emergency generator to provide backup power, and construction of a raised platform to elevate the generator above the flood elevation, and including all necessary ancillary electrical components such as an automatic transfer switch, disconnect and wiring to the existing facilities (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"), dated December 28, 2021, was prepared identifying any potential environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, the EAF found, among other things, that the action is consistent with the character of the area and natural landscape; is not located in a critical environmental area; is not on or contiguous to an area listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places; is not located on or adjacent to land containing wetlands; does not contain endangered or threatened species; is not located in a 100-year floodplain; and will not create stormwater discharge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees declares itself lead agency for the financing and construction of the Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing is an unclassified action pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, analyzing the considerations set forth in 6 NYCRR § 617.7, the proposed action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and the Board of Trustees hereby adopts a Negative Declaration.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 13 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH TILCON NEW YORK INC. FOR THE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE 11

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that Change Order No. 1 with Tilcon New York Inc. for Project 2021-004 Road Improvements Phase 11 in the amount of \$49,464.05 is hereby approved.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 14 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH PITINGARO & DOETSCH CONSULTING ENGINEERS, P.C. FOR THE DESIGN OF

AN EMERGENCY BACKUP GENERATOR FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN WELL FIELDS GENERATOR PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Suffern owns and operates a community water system (CWS) that provides potable water to the residents of the Village and others; and

WHEREAS, the water is sourced from a series of groundwater wells, that is, Wells 1, 2 and 4, located along the Ramapo River within the Village which wells are located in a floodplain and subject to periodic flooding; and

WHEREAS, Village Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening Water Wells will provide for the hardening of the well infrastructure by raising the well heads and well houses, providing partial protection and improved resiliency, but could still leave these important water system components without the power needed to operate the wells; and

WHEREAS, Village Project 2022-004 Water Wells Generator will provide for the installation of an emergency generator to provide backup power and construction of a raised platform to elevate the generator above the flood elevation, including all ancillary electrical components such as an automatic transfer switch, disconnect, and wiring to the existing facilities; and

WHEREAS, Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. has submitted a proposal and contract to assess the existing electrical equipment, conduits and all appurtenances associated with the with the wells for condition and potential usability and to size and design the generator, transfer switch and other components to adequately serve the current well operation scheme and to prepare plans, specifications, contracts and all necessary documents for the bidding of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is desirous of entering into a contract with Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. as aforementioned.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. to assess the existing electrical equipment, conduits and all appurtenances associated with the wells for condition and potential usability and to size and design the generator, transfer switch and other components to adequately serve the current well operation scheme and to prepare plans, specifications, contracts and all necessary documents for the bidding of the project in accordance with the proposal and contract dated July 13, 2021, subject to approval by the Village Attorney, in the amount of \$47,800.00.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Sauberman

SECONDED BY: Trustee Hagen

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 15 OF 2022**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 3 TO PITINGARO & DOETSCH CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE BACKUP POWER FOR CRITICAL FACILITIES PROJECT**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that payment of Application No. 3 to Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. in the amount of \$258.00 for the Backup Power for Project 2021-006 GOSR NYCR-0256 Backup Power is hereby authorized.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 16 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 4 TO PITINGARO & DOETSCH CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE BACKUP POWER FOR CRITICAL FACILITIES PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that payment of Application No. 4 to Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. in the amount of \$980.00 for Project 2021-006 GOSR NYCR-0256 Backup Power is hereby authorized.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 17 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 3 TO PITINGARO & DOETSCH CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE HARDENING OF WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that payment of Application No. 3 to Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. in the amount of \$951.00 for Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening Water Wells is hereby authorized.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Hagen

SECONDED BY: Trustee Alpert

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 18 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 4 TO PITINGARO & DOETSCH CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE HARDENING OF WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that payment of Application No. 4 to Pitingaro & Doetsch Consulting Engineers, P.C. in the amount of \$1,650.00 for the Hardening of Water Treatment Plant Project (Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening Water Wells) is hereby authorized.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Hagen

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 19 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDERS NOS. 1, 2 AND 3 WITH COVINO & SONS FOR THE WAYNE AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that Change Orders Nos. 1, 2 and 3 with Covino & Sons for Project 2018-003 Wayne Avenue Sidewalks in the amount of \$12,000, \$35,980 and \$22,400 respectively are hereby approved.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Corrigan

SECONDED BY: Trustee Sauberman

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 20 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR CURLEY'S APPOINTMENT OF ANIELLO VACCHIANO TO A GRADE 12 MEO II POSITION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Curley hereby appoints Aniello Vacchiano to a Grade 12 MEO II Position with a salary of \$30.78 per hour, starting on January 4, 2022, and said appointment is hereby confirmed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Hagen

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 21 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR CURLEY'S APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL STEWART TO A GRADE 10 MEO I POSITION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Curley hereby appoints Michael Stewart to a Grade 10 MEO I Position with a salary of \$22.93 per hour and said appointment is hereby confirmed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointment is subject to Rockland County Personnel Department.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Alpert

SECONDED BY: Trustee Corrigan

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

ATTORNEY

Resolutions – Noted above.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firehouses are closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Firehouses are only open for fire calls.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department provided stats on the number of service calls and spoke about a couple of significant service calls. The Police Department was selected to receive a US Department of Justice Body Camera Grant.

MOTION TO APPROVE POLICE EXECUTIVE TRAINING IN NIAGRA FALLS FROM 2/14-2/18 FOR POLICE CHIEF AND POLICE LIEUTENANT

A motion to approve the foregoing was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Sauberman, with all in favor.

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Cathy Mills, Recreation Coordinator is looking forward to working with new and existing members of the Culture & Recreation Committee members. The Community Center is closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mayor and Village Board will re-evaluate the closure on January 14, 2022.

GRANT PROGRAM

Fred Rella, Grant Writer, advised that he completed all necessary training on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Mr. Rella gave status updates on a couple of grants in progress.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (limited to 4 minutes per speaker)

Two residents spoke

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Charles Sawicki, Superintendent of Public Works advised that the Wayne Avenue sidewalk project was completed.

TREASURER

Michael A. Genito, Village Treasurer, advised that the independent audit for fiscal year ended May 31, 2021 is about to be completed. It is anticipated that the audited financial statements will be available in the month of January 2022. The Treasurer's office is working on several grants and low interest loans from the NYS EFC, and the calendar year 2021 Affordable Care Act reporting.

TRUSTEES:

The Trustees announced that the public should lobby New York State representatives for more COVID-19 testing sites for Rockland County.

MAYOR:

Stony Point set up a new COVID-19 testing site that opened on January 4, 2022. The Mayor spoke of the need for the installation of more garbage cans around the Village, the need to replace street lights that were not operating, and assisting commercial landlords in the renting out of vacant downtown stores. The Mayor advised that he had met with Town of Ramapo officials regarding the Quarry property and that the Town and the Village may have mutual concerns, but the Town

should recognize that the Village residents (taxpayers) deserve a “piece of the pie” from the sale of the Quarry by the Town. Mayor Curley also discussed the former Novartis site and how a proposed plan to develop it as a major warehouse site would help improve the ratables in Suffern. As for a proposed project involving a portion of property currently owned by Avon, the Village Board has planning and zoning concerns based on a recent General Municipal Law (GML) report that need to be addressed. The development of a Village Comprehensive Plan is currently underway and any new development should be considered as that plan is developed. The Mayor stated that we are very fortunate to have Terry Rice as our Village Attorney, as Mr. Rice is one of the most knowledgeable and experienced attorneys as regards planning and zoning.

RESOLUTION: NO. 22 OF 2022

APPROVAL OF MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES REORGANIZATION MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2021

RESOLVED, the minutes of the Board of Trustees Reorganization Meeting of December 6, 2021, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Sauberman

SECONDED BY: Trustee Alpert

AYES: Trustee Alpert, Trustee Corrigan, Trustee Hagen, Trustee Sauberman, Mayor Curley

NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

RESOLUTION: NO. 23 OF 2022

APPROVAL OF MINUTES BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2021

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NOES: None

Adopted: January 3, 2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Alpert made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m., seconded by Trustee Corrigan. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa B. Reimer, CPA
Village Clerk