

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

August 11, 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 August 11, 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 7:32 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth Feldman, Members of the Board present were: Deputy Supervisor Gregory G. Meyer, Councilmember Angelo Manicchio, Councilmember Jennifer Fields-Tawil and Councilmember Matthew J. Weiss. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Town Clerk Jeaneth Guinansaca.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

- **Local Law 2026 – Regulating Drones in the Town**

Public Hearing opened at 7:33 PM

- **Sammuel Cooperman. 10 Aqueduct St. Ossining, NY 10562. Letter attached.**
- **Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona. Town Counsel.**

At 7:42 PM Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Fields-Tawil that the Public Hearing be adjourn to August 25, 2026.

- **Proposed Design Upgrades to the Louis Engel Waterfront Park Performance Stage**

Public Hearing opened at 7:42 PM

- **Rob Lowenthal. 75 Morningside, Ossining NY 10562.**
- **Sussy Ross. Chairperson of Green Ossining.**
- **Susane Zullig, 77 Mystic Drive. Ossining NY 10562.**
- **Jay Glucksman and the Architects in charge of designing the Stage.**

At 08:12 PM Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Fields-Tawil that the Public Hearing be closed with open written comments to be received by August 25, 2026 at 5 pm.

III. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Feldman said the following:

Town Updates

- **First and foremost, I would like to point out how thankful we are for the Ossining Fire Departments amazing coordination with OPD, OVAC, Westchester County Emergency Management, the multitude of other fire departments, local officials and inspectors to get the residents to safety and**

get the fire on Friday under control with no injuries or loss of life. The seven residents who stayed in the emergency shelter at the Ossining Recreation department have been relocated to a local hotel compliment of Gullotta House (a local charity organization that provides temporary help to those in need). The Red Cross was on scene and is providing some assistance to each of the residents of the building that was destroyed. Another local support organization Padres Hispanos opened yesterday to provide free clothing to those who lost everything. This recovery effort has been successful because of the collaborative efforts of the Town and Village officials, staff, local volunteers and community groups. Many of the cars were able to be removed without damage from the garage.

- The Ossining RiverJam summer concert series continues this Friday with another great evening of live music on the waterfront. This week's featured performer is Carlos Palante, performing a mix of Latin music with an accompanying orchestra. Food trucks will begin serving at 5:00 p.m., and the concert starts at 7:00 p.m. We hope you'll join us for another wonderful community event.
- The Louis Engel Spray Park remains open seven days a week from noon until 7:00 p.m. through Labor Day. Please remember that on Wednesdays the park is reserved for our summer camp until 3:00 p.m., after which it reopens to the public. During periods of extreme heat, the Town may extend operating hours. Any schedule changes will be announced on the Town website and Facebook page.
- Residents visiting the John Paul Rodrigues Ossining Operations Center at 101 Route 9A are reminded that the building is secured daily at 3:30 p.m. Appointments are available between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. for Town applications and submissions by contacting the Building Department in advance at (914) 762-8419.
- We're also pleased to remind residents that the Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry is offering hourly weekend service on Saturdays and Sundays through October 31, making it easier than ever to connect with Metro-North trains and enjoy our scenic waterfront.

Community Events

- The Ossining Historic Cemeteries will be running a gravestone cleaning workshop on Saturday August 15th from 9am to noon. Everyone is welcome to join at Dale Cemetery in Ossining. For more information, please visit ossininghistoriccemeteries.org.
- On August 15th the Back-to-School Summer Festival will be running from 12-4pm at Nelson Park. This event is a collaboration between the Star of Bethlehem First Baptist church, the Ossining Youth Bureau and the Kindle Community. This event is an amazing showing of the strength of the community coming together. There will be school supplies and sneaker giveaways, free food, arts and crafts, games and even basketball and soccer tournaments.
- The Westchester Jewish Council, in cooperation with Westchester County Parks, will be hosting the 50th annual Westchester Jewish Music & Arts Festival. This event will feature live bands, local artists, kosher food vendors, and family activities. The festival will run from noon to 6pm on Sunday August 16th at the Kensico Dam Plaza in Valhalla.
- The last walking tour of 2026 of the historic Sparta neighborhood will be held on Sunday, August 16. It will begin at the Jug Tavern (Rockledge Avenue and Revolutionary Road, behind the CVS) at 1 p.m. with an introduction to the history of the area. Participants will then walk about six blocks through the neighborhood, learning about the historic homes in the landmarked district; the tour will end at around 3 p.m. Dr. Alan Stahl, a neighborhood resident who taught in the History Department of Princeton University and has served as chair of the Village of Ossining Historic Preservation Commission, will lead the tour. The tour is free, but participation is limited to 20 people. For a reservation or further information, go to the Jug Tavern website: www.jugtavern.org.

Community Resources

- Eligible moderate-income households may qualify for monthly utility bill discounts through New York State's Expanded Energy Affordability Program. To learn more, please visit NYEEAP.com/program.

- Jazz at the Lodge continues every Thursday evening. Visit JazzAtTheLodge.com for the performance schedule and additional details.
- Sustainable Westchester reminds residents that its free Grid Rewards program allows participants to earn incentives by reducing electricity use during periods of peak demand. Additional information is available at SustainableWestchester.org.
- Neighbors Link continues to provide valuable services and trusted resources for our immigrant community, including Know Your Rights webinars offered in both English and Spanish. Residents can also find information for trusted local professionals by visiting NeighborsLink.org and selecting the Resources page.
- The Ossining Public Library continues to offer outstanding educational, cultural, and family programming throughout the year. For the latest calendar of events, please visit the library's website or follow its official Facebook page.
- The LOFT LGBTQ+ Community Center offers a wide range of programs, support groups, educational opportunities, and community resources for LGBTQ+ individuals and families. More information is available at LoftGayCenter.org.

Closing

- As always, there are many more exciting events taking place throughout our community than we have time to mention this evening. I encourage everyone to visit the weekly Supervisor's Update on the Supervisor's webpage to stay informed about upcoming events, programs, and opportunities throughout the Town of Ossining.
- Thank you for your attention, and with that, we'll move on to tonight's agenda.

IV. 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.

V. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes – July 28, 2026

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 July 28, 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 August 11, 2026 in the amount of \$480,248.40.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Personnel – Appointment – Seasonal 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 appoints Lynn Muller, Montrose, to the seasonal position of part-time Intermediate Clerk in the Senior Nutrition Department at an hourly rate of \$25, effective retroactively to June 29, 2026.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Proposal – Cushman & Wakefield Regional, LLC

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

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board accepts the proposal from Cushman & Wakefield Regional, LLC for valuation and expert witness services in connection with 32 Cedar Lane.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Call for Public Hearing – Flames Bar and Grill LLC Cabaret License 2026

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 calls for a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at 7:30 PM at the Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility, 86-88 Spring Street, Ossining, NY 10562 and via Zoom videoconferencing (which information will be available at www.townofossiningny.gov), in the matter of the 2026 Cabaret License for Flames Bar and Grill LLC, 533 North State RD, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VI. 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 July 2026:

- Supervisor's Office
- Town Clerk
- Tax Receiver
- Town Building Department

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VII. 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.

- Dori Acampora. 85 Van Cortlandt Ave. recurring problem at the end of Van Cortlandt.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:34 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

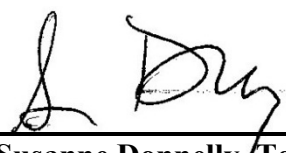
At 8:34 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for pending litigation, and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:52 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Manicchio seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk