

MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD
April 17, 2018

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on April 17, 2018 at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Anthony Colavita
Councilman Glenn Bellitto
Councilman Joseph Dooley
Councilwoman Theresa Nicholson
Councilman Luigi Marcoccia

Present: Town Clerk Linda Laird
Comptroller Dawn Donovan
Town Attorney Louis Reda

IV. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

David Levy spoke in support of the construction of a Community Center at Lake Isle and the benefits of a 'prefab' building.

Peter DeFelice spoke in opposition to the construction of a Community Center at Lake Isle, stating the building should be designated only for use as a Senior Center. Supervisor Colavita explained the building will be the site of the Senior Center, but will be used during other times of the day for other activities.

V. APPOINTMENTS

A) POLICE DEPARTMENT - LEAD MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the probationary appointment of Robert Caruso to the position of Lead Maintenance Mechanic- Garage, effective April 20, 2018 at a salary of \$77,078 (Group K, Step 4). He will serve probation of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks.

Robert has been employed by the Town since April 10, 2000.

Funds are available in the 2018 budget.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

B) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - LEAD MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Per a request of the Superintendent of Highway, Hector DiLeo, Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the probationary appointment of Angelo Savino to the position of Lead Maintenance Mechanic- Garage, effective April 20, 2018 at a salary of \$77,078 (Group K, Step 4). He will serve probation of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks.

Angelo has been employed by the Town since June 29, 2007.

Funds are available in the 2018 budget.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

VI. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Board reviewed and approved for filing the following reports for March 2018 of Parking Summonses, Citation Activity Report, Patrol Activity Report, Statement of Accounts and the Traffic Accident Report.

Chief Bonci reported the Department held active shooter training in the schools during a recent school closure. Members of the Bronxville and Tuckahoe Police Departments joined Eastchester PD in the exercise. Further, in addition to the Youth Officers present in the schools for DARE training, patrols of the schools are conducted randomly.

B) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM BY NATHANIEL SMITH

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a claim by Nathaniel Smith against the Town of Eastchester in the amount of \$2,175.16 for damages sustained to Mr. Smith's vehicle when it was accidentally struck by a Town of Eastchester Highway Department vehicle on April 2, 2018.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND METRO NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD COMPANY TO REIMBURSE METRO NORTH FOR RENT PAYMENT RELATED TO THE GRAYROCK ROAD RESIDENTIAL PARKING LOT

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an agreement between the Town of Eastchester and Metro North Commuter Railroad Company to reimburse Metro North in the amount of \$208,800 for rent payment related to the Grayrock Road residential parking lot. The payments will be made in equal annual installments of \$20,880, beginning in 2019.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

FROM CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA:

C) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: 2017 CAPITAL PROJECT REVISION

Per a request from Comptroller Donovan, Councilman Bellitto offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to Authorize an additional \$1,000,000.00 to the 2017 Capital Project for the Community Center at Lake Isle, bringing the total to 2,750,000.00.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

D) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: AWARDING OF COMMUNITY CENTER BID AT LAKE ISLE

On Thursday, March 15th at 11:00 a.m., the bids for the Community Center at Lake Isle were opened and read aloud in the Office of the Town Clerk.

There were 4 separate services available to bid on for this project. All bids are on the summary below.

RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR PROPOSED COMMUNITY CENTER AT LAKE ISLE COUNTRY CLUB

NAME OF VENDOR	# 1 BID (JULY)	#2 BID (AUGUST)	# 3 BID (MARCH)	5% BID BOND
GRASSO BROTHERS 270 North Avenue New Rochelle, NY 10801 (contractor)	\$ 1,717,142.00	\$ 1,592,311	\$\$ 1,569,995	X
PETER CAMILLI & SON 210 Marble Avenue Pleasantville, NY (contractor)	Did Not Bid	\$ 1,685.00	\$ 1,535.694	X
MVM Construction, LLC 100 Oak Street	Did Not Bid	Did Not Bid	\$ 2,313.00	X

Mt. Vernon, NY 10550 (contractor)				
T & G ELECTRIC, INC. 41 Whitfield Terrace New Rochelle, NY 10801 (electrician)	\$ 240,055.76	\$228,000	\$ 228,000	X
S & L Plumbing & Heating 56 Lafayette Avenue White Plains, NY 10801 (plumbing)	\$ 273,000	\$ 289,000	\$ 295,000	X
J & M Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. 48 Grand Street New Rochelle, NY 10801 (heating & a/c)	\$ 248,000	\$ 231,000	\$ 278,000	X

Per a recommendation of Sally Veltidi, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve a Resolution to award the lowest bidder of the Community Center at Lake Isle Project bids to General Contractor services: Peter Camilli & Son of 210 Marble Avenue, Pleasantville, NY; Electrical Services be awarded to T&G Electric, Inc. of 41 Whitefield Terrace, New Rochelle, NY; Plumbing Services be awarded to S&L Plumbing and Heating of 56 Lafayette Avenue, White Plains, NY; Heating & AC Services be awarded to J&M Heating and Air Conditioning Inc., of 48 Grand Street, New Rochelle, NY.

Councilman Marcoccia and Councilman Bellitto spoke in favor of the project and the benefit to many groups in town, including our senior population.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AMENDED BOND RESOLUTION TO FINANCE THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMMUNITY CENTER AT LAKE ISLE COUNTRY CLUB FOR THE USE BY THE TOWN PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the amended bond resolution of \$2,750,000 of the Town of Eastchester, Westchester County, New York to Finance the cost of the construction of a Community Center at Lake Isle Country Club for the use by the Town Parks and Recreation Department in and for the Town.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY JOHN GENTILE – 132 FISHER AVE

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by John Gentile affecting premises known as Section 44, Block 7, Lot 1 – 132 Fisher Avenue, Eastchester, as follows:

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION**	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT A.V.	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2016	2017	\$16,200.00	\$9,525.00	\$6,675.00

***Eastchester School District approved the settlement*
TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND \$2,220.74

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY JOHN GENTILE – 155 FISHER AVE

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by John Gentile affecting premises known as Section 44, Block 6, Lot 9 – 155 Fisher Avenue, Eastchester, as follows:

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION**	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT A.V.	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2016	2017	\$32,000.00	\$21,590.00	\$10,410.00

***Eastchester School District approved the settlement*

TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND \$3,463.36

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY TOWER CLUB

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by Tower Club, affecting premises known as Section 33, Block 4, Lot 1.00-1.1, 50 Columbus Avenue, Tuckahoe, NY as follows:

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION**	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT A.V.	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2012	2013	\$547,491	\$547,491	-0-
2013	2014	\$547,491	\$547,491	-0-
2014	2015	\$547,491	\$539,315	\$ 8,176
2015	2016	\$547,491	\$495,320	\$ 52,171
2016	2017	\$547,491	\$506,345	\$ 41,146

**Eastchester School District approved the settlement

TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND\$ 3,461.96

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

C) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT for March 2018 was received for filing.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: BUDGET TRANSFERS

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the following Budget Transfers:

From:	Maint. & Repairs	R8160.414	\$ 471.00
To:	Uniform & Accessories	R8160.434	\$ 471.00
From:	Materials & Supplies	D5110.401	\$ 500.00
To:	Uniform & Accessories	D5110.434	\$ 500.00
From:	Contingencies	E3600.499	\$ 13,225.00
To:	Contractual Services	E3515.450	\$ 2,725.00
	Auditor	E3600.480	\$ 8,000.00
	Contractual Services	E3600.450	\$ 2,500.00
From:	Unemployment Insurance	E3600.805	\$ 31,975.00
To:	Pool- Contractual Services	E3300.450	\$ 31,975.00
From:	Health & Dental Insurance	S9000.806	\$ 495.00
To:	Interfund Charge/Rent	S8120.423	\$ 495.00
From:	Contractual Services	B6410.450	\$ 313.00
To:	Materials & Supplies	B6410.401	\$ 313.00

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

B) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: SEASONAL APPOINTMENTS

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the following Seasonal Appointments:

NAME	TITLE	RATE	EFF. DATE	TYPE	DEPT
Ayala Villanueva, Maria	Recreation Attendant	11.00	4/18/2018	New	Lake Isle
Castillo, Iris	Recreation Attendant	11.00	4/18/2018	Rehire	Lake Isle

Motolina, Maria	Recreation Attendant	11.00	4/18/2018	New	Lake Isle
Hynes, Catherine	Lifeguard	11.00	4/18/2018	New	Lake Isle
McCarthy, Lauren	Lifeguard	11.00	4/18/2018	New	Lake Isle
Baker, James	Asst.Pool Director	15.00	4/18/2018	Rehire	Lake Isle
Borges, Julia	Asst.Pool Director	15.00	4/18/2018	Rehire	Lake Isle
DiNardo, Nicholas	Recreation Attendant	18.00	4/18/2018	Rehire	Lake Isle
Mahon, Brendan	Pool Director	18.00	4/18/2018	Rehire	Lake Isle
Lee, Rory	Recreation Attendant	9.00	4/2/2018	Rehire	Recreation
Loukas, Deanna	Recreation Attendant	9.00	4/2/2018	New	Recreation

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

C) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: 2017 CAPITAL PROJECT REVISION - See above

D) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: AWARDING OF COMMUNITY CENTER BID AT LAKE ISLE- See above

E) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: REQUEST TO GO TO BID FOR BUS SERVICE FOR 2018 CAMP SEASON

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to authorize the Recreation Department to go out to bid for buses for the 2018 Camp Season per the following specifications:

Buses will be used for the following:

- Two (2) 44-passenger air conditioned school buses for daily shuttle. Tuesday, June 26-Friday, August 3, Mondays – Fridays (Not used on July 4th). The buses will be used to transport campers from the Greenvale School and Anne Hutchinson School to Lake Isle Country Club for daily swimming. Buses will be used between 9:30am-2:30pm.
- Two (2) 44-passenger air conditioned school buses for each of the camp trips for Camp Galaxy Jr. & Sr. Trips will depart from the Greenvale School and Anne Hutchinson School. There will be 24 trips in the tri-state area.
- Two (2) 44-passenger air conditioned buses for Camp Quest A trips that will depart from Haindl Field to various locations in the tri-state area. Trips will take place June 25-July 13 (No trip July 4). 9 trips will be school bus trips, 5 trips will be coach bus trips.
- Two (2) 44-passenger air conditioned buses for Camp Quest B trips that will depart from Haindl Field to various locations in the tri-state area. Trips will take place July 16-August 3. 10 trips will be school bus trips, 5 trips will be coach bus trips.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

F) MEMORANDUM FROM SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES RE: CONTRACT APPROVAL TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing Supervisor Colavita to sign the Agreement with Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services for Title III-B Transportation Services, including Schedules A, B, C and D, for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$7,247.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

G) MEMORANDUM FROM SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES RE: CONTRACT APPROVAL TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR NUTRITION SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Councilman Bellitto offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing Supervisor Colavita to sign an Agreement with Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services for IIIc-1, IIIc-2 and NSIP, including Schedules A and B, effective for the period January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018. The total aggregate amount of the contract is \$100,549, and the total aggregate amount for the contractor match is \$24,193.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

H) MEMORANDUM FROM SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES RE: APPROVAL OF PRIVATE DONATION TO SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a RESOLUTION to accept a \$5,000 donation from Eastchester resident William Weber to the Thursday Morning Group Activities and Socialization Program held at 46 Jackson Avenue.

On the roll call, all voted "AYE." Motion carried.

VIII. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS** - none

IX. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councilman Marcoccia announced an Open House will be held at the Lake Isle Country Club on April 21st and reminded residents the 'Early-Bird' membership discount end on April 30th.

Mr. Marcoccia reported area residents have received phone calls in which callers request personal and credit card information, and warned the public of the phone scam.

Councilman Bellitto announced baseball season is on the horizon in Eastchester with the Tuckahoe Youth Association Opening Day scheduled for April 21st and the Eastchester Little League Opening Ceremony for May 6th.

Councilman Dooley announced The Friends of the Eastchester Public Library Book Sale will take place on Friday, April 27th - Monday, April 30th, during the following hours: Friday and Saturday 9:30 - 4:30, Sunday 1:30 - 4:30, and Monday 9:30 - 2. Book collection begins on Saturday, April 21st. All proceeds benefit the library.

Mr. Dooley encouraged the public to participate in the annual Pitch-In-For-Parks program being sponsored by the Bronx River Alliance on April 21st from 11am-4pm along the Bronx River between Harney Road and the Bronxville border with Mt. Vernon.

Councilwoman Nicholson announced the annual Earth Day Celebration held at Highland Avenue and California Road will be held on April 27th and will feature the Treeture characters and the planting of sapling trees.

Referencing the April 24th Special Election in the 37th NYS Senate District, Supervisor Colavita announced a polling location change for voters in Election Districts 31 and 35 from the Chester Heights Fire House to the Cottle School.

In closing, the Supervisor announced the Tax Office will offer extended hours for collection on Saturday, April 28th from 9am – noon and on Monday, April 30th from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

X. **SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

David Levy spoke in support of hiring additional Police Officers and increasing the fines associated with Code Enforcement violations.

Peter DeFelice spoke in opposition to the amendments to the Lake Isle catering contract that was approved in November 2016.

There being no further public business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Minutes prepared by;

Linda Laird
Town Clerk