

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
Town of Tuxedo  
August 9, 2021**

The Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Tuxedo was held on Monday, August 9th, at the Tuxedo Town Hall, One Temple Drive, Tuxedo, New York, and called to order by Supervisor English at 7:05p.m.

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

Town Board Member Absent:	Mr. David McMillen	Councilmember
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**Recording Secretary:** Marisa Dollbaum    Town Clerk

**Other Town Officials Present:**

Mr. Howard Protter, Town Attorney; Mr. Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent

**Public Hearings:**

1. Zoning Code Amendments

A Public Hearing regarding “Zoning Code Amendments,” was called to order by Supervisor English at 7:10pm.

Town Planner, Bonnie Franson, gave a presentation on the adoption process of the zoning code amendments and highlights of the changes being made. She explained the Town’s Comprehensive Plan was updated and adopted in 2018 and the zoning amendments were necessary to be in accordance with that plan.

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Public comments:

- Resident Hank Salzer questioned if his property on Route 17 is zoned as residential or commercial. Attorney Protter clarified that his property is shown on the land use map as residential since that is currently what it is used for, but it is zoned as commercial.
- Resident Robert Dollbaum asked how the American Legion was zoned and Planner Bonnie Franson will look into it.
- Attorney representing owners of 655 Sterling Mine Rd, Daniel Kraushaar, questioned the current Building Moratorium Local Law’s purpose. He stated he has not aware of the Town’s Comprehensive Plan being updated and wondered why the zoning amendments were necessary. Attorney Protter explained that the proposed changes being made are to be in accordance with Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in 2018.
- Resident Francine Liza thanked the Board for all of their work. As a former Town Board member she understands the difficulty of the work.

**RESOLVED**, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember Reichgott, to keep the Public Hearing on “Zoning Code Amendments” open until the meeting on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Councilmember:	David McMillen	Absent

**Public Comments on Agenda Items**

- Mary Graetzer suggested that signs be placed to reroute traffic from the Renaissance Faire and Maskers Orchard to Sterling Mine Road to help with the expected traffic on Route 17, especially with the construction in Sloatsburg.

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**Agenda Items**

**1. Resolution Granting Temporary Sign Permits to Renaissance Faire for Directional Signs**

**RESOLVED**, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May 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, 2021 in the design and wording depicted on the applicant's sample on file in the Town Clerk's office.

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Councilmember:	David McMillen	Absent

**2. Resolution Approving Special Sign Permit to Maskers Orchards:**

**RESOLVED**, Motion made by Supervisor English seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, that the Town Board hereby issues a special sign permit to Masker Orchards, 45 Ball Road, Warwick, New York, for a maximum of seven (7) directional signs measuring 14" X 22", to be placed at the below listed locations for a period commencing mid-August 2021 and ending no later than November 15, 2021, at which time all signs must be removed:

- On Route 17 just up from Tuxedo's southern border
- On Route 17 near the turn to Rte. 17A
- At the base of the ramp on Route 17A
- At the top of the ramp on route 17A
- On Route 17A across from top of ramp (by parking lot)
- On Route 17A just before the Renaissance Faire
- On Route 17A by Benjamin Meadow Rd.

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Maskers Orchard will remit a total of \$175.00 for the permit to the Town Clerk.

The Board stipulates that Masker Orchards do not move signs around, leaving them to where they are approved for as stated above.

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Councilmember:	David McMillen	Absent

**3. Petition of relief from the Building Moratorium Local Law – Sterling Mine USA, LLC**

The request from the Building Moratorium was submitted for review by the property owner's attorney, Daniel Kraushaar. The property is 655 Sterling Mine Road, which is located in the Neighborhood Business (NB) zone. The proposed plan is for skylight manufacturing and sales with a possible coffee shop and office space. There was discussion whether or not the primary use for the space is allowed in the current or proposed zoning code. Supervisor English asked to break into an Executive Session for further discussion with Attorney Protter and Town Planner Franson.

After the executive session, Attorney Protter explained that the current and proposed zoning does not allow for the primary use of assembly. Supervisor English agreed to take a tour of their current facility located in Hillburn. The Town Board asked for more time to make a decision.

**The petition of relief was tabled. No action was taken.**

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**Supervisor English is in receipt of the following monthly report:**

- Justice Court
- Building Department
- Town Clerk

**DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

- Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent, said there is mulch, compost and rocks available at Quarry Field. His crew started patching roads and Friday of this week will be the last day of chip sealing. They will begin repairing catch basins. The Watchtower group has completed their work at the Long Meadow Rd. property. They are ready to begin Phase 2 of testing at the site and they will be returning some of the rental equipment. A site visit will be scheduled for anyone that would like to see the progress made there. The repairs to the stairway at the Train Station are almost complete.
- Marisa Dollbaum, Town Clerk, said the auctioning of surplus items has been going well. The vehicles will be removed from the Town's insurance policy. There has been an increase of parking permits with commuters going back to work. The current zoning map is posted on the website. The Police Reform Reinvention report was successfully submitted to NYS. She is doing research into credit card payments for the Town. She has the hard copies of the 2020 audit from Arias Cooper. She hand delivered the referendum materials for the cannabis opt-out law and library petition.

**Town Board Updates**

- Supervisor English said the Watchtower group has completed their 30 day commitment to help clean up the dirt pile on Long Meadow Rd. Related gave a detailed timeline for the opening the new sewer plant during the July 22<sup>nd</sup> Tuxedo Farms LDC meeting. The Police Reform Reinvention report was submitted to NYS. The Town has hired Michael Cardona as the Dog Control Officer, who is a retired NYPD K9 officer. The Town is in the final stages of hiring a full time police officer. The Summer Day Camp is going well and ends this week. The NY/NJ Trail Conference held their race on July 31<sup>st</sup> with 150 runners.

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- Deputy Supervisor Michele Lindsay said he Town will soon receive the \$100,000 from former Sen. Metzger, which will go towards repairing the roof at Town Hall. The Town has received the first half of the money from the American Rescue Plan Act. She and Councilmember May will attend webinars to better understand how the money can be used.
- Councilmember Maria May is working on a solution to get glass recycling bins placed at Quarry Field and near Murphy Field. Residents will be able to drop off glass that IWS will pick up weekly.
- Councilmember Jay Reichgott had nothing to report.

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**Minutes**

**RESOLVED**, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May to accept the Minutes of the Regular Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held on July 26th.

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Councilmember:	David McMillen	Absent

**VOUCHERS**

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

Claim numbers: 2012918779 through 2012918837

General Fund :	\$ 74,213.12
Part-Town Fund:	\$13,211.77
Highway Town Wide :	\$6,173.02
Highway Part Town	\$2,462.47
Hamlet Sewer District	\$5,948.50
<b>Total Abstract Amount:</b>	<b>\$102,008.88</b>

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Resident Mary Graetzer commented that it is helpful to have the agenda printed out for the audience to follow along during the meeting. Town Clerk Dollbaum agreed to print out copies and leave them for the

**ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLVED**, motion made by Supervisor English seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, to adjourn the meeting at 9:55p.m.

<b>ON ROLL-CALL VOTE;</b>	Councilmember:	Maria May	Aye
	Councilmember:	Jay Reichgott	Aye
	Deputy Supervisor:	Michele Lindsay	Aye
	Supervisor:	Kenneth English	Aye
	Councilmember:	David McMillen	Absent

Respectfully submitted,



Marisa Dollbaum  
Town Clerk  
Town of Tuxedo