Meeting of the Town Board, Town of Yorktown held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 held in Yorktown Heights, New York 10598.

- Present: Matthew J. Slater, Supervisor Thomas P. Diana, Councilman Sergio Esposito, Councilman Luciana Haughwout, Councilwoman Edward Lachterman, Councilman
- Also Present: Diana L. Quast, Town Clerk Adam Rodriguez, Town Attorney

#### TOWN BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Matthew Slater called the meeting to order.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Supervisor Slater, seconded by Councilman Diana, the Town Board moved into Executive Session to discuss individual personnel issues, and litigation and negotiations. Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilman Lachterman, the Town Board moved out of Executive Session and proceeded with the meeting.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Diana led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

Supervisor Slater asked for a moment of silence to remember all our first responders, firefighters, police officers, and EMTs and also to remember Dick Sammel, a longtime Yorktown resident who passed away this week. Mr. Sammel was a Korean veteran, a Red Cross volunteer, and was very active in our community. Supervisor Slater also asked to keep in our thoughts all members of the US military.

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

Members of the Town Board introduced themselves, including Diana Quast, Town Clerk, and Adam Rodriguez, Town Attorney. Supervisor Slater said Highway Superintendent Dave Paganelli would not be joining them this evening but would provide a brief Highway update on his behalf.

### REPORT FROM THE TOWN SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Slater reported on recent Town events and updates, including the following:

- COVID Update and the lifting of the mask mandate in New York, with exceptions.
- Utility rate increases. Con Edison has requested another round of rate hikes from the Public Service Commission 11.2% for electric customers and an 18.2% increase for gas customers. Tonight the Town Board will be passing a resolution opposing these increases. The Town Board has also requested that a public hearing be held in Yorktown so that Northern Westchester residents' voices may be heard. Supervisor Slater said that there is an online petition opposing the rate hike on the Town's website for residents to sign.
- Accessory Dwelling Units legislation. Supervisor Slater said this is something everyone should be aware of because of what is means to local communities. He said you cannot have a "one size fits all" approach to this.
- Transit Oriented Development. As written, it says "all cities shall permit the construction and occupation of dwelling units for the density of at least 25 dwelling units per acre on any land wherein residential construction and occupation is otherwise permitted." Supervisor Slater said this would apply to Yorktown because of its "bus stops and stations with designated parking for riders located between one half mile and sixty miles from the nearest border of a city with a population greater than one million (which would be New York City). He said Yorktown falls within the radius and this would apply. Supervisor Slater displayed a map of the areas where this could apply.

#### REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL

Members of the Town Council reported on recent Town events and public service announcements.

## REPORT FROM THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Supervisor Slater announced the following on behalf of Highway Superintendent Dave Paganelli: the Highway Department is working with the Department of Transportation on potholes in Town. If there is a pothole on a local road, please report it to the Highway Department. DOT said they are hoping to get Route 202 done this week; 90% of Route 6 was done last week.

### POET LAUREATE

John McMullen, Poet Laureate, read his original poem, "Baseball and Life."

### OPPOSITION TO THE CON EDISON REQUESTED RATE HIKE RESOLUTION #93

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2022 Matthew Ketschke, President of Con Edison, sent a request to the Public Service Commission for an 11.2% rate increase for electric customers and an 18.2% increase for gas customers; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the New York State Public Service Commission approved rate hikes of 4.2%, 4.7% in 2021 and 4% beginning in January of 2022 for electric customers; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the New York State Public Service Commission approved rate hikes of 7.5% in 2020, 8.8% in 2021 and 7.2% in 2022 for gas customers; and

WHEREAS, the current economic conditions, including record inflation across the country, is having a direct impact on the daily lives of residents; and

WHEREAS, Con Edison customers received exorbitant bills this month jeopardizing the viability of small businesses and forcing intense strain on local seniors and families; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Yorktown Town Board opposes the proposed rate increases for Con Edison electric and gas customers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Yorktown Town Board requests the Public Service Commission hold a public hearing on the proposed rate hikes at the Yorktown Town Hall just as it did in 2019 for the proposed NYSEG rate hikes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Yorktown Town Board call upon the Public Service Commission to administratively implement the provisions of A.3888/S.4628 to ensure greater transparency and communication to local ratepayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Yorktown Town Board requests the Special Counsel for Ratepayer Protection investigate the recent back-breaking utility bills which in some cases grew by more than 200%.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

# COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

The following members of the public spoke:

- Jay Kopstein, resident, said there is no justification for the requested Con Edison rate hike. He said it must be noted that utility companies do not generate electricity and have not done so since deregulation took place years ago. They purchase gas and electricity on the open market on an annual contractual basis, based on annual need. Mr. Kopstein explained how the New York INESCO Energy Fund works. He said those who have joined Sustainable Westchester have seen less of an increase. He thanked the Supervisor for having the Town participate in Sustainable Westchester. Mr. Kopstein said we are now seeing the effects of the closing of Indian Point and the restraints on fracking.
- Heidi Bornemann, representing Grace Lutheran Church, thanked the Town Board for their support during their Super Bowl of Cereal Collection. She said that although they were able to collect 645 boxes of cereal, it would only last one month or less at one food pantry. She said the fight against hunger and food insecurity must continue.

- Paul Moskowitz, resident, said that recently he read about police raids in the county to seize allegedly illegal weapons. He said they were surprised and shocked to read that some of the seizures were in Yorktown and thanked the Yorktown Police Department for their work in keeping the community and its residents safe.
- Dan Strauss, resident, read his email that was read at the most recent Planning Board meeting. The subject of his email was in opposition to the Town allowing landowners in Town to cut down thousands of trees to put up large-scale solar farms in residential neighborhoods. He said that many solar panels could be placed in parking lots, canopies, and rooftops in commercial zones but that you cannot do the same with houses. He said this is an attack on the very fabric of Yorktown. He said trees have a function that influences the environment for generations to come and that this function is being ignored.
- Susan Siegel, resident, wanted to remind the audience that at the next board meeting there will be a public hearing on changes to the solar law. She said that, in general, she supports the changes but has spoken out about the need to do more to protect trees and their functions. She that if anyone is concerned about the environment and their neighborhood, they should attend the public hearing.
- Kevin Burns, resident, added that the United for the Troops boxes cost about \$15 per box. He said if you cannot attend the gala, donations may be made online at unitedforthetroops.org. He said even more than the items donated, the troops love the cards from the children.

The Town Board responded to various comments made during Courtesy of the Floor (United for the Troops, gun seizures, Super Bowl of Cereal Collection and food pantry donations, utility increases and the effects on small businesses, the spikes of the cost of electricity and gas).

## GUIDING EYES FOR THE BLIND KENNEL - 3241 CROMPOND ROAD

Supervisor Slater said Guiding Eyes came in to discuss a proposal for 3241 Crompond Road for use as a kennel. He said that the organization is a 501(c)3 and does pay sewer tax and water usage and they would not be exempt from these charges. Councilman Esposito said the property is an empty lot on Route 202, next to the Mobil station, and is the location of the old Temple Israel across from Lowe's. Supervisor Slater said, after speaking with retail developers, that he is not entirely convinced that it is a viable commercial property based on the feedback he received. He said that there is a concern with the ingress and egress on the property and what DOT would allow. He said that it is a 12-acre lot, of which approximately 7 acres are buildable acreage. Supervisor Slater introduced Director of Planning John Tegeder to discuss the proposal.

Mr. Tegeder said ingress and egress was mainly off Mohansic when Temple Israel was there. DOT does not like to give curb cuts on major roads that easily. He said in terms of the market, the Supervisor is correct in that it is volatile and changing.

