

AGENDA
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

March 24, 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 March 24, 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 7:30 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 Town Deputy Clerk Jeaneth Guinansaca.

II. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

- **Police Chief Aaron Zimmerman & Lieutenant Andrew Maiorana**
Departmental report was given by Lieutenant Andrew Maiorana
- **Town Building Inspector Jon Turnquist**
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- **Assessor Michael Fouassier**
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III. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Feldman said the following:

- **New York State has declared a burn ban to be in effect from now until May 14th. Spring brings a higher risk of wildfires, so it's important to do your part and follow the rules. For more information on the burn ban, visit dec.ny.gov.**
- **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.**
- **AARP Tax-Aide is running free tax prep on Thursdays in the Ossining Public Library through April 9th. To make an appointment please visit freetaxhelpwestchester.com or call 914-353-0345.**
- **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.**
- **Bethany Arts Community welcomes artists (ages 21+) working in any discipline and medium, including visual artists, sculptors, writers and more to our Fall Multidisciplinary Residency. Enjoy an environment where artists from different disciplines and walks of life can work in community and near**

each other, creating opportunities for generative collaboration and cross-pollination. The 2026 Fall Multidisciplinary Residency runs for one, two-week session of 12 artists from September 22 – October 6, 2026. Artists are provided room & board, a private studio conducive to artists’ medium and/or project, 3 meals a day, and a \$225 stipend per week upon completion of the residency. If interested you can apply at BethanyArts.org, the deadline to apply is May 6th.

- Tomorrow night the red monkey theater group will be performing “Sherlock Holmes, the adventure of the beryl coronet” at the Budarz Theater in the Ossining public library.
- The First Baptist Church will be hosting a special women’s history month event and fund-raiser to help restore the historic church. Hear the complex story of Benedict Arnold’s wife and enjoy tea and talks after the performance. The performance starts at 1PM on Saturday, March 28th.
- The Grace Hall Spring Market Community Gathering is scheduled for Saturday, March 28th! You can expect live music, local vendors and food. It will be held at 7 Old Albany Post Road from 12PM – 5PM.
- The Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an Ossining Nonprofit Expo on Sunday March 29th starting at 3PM in the Grace Episcopal Church. Join to learn about volunteer opportunities and connect with organizations throughout the Ossining area.
- Bethany Arts Community will be running their open house program on April 4th from 11AM – 3PM. Different exhibits and hands on arts activities for all ages will be going on through the day. For more information, please visit Bethanyarts.org.
- 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 including movies, craft events, meditation, tutoring, yoga, book clubs and more. Please see their website at ossininglibrary.org for more information.
- 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.

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 – March 10, 2026

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the March 10, 2026 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Minutes – March 17, 2026

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the March 17, 2026 minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated March 24, 2026 in the amount of \$351,270.96.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Personnel – Tax Receiver’s Office – Temporary Appointment

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

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby temporary appoints Erin Zebelman, Ossining, to the position of Deputy Tax Receiver in the Tax Receiver’s Office effective April 1, 2026 at an hourly salary of \$20.40.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

E. Proposal – GASB 74/75 Actuarial Valuation Services

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 accepts the proposal by USI Consulting Group, Glastonbury, CT dated March 2026 for GASB 74/75 actuarial valuation services for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 in the amount of \$6,050; and

Be it further Resolved, that additional projects, including estimates of the effects of plan changes, will be billed at an hourly rate of \$385.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

F. Contract – Summer Concert Series 2026 – Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

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 authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Greater Ossining Chamber of Commerce, Inc., 109 Croton Ave, Ossining, NY, 10562, for the administration of 2026 Food Truck Fridays events and marketing of 2026 Summer Events (to include Food Truck Fridays, Summer Concert Series, and Fireworks Celebration for Independence Day).

