

**Regular Town Board Meeting
Town of Tuxedo
Via WebEx
July 25, 2022**

Supervisor English called to order the Town Board Meeting of July 25, 2022 at 7:06pm

The meeting was opened by a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Town Board Members Present:	Mr. Kenneth English	Supervisor
	Mrs. Michele Lindsay	Deputy Supervisor
	Ms. Maria May	Councilmember
	Mr. Jay Reichgott	Councilmember
	Ms. Deirdre Murphy	Councilmember

Town Board Member Absent: None

Recording Secretary: Marisa Dollbaum Town Clerk

Other Town Officials Present:

Mr. Howard Protter, Town Attorney; Mr. Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Frank Peverly, Zoning Board Chairman; Mr. John Banyo, Planning Board Chairman; Mr. Marc Citron, Zoning Board Member

Public Comments on Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

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Agenda Items:

1. Resolution regarding the dual incorporation and consolidation proceeding of the Village of Tuxedo - TABLED

The Village of Tuxedo was created as of January 1, 2021 and immediately consolidated with the existing Town of Tuxedo. The intention was for the existing Town to continue to operate as a Town, but gain “powers” to help prevent a pipeline that was proposed at the time. The Department of State has since questioned why there has not been separate reporting for the new village. Attorney Protter suggested the new village could continue through inter-municipal agreements. Town Attorney Howard Protter will reach out to the Department of State to see how the Town could keep the newly formed Village with a minimum amount of change.

Resident comments:

- Resident John McNamara asked if Attorney Protter’s solution would solve the problem. He also asked if it would be beneficial to go back to just being the Town. He mentioned that Tuxedo Farms could possibly create its own village in the future.
- Resident Bonnie Takeuchi does not want to create a tax burden on residents by keeping the Village.

2. Resolution to approve sign permits – NY Renaissance Faire

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, that the Town Board hereby issues temporary sign permits to the New York Renaissance Faire for two (2) directional signs measuring 8’ x 8’ to be placed at 965 Route 17, Southfields, NY and 538 Route 17, Tuxedo, NY for the months of August through October, 2022 in the design and wording depicted on the applicant’s sample on file in the Town Clerk’s office.

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Councilmember:	Deirdre Murphy	Aye

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Supervisor English is in receipt of the following monthly reports

- Justice Court
- Police Department
- Town Clerk

Department Updates:

- Marisa Dollbaum, Town Clerk, said the Democratic Primary Election is on Tuesday August 23rd. Town Hall will be the only voting location in Tuxedo. Polls are open from 6am to 9pm. The Zoom Room installation is in progress. The electrical work was completed today. We are on standby with New Windsor IT because they are short staffed. She should have an update as to when the whole project will be complete in a few days.

- Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent, said chip sealing on Warwick Brook Rd will begin soon. O&R will be replacing new gas lines in Laurel Ridge so the paving that was planned will be delayed to next year. Drainage work on Augusta and Nursery Rd. will also begin soon. The dirt pile on Long Meadow Rd. has been hydroseeded to prevent erosion. There is mulch available at Quarry Field.

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TOWN SUPERVISOR/TOWN BOARD UPDATE:

- Town Supervisor stated that the Town Board held an attorney review of the Tuxedo Farms Special Permit on July 19th. The Town Board reviewed the latest version of the 23-page document. The Board's questions and concerns have been presented to the Related team for response. Another session will be held that will focus on the Design Standards and Smart Code on Tuesday, July 26th. He visited the Wastewater Treatment Plant on July 20th to observe the installation of the connections to the existing plant. New manhole connections have been installed that will receive the Hamlet inflow into the plant and another that moves the outflow into the Ramapo River.
- Deputy Supervisor Lindsay checked references for the two companies that submitted bids for the Community Choice Aggregation Administrator RFP.
- Councilmember May attended the last Silver Dollars meeting. A committee was formed to put together a survey to ask senior residents what their needs are. She thanked the Breiland family and St. Mary's for hosting a fundraiser to help send children to the Tuxedo Summer Camp.
- Councilmember Reichgott said the Lucky Skate Park Clean up event is rescheduled for Saturday August 6th. He congratulated the Eagle Valley Fire District who recently celebrated their 50th Anniversary. He thanked all of the volunteer fire fighters in Tuxedo.
- Councilmember Murphy stated there are available grants that the Town could apply for to use towards the Hamlet revitalization. She and Deputy Supervisor Lindsay will meet with Alan Sorenson soon to discuss potential options for the Hamlet. The Orange County Arts Council agreed to host a holiday play this December in the TUFSD newly renovated auditorium. The contract proposed for the three events will be considered for next year.

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MINUTES

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember Reichgott, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held on July 11th.

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Councilmember:	Deirdre Murphy	Aye

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May to accept the Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held on July 14th.

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Abstained
	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Councilmember:	Deirdre Murphy	Aye

VOUCHERS

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, that the following vouchers, having been audited by the Town Board, are hereby approved for payment:

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Claim numbers: 2012920336 through 2012920385.
Vouchers 2012920167 and 2012920164 are reissues of lost checks from June.

General Fund :	\$77,779.72
Part-Town Fund:	\$12,459.11
Highway Town Wide :	\$30,034.69
Highway Part Town	\$17,189.29
Trust and Agency	\$11,162.25
Total Abstract Amount:	\$148,625.06

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE; Supervisor: Kenneth English Aye
Deputy Supervisor: Michele Lindsay Aye
Councilmember: Maria May Aye
Councilmember: Jay Reichgott Aye
Councilmember: Deirdre Murphy Aye

OTHER BUSINESS

Award Community Choice Aggregation Administrator contract

RESOLVED, Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, seconded by Councilmember May to award the contract for Community Choice Aggregation Administrator to Joule Assets, Inc. for the procurement of electricity supply for the Town of Tuxedo residents and small businesses as well as a Community Solar program, and to continue talks with Good Energy for the establishment of a Community Choice Aggregation program for natural gas supply.

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE; Supervisor: Kenneth English Aye
Deputy Supervisor: Michele Lindsay Aye
Councilmember: Maria May Aye
Councilmember: Jay Reichgott Aye
Councilmember: Deirdre Murphy Aye

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm.

ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Councilmember:	Deirdre Murphy	Aye

Respectfully submitted,



Marisa Dollbaum
Town Clerk
Town of Tuxedo