



MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
IN PERSON AT THE
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE/COURT FACILITY
86-88 SPRING STREET – OSSINING, NEW YORK
AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

June 9, 2026

REGULAR MEETING
7:30 P.M.

SUPERVISOR
Elizabeth R. Feldman

COUNCILMEMBERS
Gregory G. Meyer Angelo A. Manicchio
Jennifer Fields-Tawil Matthew J. Weiss

I. CALL TO ORDER-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-ROLL CALL

The Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on June 9, 2026 at Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility 86-88 Spring Street – Ossining, New York, 10562 and via video conference. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth Feldman, Members of the Board present were: Deputy Supervisor Gregory G. Meyer, Councilmember Angelo Manicchio and Councilmember Jennifer Fields-Tawil. Councilmember Matthew J. Weiss was absent. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Town Clerk Jeaneth Guinansaca.

II. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Feldman said the following:

- Primary early voting will be starting on Saturday, June 13th and will be running until Sunday June 21st. Please note that this year's voting location is at St. Ann's School. For exact date and times please check my supervisor's update.
- Hungry on Hudson is a 10-day showcase of the Ossining and Briarcliff Manor culinary scene. Participating restaurants have a variety of special menus, exclusive deals, and community events. This event runs from June 5-14, 2026. For more information, please visit hungryonhudson.com.
- As part of the O250 events, the Open Door care network has partnered with the Village Historian Joyce Sharrock Cole to present "From Spiritual Care to Modern Medicine: How Ossining Learned to Heal Itself". This program offers a storytelling experience revealing 250 years of local healing. This free event is scheduled for Thursday, June 11th starting at 7pm, located at 2 church street. For more information, contact foundation@odfmc.org.
- Green Ossining's Repair Café is set to return on Sunday, June 14th at 11am. A team of volunteers are here to help with fixing toys, bikes, clothes and many more. For more information, please reach out to RepairCafeGreenOssining@gmail.com.
- The Elks Flag Day Ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, June 14th at 4pm. This program honoring the American flag will include musical performances by the Westchester Women's Chorus. We will be joined by Ossining historian Caroline Curvan who will recount interesting local history. All are welcome to join us at the Ossining waterfront for this free event.
- The Hudson River Music Festival will be returning again this year on Sunday, June 21st at Croton Point Park, featuring dozens of musical performances and family friendly activities. For more information or to get tickets, please visit hudsonrivermusicfestival.com.
- Great news for our weekend travel! The Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry weekend service will run hourly on Saturdays and Sundays through October

- 31, providing a convenient connection to Metro-North trains and making it easier than ever to enjoy our scenic waterfront.
- Moderate income households in New York State may now qualify for monthly discounts on their utility bills through the Expanded Energy Affordability Program (EEAP). To learn more, visit nyeeap.com/program.
 - Jazz at the Lodge returns every Thursday night. Visit jazzatthelodge.com for the schedule and details.
 - Sustainable Westchester wants to remind everyone that the Grid Rewards program is free to join. Get paid by simply being smart with your electrical usage. Visit sustainablewestchester.org for more information.
 - The 2026 Summer Sailing Club program is opening registration. Supported by the Ossining Community Sailing Club, this program is ready for those who want to learn or already know how to sail. For more information contact the club at membershipocsc@yahoo.com.
 - Please remember Neighbors Link is a great source for information and community resources for our immigrant population. Please visit their website www.neighborslink.org and click Resources to register to attend informational webinars about Knowing Your Rights in English and in Spanish and to find contact information for trusted professionals.
 - As always, our Ossining Public Library will be hosting many events, for the most up to date information please see the online calendar on their website at ossininglibrary.org or their official Facebook page.
 - The Loft LGBTQ+ Community Center has everything from events and programs to resources and presentations all dedicated to providing support to everyone who is a part of the LGBTQ+ Community, including many virtual and in person support groups and clubs for a multitude of different topics. Please check out their website at loftgaycenter.org for more information.
 - There are many fun and interesting events being held locally, and you can look at the weekly Supervisor's Update on the Supervisor's webpage to see them.

Councilmember Field-Tawil said the following:

Please join us for the 25th anniversary celebration of our midwifery practice! Full Circle Women's Health, Sunday, June 14, 11-2pm at Phelps Hospital. Please register so we know how many people to expect.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on any of the resolutions on the agenda.

IV. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes – May 26, 2026

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following resolution be tabled.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the May 26, 2026 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated June 9, 2026 in the amount of \$617,415.79

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Town Zoning Board – Resignation – Salvatore Carrera

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following amended resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Salvatore Carrera, Ossining, from his five-year term on the Town Zoning Board effective June 3, 2026.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Resolution – Hudson Valley Stream Conservancy Water Quality Study

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following resolution be approved.

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Hudson Valley Stream Conservancy (HVSC), a local not-for-profit organization, partnered with the Town of Ossining to conduct a water quality study at the Louis Engel Park beach and nearby areas with the purpose of exploring the feasibility of opening the beach to permitted public swimming and understanding the relative contributions from various nearby potential pollution sources; and

WHEREAS, the resulting report was submitted to the Westchester County Department of Health and they indicated that more than one season’s data would be needed for any permitting determination; and

WHEREAS, HVSC conducted additional studies in 2023, 2024, and 2025 and has offered to conduct another study in 2026 with no labor cost to the town; and

WHEREAS, there are costs associated with the samples being tested by the certified Westchester County laboratories, as well as other incidental materials needed such as reagents for the HVSC laboratory analysis of additional samples for this study, ice for sample transporting, fuel for transport to the lab, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the benefit of exploring the feasibility of permissible public swimming in conjunction with the Town’s ongoing process of envisioning future usage of the Ossining waterfront, and the value of HVSC procuring the samples at no cost to the Town; and

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, as part of the water quality study, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town to pay Westchester County Laboratories for the sample testing in an amount not to exceed \$2,300 and to reimburse Hudson Valley Stream Conservancy and its President, Gareth Hougham, for incidental costs actually incurred up to \$1,000 (with adequate documentation provided to substantiate those costs).

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Adoption of Changes to 2026 Fee Schedule – Film Permits amended

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following amended resolution be approved.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby amends the Town of Ossining fee schedule section title Filming to the following, effective July 1, 2026:

Public Town Property Daily Rate	Private Property Daily Rate	Description of Filming Activity
\$0	\$0	Student Film
\$100	\$50	Public service, Teaching Not-for-profit
\$1,500	\$1,250	Commercial Advertisement & other Filming
\$5,000	\$2,500	Major Commercial Production

Additional Daily Fees	
\$400 for up to 4 police officers \$800 for 5-10 police officers	Filming requiring police officers on overtime
\$300 for up to 4 non-police staff \$600 for 5-10 non-police staff	Filming requiring non-police staff on overtime

Motion Carried: Unanimously

F. Personnel – Assessor’s Office – Appointment

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby provisionally appoints James Steiner, White Plains, to the position of Deputy Assessor in the Assessor’s Office effective September 28, 2026 at an annual salary of \$110,000.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

G. Stipulation of Agreement

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following amended resolution be approved.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign a stipulation of agreement related to a new employee hire.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

I. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Field-Tawil that the following monthly reports be accepted.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the month of May 2026:

- Town Supervisor
- Highway
- Dale Cemetery
- Town Clerk
- Tax Receiver
- Town Building Department

Motion Carried: Unanimously

II. VISITOR RECOGNITION

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on issues not relating to the agenda, but of relevance to the common good of the Town.

III. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 7:45 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for Pending Litigation and Advice of Counsel and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 8:36 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk