



VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 20, 2026
5:30 P.M.

Present: Michael F. Curley, Mayor
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Deputy Mayor
Angela Hogue, Trustee
Steven Alpert, Trustee
Clarke Osborn, Trustee
Gregg Smith, Village Treasurer
Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk

Absent: Terry Rice, Village Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR

I would like to amend the agenda for a Resolution Authorizing Solicitation of Formal Bids for Sludge Removal and Cleaning of the Primary Digester at the Suffern Wastewater Treatment Plant.

MOTION: to amend the agenda was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

We have our digesters, which fill with sludge over the years. We bring in an outside company; it is a fairly large expense, so we are putting it out to bid.

RESOLUTION NO. 032 OF 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF FORMAL BIDS FOR SLUDGE REMOVAL AND CLEANING OF THE PRIMARY DIGESTER AT THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

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 the solicitation of formal bids for sludge removal and cleaning of the primary digester at the Village of Suffern Wastewater Treatment Plant is hereby authorized, with bids to be returnable by April 1, 2026, at 3:00 P.M.

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

Adopted: March 20, 2026

At this time, I would like the Clerk to present the tentative budget that myself and Gregg Smith, our Treasurer, have been working on. We work on it throughout the year and then put it together to see where we are at. We are currently going through our audit at the same time from the State which has been going on for 10 years, we have been passing with flying colors.

In this budget:

- We once again have 0% tax increase; this is the 5th year in a row
- We will have a 0% increase in our water tax or water bill; it; 2nd year in a row
- We will have a 0% increase in our Sewer tax: 2nd year in a row

We will be having a Public Hearing for the public if they have any comments in reference to the General Fund. This board takes things seriously throughout the year. If the public has any questions they can talk to either myself or our Treasurer Gregg Smith, every question will be answered.

The Village is in healthy shape, we will keep doing infrastructure improvements – just as the sewer plant, we will have to do certain things at the water plant, we will also be doing a downtown streetscape, and paving roads. We are keeping up all our events for the youth, seniors, and all residents of Suffern.

There are no increases in fees, such as Parking Lot fees, Pool fees or any other fees. The only fee increases will be for violations pertaining to zoning and code enforcement, which is what we are working on now.

TRUSTEES

Trustee Osborn: I just wanted to thank you and Gregg, obviously we all work together very well. Thank you, Mayor and Gregg, for taking the time to really digest this and keeping us informed about what you are doing. I and my fellow board members appreciate it.

Trustee Meegan-Corrigan: I have the same exact words as Clarke, I am not going to repeat it, Thank you Mayor and Gregg very much for this. Once again, a stellar year.

Trustee Alpert: I was going to say the same thing; it's like a broken record, it's fantastic news. I also wanted to congratulate Suffern's Varsity High School Hockey Team, which won the State Championship for the third year in a row and for the fourth time in five years. It brings a lot of pride. Thank you.

Mayor: On Tuesday at 4:30 pm the Village of Suffern, this Board and the residents, will be sponsoring a Celebration Parade marching up Lafayette Ave. There will be fire trucks, police, and all those athletes – not just hockey, but the track team, basketball too. After the parade there will be a BBQ and giving out awards.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 P.M. was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

Respectfully,

Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk