



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all the loved ones who have gone to heaven before us.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

A Regular Meeting, Monday, August 7, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.

A Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION To Approve June 5, 2023, Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes was moved by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

PARKING IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

MOTION To Open Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law Amending Section 266-38 of the Zoning Local Law of the Village of Suffern with respect to Special Parking Requirements in the CB District, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Denis-Hogue, with all in favor.

Mr. Rice discussed how the zoning law currently allows the Planning Board to waive additional parking requirements for a business located in the central business district. The Zoning Law enables the Board of Trustees to set payment in lieu of providing a parking space. The problem arises that the Board of Trustees sets the dollar amount, but the Planning Board can simply waive it. This law enables the Board of Trustees to deal with both issues. They have the right to issue a waiver, if appropriate, or set a money in lieu requirement. The Planner is working on a money in lieu amount so that we will be able to deal with this issue.

This Local Law was referred to the Rockland County Department of Planning. We agree with all of their recommendations except for No. 2 (which the motion should override) in which they suggested that the termination is subject to review by the New York State Department of Transportation, being a legislative function that is the amendment of a zoning law. It is not subject to the Department of Transportation jurisdiction so we would suggest that it be overridden. Mr. Rice also stated that it is a Type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which means it is a ministerial action and is not subject to any further environmental review.

Mayor Curley stated that Suffern has a parking problem in the Village of Suffern. The Mayor and the Board are trying to alleviate the parking problem. He is looking to the future to accumulate money for the construction of a parking structure or to purchase property for additional parking.

Mr. Giannettino - 2 Memorial Drive – Are you going to allow the restaurants to use the B-Lot (across from the Post Office) at night? He also asked if the B-Lot could be used by restaurants in the central businesses district for valet parking.

Mayor Curley answered that the B-Lot is meant for businesses at night. He stated that he will look into valet parking. The Mayor also discussed how he changed parking in the B-Lot.

MOTION To Close Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law Amending Section 266-38 of the Zoning Local Law of the Village of Suffern with respect to Special Parking Requirements in the CB District, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 093 OF 2023
ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 7 OF 2023, AMENDING SECTION 266-38 OF THE
ZONING LOCAL LAW OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN WITH RESPECT
TO SPECIAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS IN THE CB DISTRICT**

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

WHEREAS, § 266-38(D) of the Village of Suffern Zoning Local Law provides that “Upon consideration of the limited nature of any particular application for increased intensity of use or expansion, as well as the proximity of existing parking spaces, the Planning Board may waive some or all of the off-street parking requirements as set forth in § 266-41 of this chapter; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is in the process of causing a Comprehensive Plan to be prepared; and

WHEREAS, one of the significant aspects of the Comprehensive Plan is an analysis of parking requirements and deficiencies in the CB district; and

WHEREAS, the § 266-38(D) of the Zoning Law provides for the potential utilization of a per space payment-in-lieu of providing parking which amount of payment per parking space required in such cases is established by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees intends to implement policies to deal with parking deficiencies and the impact of the same on new users; and

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, it is inconsistent to authorize the Planning Board to waive parking requirements when the Board of Trustees is authorized to require a per space payment-in-lieu of providing parking; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 266-67 of the Zoning Law, the proposed local law and report were referred to the Village of Suffern Planning Board on April 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2023, the Village of Suffern Planning Board recommended adoption of the local law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 239-m of the General Municipal Law, the proposed local law and report were referred to the Rockland County Department of Planning on June 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated June 21, 2023, the Rockland County Department of Planning made various recommendations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 266-67 of the Zoning Law, the proposed local law and report were referred to the Village Attorney; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated July 11, 2023, the Village Attorney found that all requisite procedures for adoption of the Zoning Law had been complied with and that there were no legal impediments to adoption of the same;

WHEREAS, a notice of the public hearing on said local to be held on June 5, 2023, was timely published in the Journal News on May 25, 2023; and

WHEREAS, because a report and recommendation had not yet been received from the Rockland County Department of Planning, the June 21, 2023, hearing was adjourned to July 17, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the action is a Type II action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

