



TOWN OF ORANGETOWN TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday September 10, 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:

◆ September 11th Ceremonies in Orangetown:

1. Volunteer Fire Association of Tappan's Ceremony of Remembrance on September 11, 2024 at 8:30 am at the Tappan Memorial Triangle in Tappan
2. Orangetown's Police Benevolent Association's Ceremony on September 11, 2024 at 5:00 pm at Veterans Memorial Park in Orangeburg
3. Village of Nyack's Ceremony on September 11, 2024 at 6:30 pm at Memorial Park on the Hudson in Nyack

◆ The Public Hearing for the proposed zone change for 676 and 680 Western Highway and the north end of Ellsworth Drive, Blauvelt is scheduled for September 24, 2024 at 7:05 pm.

PRESENTATIONS:

◆ PKF O'Conner Davies presenting results of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2023

◆ SPECIAL DISTRICTS 2025 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

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| 7:05 P.M. - 7:10 P.M. | BLAUVELT VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT (MIKE CONKLIN) |
| 7:10 P.M. - 7:15 P.M. | ROCKLAND PARAMEDICS (K. EGAN) |
| 7:15 P.M. - 7:20 P.M. | SO ORANGETOWN AMBULANCE CORPS (PETE ROIMISHER) |
| 7:20 P.M. - 7:25 P.M. | NYACK AMBULANCE CORPS (BILL MCDOWELL) |
| 7:25 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. | ORANGEBURG LIBRARY (MICHELLE GALLE-LOORAM) |

7:30 P.M. - 7:35 P.M.	TAPPAN LIBRARY (SARA NUGENT/VICKI CARAMANTE)
7:35 P.M. - 7:40 P.M.	PALISADES LIBRARY (MARIA GAGLIARDI/MARJORIE GALEN)
7:40 P.M. - 7:45 P.M.	BLAUVELT LIBRARY (CLAIRE MORRISSEY)

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 ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW / AMENDING CHAPTER 1 ENTITLED “CODE OF ETHICS” / AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING**

RESOLVED that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on October 8, 2024 at 7:20 p.m., on a proposed Local Law, by amending Chapter 1 entitled “Code of Ethics” to add a section regarding the audio and video recording of individuals on Town related matters.

4. **DECLARATION OF INTENTION OF TOWN BOARD TO SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY PURSUANT TO SEQRA**

WHEREAS, the Town Board has established a Code of Ethics as set forth in Chapter 1 of the Town Code, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it would be appropriate to address concerns regarding recordings of individuals without consent, by persons covered by the Code of Ethics, 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(21) 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.

TOWN BOARD / IT

5. **APPOINT BRENDAN CARTON / COMPUTER OPERATOR / PERMANENT / GRADE 9, STEP 3 / EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Personnel Administrator and Rockland County Personnel, Brendan Carton is hereby appointed to the position of Computer Operator, Permanent, from list# 64068010/24084010 Grade 9, Step 3, effective September 11, 2024, no change in salary.

HIGHWAY

6. **ACCEPT DEDICATION/PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS/SMK-ERIE SUBDIVISION/TAX LOT 70.13-1-20**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Town Attorney's Office, the Department of Environmental Management and Engineering, and the Superintendent of Highways, accept for dedication as a public roadway "Private Del Regno Court" located in Blauvelt, New York, and identified as part of Tax Lot 70.13/1/20, and authorize the Town Supervisor or her designee to execute all transfer documents necessary to effectuate the acceptance of this dedication and have the documents thereto recorded with the Rockland County Clerk, the originals to be returned for filing with the Town Clerk.

7. **AWARD CONTRACT/ CHIAPPERINO & SONS dba ALL COUNTY ASPHALT / MILLING AND PAVING- ROCKLAND ROAD, SPARKILL**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Highways, award the contract for the Milling and Paving of Rockland Road, Sparkill to Chiapperino & Sons dba All County Asphalt, Orangeburg, NY the lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$78,550 to be charged to account #H.5110.200.24.

PERSONNEL

8. **GRANT / UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE / EMPLOYEE # 3176**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement, approves the request of Employee # 3176 for an unpaid Leave of Absence, due to personal medical reasons, with continuing health benefits, beginning August 15, 2024 through September 9, 2024.

LEND ASSISTANCE

9. COMBINE / APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS #10 TO 13

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby combines and approves agenda items #10 to 13.

10. APPROVE / LEND ASSISTANCE / TAPPAN FIRE DISTRICT/ FIRE TRUCK DEDICATION 21-75 / SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Highways the Town Board hereby authorizes this department to lend assistance which includes the use of barricades, cones, trash bins and message boards for the Tappan Fire Truck Dedication 21-75 on Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 1pm to 10pm.

11. APPROVE / LEND ASSISTANCE / DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY / FIRE IN THE SKY / SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

RESOLVED, upon the completion of the necessary paperwork, the Superintendent of Parks, Recreation & Building Maintenance has forwarded for approval by the Town Board use of the showmobile at a rental cost of \$500.00 a by Dominican University on Saturday, September 28, 2024, with the organization providing a certificate of insurance listing the Town of Orangetown as additionally insured.

12. APPROVE/ LEND ASSISTANCE / 2024 ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE ORANGEBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT/ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2024

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation from the Superintendent of Highways & Chief of Police, that the Town Board hereby authorizes these departments to lend assistance which includes barricades & trash barrels from the Highway Department and Auxiliary Police from OPD, for the OFD annual Halloween parade to be held on Thursday, October 31, 2024, from 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm.

13. APPROVE / LEND ASSISTANCE / 2024 ORANGEBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY PARADE / SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation from the Superintendent of Highways & Chief of Police, that the Town Board hereby authorizes these departments to lend assistance which includes the use of barricades & trash bins from the Highway Dept., and auxiliary police from OPD, for the OFD annual holiday parade to be held on Saturday, December 14, 2024 (rain date: Sunday, December 15, 2024), on various roads in the hamlet of Orangeburg, from 6 pm – 10 pm.

AUDIT

14. 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 four (4) warrants (attached) for a total of \$1,057,953.45.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED, at _____ pm, the Town Board entered Executive Session to discuss matters relating to personnel and the proposed acquisition/sale/lease of real property when publicity might affect value.

ADJOURNMENTS

16. RE-ENTER RTBM / ADJOURNED / MEMORY

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

- ❖ **Kara Jeanne Fleming**, Resident of Pearl River
- ❖ **Jeanette HoSang**, Founder of Caribbean Food Delight in Tappan
- ❖ **Allan Ryff**, Resident of Tappan, Member of the Historical Areas Board of Review & the Orangetown Environmental Committee, and Former Orangetown Town Board Member & Deputy Town Supervisor
- ❖ **Ruth A. Vezzetti**, Resident of Tappan
- ❖ **Paul Yannazzone**, Brother of Traffic Advisory Board Chairman Michael Yannazzone and Uncle of Orangetown Employees Sgt. Michael Yannazzone, Jr. and Chris Yannazzone