

Regular Town Board Meeting
Town of Tuxedo
1 Temple Dr., Tuxedo, NY 10987
And via Zoom
November 13, 2023

Supervisor English called to order the Town Board Meeting of November 13, 2023 at 6:38pm.

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

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

Town Board Member Absent: None

Recording Secretary: Marisa Dollbaum Town Clerk

Other Town Officials Present in person:

Ms. Amy Levine, Town Attorney; Mr. Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent

Community Choice Aggregation Program Update

Jessica from Joule Community Power gave an update to the Board on the Community Choice Aggregation Program. The CCA Program gives municipalities an opportunity to conduct a competitive bidding process, which helps them to select an electricity supply on behalf of residents under competitive terms that would not be available to residents on their own. It also allows municipalities to group together and to be in a better negotiating position with electricity suppliers for better pricing. Currently the prices are high so Joule plans to continue with the outreach in education and also continue to negotiate with the electricity suppliers.

Public Comment(s) on Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

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Agenda Item #1 Resolution to consider adopting 2024 Town Final Budget

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Reichgott, that the Town Board hereby adopts the proposed 2024 budget submitted by the Town Supervisor inclusive of all of the special districts and their assessments, as set forth in the budget document attached to this resolution.

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

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 4 ayes and 1 abstained.

Agenda Item #2 -Resolution to schedule Public Hearing for the Franchise Renewal Agreement between the Town of Tuxedo and Cablevision of Rockland/Ramapo, LLC

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May, to schedule to public hearing for the Franchise Renewal Agreement between the Town of Tuxedo and Cablevision of Rockland/Ramapo, LLC on Monday, November 27th at 7:00pm.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Agenda Item #3 - Resolution to approve purchase of Mohawk Lift for Highway Garage

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Reichgott, the Town Board of the Town of Tuxedo hereby approves the purchase of a Mohawk Lift for the Highway Garage, for the cost of up to \$21,000.00, which includes installation.

(New York State Contract# PC69416, Valid: 08/03/2021- 04/13/2024)

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

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Agenda #4 - Resolution to authorize ATM Placement Agreement with All County Vending

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Reichgott that the Town Board of the Town of Tuxedo hereby authorizes Supervisor English to enter into agreement with All County Vending for an ATM to be placed in the Town of Tuxedo.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Agenda Item #5 - Request an update to NYPA's proposal for energy upgrades at Town Hall, Police Station and Highway Garage

Councilmember Lindsay asked for support to communicate with New York State Power Authority to update their proposal for energy upgrades to Town owned buildings. It would include a design a geothermal HVAC system for Town Hall based on the energy audit received from Daylight Savings and a solar roof on the Highway Garage. Attorney Levine stated the Town could reach out to NYPA for general information, but it makes more sense to put out a Request for Proposals for the project. The Board will request Town Engineer, Sean Hoffman, to review the proposal from Daylight Savings to get his opinion on the project.

Monthly Reports

Supervisor English is in receipt of the following monthly reports:

- Building Department
- Justice Court
- Town Clerk

Department Updates:

- Marisa Dollbaum, Town Clerk, reminded the Board that the bid opening for the Sewer and Manhole project is Thursday, November 16th at 1:00pm. The 12th Annual Tuxedo Toy drive is underway and there are collection boxes in many locations around Tuxedo. Town Hall is closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving. IWS pick up for garbage and recycling will be delayed to Friday, 11/24.

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- Rob Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent, informed the Board that two trucks are currently down. He is looking to possibly rent trucks for the plowing season as a back up plan. It currently takes four to six months to get new trucks. His department is also in need of a tandem truck, which has a six to eight month lead time. They are currently picking up leaves and free mulch is available at Quarry Field.

Resolution to approve purchase of two trucks for Highway Department

Motion made by Councilmember Murphy and seconded by Councilmember May to approve purchase of two trucks needed for the Highway Department.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

TOWN BOARD UPDATE:

- Councilmember Lindsay said the next public outreach meeting for the CCA Program is Monday, November 27th at 6:00pm.
- Councilmember May congratulated the TUFSD girls volleyball team for becoming the Class D Champions. The team consists of Sarah Cruz, Ava Resner, Alexandra Scully, Alondra Sarabia, Evangeleen Ortiz, Vanessa Duarte, Darya Vishnevskaya, Julia Marusich, Madison Marsh, Veronica Chavez Granillo, Casey Juance, Camila Granillo. She wished them good luck in the finals next weekend. She gave a reminder of the Turkey Trot on Thursday 11/23. The Fun Run begins at 8:00am and the 5k starts at 8:30am. The Tree Lighting Ceremony is Friday, 12/1 at 5:00pm.
- Councilmember Murphy said the second Hamlet workshop scheduled for Tuesday, November 14th will focus on the west side of Route 17. She and Councilmember Lindsay recently met with Mitch Newman from Lennar to take a tour of the Hamlet and Powerhouse Park. She helped submit a Law Enforcement Technology grant application with Chief Trazino for various equipment including security cameras. The spring Plein Air may be a joint event with the Historical Society.

MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor English seconded by Councilmember Lindsay to accept the Minutes of the Regular Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

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VOUCHERS

Below are the vouchers totaling \$5000 or greater:

2012922340	MVP Healthcare	\$5,661.24	Nov 2023 Health Insurance
2012922347	H2O Innovation	\$6,834.40	Monthly Fees and testing
2012922348	Mahwah Tire Inc	\$5,573.04	Tires for trucks 16, 17, & 63
2012922383	C.N. Wood	\$29,060.00	Jaw Crusher for Dirt Pile
2012922384	C.N. Wood	\$9,500.00	Excavator Rental for Dirt Pile
2012922386	H.O. Penn Machinery	\$16,646.43	Bulldozer & Dump Rental
2012922395	Rockland Paramedic Services	\$63,196.50	November 2023 Paramedic Services
2012922408	Benistar	\$5,354.14	December 2023- Retiree Medical Benefits
2012922410	New York State Insurance Fund	\$5,747.95	Oct 2023 Workers Comp
2012922413	Office of the State Comptroller	\$17,585.00	September 2023 Court Fines and Fees
2012922436	Fusco Engineering	\$14,000.00	October 2023 Building/Code Enforcement
2012922437	IWS of New York	\$32,441.09	October 2023 Garbage and Recycling
2012922440	TAM Enterprises	\$229,106.75	Tuxedo Train Station Refurbishment Payment #2/3
2012922442	North Shore Chevrolet	\$97,988.00	Purchase of (2) Chevy Tahoes
2012922443	Ferrara Law Group P.C.	\$350,000.00	DeMarino Settlement 2023
2012922444	Culbertson Company of New York	\$146,538.90	Highway Garage Floor Restoration Payment #1/2
2012922445	Culbertson Company of New York	\$16,282.10	Highway Garage Floor Restoration Payment #2/2
2012922446	Tuxedo Union Free School District	\$12,666.87	2023 Summer Camp Transportation

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On a motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May, that the following vouchers, having been audited by the Town Board, are hereby approved for payment:

Claim numbers: 2012922329 through 2012922446

General Fund:	\$974,587.56
Part-Town Fund:	\$123,487.41
Highway Town Wide:	\$17,605.84
Highway Part Town	\$3,117.29
Refuse and Garbage	\$32,441.09
Hamlet Sewer District	\$13,217.84
Total Abstract Amount:	\$1,164,457.03

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Resident Jerry Mottola asked if the Train Station had the final walk through before he begins putting up the decorations.
- Resident John Ruel noticed the timing seems to be off on the traffic light at Schoolhouse Rd and Route 17. He believes the sensor needs to be adjusted. He also mentioned that he has seen two vehicles run through the red light at the same intersection. Highway Superintendent Dollbaum said he will reach out to NYSDOT and have them take a look at the light.
- Resident Evelyn David thanked Supervisor English for his time served and hopes that the Hamlet revitalization continues.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor English seconded by Councilmember May, to adjourn the meeting at 8:53pm.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Marisa Dollbaum

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Town Clerk
Town of Tuxedo