



TOWN OF ORANGETOWN TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday July 09, 2024

This Town Board Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM.

Councilperson Paul Valentine _____
Councilperson Jerry Bottari _____
Councilperson Brian Donohue _____
Councilperson Dan Sullivan _____
Supervisor Teresa M. Kenny _____

🌟 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ **Blue Hill Golf Course Centennial Celebration / Friday, July 19, 2024 / www.bluehillcentennial.com**
- ◆ **The Town of Orangetown has achieved Bronze Certification as part of New York State's Climate Smart Communities Program**

DISCUSSION:

- ◆ **WORKSHOP OF AGENDA ITEMS**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

RESOLVED, that the public portion is hereby opened.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

2. **CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

RESOLVED, that the public portion is hereby closed.

AGENDA ITEMS:

TOWN BOARD

3. SET PUBLIC HEARING / PROPOSED LOCAL LAW / AMEND CHAPTER 30 / CERTIFICATE OF SEWER REGISTRATION

RESOLVED that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on July 23, 2024 at 7:10 p.m., on a proposed Local Law, by amending chapter 30 of the Town Code, entitled “Sewers-Rules and Regulations” to permit the Commissioner of the Town Department of Environmental Management and Engineering to issue certificates of sewer registration.

4. DECLARATION OF INTENTION OF TOWN BOARD TO SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY PURSUANT TO SEQRA / LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 30 / TYPE II ACTION

WHEREAS, the Town Code requires any entity that seeks to plan, excavate, construct and make a sewer connection within the Town of Orangetown to obtain a certificate of sewer registration, issued by the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it would be appropriate to authorize the Commissioner of the Town Department of Environmental Management and Engineering (DEME) to review the submissions by applicants for a certificate, and to issue the certificate provided the conditions for issuance are met, and

WHEREAS, upon review of the proposed Local Law, Short Environmental Assessment Form, and related documents and filings, the Board makes the following preliminary determinations:

1. The proposed action is one subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”);
2. The proposed action as a “Type II” (NYCRR 617.5 (25), (26) and (33)) action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the purpose of environmental review under SEQRA, declares this to be a Type II action, for which no further environmental review is required.

5. ACCEPT PETITION/REQUEST FOR ZONE CHANGE AND DIRECT CIRCULATION OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW, AMENDING TOWN ZONING MAP

WHEREAS, the owner of premises located at **676 and 680 Western Highway and the north end of Ellsworth Drive, Blauvelt, New York**, being located in the “R-80” (Rural Residence) zoning district, which parcels are identified on the Town of Orangetown tax map as Section 70.05, Block 1, Lots 14.1, 14.2 and 17.1, has petitioned the Town Board to change the zoning classification of the property to that of “R-15” (Medium Density Residential), a zoning district that directly abuts the property; and

WHEREAS, upon preliminary review, the Town Board is favorably disposed to such a change, because property currently abuts an R15 zone, and the proposed development of single family homes is consistent with existing uses in the vicinity of the subject properties and would be an appropriate use on the site; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to proceed with its consideration of the proposed action, toward which end it wishes to commence the environmental review process, as well as review by other interested agencies; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the Petition, and a Short Environmental Assessment Form prepared at the Town Board's request by the Office of Building, Zoning, Planning and Administration and Enforcement, and related documents and filings, the Board makes the following preliminary determinations:

1. The proposed action is one subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA");
2. The proposed action as an "Unlisted" action; and
3. The following are involved or interested or involved agencies in the review process:
 - Orangetown Planning Board;
 - Rockland County Department of Planning;
 - Rockland County Highway Department

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the purpose of environmental review under SEQRA, and directs that a Lead Agency Coordination Letter with relevant documents be circulated to and among the various above referenced agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the circulation to the Rockland County Department of Planning further be for the purpose of review pursuant to General Municipal Law §§ 239- l & m; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Town Code Chapter 43, § 10.5, the Town Board hereby refers the said Petition and a proposed Local Law, amending the Town Zoning Map, to the Town Planning Board, inviting its input regarding, among other things, the implications of such an amendment, and requesting a response within 30-days.

