

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

July 23, 2024
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 July 23, 2024 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 7:33 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth R. Feldman. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Gregory G. Meyer, Jennifer Fields-Tawil, Angelo A. Manicchio (Left at 7:46 PM) and Matthew J. Weiss. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Town Clerk Jeaneth V. Guinansaca.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- **Zoning Petition for BE Zoning District**

Public Hearing opened at 7:34 PM.

The following people commented at the Public Hearing:

- **David Steinmetz – Law Firm Zarin and Steinet**
- **Violet Benny – 221 Cedar Lane.**

At 7:46 PM Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the Public Hearing be adjourn to the August 13, 2024 Legislative Meeting.

III. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Spray Park at Louis Engel Waterfront Park is open for the summer. The park is open seven days a week, noon-7:00pm. There are some Wednesday exceptions. On the following Wednesdays – July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st and August 7th the Spray Park will be open to the public 3:00-7:00pm.**
- **RiverJam this Friday we'll have Powderfinger on the stage at 7:00pm. The food trucks and the craft beverage corral will be open at 5:00pm. Check our website at OssiningRiverJam.com for more details.**
- **For the first time, there is a Waterfront Shuttle Bus for Ossining RiverJam! Beginning on July 12th, Ossining Recreation & Parks will have a free shuttle on Fridays for RiverJam. The shuttle will loop around Westerly Road and Water Streets from 5:30pm-9:30pm at these stops:**
 - **Louis Engel Park**
 - **3 Westerly/Gourdine Park**
 - **The Boathouse**

- Water Street/Central Avenue
- Quimby/Main
- The Summer Acoustic Music Series this Wednesday features Nat Longordo with his brand of classic rock from the 70's to today. The shows are at Market Square and begin at 7:00pm.
- The Monday Summer Jazz Concert Series continues on Monday, July 29th with a performance by Judi Silvano Quintet. All shows are at Henry Gourdine Park.
- We're excited that the Ossining High School Band has been selected to play in the 2024 Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in Hawaii. There are many fundraising efforts in the works. If you are interested in donating, please see my Supervisor's Update for a QR Code to their donation page.
- On Friday, catch "Limitless" a dance work with Ivvy", at Bethany Arts Community. The show begins at 7:00pm.
- There are two events on Saturday at the Sing Sing Kill Brewery. The first is the One Crate Vinyl Popup where you can buy and sell vinyl records and albums between 2:00 and 7:00pm. The second is "Say Word" a storytelling show with the theme, "Lies." Show starts at 8:00pm.
- Sunday, July 28th is the Dance N.O.W. Festival at 2:00pm at the Bethany Arts Community.
- On Wednesday, July 31st Hudson Valley Books for Humanity will host a unique event – Poetry.camera Photo Walk – at 7:00pm. This is a new innovation in photography where you point the camera and shoot, but instead of a photo, a poem comes out.
- Closing of the LGBTQ Listening Library will be on Wednesday, July 31st at 7:00pm. Come catch the open mic and queer album chat at the Bethany Arts Community.
- Westchester Collaborative Theater is hosting a Stand-Up Comedy Night on Friday, August 2nd at 8:00pm.
- There will be a Sunday afternoon is a concert at Hudson Valley Books for Humanity. July 28th catch the sounds of Andrea Saposnik and Andrew Marino at 5:00pm.
- As always, our Ossining Public Library will be hosting a bevy of events including movies, craft events, meditation, tutoring, yoga, book clubs and more. Please see their website at ossininglibrary.org.

There are many fun and interesting events being held locally, and you can look at my weekly Supervisor's Update on the Supervisor's webpage to see them.

IV. LIAISON REPORTS

V. 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.

VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes – July 9, 2024

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the July 9, 2024 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 Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated July 23, 2024 in the amount of \$293,215.45

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Special Legislative Meeting – August 6, 2024

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining calls for Special Legislative Meeting on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 7:30 PM in First Floor Boardroom at the Ossining Municipal Building, 16 Croton Ave, Ossining, NY 10562 and via Zoom videoconferencing (which information will be available at www.townofossining.com); and

Be it further resolved, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to notice said meeting as required by law.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Call for Public Hearing – Town of Ossining’s proposed 2025-2027 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby calls for a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 7:30 PM in First Floor Boardroom at the Ossining Municipal Building, 16 Croton Ave, Ossining, NY 10562 and via Zoom videoconferencing (which information will be available at www.townofossining.com), in the matter of the Town’s applications to the Community Development Block Grant 2025-2027 Application Cycle as part of the Westchester County Urban County Consortium.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Resolution Modifying Location of Town Legislative Meetings

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

WHEREAS, at its annual reorganizational meeting, the Town Board established by resolution the location of its Legislative Meetings for the year, with its Town Legislative meetings scheduled to occur at the Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility, 86-88 Spring Street, Ossining, New York 10562; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the Town Board's attention that there are certain conflicts with its meetings' location that the Board wishes to address,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby modifies the meeting location to the Ossining Municipal Building, 16 Croton Ave, Ossining, NY 10562 for the following Legislative Meetings:

- August 13, 2024

- August 27, 2024

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to notice said meetings' location as required by law.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

F. New York State Liquor Authority Special Event Permit – Summerz Cool Jam with Parrot Beach

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the Landlord Authorization Form for the New York State Liquor Authority Special Event Permit Application made by 3 Westerly Bar & Grill for the Summerz Cool Jam with Parrot Beach event on August 6, 2024 with a rain date of August 20, 2024 at Louis Engel Park; and

Be it further resolved, that the applicant will provide proof of insurance and the letter of indemnity to the Town in a form acceptable to Counsel to the Town.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

G. Authorize Request for Proposals – Multi-Sports Court at Ryder Park

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the issuance of a request for proposals for Multi-Sports Court at Ryder Park in 2024.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

H. Appointment – Seasonal Intermediate Clerk – Supervisor's Office

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining appoints Evan Rodriguez, Ossining, to the seasonal position of Intermediate Clerk in the Supervisor's Office at an hourly rate of \$18, effective retroactively to July 22, 2024.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VII. VII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED & FILED

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following correspondence be received and filed.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following correspondence:

- Planning Board Minutes – April 17, 2024

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss 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 June 2024:

- Town Building Department
- Highway Department
- Town Clerk
- Dale Cemetery

Motion Carried: Unanimously

IX. 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.

X. ADJOURNMENT – WORK SESSION

At 7:57 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Work Session for and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 8:19 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for matters of personnel, advice of counsel, and contracts, and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

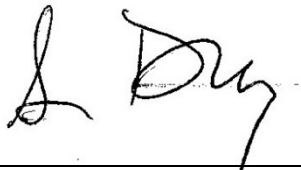
At 9:54 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Manicchio seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:54 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Manicchio seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk