



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, December 1, 2025**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**Present:** Michael F. Curley, Mayor  
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Deputy Mayor  
Angela Hogue, Trustee  
Steven Alpert, Trustee  
Clarke Osborn, Trustee  
Terry Rice, Village Attorney  
Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk

**Absent:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 7:29 P.M. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for everyone to remain standing for a moment of silence for Meryl Kaufer, the mother of one of our local firefighters and dispatcher Jeremy Kaufer

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

A Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 5, 2026, at 5:30 P.M.  
A Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2026, at 5:30 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** To Approve November 3, 2025, Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**MOTION** – To open the Public Hearing for 14 Wayne Ave, was moved by Trustee Osborn and seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Speaker Mr. Emanuel:** “Good evening, uh, Mr. Mayor, Trustees. Uh, congratulations, Mr. Mayor, Trustee Osborne, Trustee Corrigan on your re-election. Uh, this is a continuation of the Public Hearing for 14 Wayne Avenue, uh, to, uh, for a special permit for an automobile repair shop, specifically a body, uh, shop. Uh, we were last here quite some time ago actually, uh, back in, uh, uh July. Uh, at that time, there were a number of questions that were raised, uh, and there was a lack of information, uh, that, uh, was given to the Board – in particular, uh, the Board had not at that time received a memo from its planning consultant, uh, uh uh, Bonnie Franson of Nelson Pope and Voorhis. That memo

finally came, uh, in the middle of October. Uh, when we reviewed it, we felt that there were some missing, there was some missing information on her part, uh, information she had not received, uh, including, uh, for example, uh, the recommendation from the Planning Board to this Board. Uh, there was information that she, uh, misunderstood, uh, we felt that there were plans that she did not completely understand. Uh, we had attempted on a number of occasions to reach out to her, uh, not realizing that she was on vacation at the time, uh, because her outgoing message didn't indicate it – when I finally did get in touch with her, uh, she said, 'Well, uh, I need to get, uh, uh, approval from the Board, uh, for further, for further interaction with you.' That approval was granted. Uh, we then submitted a supplemental, uh, narrative summary, uh, which, uh, at her request, uh, which was dated, uh, November 18th. Uh, when I reached out to her today to ask if there was going to be any response from her with respect to the supplement, uh, narrative, uh, she said that she was, uh, awaiting further direction from the Board. Uh, I understand that that's the process that, uh, that the Village has and that's fine, that's, that's your, that's your prerogative, uh, but it really has been an impediment to getting full understanding, uh, of this project, uh, and I think it's an impediment to the Board's potential understanding.

"Very simply, and to remind you of what's going on, uh, we, uh, my client is, uh, the, the owner and operator of Route 202 Auto Body, uh, which is currently located at 16 Wayne Avenue. Uh, through a different LLC, he purchased the, the property immediately next door at 14 Wayne Avenue with the idea that, uh, the old house that was there, uh, which is a non-conforming use, uh, would be torn down, replaced with a three-bay garage, and this way he would be able to operate more efficiently. Currently, uh, the operation is contained in the, in the building at 16 Wayne Avenue, which is a former firehouse for the Village of Suffern. So, all the work, uh, for the body shop goes on there. Preparation of, uh, of the, uh, the cars, uh, body work, painting, uh, and then, uh, the preparation afterwards so they can be returned to the owner. Uh, because of the way the building is laid out and because it wasn't purpose-built, uh, it's a very inefficient operation. What he wants to do is, he wants to be able to build this new three-bay garage on 14 Wayne Avenue so that he can do all that, uh, post and, and, uh, pre- and post-, uh, uh, work prep in that building and devote the old firehouse to the body work and the painting. Uh, in order to get cars back and forth, he would have to take, uh, vehicles from 14 Wayne, drive onto 202, drive into 16 Wayne. Uh, in her memo, uh, Miss Franson said, 'Well, you know, that doesn't sound like it's such a great idea. Uh, you're going to have cars going out onto, onto Route 202.' We did a little investigation. There are two other body shops right there, uh, that do exactly the same thing, and it doesn't seem to cause a problem, and it hasn't caused a problem here. Uh, so we're not quite sure why Miss Franson feels that that's an issue. Uh, we would like to sit to meet with her out on the site, show her how it works. Board members are also invited to come out to the site and we think that that would be a salutary thing, to come out to the site to see exactly how this works, because he does in fact at this time, uh, store vehicles, uh, in preparation for repair at 14 Wayne, drive them over to 16 Wayne along Route 202 and back. Um, Miss Franson also questioned the number of vehicles that could be stored, uh, and she did some math which, quite frankly, I don't understand. Uh, she seemed to think that there would be a loss of, of 12 spaces uh, because of the proposal that we have. Uh, and it's just not correct. Uh, first of all, she doesn't take into account the three bays, uh, in the, in the, uh, garage that's being proposed. Uh, she seems to think that there are areas within 14 Wayne that would not be available for cars to be stored while they're awaiting repair. Uh, she, uh, she followed that up, frankly, inexplicably to me – and, and, and I'm

