

**Regular Town Board Meeting
Town of Tuxedo
1 Tornado Dr., George F. Baker High School
November 22, 2021**

The Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Tuxedo was held on Monday, November 22nd, at George F. Baker High School, 1 Tornado Dr., Tuxedo, NY was called to order by Supervisor English at 7:10pm.

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
	Mr. David McMillen	Councilmember

Town Board Member Absent: None

Recording Secretary: Marisa Dollbaum **Town Clerk**

Other Town Officials Present:

Marissa Weiss, Town Attorney; Robert Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent; Arthur Abbott, Chief of Police, John Norton, Lieutenant; Deirdre Murphy, Planning Board Member; Russ Shaver, Planning Board Member; William Lemanski, Planning Board Member

Greg Gushee from Related gave an updated presentation on Tuxedo Farms. The slideshow will be posted on the Town's website.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

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Agenda Item #1

Resolution to appoint Gardiner Hempel as Fire Commissioner

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember McMillen, that the Town Board hereby appoints Gardiner Hempel as Fire Commissioner with term commencing January 1, 2022 and to expire on December 31, 2026.

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

Agenda Item #2

Resolution to schedule Public Hearing on Woodlands Sewer Budget

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay, that the Town Board sets a Public Hearing date for the Woodlands Sewer Budget to be held on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 7pm.

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

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Agenda Item #3

Resolution to enter agreement with auditing firm Cooper Arias, LLP

Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember May, that the Town Board, having reviewed the proposed Engagement Letter, hereby approves the hiring of Cooper Arias, LLP for audit services for the yearly fee of \$20,500, \$21,250 and \$22,000 for the years ending December 31, 2021, 2022 and 2023, respectively.”

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

Department updates

- Chief Arthur Abbott approved officer’s participation in No Shave November to raise money for St. Jude Children’s hospital. There has been an increase in telephone scams. He advised residents to reach out to the police station if anyone receives that type of call. The body cameras that were recently purchased will be in soon.
- Rob Dollbaum, Highway Superintendent, said his department is picking up leaves until December 15th or until the first major snowstorm. There is mulch and compost available at Quarry Field. They are preparing the trucks for snow.
- Marisa Dollbaum, Town Clerk, said that IWS trash and recycling pick up will be on Friday for Town residents. She has received her notary license from the State. The Town Hall roof project is out for rebid. The walk through is Monday, 11/29 at 1pm and the bid opening is Wednesday, 12/15 at 1pm. The 2022 Final Adopted Budget was successfully submitted to Orange County.

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Supervisor English is in receipt of the following monthly reports:

- Justice Court
- Police Department

Town Board Updates

- Councilmember May said IWS agreed to place two dumpsters around Tuxedo for glass recycling. One would be at Quarry Field and the other by the Eagle Valley Fire House. IWS quoted \$80.00 for pick up every other week for each dumpster. Town Attorney Marissa Weiss will review the contract with IWS to see if the Town should be charged for this service.
- Deputy Supervisor Michele Lindsay has been working with IWS to provide stickers to residents to explain what can be recycled. She stated there is a toy drive to benefit Tuxedo families. The drop off locations are Town Hall, the post office, Dottie Audrey's, Steve's Pizza and the library.
- Councilmember Reichgott announced that two students from the Tuxedo Park School are collecting reusable shopping bags to help support the Sloatsburg Food Pantry. Drop off locations are at Town Hall, Village Hall, Sloatsburg Town Hall and the train station.

Minutes

RESOLVED, Motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lindsay to accept the Minutes of the Regular Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held on November 8th.

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

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VOUCHERS

RESOLVED, 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: 2012919266 through 2012919340

Vouchers 2012919095 and 2012919113 are also included. The original checks were lost and these are the reissues.

General Fund :	\$96, 139.61
Part-Town Fund:	\$99,793.80
Highway Town Wide :	\$22,039.97
Highway Part Town	\$26,908.94
Refuse and Garbage Disposal	\$30,356.24
Hamlet Sewer District	\$
<u>Total Abstract Amount:</u>	<u>\$275,238.56</u>

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Resident Claudia Bakhtiary thanked the Town Board for keeping residents informed. She asked about the recently stolen car from Circle Dr. Chief Arthur Abbott explained that a group of people from Newark targeted a luxury car. The State Police chased the car, which crashed in Sloatsburg and the State Police are currently investigating.
- Rob Dollbaum wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

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OTHER BUSINESS

RESOLVED, Motion made by Councilmember Reichgott, seconded by Councilmember McMillen, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute an agreement with Zoom to set up the Community Room for hybrid board meetings, not to exceed the cost of \$55,000.00

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

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED, motion made by Supervisor English, seconded by Councilmember McMillen, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Marisa Dollbaum
Town Clerk
Town of Tuxedo