6. **SET PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ZONE CHANGE FOR 676 AND 680 WESTERN HIGHWAY AND THE NORTH END OF ELLSWORTH DRIVE, BLAUVELT**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on September 24, 2024 at 7:05 p.m., on a proposed Local Law, as follows, amending Chapter 43, § 2.2, establishing the Town Zoning Map, to change the zoning district of the parcels located at 676 and 680 Western Highway and the north end of Ellsworth Drive, and identified on the Town of Orangetown tax map as Section 70.05, Block 1, Lots 14.1, 14.2 and 17.1 in the hamlet of Blauvelt from "R80" (Rural Residence) to "R15" (Medium Density Residential).

7. **APPOINT BARBARA CARROLL / MEMBER / ORANGETOWN ARCHITECTURE AND COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD OF REVIEW / EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1 , 2024**

RESOLVED, that Barbara Carroll is hereby appointed as Member to the Orangetown Architecture and Community Appearance Board of Review to fill the unexpired term of Joseph Milillo, who will resign on July 31, 2024. Her term commences on August 1, 2024 and expires on December 31, 2025.

TOWN ATTORNEY

8. APPROVAL OF 2024 CERTIFICATE OF SEWER REGISTRATION

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Town Attorney and the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Management and Engineering, a Certificate of Registration for 2024 Sewer Work is approved to:

- Danny Clapp Landscaping Inc, 17 Highview Ave., Orangeburg, NY 10962

PARKS AND RECREATION

9. ACCEPT / MEMORIAL BENCH / MORALES

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Parks, Recreation & Building Maintenance accept with gratitude the donation of a memorial bench to be placed along the rail trail. Engraving to read:

In Memory of Sandra Lee Morales
Greatly Missed, Never Forgotten

POLICE

10. ACCEPT RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT POLICE OFFICER CHRISTINE HURLEY/ POLICE DEPARTMENT/ EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2024.

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police, accept with regret, the resignation/retirement of Police Officer Christine Hurley, from the Orangetown Police Department effective June 30, 2024.

11. APPOINT / JOSEPH CLINTON / POLICE OFFICER/ PERMANENT / EFFECTIVE JUNE 28, 2024

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police, Joseph Clinton is hereby appointed to the position of Police Officer/Permanent, from the Rockland County Department of Personnel Civil Service List # 67-540/ 21033, effective June 28, 2024, at a salary that is consistent with the terms of the labor agreement between the Town of Orangetown and Orangetown PBA.

BUILDING

12. APPOINT KENNETH LOUDEN / ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR / PERMANENT / GRADE 15, STEP 3 / EFFECTIVE JULY 10, 2024

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Director, Office of Building, Zoning and Planning Administration and Enforcement and Rockland County Personnel, Kenneth Loudon is hereby appointed to the position of Assistant Building Inspector, Permanent, from list# 60-238/24014 Grade 15, Step 3, effective July 10, 2024, no change in salary.

13. APPOINT THOMAS CLEERE / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II / PERMANENT / GRADE 13, STEP 1 / EFFECTIVE JULY 10, 2024

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Director, Office of Building, Zoning and Planning Administration and Enforcement and Rockland County Personnel, Thomas Cleere is hereby appointed to the position of Code Enforcement Officer II, Permanent, from list# 69-561/24018 Grade 13, Step 1, effective July 10, 2024, no change in salary

TOWN CLERK

14. ACCEPT / RECEIVE / FILE DOCUMENTS/TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

RESOLVED that the following documents are accepted, received and filed in the Town Clerk's Office:

1. Town Board Meeting minutes: 6/11/2024 Police Commission Meeting; 6/11 & 6/25/2024 Regular Town Board Meetings; and 6/14/2024 Special Town Board Meeting.
2. Agreement & Contracts:
 - Renewal of SRO Agreement with Nyack Schools
 - Ken's Tree Care Inc. for Tree Removal at Blue Hill & Broadacres Golf Courses

AUDIT

15. PAY VOUCHERS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, Jeffrey Bencik, the Finance Office is hereby authorized to pay vouchers for a total amount of three (3) warrants (attached) for a total of **\$1,365,822.50**.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED, at _____ pm, the Town Board entered Executive Session to discuss matters relating to personnel.

ADJOURNMENTS

17. RE-ENTER RTBM / ADJOURNED / MEMORY

RESOLVED, at _____ pm, the Town Board re-entered the Regular Town Board Meeting and adjourned in memory of: