



A **Regular Meeting** of the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandt was conducted on **June 13, 2023** with the following elected officials and appointed staff in attendance:

RICHARD H. BECKER	Supervisor
FRANCIS X. FARRELL	Councilmember
CRISTIN JACOBY	Councilmember
ROBERT MAYES	Councilmember
JAMES CREIGHTON	Councilmember

Also present:

TOM WOOD	Town Attorney - ABSENT
MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM	Assistant Town Attorney
LAROUÉ ROSE SHATZKIN	Town Clerk
CHRISTINE B. COTHREN	Deputy Town Clerk
PATRICIA ROBCKE	Comptroller
MICHAEL PREZIOSI	Director, DOTS - ABSENT
CLAUDIA VAHEY	Human Resources Coordinator
STEPHEN FERREIRA	Director, DES
JOE BASSELL	Junior Network Specialist

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

SUPERVISOR'S PROCLAMATIONS & REPORTS

Supervisor Becker made note of the following events:

Cortlandt Waterfront Concert Series beginning 6/15/23
Veteran's and Families Picnic at CJC Pool on 6/21/23
Camp Parent informational meeting 6/20/23

Supervisor Becker and the Town Board honored Michael Huvane, PRC Advisory Board Chairman.

Councilperson Farrell spoke about Michael Huvane's achievements as Chair of the PRC Advisory Board.

Ken Sherman, Dir. Of Recreation also made positive comments about Michael Huvane and his service to the PRC Advisory Board.

Supervisor Becker and the Town Board welcomed the Walter Panas Principal, Varsity Baseball Coaches, and Varsity Baseball players who received NYS Section 1 Championship.

Councilperson Robert Mayes spoke highly of the coaches, parents, and the baseball team for their dedication on and off the field. This was the first team to win Section 1 championship in the history of Walter Panas High School.

Supervisor Becker and the Town Board members handed out awards to the baseball players.

Supervisor Becker and the Town Board wanted to honor Ryan Lee for his accomplishment as Eagle Scout. Mr. Lee was not able to attend the meeting.

Joseph Spero, Principal of Walter Panas High School appeared before the Board. He wanted to thank the coaches, players, and parents of the Varsity Baseball Team for their commitment, dedication, and achievements on and off the field.

Councilperson Jacoby appeared before the Board. She spoke about the dedication, sacrifice, and hard work of all the valedictorians and salutatorians in the local school districts:

Sarah Filo	Valedictorian	Walter Panas High School
Peter Copchek	Valedictorian	Hendrick Hudson High School
Kayla Cohen	Salutatorian	Hendrick Hudson High School
Elan Velard	Valedictorian	Lakeland High School
Madeline Boglioti	Valedictorian	Croton Harmon High School
Hannah Ranis	Salutatorian	Croton Harmon High School

ROLL CALL

Laroue Rose Shatzkin, Town Clerk took roll call, and all Town Board members were present.

TOWN BOARD REPORTS

Councilperson James Creighton gave his report OF NOTE:

Councilperson Creighton spoke about the following:

NYS recognition of evasive species month, and advocating for cleaner lakes in the Town.

Rally to Save the Hudson River held on 5/6/23
Holtec decommissioning meeting to be held 6/15/23 in the Village of Buchanan.

Councilperson Francis Farrell gave his report

OF NOTE:

Councilperson Farrell spoke about the following:

Commended the youth in the Town on their various achievements.
Recreation Program, and its' many valuable programs.
Wished everyone a happy, and safe summer.

Councilperson Cristin Jacoby gave her report

OF NOTE:

Recognized June as "Pride" month, and the LGBTQ community.
Celebration of Juneteenth as a Holiday.
Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber parade in Peekskill on 6/17/23
Croton Arboretum and its' beauty

Councilperson Robert Mayes gave his report

OF NOTE:

Councilperson Mayes spoke about the following:

Agreed with all of the comments that were made by his co- councilmembers.
Thanked all who made the Rally on the Hudson a successful event.
Congratulations to all the graduates in local school districts.
Wished all a safe, enjoyable summer.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approve the Minutes for the May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting and the May 22, 2023 Special Meeting.

Councilperson Mayes made a motion to approve the above Minutes, seconded by Councilperson Jacoby with all voting **AYE**.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:41 P.M.

Public Hearing to Consider State-updated Tax Exemption Limits for Seniors.

- a. Adjourn to July 18, 2023

Councilperson Jacoby made a motion to adjourn to June, seconded by Councilperson Creighton with all voting **AYE**.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:42 P.M.

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Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Zoning Text Amendments Related to the Existing R-80 Moratorium.

- a. Close Public Hearing
- b. Adopt Negative Declaration
- c. Adopt Resolution

Councilperson Creighton made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing to the July meeting, seconded by Councilperson Farrell with all voting **AYE**.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:45 P.M.

HEARING OF CITIZENS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Ms. Karen Wells appeared before the Board. She wanted clarification and certainty of

REPORTS

Receive and File the following:

For the month of April 2023 from the Recreation Department.

For the month of May 2023 from the Office of the Aging, Purchasing Department, Receiver of Taxes and the Town Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS:

Receive and File the following:

NEW BUSINESS

Receive and File the following:

1. Letter from Keane & Beane requesting Extension of Site Plan Approval and Special Permit issued for Solar Project on Lexington Ave.
2. Letter from Resident requesting a Private Road be registered; Refer to Legal, DOTS and Planning.

Councilperson Farrell made a motion to receive and file the above, seconded by Councilperson Mayes with all voting **AYE**.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 190-23 RE: Authorize the Westchester County Police Special Response Team to use the Verplanck Quarry for training purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 191-23 RE: Authorize the Settlement of a Tax Certiorari with Con Edison for formerly utilized property.

RESOLUTION NO. 192-23 RE: Authorize the Planning Department to apply for a NYSDEC Estuary Grant for the Town's Open Space Report/Inventory.

RESOLUTION NO. 193-23 RE: Authorize distribution of Grant Funds obtained by Norwest from the NYS Office of People with Developmental Disabilities in accordance with grant requirements.

RESOLUTION NO. 194-23 RE: Authorize the Supervisor to Execute a License Agreement with the Owner of 30 Dickerson Road.

RESOLUTION NO. 195-23 RE: Authorize Purchase and Installation of Security Cameras and Wiring at the Town Quarry.

RESOLUTION NO. 196-23 RE: Authorize Purchase and transport of Sea Plane for the Cortlandt Waterfront Park Monument.

RESOLUTION NO. 197-23 RE: Adopt the Master Fee List for the Town of Cortlandt.

Agenda items for DOTS:

RESOLUTION NO. 198-23 RE: Authorize relocation of Norwest to Cortlandt CUE.

RESOLUTION NO. 199-23 RE: Award TE Contract 2023.03 – 2023 Town Wide Paving.

Councilperson Mayes made a motion to adopt the above, seconded by Councilperson Jacoby with all voting **AYE**.

Authorize the following with respect to the 2023 Mt. Carmel Feast taking place July 12th through 16th:

RESOLUTION NO. 200-23 RE: Closing of Certain Streets

RESOLUTION NO. 201-23 RE: Fireworks Permit, pending approval by Legal and Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 202-23 RE: Authorize a Load Only Fireworks Permit for Santore's Fireworks for July 4th, 2023, pending approval by Legal and Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 203-23 RE: Authorize a Load Only Fireworks Permit for July4Ever for July 4th, 2023, pending approval by Legal and Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 204-23 RE: Authorize a Load Only Fireworks Permit for July4Ever for June 24, 2023, pending approval by Legal and Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 205-23 RE: Authorize a Fireworks Permit for July4Ever for June 17th, 2023, pending approval by Legal and Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 206-23 RE: Authorize the Supervisor to send a letter to State Representatives to establish a Hotel Tax in the Town of Cortlandt.

Councilperson Jacoby made a motion to adopt the above, seconded by Councilperson Creighton with all voting **AYE**.

RESOLUTION NO. 207-23 RE: Appoint Seasonals in Recreation – Camp.

RESOLUTION NO. 208-23 RE: Appoint Seasonals in DES.

RESOLUTION NO. 209-23 RE: Appoint Seasonals in Town Hall.

RESOLUTION NO. 210-23 RE: Appoint Thomas Brady as a Temporary Employee in the Office of the Town Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 211-23 RE: Appoint Kevin Bell to the title of MEO.

RESOLUTION NO. 212-23 RE: Appoint Robert Ward to the title of MEO.

RESOLUTION NO. 213-23 RE: Appoint Mike Milbury to the title of Assistant Foreman – Parks Division.

RESOLUTION NO. 214-23 RE: Appoint William Seiboldt to the title of Maintenance Mechanic Repair – Parks Division.

RESOLUTION NO. 215-23 RE: Appoint Nancy Sinchi as an Administrative Intern in the Justice Court for one year.

RESOLUTION NO. 216-23 RE: Authorize a salary increase for Tollhouse Attendant Frank Goderre.

RESOLUTION NO. 217-23 RE: Authorize an Intermittent Leave of Absence in the office of the Town Comptroller.

RESOLUTION NO. 218-23 RE: Authorize a Leave of Absence for an employee in DES.

RESOLUTION NO. 219-23 RE: Schedule a Public Hearing for July 18th, 2023 to Consider Creating ATV Regulations in the Town of Cortlandt.

RESOLUTION NO. 220-23 RE: Schedule a Public Hearing for August 15, 2023 to Consider Amending the Zoning Ordinance to Correct Inconsistencies.

Councilperson Creighton made a motion to adopt the above, seconded by Councilperson Farrell with all voting **AYE**.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 221-23 RE: Authorize the Planning Department to apply to the Empire State Development Agency for Infrastructure Improvements in Montrose.

RESOLUTION NO. 222-23 RE: Authorize repair of Hydro-Excavator and rental of temporary Excavator until the Town's is Repaired.

RESOLUTION NO. 223-23 RE: Authorize a Road Closure for a Block Party on Rita Drive for July 1st, 2023 with a rain date of July 8th, 2023, subject to review and approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 224-23 RE: Appoint Lindsay Luposello as a Youth Advocate (Director of the Youth Center).

RESOLUTION NO. 225-23 RE: Appoint Debbie Perykasz as a Tollhouse Attendant.

Councilperson Farrell made a motion to adopt the above, seconded by Councilperson Mayes with all voting **AYE**.

BUDGET TRANSFERS – NONE

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

REPORTS FROM STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES

SECOND HEARING OF CITIZENS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilperson Mayes made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Jacoby with all voting **AYE**.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm
Town Hall Web Site address: www.townofcortlandt.com

Respectfully submitted,

Laroue Rose Shatzkin
Town Clerk

Christine B. Cothren
Deputy Town Clerk