Motion Carried: Unanimously

G. Contract—Summer Concert Series 2026 – Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC

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 authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Sing Sing Kill Brewery, LLC,

Ossining, NY 10562, for the administration of the craft beverage corral at the Summer Concert Series for 2026.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

H. Finance- 2025 Adjust and Close Capital Project #2021-5229 – 2021 Nutrition Electric Bus-Nutrition Department

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 authorizes adjusting the 2021 Capital Project #2021-5229, entitled “2021 Nutrition Electric Bus” for the Town Nutrition Department, with an original project budget of \$207,311.00 funded from Debt Service of \$132,311 and Federal CDBG grant of \$75,000 adjusted to \$232.311 to recognize additional grant funds of \$25,000, and transfer funds to General Fund as Debt Service BAN redeemed in full and capital project is closed.

<u>Adjust Capital Projects Fund Appropriations:</u>		
<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370 6772.200.5229	2021 Nutrition Electric Bus	\$207,311.00
370 9910.200.5229	I/F Transfer General Fund	<u>25,000.00</u>
Total Adjustment to Capital Projects Fund Appropriations		\$232,311.00

<u>Adjust Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues:</u>		
<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370 0400.4989.5229	Federal Grant-CDBG Nutrition	\$ 100,000.00
370 0600.5730.5229	Bus	<u>132,311.00</u>
	Debt Service-BAN	
Total Adjustment to Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues		\$ 132,311.00

Motion Carried: Unanimously

I. Finance- 2025 Adjust and Close Capital Project #2024-5252 2024 Highway Pickup Truck w/Equipment - Highway

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 authorizes establishing 2024 Capital Project #2024-5252, entitled “2024 Highway Pickup Truck w/Equipment” for the Town Highway Department, with an original project budget of \$58,500 be adjusted to \$51,029.46 for expenditures and balance of \$7,470.54 transferred back to Highway Fund and closed.

<u>Adjusted Capital Projects Fund Appropriations:</u>		
<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370 9910.200.5252	I/F Transfer to Highway Fund	\$ 7,470.54
370 5110.200.5252	2024 Highway Pickup Truck w/Equipment	<u>51,029.46</u>

Total Adjusted Capital Projects Fund Appropriations \$58,500.00

<u>Adjusted Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues:</u>		
<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
370	I/F Transfer from Highway	<u>\$58,500.00</u>
0500.503131.5252		
Total Adjusted Capital Projects Fund Estimated Revenues		\$58,500.00

Motion Carried: Unanimously

J. Resolution – Town of Ossining Open Space Plan

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

WHEREAS, in May 2022 the Town Board adopted its current Comprehensive Plan, which included as the goal for open space and natural resources to “promote access to regional connections between open spaces; protect and promote stewardship of environmental assets such as parks, trees, streams and wetlands; improve access to natural resources of recreation and public health benefits; and encourage the creation of new open spaces”; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the open space and natural resources objective in the Comprehensive Plan, the Town Board facilitated the preparation of an Open Space Plan for the Town by its planners Nelson, Pope Voorhis with support from the Town of Ossining Environmental Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Open Space Plan seeks to identify areas for conservation and policy tools for open space conservation and connectivity in the Town; and

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby adopts the Open Space Plan Town of Ossining, NY dated October 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Open Space Plan shall be circulated to the Town of Ossining Planning Board, Zoning Board and Environmental Advisory Committee for the Open Space Plan’s goals and policies to be considered during the review of specific land use applications; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, appropriate staff and consultants shall prepare draft Town Code amendments for consideration by the Town Board to incorporate the Open Space Plan’s Code recommendations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Open Space Plan shall be available in the Town Clerk’s office and on the Town’s website with the Comprehensive Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Open Space Plan shall be sent to the New York State Hudson River Valley Greenway and the Westchester County Planning Board.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

K. Resolution – Declaration of Surplus – Highway Equipment

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 declares the following equipment from the Town Highway Department as surplus:

- 2 Torwel Salt Spreaders
- 1 Viking-Cives 11 FT Snow Plow

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 February 2026:

- Dale Cemetery

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.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

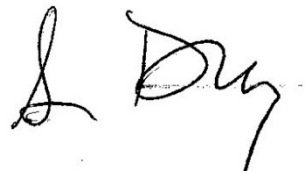
At 8:05 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for Pending Litigation, Contract and Advice of Counsel and Councilmember Field-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:30 P.M., Councilmember Manicchio motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Fields-Tawil seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "L. Day", written over a horizontal line.