

**TOWN OF EASTCHESTER
MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD
December 18, 2018**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on December 18, 2018 at 7:10 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

Note to the reader: During the First Opportunity to Address the Board, residents are asked to limit their comments to Agenda Items. Frequently, a clarification or general question concerning an Agenda Item is requested. To benefit the reader, the clarifications and additional information regarding a given Agenda Item will be included at the point when the Item is considered and discussed by the Town Board. All comments in favor or opposition to an Agenda Item will be included here.

David Levy suggested additional funding be allocated for the safety equipment for members of the Police Department.

Michael Denning suggested the IMA with the Tuckahoe School District be drafted as two separate agreements, one regarding Siwanoy Blvd and the other regarding facility use.

V. APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Bellitto offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the probationary appointment of Nicholas Todino of Eastchester to the position of Police Officer in the Police Department at the annual salary of \$37,638.00. The appointment would be effective on January 7, 2019 to coincide with the start of the Police Academy.

Candidate Todino appeared on the Police Officer eligible list #69 – 547 established in August 2107 and shall serve a probationary term of not less than twelve weeks and not more than seventy eight weeks. The appointment is contingent on the successful completion of the background investigation, medical exam and completion of Westchester County Civil Service paperwork.

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

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the Minutes of the November 27, 2018 Special Town Board Meeting and the December 4, 2018 Regular Town Board Meeting as prepared by Town Clerk Linda Laird.

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

VII. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Tim Bonci presented the following reports for November 2018; Report of Parking Summonses, Citation Activity Report, Patrol Activity Report, Statement of Accounts and the Traffic Accident Report.

Chief Bonci reported the five recruits currently attending the Police Academy will graduate on November 21st and will begin field training after the 1st of the year.

The Chief reported the Ballistic Vests worn by members of the Eastchester Police Department are replaced every five years, and are supported with grant monies received via either federal or state funding.

B) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND THE TUCKAHOE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT PERTAINING TO THE TOWN TRANSFERRING A PORTION OF A STREET KNOWN AS SIWANoy BOULEVARD TO THE TUCKAHOE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE TUCKAHOE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE TOWN NUMEROUS SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES FOR THE TOWNS USE

Supervisor Colavita explained the agreement between the Town and the Tuckahoe School District provides a transfer of a small portion of Siwanoy Blvd to the District and formalizes the agreement for Town recreation use of District fields and facilities, when available. Under the review of the Sports Council, use of facilities for school functions will trump the use for town function. The IMA includes a standard 'reverter provision' should either party choose to rescind the agreement. Further, the Town will continue to maintain, plow and pave Siwanoy Blvd.

The agreement was approved unanimously by the Tuckahoe Union Free School District Board of Education on December 17, 2018.

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) between the Town of Eastchester and the Tuckahoe Union Free School District pertaining to the Town transferring a portion of a street known as Siwanoy Blvd. to the Tuckahoe Union Free School District and further the Tuckahoe Union Free School District shall make available to the Town of Eastchester numerous School District facilities for the Town's use.

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

C) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT for November 2018 was received for filing.

D) BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT for October and November 2018 was received for filing.

E) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT for November 2018 was received for filing.

F) TOWN CLERK'S REPORT for October and November 2018 was received for filing.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: BUDGET TRANSFERS/REVISIONS

Councilman Bellitto offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the following Budget Transfers and Revisions:

Transfers

From:	Salaries/PT Seasonal	A7141.102	\$ 11,360.00
To:	Contractual Services	A1315.450	\$ 6,745.00
	Unemployment Ins.	A9000.805	\$ 4,615.00
From:	Postage	A1325.420	\$ 565.00
To:	Materials & Supplies	A1325.401	\$ 565.00
From:	Personal Services	A1355.452	\$ 796.00
To:	Overtime	A1355.450	\$ 796.00

From:	Contractual Services	A8686.450	\$ 308.00
To:	Materials & Supplies	A8686.401	\$ 308.00

Revisions

Increase:	Recreation – General	A02001	\$180,450.00
Increase:	Overtime	A7140.103C	\$ 10,173.00
Increase:	Recreation – Misc. Events	A7140.491	\$170,277.00
Increase:	Police Outside Service Fees	B01523	\$ 100,000.00
Increase:	Overtime- Private Pay	B3120.103P	\$ 100,000.00
Increase:	State Aid Public Safety	B03389	\$ 6,100.00
Increase:	Equipment	B3120.201	\$ 6,100.00

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

B) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: ADOPTION OF 2019 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Supervisor Colavita stated the following proposed changes to the Preliminary Budget would not change the total budget of \$35,554,236.

The total Townwide Tax levy for the 2019 budget is \$3,662,251. Property taxes count for 40% of the Townwide revenue budget, 13% or \$1,255,000 from fund balance with the remaining 47% mainly consisting of department revenue, and mortgage taxes. The 2019 Townwide budget will generate a 1.42% property tax rate increase, which amounts to an increase of \$0.504 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. What this means is that: an average house in the Village of Bronxville with an assessment of \$21,800 will pay \$10.99 more per year (\$0.92 per month); an average house in the Village of Tuckahoe with an assessment of \$7,300 will pay \$3.68 more per year (\$0.31 per month).

The total Town Outside Tax levy for the 2019 budget is \$16,388,376. Property taxes account for 57% of the Town Outside revenue budget, 9% or \$3,140,000 from fund balance and the remaining 34% mainly consisting of department revenue and sales taxes. The 2019 Town Outside budget will generate a 0.74% property tax rate increase, which amounts to an additional \$2.1895 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. What this means is that an average house in the Town Outside portion of Eastchester with an assessment of \$9,000 will pay an additional \$19.71 per year (\$1.64 per month).

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the following changes to the 2019 Preliminary Budget:

PROPOSED CHANGES TO 2019 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

		2019	2019		
		Preliminary	Additions/ (Reductions)	New Budget	
		Budget		Amount	COMMENT
TOWNWIDE					
A1110.100	Justice Court - Salaries	329,041	3,000	332,041	Reallocation from PT Seasonal
A1110.102	Justice Court - PT Sal	3,000	(3,000)	-	Reallocation to FT salary
A1220.100	Supervisor - Salaries	211,994	2,318	214,312	Reallocation
A1315.100	Comptroller - Salaries	173,724	2,489	176,213	Reallocation
A1330.100	Receiver of Taxes - Salaries	162,458	216	162,674	Reallocation
A1345.100	Computer - Salaries	95,630	438	96,068	Reallocation
A1355.100	Assessor - Salaries	193,855	2,143	195,998	Reallocation
A1410.100	Town Clerk - Salaries	189,596	14,046	203,642	Reallocation
A1420.100	Law - Salaries	227,335	2,568	229,903	Reallocation
A1450.463	Election - Moving & Stor	11,760	(6,000)	5,760	Reallocation
A5010.100	Hwy Admin - Salaries	194,829	2,427	197,256	Reallocation
A6872.100	Nutrition - Salaries	67,000	1,173	68,173	Reallocation
A7140.100	Recreation - Salaries	308,883	2,602	311,485	Reallocation

A9000.806	Health Insurance	1,186,000	(24,420)	1,161,580	Reallocation
	Total		-		

TOWN OUTSIDE

B8010.100	Zoning - Salaries	94,490	2,180	96,670	Reallocation
B8020.100	Planning - Salaries	141,736	3,270	145,006	Reallocation
B9000.803	Social Security	553,000	(5,450)	547,550	Reallocation
	Total		-		

LAKE ISLE

E 02006	Seasonal Permits	2,200,000	(200,000)	2,000,000	Budget reduction
E 02007	Daily Fees	420,000	(20,000)	400,000	Budget reduction
E3250.450	Bldg/Main. - Contr. Serv.	65,000	(5,000)	60,000	Budget reduction
E3300.102	Pool - Salaries	435,615	(35,000)	400,615	Budget reduction
E3300.401	Pool - Materials	100,000	(5,000)	95,000	Budget reduction
E3515.401	Golf Admin - Materials	15,000	(2,500)	12,500	Budget reduction
E3600.203	Admin - Equipment	20,000	(20,000)	-	Budget reduction
E3600.401	Admin - Materials	37,500	(2,500)	35,000	Budget reduction
E3600.435	Admin - Utilities	250,000	(20,000)	230,000	Budget reduction
E3600.450	Admin - Contractual	606,727	(30,000)	576,727	Budget reduction
E3600.462	Admin - Legal	10,000	(10,000)	-	Budget reduction
E3600.499	Admin - Contingency	79,306	(40,000)	39,306	Budget reduction
E3600.803	Admin - Social Security	65,000	(30,000)	35,000	Budget reduction
E3600.805	Admin - Unemployment	65,000	(20,000)	45,000	Budget reduction
	Total		-		

GARTH ROAD PARKING

ST 0599	App Fund Balance	5,000	(5,000)	-	Reallocation
ST 01001	Real Property Taxes	182,997	5,000	187,997	Reallocation
	Total		-		

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

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION to adopt the 2019 Preliminary Budget as amended.

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

C) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: COMPUTER SERVICES AGREEMENT

Per a request from Comptroller Dawn Donovan, Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve a RESOLUTION to accept the agreement with Sullivan Data for IT services for 2019 for \$54,800. The amount of \$54,800 is a three year fixed price which began on January 1, 2018 and ends on December 31, 2020.

Funds are provided for in the 2019 Budget.

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

D) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: COMMUNITY CENTER CHANGE ORDER#1 – S&L PLUMBING

Per a request from Comptroller Dawn Donovan, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve a RESOLUTION to approve Change Order #1 for the Community Center in the amount of \$20,763.75

for the addition/relocation of the fire line which is required by the Fire Department and not part of the base bid and to authorize the Supervisor to sign Change Order #1. The Change Order has been approved by the architect and project manager.

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

E) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: COMMUNITY CENTER CHANGE ORDER #2 – PETER CAMILLI & SONS

Per a request from Comptroller Dawn Donovan, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION to approve Change Order #2 for the Community Center in the amount of \$4,785 for the excavation to relocate the sprinkler line to the front of the site along the retaining wall as per the architect's drawing and to authorize the Supervisor to sign Change Order #2. The Change Order has been approved by the architect and project manager.

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

LATE FLYING ITEM:

MEMORANDUM FROM POLICE – TRAFFIC DIVISION RE: CHRISTMAS METER EXEMPTION

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a request from the Chamber of Commerce to provide free short term parking for holiday shoppers in the business districts of town by 'bagging' the meters from Saturday, December 22nd to Monday, December 24th.

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

IX. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the date of the January 2019 Town Board meetings to ONE meeting only for the month to be held on January 15, 2019.

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

X. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

The Supervisor Colavita and Town Board Members wished residents and happy holiday season and New Year.

XI. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

David Levy spoke in opposition to paying the Community Center change orders and recommended investing in repairs and/or renovation of the Highway Yard while interest rates are low.

There being no further public business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by;

Linda Laird
Town Clerk