WHEREAS, the comments of the public were received by the Board of Trustees at the July 17, 2023, public hearing and the hearing was closed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern hereby declares itself to be lead agency and determines that that the adoption of the proposed local law is a Type II action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby overrides recommendation number “2” of the Rockland County Department of Planning June 21, 2023 letter, which states that “A review must be completed by the New York State Department of Transportation, any comments or concerns addressed” because the New York State Department of Transportation does not have jurisdiction over the adoption of the instant local law and, additionally, the local law does not provide for any substantive change, but only transfers the “waiver” authority from the Planning Board to the Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees finds that all procedural requirements for the adoption of said local law have been satisfied; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is in the overall public interest of the Village of Suffern to adopt said local; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Local Law No. 7 of 2023, “A Local Law Amending Section 266-38 of the Zoning Local Law of the Village of Suffern with Respect to Special Parking Requirements in the CB District” is hereby adopted.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all those in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 094 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
AGREEMENT WITH LOCAL 445, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
TEAMSTERS**

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

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement with Local 445, International Brotherhood of Teamsters (“Local 445”) expired on May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated the terms of a successor agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement and a new Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 445 in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement executed by Local 445 on July 17, 2023.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 095 OF 2023
APPOINTING MICHAEL LEVITO TO THE POSITION OF
POLICE OFFICER FULL TIME**

RESOLVED, Mayor Michael F. Curley and the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Michael Levito to the position of Police Officer Full Time, effective July 18, 2023, and his compensation and benefits shall be in accordance with the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Suffern Policemen’s Benevolent Association, Inc.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and passed by the Board.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 096 OF 2023
APPOINTING CHRISTOPHER SCHUETZ TO THE POSITION OF
POLICE OFFICER FULL TIME**

RESOLVED, Mayor Michael F. Curley and the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Christopher Schuetz to the position of Police Officer Full Time, effective July 18, 2023, and his compensation and benefits shall be in accordance with the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Suffern Policemen’s Benevolent Association, Inc.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hagen and passed by the Board.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 097 OF 2023
APPOINTING WILLIAM OSBORN TO SERGEANT EFFECTIVE JULY 18, 2023**

WHEREAS, on or about October 30, 2022, the position of Sergeant was vacated in the Village’s Police Department; and

WHEREAS, William Osborn is eligible to be appointed Sergeant from the Rockland County Civil Service Promotional List 21034.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that William Osborn is hereby appointed to the rank of Sergeant, effective July 18, 2023, and his compensation and benefits shall be in accordance with the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Suffern Policemen’s Benevolent Association, Inc.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Alpert,

Aye Votes: Trustee Alpert, Trust Meegan-Corrigan, Trustee Denis-Hogue, and Mayor Curley

No Vote: Trustee Hagen

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 098 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PROMOTE SGT. CRAIG YUSTEIN TO THE RANK OF DETECTIVE SERGEANT**

RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Mayor to promote Sgt. Craig Yustein to the rank of Detective Sergeant effective July 18, 2023.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Denis-Hogue and passed by the Board.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 099 OF 2023
RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT GAS METERS AS SURPLUS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees have been advised that the following Fire Department owned gas meter equipment that is no longer necessary or useful to the Village and should be declared surplus:

MAKE	MODEL	MODEL #	SERIAL NUMBER
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-147092
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-140543
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-214603
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-214746
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-214721
RAE SYSTEMS	QRAE II	PGM-2400P	181-143619

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Denis-Hogue and passed by the Board.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 100 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING FREDERICK J. RELLA TO PROVIDE
GRANT APPLICATION SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**

RESOLVED, Mayor Curley is hereby authorized to sign the Consulting Agreement with Frederick J. Rella (F.J. Rella & Co., LLC), Suffern, New York, to provide grant application services to the Village of Suffern from June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2024, Nunc Pro Tunc.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hagen and passed by the Board.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 101 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 TO TAM ENTERPRISES, INC. FOR THE
HARDENING OF WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT**