not running her down. Please let me understand that. I've known Bonnie Franson, uh, for two decades. Uh, when I give the, uh, introductory, uh, uh courses for the Rockland Municipal Planning Federation, she's my co-presenter. Okay? So, I have the utmost respect for her, but I think she just doesn't quite understand what's going on here. And if she doesn't understand, that's on me. Okay? But I think going out there and talking with her and showing her what's going on would work. She actually appended to her memo photographs that appear to be drone photographs – I'm not sure how they were obtained, but it doesn't really matter, okay? – that showed somewhere between, uh, I think it's between 18 and, and 30 vehicles stored on the, uh, on the site, okay? Those vehicles, that, that complement would still be there. There would be no loss. We calculated that there would be 31, uh, spaces available. Uh, the Planning Board when it considered this took a good look at it. They granted us a negative declaration. The ZBA, uh, when we went there granted us a variance for the number of parking spaces. The variance for parking spaces was necessary because auto body shops, auto repair shops don't work the way that retail stores do. Okay? With a retail store, you need parking spaces where customers can come in, can go out, uh, on a regular basis. With an auto body shop or a repair shop, cars come in, okay, they stay there for however long it takes for the, uh, the vehicle to be repaired, 2 days, 3 days, a week, hopefully not longer, for the sake of the customer, okay? If they're moved around at all, they're moved around not by customers, okay, but by the employees who work there. And so, you can get some tighter tolerances than you would if you were, if you were doing customer spaces. So, we, we believe, uh, that we have answers, uh, to the questions that, uh, Miss Franson has. We believe that we can also provide answers to any additional questions that the Trustees have, but we think that there's a different way of going about this rather than trading memos back and forth.”

**Mayor:** “Okay. Are you done with your –“

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Yeah, at the moment. So the, so the, the basic request is, uh, that, that you, you advise Miss Franson that she can meet with me, uh, out, out in the field, uh, to take a look around. Uh, any of the Trustees that want to come would certainly join and, uh, we think that that would be the best way to get the information out to her and to you.”

**Mayor:** “Um, the way I see it, this is in front of this Board now. So, that's how, that's how I think we handle it. So, you can go with your memo, you know, or whatever, whatever you do, but this is in front of us now, you know what I mean? So, that, that's kind of how I look at it. So, I mean, uh, fortunately I know the property better than most. I'm within distance of it, you know, eyesight of it, so – and all the properties you mentioned.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Right, I know that.”

**Mayor:** “So, I'm not, I'm not, um, you know, um, so at this point, I mean, if you're, if you're done with your presentation, I'd rather see if anyone from the public has anything to say also.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Sure.”

**Mayor:** “Do we, anyone from the public have any comments? Come on up the microphone. Please identify your name and address, please.”

**Mr. Gravagna:** "Uh, Joseph Gravagna, 6 Beechwood Road Suffern. The, if the gentleman's trying to --"

**Mayor:** "Just speak up a little bit."

**Mr. Gravagna:** "Sorry. I think that the town, the Board should be encouraging more businesses to come to, into the Village, whether it be a new business or an existing business that's trying to refurbish their business, either way, honestly. And I know that there's a, this Board does a good job with everything they do. I just want to make sure that people like this gentleman that's, you know, before the Board have an easier time with it. You know, we should be increasing our tax base. The, uh, as someone that owns a company here in the Village, you know, and has worked many businesses, you know, we, we have a very difficult time sometimes with, you know, Federal-State money coming into the Village for various reasons, you know, and more importantly, you know, we have to worry about people moving out of the Village, you know? So we have to make sure that our tax base is increased. So whether a company's coming to, you know, change their business, existing business, or if they're coming to refurbish their business and need a variance, whatever they need, the Board should be adaptable to that. We have a lot of empty stores, only people running out of the Village to other towns, next door to Mahwah and to other neighboring communities. Thank you."

**Mayor:** "This Board fully recognizes to, um, that -- you can have a seat -- this full recognizes, we have promoted businesses, we have promoted more businesses, and that's why we've been able to give a 0% tax increase for four years in a row. But I don't know where this Board is going with a vote yet, but I also believe in responsible zoning, which hasn't been done in many communities around us, and I will fight for responsible zoning and responsible planning. So there, there, it's always good to say, 'Hey let's get, you know, more, let's get this, let's get that,' but it has to be done with a responsible attitude watching all concerns -- traffic, and, and, you know, how many cars, and, and many different concerns there. So, it can't just be, 'Let's just get more and more.' We've watched that problem surround us, and, and that is a serious problem. So, this Board takes these things very seriously. Thank you. But thank you for your comment."

"No one else from the public, you're all good? Would you like to say something else, sir?"

**Mr. Emanuel:** "Well, uh, again, repeat the request, uh, as, as you probably know, and I know that other members of the Board probably know, uh, it's not unusual for Board members to go out and do site visits. Uh, Planning Board on a regular basis goes out and does site visits. I'm sure that the ZBA members do that as well. Uh, there's certainly no prohibition about it. Mr. Mayor, I understand that you, you have your business immediately down the street from here, uh, and so you're there on a regular basis -- other Board members may not be so familiar with it. And I think it's really important that you, that the Board members go out and take a look, that Miss Franson go out and take a look -- I don't know if she's ever actually been to the site, she's never, she's never responded to that question to me. Uh, and uh, it's, it's, it's a very, very normal type of thing to go out and do a site visit for, for these sorts of uh, situations."

**Mayor:** “All right. Mr. Osborn, as the former Police Chief, do you know the site, sir?”

**Trustee Osborn:** “I do. Well, I drive by every day also. Yes.”

**Mayor:** “Every day. Okay. Drive by. Trustee Hogue, do you know the site?”

**Trustee Hogue:** “I know the site. I've driven a couple of times.”

**Mayor:** “You know, you know, okay. Trustee, Deputy Mayor Corrigan, do you know the site?”

**Trustee Meegan-Corrigan:** “Yes. I walk by it.”

**Mayor:** “Mister Alpert, Trustee Alpert, do you know the site?”

**Trustee Alpert:** “I know the site. I, I don't like – I have to tell you, I don't like the house that's on the site. That would – you know, I, I, I welcome getting rid of that house, for sure. It's, I think it's an eyesore to that neighborhood.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “We agree.”

**Mayor:** “Well, that's because they let it become an eyesore, sadly enough. There were people living in that years ago, I recall. So, it became an eyesore because it was let to become an eyesore. So, just because someone lets it become an eyesore, you don't gain a zoning advantage. Otherwise, you, you'd be, you'd be done. It'd be, it'd be a strategy against you. And maybe that strategy is done other places of the Town. But I'm not going to let that strategy put us –”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Well, that's, that's not the case here, Mr. Mayor.”

**Mayor:** “But, but there was, it was a house where people lived.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Understood. Agreed. Agreed.”

**Mayor:** “And I recall that also. So, I don't know if you're aware of that, Mr. Alpert. Okay. But people lived there.”

**Trustee Alpert:** “I understand.”

**Mr. Rice:** “Let me make a suggestion: if the Board doesn't have any, any questions – um, you know, there's a, there's a history on this. The, our planner has done a, uh, an analysis of it. Mr. uh Emanuel wrote a letter –”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Mr. Rice, I'm sorry. I, I'm having trouble hearing you.”

**Mr. Rice:** “I was saying that uh, Miss Franson, our, our planner, had, had done an analysis. You have some questions that you raised in your letter. Um, I think if the Board doesn't have any questions, what might, what I might suggest as an appropriate, uh, means to move

uh, this towards a decision uh, that you close the public hearing and allow Miss Franson until, say, the end of the week just to put in a response to Mr. Emanuel's letter. Uh, she was on vacation, uh, last week, and – actually, she was ill – and, um, uh, she said that she, she did want to address some of the things that you said in, in your letter. So, my, my suggestion would be close the public hearing, allowing, uh, Miss Franson until the close of business on Friday to, uh, respond to Mr. Emanuel's letter.”

**Mayor:** “And of course, any Trustee that wants to go visit the property, feel free. That's your – to me, that's your responsibility. I know the Planning Board Members do it. I know the ZBA Members do it all the time. It's a, it's a constant. It's part of, part of the process to know what, what exists around you. So you're all, you're all welcome – they're always welcome. Matter of fact, it's, they'd be derelict if they didn't know the property. So that's, that, I have, I have no problem with it, so I think that's reasonable. It makes sense. I, I've done it. I know other people have done it. I'm sure the Police Chief has – the former Police Chief, Andy, I don't want to sell you out, Chief. Okay? Okay, so at this point, uh, we'll, we'll go with that, we'll give Bonnie Franson, she'll give you a chance to answer you, and any, uh, Trustee or Board Member wants to go look at the prop – feel free to look at the property, okay? And, um, so at this point, based on that, can I have a, a motion to close the public hearing please?”

**MOTION** – To close the Public Hearing for 14 Wayne Ave and adjourn until January 5<sup>th</sup>, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Mayor:** “Thank you very much, Mr. Emanuel.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Mr. Mayor, I, I would, I would ask also that, uh, you, you, uh, release Miss Franson to engage in a dialogue, uh, if after I receive her memo, I still have questions with respect to it.”

**Mayor:** “Can you say a little louder? Go, go to the microphone, yeah. “

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Sure. If, if I still have some questions of Miss Franson after we receive her, her memo, uh, I'd like you to, to release her to, uh, have conversation with me, uh, at this point so that we can get to a point where full information is available to the Board from her.”

**Mr. Rice:** “Ira, I don't think it's appropriate once there's an application formally pending before the Board for an applicant and, and staff to be having conversations out, out of the view of the – ”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Happens, happens all the time, Terry, you know that.”

**Mr. Rice:** “– Village Board. I think it's a, there's a due process issue there.”

**Mr. Emanuel:** “Fine. We'll do it your way. Okay. Thank you. Good night.”

**MOTION** – To open the Public Hearing for Adjusting Property Maintenance Fees, was moved by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Mayor:** “We’re still working on, on the, adjusting the property maintenance fees. So, at this point, if there’s no comment, I’d like to close that –”

**Mr. Rice:** “Well, you’re going to adjourn it to January 5th.”

**Mayor:** “– I’m going to adjourn it to January 5th, the next meeting.”

**MOTION** – To close/adjourn the Public Hearing for Adjusting Property Maintenance Fees, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**MOTION** – To open the Public Hearing for Amending Chapter 266 of the Code of the Village of Suffern, the Zoning Local Law, by adding a new section, Prohibiting Short-Term Rentals in the Village of Suffern, was moved by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Mayor:** “In reference to that, does anyone have anything to say, in reference to the ...? We did receive your materials and read them.”

**Ms. Panoff:** “I also did research if there was actually any statistics of an increased crime in short-term renters versus long-term rentals, and there is not. The only time they see increased crime is they see increased noise ordinances where there are a lot of high-density short-term rentals. But if you’re allowing long-term rentals, there is absolutely no research that short-term rentals have a higher incidence of crime than long-term rentals, just as a fact. And I’m just looking at a community that’s trying to raise revenue and this looks to me as a way to be selective and to do that. But it sounds like it was already voted for, so I’m just stating this as why I think that they should be allowed.”

**Mayor:** “All right, thank you very much.”

**Mr. Rice:** “The amendment to the Zoning Law was required, and the Board did refer it to the County Department of Planning for their review and recommendation. We received that, they made a, uh couple of, uh, minor suggestions which were implemented in a revised version of the Local Law. Uh, our Zoning Law also requires that it be referred to the Village Planning Board for their review and recommendation. Uh, they haven’t had a meeting, uh, since it was referred to them. The Zoning Law provides 60 days for them to respond. The 60 days have not elapsed as yet, so, uh, what I would suggest, that the, uh, Board continue the public hearing for the January meeting, and, during which time, presumably, we’ll get a recommendation from the Planning Board.”

**Mayor:** “So based on that, anyone, any other comments from anyone else, in reference to short-term rental? Being none, can I please have a Motion to adjourn the meeting to January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – motion, please?”

**MOTION** – To close the Public Hearing for Amending Chapter 266 of the Code of the Village of Suffern, the Zoning Local Law, by adding a new section, Prohibiting Short-Term Rentals in

the Village of Suffern, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Mayor:** "So we just had a continuance because we have to wait for a, a recommendation, by law, from the Planning Board, also. So we follow the law, and we're going to follow the law, so we'll have it up on, it'll be up on January 5<sup>th</sup>, all right? Thank you very much."

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Loughlin**

Presented the Police Department statistics for the month of November.

Congratulations to everyone that was re-elected and to everyone that was appointed to a position tonight.

Update on our PBA DARE Toy Drive. We've been collecting toys for the past couple weeks. They're coming in steadily. We're planning on having our Toy Drive sorting event on Wednesday, December 17th at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center. It is a lot of fun and the community is welcome to come and volunteer and assist. We do rely on their help a lot with the sorting and the shopping for the families. So, if anyone can make it that night, we'd love to see you there.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 145 OF 2025**

#### **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING \$10,000 FROM THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND (STOP DWI) TO BE UTILIZED FOR DWI PATROLS**

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

**WHEREAS**, the County of Rockland has offered to the Village the sum of \$10,000 from the STOP DWI program to be utilized for DWI patrols; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is desirous of accepting such funding for the foregoing purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Village accepts \$10,000 from the County of Rockland (STOP DWI) to be utilized for DWI patrols.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Mastrullo**

I wanted to congratulate those that were reelected and appointed as well.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 146 OF 2025**

#### **ACCEPTING MUHAMMAD KAMRAN AS A JUNIOR MEMBER IN HOOK & LADDER CO. 1**

**RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees accepts Muhammad Kamran (under 18 years old), as a new member in the Hook & Ladder Co. 1, with the approval of the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 147 OF 2025**

**ACCEPTING ALICE VEGA-CHUICO AS A JUNIOR MEMBER IN HOOK & LADDER CO. 1**

**RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees accepts Alice Vega-Chuico (under 18 years old), as a new member in the Hook & Ladder Co. 1, with the approval of the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 148 OF 2025**

**ACCEPTING GABRIEL DORELUS AS A JUNIOR MEMBER IN VOLUNTEER HOSE CO. 1**

**RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees accepts Gabriel Dorelus (under 18 years old), as a new member in the Volunteer Hose Co. 1, with the approval of the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 149 OF 2025**

**ACCEPTING NICOLAS BEERS AS A JUNIOR MEMBER IN VOLUNTEER HOSE CO. 1**

**RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees accepts Nicholas Beers (under 18 years old), as a new member in the Volunteer Hose Co. 1, with the approval of the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 150 OF 2025**

**ACCEPTING JIMMY TORRES AS A JUNIOR MEMBER IN VOLUNTEER HOSE CO. 1**

**RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees accepts Jimmy Torres (under 18 years old), as a new member in the Volunteer Hose Co. 1, with the approval of the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 151 OF 2025**

**DECLARING AED UNITS AS SURPLUS**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Chief has advised that the following AED (Automated External Defibrillator) units are no longer needed for any municipal purpose.

1- Philips Heartstart FRX - serial number (B16I-02496)

2- Philips Heartstart HS1- serial number (A11F-05848)

- 3- Philips Heartstart HS1- serial number (A08F-01708)
- 4- Philips Heartstart HS1- serial number (A19G-06263)
- 5- Defibtech Reviver View - serial number (400033603)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board hereby declares the Vehicles to be surplus and authorizes the Village Treasurer to sell or dispose of the Vehicles as he deems in the best interests of the Village.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

**Chief Mastrullo:** Back in July we had our 125<sup>th</sup>-year anniversary celebration of serving the community. We took an apparatus photo as we do traditionally about every 15-20 years. So, on behalf of the Suffern Fire Department and Suffern Volunteer Fireman's Association, I would like to present to the Mayor and the Village Board a framed copy of the photo.

Board thanked the Chief for the photo

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**MOTION** to open the public comment period was made by Trustee Meegan-Corriagn and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Mr. Levine:** My plan is to no longer be a Traffic Prosecutor as of the end of December. After the December meeting, I will be finished and try to move into retirement. I want to thank all of you, for your confidence in me and my judgement in terms of trying to make the traffic and violation process a little less painful for residents and even visitors, all while trying to still raise revenue and try to do the right thing in every single case.

**Mayor:** I just want to speak on behalf of the Board and say thank you for your service. Not just the professionalism you showed but also the care you gave to people when they had situations. You distributed justice with a fair hand and that is very important in life. We thank you and hope you enjoy your retirement.

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

**PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Charles Sawicki**

**Mayor:** The village over the last several years had bought multiple pieces of equipment as other equipment has aged out. We now sell the older pieces of equipment and get some sort of funds for them. The surplus equipment is replaced with equipment to make it a safe and good working environment.

**RESOLUTION NO. 152 OF 2025**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING VARIOUS VEHICLES OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN TO NO LONGER BE NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES AND TO BE SURPLUS**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:  
**WHEREAS**, property owned by the Village of Suffern is no longer needed for any municipal purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees desires to declare the following to be surplus so that they may be properly sold or disposed of:

S1- 1997 Ford Vac Truck- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1FDYH81EVVA40289  
S2- 1996 International- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1HTSDAARXVH462999  
S8- 2002 Dodge- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1B7GG16XY2S691193  
S9- 1994 International- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1HTSDAAR6SH6111612  
S11- 2001 International- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1HTSCAAM11H383105  
S14- 1999 Chevy- Serial Number (VIN Number) - 1GTEK14T7X2552070

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board hereby declares the Vehicles to be surplus and authorizes the Village Treasurer to sell or dispose of the Vehicles as he deems in the best interests of the Village.

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

**Adopted**: December 1, 2025

**TREASURER: Mr Gregg Smith**

Congratulations on those who were newly elected. And Mayor, again, thank you for your appointment and the Board's support for another two years.

**Mayor**: It's a pleasure working with you. We got this company that actually go out and gets you different prices every month, instead of locking it in. Electricity keeps going up and they've offered new systems there and O&R themselves do not offer the same service. It's a different way to do business but based on last year we will do better. We will do better than last year or we won't go up as much this year.

**RESOLUTION NO. 153 OF 2025**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Suffern has contracted with JMI Consultants LLC to analyze its electricity usage and to obtain competitive bids for the supply of electricity; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing contract for the supply of electricity expires on November 31, 2025; and

JMI Consultants solicited proposals for the supply of electricity and obtained bids from four potential providers; and, Constellation NewEnergy submitted the lowest bid; and, JMI Consultants has reviewed the proposals and has recommended an award of contract to Constellation NewEnergy. by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign an electricity sales agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, 1001 Louisiana St. Constellation Suite 2300, Houston, Texas for the period of one year, commencing on December 1, 2025, subject to subsequent ratification by the Board of Trustees and to review and approval of a contract as to form and substance by the Village Attorney.

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

**Adopted:** December 1, 2025

## **TRUSTEES**

**Trustee Alpert:** With the electricity, the thing that keeps going up every year is actually the delivery cost from the power company. It is the same no matter where you actually get your energy from. The deal being made does not affect the delivery, and it keeps going up from Orange and Rockland. It is the supply which actually varies month-to-month, some months higher, some lower. They have a system that they use to get a better price.

## **MAYOR**

Thank you, everyone on this Board we will work hard with Charles Sawicki and Danielle in the office and Melissa Reimer, so we hope to have new lighting downtown by late spring.

We have a lot of holiday events, please enjoy all of the events coming up.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 P.M. was made by Trustee Meegan-Corigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

Respectfully,

Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk