

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4, 2025 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD AT 179 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, NEW YORK, AND VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE, COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR KEVIN HANSAN
DEPUTY SUPERVISOR/COUNCILPERSON DIANE BRIGGS
COUNCILPERSON ALISON BOAK
COUNCILPERSON NAMASHA SCHELLING
COUNCILPERSON DANIEL PASCHKES

ALSO

PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM HARRINGTON
TOWN CLERK ERIN TROSTLE

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Hansan called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

II. NEW BUSINESS [continued below]

A. Police Department – Promotions

RESOLUTION 49-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the promotion of Detectives William Pataky and Gregory Walz to the rank of Sergeant and the promotion of Officer Joseph Comunale to the rank of Detective.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is an executive session scheduled for 6:30 pm on Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

IV. MINUTES

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye, to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2025 Town Board meeting.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will be no Town Board meeting on February 18, 2025. The next regular meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for February 25, 2025.

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- Early voting in the special election to fill the unexpired term of the County Executive continues through Sunday, February 9. Election Day voting will be on Tuesday, February 11, from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm at your assigned polling place (either the Town House or the firehouse).
- Free Narcan training is being held on Thursday, February 13, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Conant Hall. Parking will be available at the Town Park, and shuttle service will be offered from there to Conant Hall. To register, please call State Senator Shelley Mayer's office at 914-934-5250
- There will be a public hearing at the February 25 Town Board meeting regarding a proposed moratorium on the application for and issuance of permits related to battery energy storage systems (BESS). The public is encouraged to attend and provide input.
- In observance of Presidents Day, the Recycling Center will be closed on Saturday, February 15, and the Town House will be closed on Monday, February 17.

VI. NEW BUSINESS [continued]

B. Highway Department

1. Hiring of Gerard Tenner

RESOLUTION 50-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby ratifies the decision made in executive session to hire Gerard Tenner as a Mechanical Equipment Operator (MEO) in the Highway Department at a salary of \$40.53/hour, effective February 4, 2025.

2. Approval for purchases at increased prices

RESOLUTION 51-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Boak, seconded by Councilperson Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the purchase of a 2025 Ford F-250 utility truck at a price of \$75,620.05 (an increase of \$299.75 over the previously approved price of \$75,320.30); AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the purchase of a 2025 Ford F-550 cab/chassis at a price of \$69,794.60 (an increase of \$66.41 over the previously approved price of \$69,728.19); AND BE IT FURTHER

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the purchase of a body and snow plow for the F-550 at a price of \$52,995.00 (an increase of \$2,000.00 over the previously approved price of \$50,995.00.

C. Recreation Department – Authorization to book travel camp trips and pay deposits
RESOLUTION 52-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Recreation Supervisor to book the following teen travel camp trips and to pay the deposits specified:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Destination</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| July 1, 2025 | Dave & Busters, Pelham, NY | \$1,301.46 |
| July 2, 2025 | Broadway show, New York, NY | \$3,389.50 |
| July 3, 2025 | Kayaking, Hudson Valley, NY | \$1,500.00 |
| July 7, 2025 | Bronx Zoo, Bronx, NY | \$731.00 |
| July 9, 2025 | Bowlero, White Plains, NY | \$1,512.08 |
| July 11, 2025 | Six Flags, Agawam, MA | \$2,477.55 |
| July 14-15, 2025 | Club Getaway, Kent, CT | \$4,830.00 |
| July 18, 2025 | Quassy Amusement Park, Middlebury, CT | \$1,707.75 |
| July 21, 2025 | SplashDown, Fishkill, NY | \$1,806.00 |
| July 23, 2025 | Citi Field, Queens, NY | \$2,360.00 + \$60.00 parking |
| July 25, 2025 | Lake Compounce, Bristol, CT | \$2,428.20 |
| July 28, 2025 | American Dream, East Rutherford, NJ | \$4,691.73 |
| July 30, 2025 | Medieval Times, Lyndhurst, NJ | \$2,435.85 |
| July 31, 2025 | Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY | \$2,025.00 + \$300.00 parking |
| August 4, 2025 | Mystic Aquarium, Mystic, CT | price TBD |
| August 7, 2025 | Six Flags, Jackson Township, NJ | \$2,824.34 |

D. Town Clerk

1. Authorization

RESOLUTION 53-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to offer six-week internships to two high school students beginning in May 2025.

2. Furniture Refurbishment

RESOLUTION 54-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Briggs, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the expenditure of \$2,790.00 for Hudson Valley Furniture Service to refurbish a desk and two chairs donated to the town by the family of the late Judge Edward P. Hand, who served the town for forty years, from 1974 through 2013; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts a donation from Judge Hand's family to offset the cost of the refurbishment.

E. Planning Board – Return of unused escrow

RESOLUTION 55-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Schelling, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the release of an unused Planning Board escrow in the amount of \$1,022.50 to Taylor Deupree, of 63 Old Stone Hill Road, Pound Ridge, NY 10576.

F. Receiver of Taxes – Refund of overpayment

RESOLUTION 56-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Briggs, seconded by Councilperson Schelling, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of a duplicate payment for the school taxes on parcel 10036-13 to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9208.

G. Conservation Board – Appointment of Catherine McCarthy

RESOLUTION 57-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes, seconded by Councilperson Boak, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby appoints Catherine McCarthy to fill an existing seat as a member of the Conservation Board through 2026.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT II

There were no comments from members of the public.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS – Pay bills

RESOLUTION 58-25

Board Action: Motion by Councilperson Paschkes seconded by Councilperson Boak, the motion passing 4–0 with Councilperson Schelling abstaining, on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to pay the following claims as detailed in Abstract 03-2024:

| Fund | Claim Numbers | Total Amount |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| General Fund | A00074–A00111 | \$42,815.52 |
| Highway Fund | D00016–D00032 | \$54,636.08 |
| Trust & Agency Fund | AT00002–AT00008 | \$5,545.50 |

- I. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Town Board, Supervisor Hansan adjourned the meeting at 8:02 pm

Erin Trostle, Town Clerk
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York
February 20, 2025