

MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD
October 4, 2016

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on October 4, 2016 at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

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

Town Clerk Linda Laird
Comptroller Dawn Donovan
Town Attorney Louis J. 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 of 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 referenced the 2017 Grayrock Commuter Lot Parking Management Plan and suggested the current monthly permit fee be increased for the coming year.

V. APPOINTMENTS

A) APPOINTMENTS – LAKE ISLE ADVISORY BOARD

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the reappointment of Brian Connolly to the Lake Isle Advisory Board effective October 5, 2016 – September 30, 2018.

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

Councilman Bellitto offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the reappointment of Donna DeMarco to the Lake Isle Advisory Board effective October 5, 2016 – September 30, 2018.

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

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the reappointment of Joseph Santamaria to the Lake Isle Advisory Board effective October 5, 2016 – September 30, 2018.

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

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the reappointment of Al Kawer to the Lake Isle Advisory Board effective October 5, 2016 – September 30, 2018.

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

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the Minutes of the September 17, 2016 Special Town Board Meeting and the September 20, 2016 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) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY CAPITAL ONE, N.A. – 764 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a **RESOLUTION** authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by Capital One, N.A. affecting premises known Section 61, Block 4, Lot 3 – 764 White Plains Road, Eastchester, as follows:

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2011	2012	\$78,500.00	\$40,000.00	\$38,500.00
2012	2013	\$78,500.00	\$40,000.00	\$38,500.00

*To be bonded at a later date
 Eastchester School Board Approved the Settlement
 TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND \$22,326.74

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

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY ROMEO REALTY CORP. – 367 WHITE PLAINS ROAD, 369 WHITE PLAINS ROAD, 73 MORGAN STREET

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by Romeo Realty Corp. affecting premises known Section 40, Block 2, Lot 69 – 367 White Plains Road; Section 40, Block 2, Lot 70 – 369 White Plains Road; and Section 40, Block 1, Lot 1 – 73 Morgan Street, Eastchester, as follows:

Section 40, Block 2, Lot 69 – 369 White Plains Road, Eastchester

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2011	2012	\$22,050.00	\$17,020.00	\$5,030.00
2012	2013	\$22,050.00	\$17,020.00	\$5,030.00
2013	2014	\$22,050.00	\$17,135.00	\$4,915.00
2014	2015	\$22,050.00	\$16,220.00	\$5,830.00
2015	2016	\$22,050.00	\$14,600.00	\$7,450.00

Sub-Total.....\$8,634.18

Section 40, Block 2, Lot 70 – 369 White Plains Road, Eastchester

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2011	2012	\$25,000.00	\$18,500.00	\$6,500.00
2012	2013	\$25,000.00	\$18,500.00	\$6,500.00
2013	2014	\$25,000.00	\$18,625.00	\$6,375.00
2014	2015	\$25,000.00	\$17,630.00	\$7,370.00
2015	2016	\$25,000.00	\$15,870.00	\$9,130.00

Sub-Total.....\$10,953.73

Section 40, Block 1, Lot 1 – 73 Morgan Street, Eastchester

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2011	2012	\$13,900.00	\$9,620.00	\$4,280.00
2012	2013	\$11,750.00	\$9,620.00	\$2,130.00
2013	2014	\$11,750.00	\$9,685.00	\$2,065.00
2014	2015	\$11,750.00	\$9,170.00	\$2,580.00
2015	2016	\$11,750.00	\$8,250.00	\$3,500.00

Sub-Total.....\$4,405.20

*To be bonded at a later date / Eastchester School Board Approved the Settlement
 TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND \$23,993.11

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

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Bellitto to approve the Seasonal Appointment of Anthony Guerreiro and Jeffrey Wheeler as Laborers in the Highway Department, effective October 5, 2016, at the hourly rate of \$12.00. Supervisor Colavita explained the hiring is being done in preparation for leaf season.

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

B) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: CLOSE CAPITAL PROJECTS

Supervisor Colavita reviewed a memo submitted by Town Comptroller Dawn Donovan in which she requests approval to close the completed capital projects listed below and transfer the unused funds to the Reserve for Debt. The unused funds will be used to pay the debt associated with the projects on future budgets.

Project Code	Project Name	Unexpended
H9423	Parks Equipment – 2012	305.30
H9428	Street Resurfacing – 2013	0.00
H9432	LED Lights – 2013	0.00
H9434	Bucket Truck – 2014	23,091.72
H9435	Highway Truck – 2014	0.00
H9436	Sidewalk & Curbs – 2014	0.00
H9437	Street Resurfacing – 2014	0.00
H9439	LED Lights – 2014	0.00
H9440	Chester Heights – 2014	2,757.64
H9441	Parkway Oval – 2014	0.00
H9444	Senior Services – 2014	.72
H9449	Highway Small Dump Truck – 2015	.60
H9450	Sidewalk & Curbs – 2015	0.00
H9452	LED Lights – 2015	0.00
H9453	Highway Large Dump Truck – 2015	0.00
		\$26,155.98

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a Resolution to close the above capital projects and transfer the unused portion of each to reserve for debt.

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

C) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: APPROVAL OF STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT – EXPERIMENTAL WORK SCHEDULE – POLICE OFFICERS UNION

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the Stipulation of Agreement of the Experimental Work Schedule with the Police Union. Chief Bonci and the PBA have worked diligently to come up with the agreement. The agreement has been approved and signed by the Supervisor and PBA and therefore needs to be ratified by the Town Board.

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

D) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS RE: INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW – WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT GRANT

Supervisor Colavita explained the Village of Sleepy Hollow, acting on behalf of various municipalities as Lead Agency, has applied for and been approved for a Stormwater Quality Improvement Project Grant in the amount of \$343,854.00 from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for Stormwater Mapping services.

In order for the Town of Eastchester to participate in this grant we must enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Village of Sleepy Hollow. Our cost is \$4,602.00 which will be provided through in-kind services. The project will further enhance the data base for mapping of stormwater infrastructure consistent with the requirements of New York State.

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a **Resolution** authorizing the Supervisor to enter into an Inter Municipal Agreement on behalf of the Town, with Sleepy Hollow, to participate in the implementation phase of the project to further enhance the data base for mapping of stormwater infrastructure consistent with requirements of New York State.

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

E) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS RE: EXTENSION OF LUMP SUM MUNICIPAL SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT – 2016-2017

Supervisor Colavita explained under the Municipal Snow and Ice Agreement, the NYS Department of Transportation guarantees an annual minimum payment 10,255.42 to the Town for snow and ice removal of State road way, Route 22 during the 2016/2017 winter season.

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Nicholson to approve a Resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to enter into an agreement with the NYS Department of Transportation to extend the current Municipal Snow & Ice Agreement for the 2016/2017 Snow Season.

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

F) MEMORANDUM FROM TOWN CLERK RE: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2017 PARKING MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE GRAYROCK COMMUTER LOT

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by sup to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to sign the 201 Parking Management Plan (PMP) for the Grayrock Commuter Lot and for the Board to approve the 2017 Rules & Regulations.

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

G) MEMORANDUM FROM DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT RE: WESTCHESTER COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

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

WHEREAS, all jurisdictions within Westchester County have exposure to natural hazards that increase the risk to life, property, environment, and the County and local economy; and

WHEREAS; pro-active mitigation of known hazards before a disaster event can reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property; and

WHEREAS, The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390) established new requirements for pre and post disaster hazard mitigation programs; and

WHEREAS; a coalition of Westchester County municipalities with like planning objectives has been formed to pool resources and create consistent mitigation strategies within Westchester County; and

WHEREAS, the coalition has completed a planning process that engages the public, assesses the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of natural hazards, develops a mitigation strategy consistent with a set of uniform goals and objectives, and creates a plan for implementing, evaluating and revising this strategy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester:

- 1) Adopts in its entirety, the 2015 Westchester County Hazard Mitigation Plan (the "Plan") as the jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions identified in the Plan that pertain to this jurisdiction.
- 2) Will use the adopted and approved portions of the Plan to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the hazards identified.
- 3) Will coordinate the strategies identified in the Plan with other planning programs and mechanisms under its jurisdictional authority.
- 4) Will continue its support of the Mitigation Planning Committee as described within the Plan.
- 5) Will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all participants in this Plan.
- 6) Will incorporate mitigation planning as an integral component of government and partner operations.
- 7) Will provide an update of the Plan in conjunction with the County no less than every five years.

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

H) MEMORANDUM FROM POLICE RE: BID AUTHORIZATION: POLICE LOCKER ROOM

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the Police Department to go out to bid for the Police Locker Room Renovation Project.

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

IX. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - none

X. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Councilman Marcoccia announced the upcoming 'Casino Night' to benefit the Tuckahoe School Foundation will be held on November 4th and congratulated Vito Pinto of being named as honoree of the event. Additionally, Mr. Marcoccia reflected on the success of the 3rd Annual 5K Run and the Gold Star Mother's Ceremony.

Councilman Bellitto stated he is looking forward to Columbus Festival and applauded Eastchester's embrace of Italian heritage and the preservation of Christopher Columbus inspirational virtues.

Councilman Dooley announced the upcoming Eastchester Historical Society event; "Ghosts of the Hudson Valley" with Vince Dacquino at the Marble School House on October 14th from 7-9pm. The event is open to the public, the fee is \$10 for non-members and free of charge for members.

Councilwoman Nicholson announced registration for the fall programs is now available at www.eastchester.org in the Recreation Section. The programs include, Mother/Child Playgroup for 1 to 4 year olds, US Sports Institute Pre-School Programs for 2-5 year olds, Teen Scene, Eastchester Instructional Basketball League (EIBL) for residents in grades 4th-8th.

Supervisor Colavita congratulated James Romeo Jr., a lifelong Eastchester resident, on being named Grand Marshal of the 2016 Eastchester Columbus Day Parade as well as Rita Mastroberardino, this year's recipient of the Monsignor Anthony Maltese Humanitarian Award and Elliot and Diane Senderoff, recipients of the David R. DiRubba Community Service Award.

The Supervisor announced former Bronxville Mayor William Murphy will be honored on October 8th at The Nature Preserve of Bronxville, Eastchester and Tuckahoe. A 20-foot hickory tree will be planted at the site to commemorate his service to the community and as a founding member of The Nature Preserve steering committee.

In closing, Supervisor Colavita reminded residents of important dates regarding the upcoming Presidential Election:

Registration

Mail – must be postmarked no later than 10/14

In-person – 10/14

Change of Address – 10/19

Absentee Ballot

-Application by mail must be postmarked no later than 11/1

-Last day to apply in person – 11/7

-Last day to postmark ballot 11/7 (must be received by 11/15)

-Last day to deliver ballot to Board of Elections 11/8

XI. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

David Levy expressed disappointment that the Fire Commissioner Meetings are held a varying days and times and suggested a standard meeting schedule be followed.

Peter DeFelice resumed his practice of reading employee salaries from the current budget and suggesting the budget format is confusing.

Minutes Prepared by;

Linda Laird
Town Clerk