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$4,990.36 for Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255, Hardening of Water Treatment Plant Project, is hereby authorized, subject to and contingent upon approval by Governor's Office Storm Recovery.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Denis-Hogue and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 102 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 12 TO MEHL ELECTRIC
COMPANY 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. 12 to Mehl Electric Company in the amount of \$38,009.50 for Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening of Water Treatment Plant is hereby authorized, subject to approval by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Denis-Hogue and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 103 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 13 TO MEHL ELECTRIC
COMPANY 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. 13 to Mehl Electric Company in the amount of \$7,962.48 for Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening of Water Treatment Plant is hereby authorized, subject to approval by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Denis-Hogue and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 104 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF APPLICATION NO. 14 TO TAM ENTERPRISES, INC.
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. 14 to TAM Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$112,021.55 for Project 2021-005 GOSR NYCR-0255 Hardening of Water Treatment Plant is hereby authorized, subject to approval by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Denis-Hogue and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 105 OF 2023
AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF FORMAL BIDS FOR THE WASTEWATER
TREATMENT PLANT CHEMICALS**

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 the solicitation of formal bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Chemicals with a due date of August 3, 2023, at 3:30 P.M.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Denis-Hogue and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 106 OF 2023
DECLARING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO BE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE
FINANCING AND CONSTRUCTION OF WELL NO. 5, 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 Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern 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 which 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

WHEREAS, during emergencies and power outages, the Village is required to rely solely on Well 3; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the ability to supply adequate and sufficient potable water to its consumers, the Village has investigated the development and installation of an additional well, to be known as Well No. 5; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees deems it in the best interests of the residents of the Village to proceed with the financing, including seeking funding for the project, and development of Well No. 5; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"), dated July 14, 2023, 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; the site does not contain endangered or threatened species; the project is not located in a 100-year floodplain; will not create stormwater discharge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Board of Trustees declares itself lead agency for the purpose financing for and construction of Well No. 5; 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.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 107 OF 2023

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 Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern 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 which 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, Well No. 3 and Well No. 4, all of which are located within the Village and along the Ramapo River in a floodplain and 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 which 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 project would include 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 all ancillary electrical components such as an automatic transfer switch, disconnect and wiring to the existing facilities would be included in the project; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for the reliable delivery of water to Village consumers, the Village desires to install an additional generator at the Bon Aire pumping station; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”), dated July 14, 2023, 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; the site does not contain endangered or threatened species; the project is not located in a 100-year floodplain; will not create stormwater discharge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Board of Trustees declares itself lead agency for the purpose financing for and construction of the well fields generator project and Bon Aire generator; 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.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 108 OF 2023

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York, was held at the Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York, on July 17, 2023.

There were present: Hon. Michael F. Curley, Mayor; and
Trustees: Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Steven Alpert, Angela Denis-Hogue, and
Frank Hagen

There were absent: None

Also present: Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk

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BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JULY 17, 2023, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,100,000 TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER WELL, INCLUDING PLANNING AND DESIGN, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$2,100,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, IN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York (herein called the “Village”), is hereby authorized to issue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,100,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the “Law”), to finance the construction of a water well, including planning and design.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of the project described herein, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$2,100,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated for such a purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,100,000 to finance said appropriation, and the collection of water rates and/or the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable. Any funds received from grants and/or other sources are hereby authorized to be applied toward the cost of said project or redemption of the Village’s bonds or notes issued therefor, or to be budgeted as an offset to the taxes to be collected for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds or notes. All or part of the cost of the project may be financed through the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) State Revolving Fund (SRF) and available grants, including but not limited to the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA), Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP), Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP), and any authorized officer of the Village is hereby authorized to

submit an application and perform any other acts necessary to arrange for financing through such grants, or other grants, or any other sources.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 1 of the Law, is forty (40) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to the execution of agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution, to publish or cause to be published, in full, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, and posted in at least six (6) public places and in each polling place in the Village, a Notice in substantially the form appearing in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 8. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, after said bond resolution shall take effect, to cause said bond resolution to be published, in summary, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Law.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Trustee Meegan-Corrigan	X		
Trustee Alpert	X		
Trustee Denis-Hogue	X		
Trustee Hagen	X		
Mayor Curley	X		

The resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 109 OF 2023

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York, was held at the Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York, on July 17, 2023.

There were present: Hon. Michael F. Curley, Mayor; and
Trustees: Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Steven Alpert, Angela Denis-Hogue, and Frank Hagen

There were absent: None

Also present: Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk

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**RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK,
ADOPTED JULY 17, 2023, AMENDING THE BOND
RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON JUNE 28, 2021, RELATING TO
THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER SYSTEM
IMPROVEMENTS**

Recitals

WHEREAS, pursuant to a bond resolution adopted on June 28, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York, has heretofore appropriated funds and authorized the issuance of bonds to finance the construction of water system improvements, consisting of meter replacements and an automated meter reading system at the estimated maximum cost of \$1,500,000; and

WHEREAS, it has now been determined that the estimated cost of such project shall be \$2,300,000, and it is in the public interest to increase said appropriation by \$800,000;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, IN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section (A) The bond resolution of the Village of Suffern adopted by the Board of Trustees on June 28, 2021, entitled:

“Bond Resolution of the Village of Suffern, New York, adopted June 28, 2021, authorizing the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to

exceed \$1,500,000 to finance the construction of water system improvements, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$1,500,000 and appropriating said amount for such purpose,”

is hereby amended to read as follows:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JUNE 28, 2021, AND AMENDED JULY 17, 2023, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,300,000 TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$2,300,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, IN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York (herein called the “Village”), is hereby authorized to issue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,300,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the “Law”), to finance the construction of water system improvements, consisting of meter replacements and an automated meter reading system.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of the project described herein, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$2,300,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated for such purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,300,000 to finance said appropriation, and the collection of water rates and/or the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable. Any funds received from grants and/or other sources are hereby authorized to be applied toward the cost of said project or redemption of the Village’s bonds or notes issued therefor, or to be budgeted as an offset to the taxes to be collected for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds or notes. All or part of the cost of the project may be financed through the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) State Revolving Fund (SRF) and available grants, including but not limited to the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA), Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP), Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP), and any authorized officer of the Village is hereby authorized to submit an application and perform any other acts necessary to arrange for financing through such grants, or other grants, or any other sources.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 30 of the Law, is twenty (20) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity

as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to the execution of agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution, to publish or cause to be published, in full, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, and posted in at least six (6) public places and in each polling place in the Village, a Notice in substantially the form appearing in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 8. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, after said bond resolution shall take effect, to cause said bond resolution to be published, in summary, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Law.

Section (B) The amendment of the bond resolution as set forth in Section (A) of this resolution shall in no way affect the validity of any liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken pursuant to said bond resolution prior to amendment, and all such liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken shall be deemed to have been incurred, issued or taken pursuant to said bond resolution, as amended.

Section (C) Said bond resolution, as amended, is subject to a permissive referendum as therein provided. In the event that a valid petition protesting against said bond resolution and requesting that it be submitted to the electors of said Village for their approval or disapproval is filed and the Proposition submitted therefor is defeated, the validity of the bond resolution adopted on June 28, 2021, shall not be in any way affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Trustee Meegan-Corrigan	X		
Trustee Alpert	X		
Trustee Denis-Hogue	X		
Trustee Hagen	X		
Mayor Curley	X		

The resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 110 OF 2023

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York, was held at the Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York, on July 17, 2023.

There were present: Hon. Michael F. Curley, Mayor; and
 Trustees: Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Steven Alpert, Angela Denis-Hogue, and Frank Hagen
 There were absent: None
 Also present: Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk
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RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JULY 17, 2023, AMENDING THE BOND RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 25, 2021, RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF A WELL FIELDS EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM

Recitals

WHEREAS, pursuant to a bond resolution adopted on October 25, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York, has heretofore appropriated funds and authorized the issuance of bonds to finance the acquisition of a well fields emergency generator for the Village water system at the estimated maximum cost of \$650,000; and

WHEREAS, the scope of the project has now changed to include a second emergency generator at a pump station that is not located in the well field; and

WHEREAS, it has now been determined that the estimated cost of such project shall be \$950,000, and it is in the public interest to increase said appropriation by \$300,000;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, IN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section (A) The bond resolution of the Village of Suffern adopted by the Board of Trustees on October 25, 2021, entitled:

“Bond Resolution of the Village of Suffern, New York, adopted October 25, 2021, authorizing the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to

exceed \$650,000 to finance the acquisition of a well fields emergency generator for the Village water system, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$650,000 and appropriating said amount for such purpose,”

is hereby amended to read as follows:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK, ADOPTED OCTOBER 25, 2021 AND AMENDED JULY 17, 2023, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$950,000 TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF EMERGENCY GENERATORS FOR THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$950,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN, IN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Suffern, in the County of Rockland, New York (herein called the “Village”), is hereby authorized to issue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$950,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the “Law”), to finance the acquisition of emergency generators for the Village water system.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of the project described herein, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$950,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated for such purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$950,000 to finance said appropriation, and the collection of water rates and/or the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable. Any funds received from grants and/or other sources are hereby authorized to be applied toward the cost of said project or redemption of the Village’s bonds or notes issued therefor, or to be budgeted as an offset to the taxes to be collected for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds or notes. All or part of the cost of the project may be financed through the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) State Revolving Fund (SRF) and available grants, including but not limited to the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA), Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP), Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP), and any authorized officer of the Village is hereby authorized to submit an application and perform any other acts necessary to arrange for financing through such grants, or other grants, or any other sources.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 13 of the Law, is ten (10) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to the execution of agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution, to publish or cause to be published, in full, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, and posted in at least six (6) public places and in each polling place in the Village, a Notice in substantially the form appearing in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 8. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, after said bond resolution shall take effect, to cause said bond resolution to be published, in summary, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Law.

Section (B) The amendment of the bond resolution as set forth in Section (A) of this resolution shall in no way affect the validity of any liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken pursuant to said bond resolution prior to amendment, and all such liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken shall be deemed to have been incurred, issued or taken pursuant to said bond resolution, as amended.

Section (C) Said bond resolution, as amended, is subject to a permissive referendum as therein provided. In the event that a valid petition protesting against said bond

resolution and requesting that it be submitted to the electors of said Village for their approval or disapproval is filed and the Proposition submitted therefor is defeated, the validity of the bond resolution adopted on October 25, 2021, shall not be in any way affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Trustee Meegan-Corrigan	X		
Trustee Alpert	X		
Trustee Denis-Hogue	X		
Trustee Hagen	X		
Mayor Curley	X		

The resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 111 OF 2023

COMMITMENT AND USE OF ARPA FUNDS

WHEREAS there is currently a \$389,926 unobligated and unspent balance of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (“ARPA Funds”); and

WHEREAS ARPA Funds that are unobligated after December 31, 2024, and/or unspent on or before December 31, 2026, must be returned to the United State Treasury; and

WHEREAS the Village Board of the Village of Suffern has considered various current and future uses for these one-time ARPA Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Suffern hereby commits the remaining unobligated and unspent balance of ARPA Funds as follows:

- \$130,000 for the purchase of two police patrol cars in fiscal year 2023-2024
- \$140,000 for the purchase of two police patrol cars in fiscal year 2024-2025
- \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of Building Department software
- \$89,926 for the imaging of Vital Records; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any ARPA Funds unobligated and unspent on projects previously financed with ARPA Funds shall be obligated to the imaging of Vital Records.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 112 OF 2023

PURCHASE OF BUILDING DEPARTMENT SOFTWARE

WHEREAS in January 2023, the Village sought quotations from software providers for building and fire safety software, including but not limited to inspections, violations, permitting and the associated billing and recordkeeping; and

WHEREAS the Village Building Department staff, including the Building Inspector, Fire Inspector, Code Enforcement Officers, and Administrative Assistant considered at least six providers of such software, and participated in demonstrations and received proposals from four providers of such software; and

WHEREAS it is the consensus of the Building Department staff that the subscription-based software as proposed by Edmunds GovTech is the preferred software; and

WHEREAS the purchase and implementation of the Edmunds GovTech software will be financed by American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Suffern hereby accepts the proposal from Edmunds GovTech dated March 22, 2023, in the amount of \$26,500 for the purchase and installation of subscription-based software for the Village Building Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign an agreement with Edmunds GovTech approved as to form and content by the Village Attorney.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 113 OF 2023

AWARD RECORDS SCANNING SERVICES TO SECURESCAN

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2023, the Village of Suffern issued a Request for Bids for Records Scanning Services (RFB), with direct distribution to seven reputable and responsible vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk utilized the services of Access Systems Inc., an independent consulting firm with expertise in records scanning services, to assist in the development and distribution of the RFB and to assist in evaluating responses to the RFB; and

WHEREAS, the Village received two responses to the RFB from reputable and responsible vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk has determined, with the assistance of Access Systems Inc., that the proposal received from SecureScan, 1060 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204 (SecureScan) is the preferred proposal as to both content and pricing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees awards the bid for Records Scanning Services to SecureScan.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 114 OF 2023

WORKERS COMPENSATION 15(8) WHOLESALE WAIVER AGREEMENT

WHEREAS the New York State Workers Compensation Special Disability Fund (“SDF”) reimburses insurers, including but not limited to the Village of Suffern (“Village”), for claims with dates of accident before July 1, 2007, where the claimant was classified as permanently partially disabled pursuant to Workers Compensation Law Section 15(8) (“WCL15(8)”); and

WHEREAS the SDF is currently reimbursing the Village under WCL15(8) for a single claimant where the total estimated undiscounted medical and indemnity value of the claim for the remainder of the claimant’s estimated life expectancy is \$316,680; and

WHEREAS the New York State Workers Compensation Board (“WCB”) has offered a 15(8) Wholesale Waiver Agreement Proposal dated June 7, 2023 (“Proposal”) to pay to the Village a one-time payout of \$236,731 (“Settlement Funds”) representing the undiscounted medical value, indemnity value discounted at 4.03%, less outstanding indemnity reimbursements; and

WHEREAS acceptance of the Proposal would require the Village to make all future medical and indemnity payments to the claimant without further reimbursement from the SDF; and

WHEREAS acceptance of the Proposal would allow the Village to use the Settlement Funds for any purpose deemed to be in the best interest of the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Suffern hereby accepts the 15(8) Wholesale Waiver Agreement Proposal from the WCB dated June 7, 2023, and authorizes the Mayor to execute any documents necessary for the acceptance of the Proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Settlement Funds will be placed in an interest-bearing account and used to pay future medical and indemnity payments associated with this claim.

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

Adopted: July 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 115 OF 2023

AUTHORIZE VILLAGE TREASURER TO ATTEND NYCOM 2023 FALL TRAINING SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Suffern Board of Trustees hereby authorizes Michael A. Genito, Village Treasurer to attend the NYCOM 2023 Fall Training School, September 18-12, 2023, in Lake Placid, New York, at the conference registration cost of \$365 and conference lodging cost of \$326 per night, as well as the actual and necessary expenses for travel and meals not already included and in accordance with the Village’s policy of reimbursement for such expenses.

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Hagen and seconded by Trustee Denis-Hogue, with all in favor.

Adopted: July 17, 2023

GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Fred Rella advised the Board that construction on the West Maple Avenue Sidewalk project started today. The project is funded by two Community Development Block Grants (“CDBG”) worth \$300 thousand and provides for the construction of sidewalks, curbs and sidewalk aprons. This project should take three weeks to complete.

The Rockland County Office of Community Development gave the green light to repave Parking Lot A, located on the corner of Orange Avenue and Route 202. Environmental review is complete, and the contract has been signed. It is funded by a \$200 thousand CDBG grant.

Mayor Curley has begun an initiative for three grants for infrastructure improvements to the Village water system. Applications are being prepared for: \$950 thousand dollars project funded 60% by grants for backup generators for the water system, one for the well field and one for Bon Aire Pump Station; Construction and development of a new potable water well with an estimated

project cost of \$2.1 million to be funded 60% by grants, and a \$2.5 million project funded 75% by grants to install an automated meter reading system and new water meters Village-wide.

Mayor Curley added that we will see what grants we get in order to ascertain which projects the Village will do. The most important project is the new potable water well.

RECREATION

Ms. Cathy Mills reported the following:

Clifford Theater Performances on July 28 & 29 – High School Musical

Concerts in the Park – Thursdays in July at 7 P.M. (in case of inclement weather- concerts will be brought inside to the Community Center)

July 21 – JC & The Crocodiles

July 28 – Kurt Gallagher, Kids Concert

PUBLIC COMMENT (limited to 4 minutes per speaker)

A MOTION to open the public comment period was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Hagen, with all in favor.

Adam Jacobs – 150 Doxberry: Complained about a young man who is walking his 100 lbs. pit-bull dog without a leash. Called the police department numerous times. Mayor Curley, Lt. Martinez, and Trustee Alpert addressed the speaker. Mayor Curley said that they will be in touch by the next day to handle the issue. They took his information, and all will be taken very seriously.

Tal S. Wayne Avenue – Gave a speech about the changing demographics of the Village of Suffern. She wanted to know if the Board would issue some type or ordinance or permit to use a blow torch to clean ovens before the Passover holiday. It will allow the Village to generate income and keep people safe.

Lance Weinstein 4 Valley View Terrace – Complained about a Police Officer's promotion to Sergeant.

A MOTION to close the public comment was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

TREASURER

Village Treasurer Michael Genito explained the bond resolution for the new well project.

Trustee Alpert asked Mr. Genito about passing a Board resolution for \$2.1 million when we are trying to get a grant for the project. Mr. Genito explained that the Village authorizes the bond for the full amount of the project but will only borrow for the difference between the cost of the project and the grant amount. Before long-term serial bonds are issued, the Village typically issues short-term bond anticipation notes (BANs). The actual issuance of a serial bond depends on various factors, including the financial markets and rates.

Mr. Rice advised the Board to adopt the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the Negative Declaration resolutions before adopting the Bond resolutions. The Board adopted those resolutions before the bond resolutions.

Mr. Genito explained the bond resolution for the automated meter reading system and replacement of meters in the Village. Originally this project was estimated to be \$1.5 million, but now it is estimated to cost the Village \$2.3 million. This resolution is increasing the bonding from \$1.5 to \$2.3 million and moving forward with the project is contingent upon the Village being awarded grants.

The resolution for the generator project amends a previous resolution. Originally this project only included a generator for the well fields, but it was determined that we also obtain a generator for the Bon Aire Pump Station. The bond resolution was originally \$650 thousand and now it has increased another \$300 thousand for a total of \$950 thousand. The Bon Aire Pump Station not only feeds Bon Aire and Stonegate, but it also feeds Good Samaritan Hospital.

The resolution to allocate federal funds provided under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 identifies the projects that the Village intends to obligate funding to by December 31, 2024 and spend by December 31, 2026. Failure to obligate or spend these funds by those dates will require to return funds to the U.S. Treasury. The resolution before the Board is to set a commitment to the funds, to avoid running into an issue. If there is money left over from these projects, we can reallocate the funds as long as it is before those deadlines.

The Building Department uses two software products, an in-house product that is very old and a cloud-based product. The two systems do not interact with each other. The Building Department entertained at least six different vendors, attended various demonstrations, looked at the software that was provided by at least three of the vendors. As a group, the Building Department choose software that best fits their needs. The resolution before the Board is a recommendation to purchase that software. Mayor Curley added that the software will add to better productivity and accountability in the Building Department. The Mayor stated that the Building Department is a much-needed asset, and we need to enhance that department to make this a safer and more people-friendly Village.

There are only a few companies that provide imaging of paper records to electronic format such as PDF and to microfilm that meet specifications of New York State. The Village Clerk's Office issued a request for bids for imaging services and received two proposals. The resolution is to accept the lowest proposal.

The next item is authorizing the Mayor to sign a worker's compensation waiver agreement with the State Insurance Fund. The Village has one person receiving worker's compensation benefits who retired years ago and has been on workers comp with us for decades. The State Insurance Fund will pay the Village the discounted total value of all future payments to this beneficiary, and the Village will then make the payments to the beneficiary. Any residual funds resulting from a lump sum payment arrangement, or the demise of the beneficiary would revert to the Village.

TRUSTEES

No Comments

MAYOR

Mayor Curley responded to the resident regarding fire safety with the stoves that he will look into it. Any kind of fire safety, any suggestion of fire safety is important. He said that he appreciated her comments.

Mayor Curley discussed the gentleman with the pit-bull. He said that the Police Department will be in touch with him the next day. They will work on that together.

The Board and Mayor Curley had meetings with the Chief of Police regarding the promotion of Sergeant. There were three exemplary officers on the Civil Service eligibility list trying to get the promotion to Sergeant and it was a difficult choice to make. Ultimately, the person that the Board promoted was number one on that list. Mayor Curley noted that the only people he talked to about the selection of candidates were the Village Board and the Chief of Police. The Mayor stated that he is comfortable with the Board's decision and noted that if any one of those three had been number one on the list, they would have been promoted.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Denis-Hogue, with all in favor.

Respectfully,

Melissa B. Reimer, CPA
Village Clerk