Supervisor Slater said the Town has only heard of one other proposal for this property in the last 24-26 months. Councilwoman Haughwout said the Town is developing that area and that they have to be mindful of the neighbors in the area and that the property is taken care of.

Councilman Lachterman said this is a prime commercial location but it is not prime commercial land due to the wetlands and the ingress and egress. He said it is impossible to make a left-hand turn to go west on Route 202. He said a lot of his concern on losing the taxability of the property would be offset by efforts to make it taxable. Councilman Lachterman stated that he thought the Guiding Eyes proposal was a good fit for the property.

Councilman Diana said he is supportive of small business but Guiding Eyes for the Blind provides a service no one else does. He said they are great community partners and worldwide partners who provide service dogs for those who need assistance. He said they are an asset to the community and that sometimes you have to look beyond the tax base and decide what is right.

Councilman Esposito said that although he considers the location to be part of the Town's new commercial corridor and was initially concerned about it not being on the tax rolls (which has been somewhat mitigated by the sewer and water taxes), he looked at other properties Guiding Eyes owns and remarked how they were well taken care of. He agreed that they are a great community partner. Councilman Esposito said he feels that they would be in that location for a long time and is in favor of moving this forward.

Supervisor Slater asked Town Attorney Adam Rodriguez to communicate with Mr. Steinmetz, attorney for the Guiding Eyes proposal the Town Board's discussion and to discuss next steps.

### REAPPOINT TOM MCLOUGHLIN TO THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION #94

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Resolved, that Tom McLoughlin is reappointed to the Heritage Preservation Commission for a term expiring on October 31, 2024.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

#### AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF YORKTOWN ENTITLED, "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" RESOLUTION #95 Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Notice Is Hereby Given that a public hearing will be convened by the Town Board, Town of Yorktown, Westchester County, New York on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598 at 7:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the same can be heard, to consider amending Chapter 108 of the Code of the Town of Yorktown entitled, "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" as follows:

replacing Section 108-7(A) of the Code of the Town of Yorktown is hereby amended by "§ 28-9" with "§ 108-9."

Section 108-8(E) of the Code of the Town of Yorktown is hereby replaced in its entirety with the following language:

Permits shall not be issued for the possession, consumption or sale of alcoholic beverages in public parks in the Town of Yorktown, except such permits may be granted for: (1) the possession, consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages at the Par 3 Golf Course and Railroad Park; and (2) the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Downing Park Pavilion and the Sparkle Lake Service Building.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

# AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE REBID FOR 7 VARIOUS CHEMICALS FOR THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT

**RESOLUTION #96** 

Upon motion made by Councilman Esposito, seconded by Councilwoman Haughwout,

Resolved, that the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise a rebid for 7 Various Chemicals for the Water Pollution Control Plant.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

## AWARD RFP FOR AQUATIC PESTICIDE TREATMENTS TO CONTROL BLUE GREEN ALGAE BLOOMS AT MOHEGAN LAKE RESOLUTION #97

Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilman Lachterman,

Whereas, the Town received proposals from two companies to conduct aquatic pesticide treatments to control blue green algae blooms at Mohegan Lake;

Whereas, based on anticipated treatments, Limnology Information and Freshwater Ecology Inc.'s proposal is for \$45,250 and Solitude Lake Management LLC's is for \$46,771;

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Mohegan Lake Improvement District, the Bid be awarded to Limnology Information and Freshwater Ecology Inc.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Supervisor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Limnology Information and Freshwater Ecology Inc. for the provision of aquatic pesticide treatments in an amount not to exceed \$45,250. The term of the agreement shall end on December 31, 2022.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

<u>AWARD BID - FENCING FOR INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND</u> <u>RESOLUTION #98</u> Upon motion made by Councilman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Whereas, invitation to bid for fencing for inclusive playground for use by the Parks and Recreation Department was duly advertised, and

Whereas, said bids were received until the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 and opened on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, due to inclement weather conditions that closed Town Hall with the bid amounts as follows:

<u>Bidder</u> King Fence 48 Grassy Sprain Road Yonkers, NY 10710	<u>Amount of Bid</u> \$9,534.00
Spitale Construction Resources 2013 Crompond Road Yorktown Heights, New York 10598	\$11,480.00
Yaboo Fence Company 95 West Nyack Way West Nyack, New York 10994	\$11,551.74
Campanella Fence 289 Route 6 Mahopac, New York 10541	\$18,890.42
WBE Fence Company, Inc. 11 Deer Court Brewster, New York 10509	\$24,472.00

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that upon the recommendation of James Martorano, Jr., Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, the bid be and is hereby awarded to King Fence, 48 Grassy Sprain Road, Yonkers, New York 10710, as the lowest responsible bidder.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH YORKTOWN GRANGE TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S FULL DAY AND EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500 RESOLUTION #99

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Whereas, the Town wishes to obtain space for a period of five (5) weeks in which to operate a full day summer camp program under the Department of Parks and Recreation,

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Town has determined the action contemplated under this Resolution is a Type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and therefore no further review is required under SEQR; and be it

Further Resolved, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute a lease agreement on behalf of the Town, as tenant, with Yorktown Grange, landlord, at 99 Moseman Road, Yorktown Heights, NY, from June 27, 2022 through July 30, 2022, at a rent of \$6,500.00, to provide facilities for the Parks and Recreation Department's full day and extended day summer camp programs.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

# AUTHORIZE COMPTROLLER TO PAY CURTIS DOERR THE CASH VALUE OF UNUSED TIME AS OF HIS DATE OF RETIREMENT

RESOLUTION #100

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Be It Resolved, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Comptroller to pay Curtis Doerr the cash value of unused time as of his date of retirement:

Rate of Pay: \$39.0876

Sick	1500.00 hours @ 509 750.00 hours	% = X	750.00 hours \$39.0876	=	\$29,315.70
Vacation Vacation 1996 Personal Days	262.50 hours 5 hours 127.50 hours 5 15.00 hours	X X X	\$39.0876 \$21.95 \$39.0876	= = =	\$10,260.50 \$2,798.71 \$586.32
	lays = \$6.13 per day /31/21 = 148 days .13			=	\$ 907.24
\$1,750 / 261 days = \$6.71 per day 01/01/22 - 01/28/22 = 20 days 20 days x \$6.71				=	\$ 134.20
Total Longevi	ity				\$ 1,041.44
Total					\$44,002.67

Be It Further Resolved, that the Comptroller is hereby authorized to transfer funds for the purpose of this payout at retirement as follows:

From: SW90	9.8 Water Fund Reserve Employee Accrued Benefits	s \$34,259.59
SW8340.101	Water Salary	\$ 8,701.64
SW8340.106	Water Longevity	\$ 1,041.44
	Medical, Dental, Vision Premium Trust Water Lump Sum Payments	\$29,315.70 \$14,686.97

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

### AUTHORIZE COMPTROLLER TO PAY ANITA HECKER THE CASH VALUE OF UNUSED TIME AS OF HER DATE OF RETIREMENT RESOLUTION #101

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Be It Resolved, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Comptroller to pay Anita Hecker the cash value of unused time as of her date of retirement:

Rate of Pay: \$36.8960

Sick	341.625 hours @ 170.81 hours	50% x	=170.81 hou \$36.8960	ırs =	\$ 6,302.21
Vacation	294.00 hours	X X	\$36.8960	=	\$10,847.43
Longevity	1 Januar (* C. 1.2 manual Januar				
	1  days = \$6.13  per day 12/31/21 = 239  days				
239 days x	•			=	\$1,465.07
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$\frac{01}{01}\frac{22}{20}$ days x	01/28/22 = 20 days \$6.71			=	\$ 134.20
Total Longe					\$1,599.27
Total					\$18,748.91

Be It Further Resolved, that the Comptroller is hereby authorized to transfer funds for the purpose of this payout at retirement as follows:

From: A909.	8General Fund Reserve Employee Accrued Benefits	\$10,778.60
A7020.101	Recreation Salary	\$ 6,371.04
A7020.106	Recreation Longevity	\$ 1,599.27
To: T905.1	Medical, Dental, Vision Premium Trust	\$ 6,302.21
A7020.108	Recreation Lump Sum Payments	\$12,446.70

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

### <u>AUTHORIZE COMPTROLLER TO PROCESS A BUDGET TRANSFER FOR</u> <u>AUDIO/VISUAL ROOM EQUIPMENT</u> <u>RESOLUTION #102</u>

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Resolved, Comptroller is authorized to process the following budget transfer:

From: A1990.499.1	General Fund – Capital Contingency	\$75,000.00
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To: A1010.201 AV I	loom Equipment	\$75,000.00
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for upgrades to the Audio/Visual room equipment.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

### <u>AUTHORIZE COMPTROLLER TO REFUND WATER BILL ACCOUNT #207929-0 IN THE</u> <u>AMOUNT OF \$1,352.06</u> RESOLUTION #103

Resolved, that the Comptroller is authorized to refund Water Bill Account#207929-0 in the amount of \$1,352.06 to Thomas Gorman due to overpayments made for nine months consecutively.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

### AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AN ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP RESOLUTION #104

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Resolved, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign an engagement letter with O'Connor Davies, LLP, 500 Mamaroneck Avenue, Suite 301, Harrison, NY 10528 to serve as the Town's outside auditors for fiscal years, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 at the following annual rates:

Year	Audit Fee	NYS DOT Certification of Rules & Regulations
2021	\$62,600	\$2,500
2022	\$63,750	\$2,500
2023	\$63,750	\$2,500
2024	\$63,750	\$2,500
2025	\$65,000	\$2,500

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

## AUTHORIZE TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS SETTLEMENT FOR 345 KEAR STREET, PARCEL KNOWN AS SECTION 37.18 BLOCK 2 LOT 84 ON THE TAX MAP RESOLUTION #105

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Whereas, tax certiorari proceedings were instituted challenging the assessment for parcel known as Section 37.18 Block 2 Lot 84, 345 Kear Street on the Tax Map of the Town of Yorktown, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the tax certiorari proceedings affecting tax parcel Section 37.18 Block 2 Lot 84, Account Number 3655560 owned by F.I.I.K. Realty LLC for the assessment roll years 2017 thru 2021 is settled as set forth in the proposed stipulation as follows: 345 Kear Street Tax ID: 37.18-2-84

Roll Year	Assessed Value	Assessed Value From	Reduction To	
2017	89,350	70,210	19,140	
2018	89,350	74,025	15,325	
2019	89,350	72,800	16,550	
2020	89,350	74,800	14,550	
2021	89,350	72,080	17,270	

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

# AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF A COMMERCIAL GARBAGE LICENSE FOR OAK RIDGE HAULING, LLC FOR THE YEAR 2022

RESOLUTION #106

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Resolved, that Oak Ridge Hauling LLC be and is hereby granted renewal of their Garbage License to service commercial properties in the Town of Yorktown for the year 2022.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

#### AUTHORIZE BARTON & LOGUIDICE, D.P.C. TO PERFORM AN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR THE YORKTOWN REHAB & NURSING SOLAR PROJECTS RESOLUTION #107 Upon motion mode by Councilmon Lashtarman, seconded by Councilmon Diana

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Whereas, the Planning Board of the Town of Yorktown desires to study the environmental impacts of the proposed solar farm outlined in their New Project Task Order Summary for the Yorktown Rehab & Nursing Solar Projects located at 2300 Catherine Street, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567, also known as Section 35.12, Block 1, Lots 3 on the Town of Yorktown Tax Map; and

Whereas, Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C., an environmental consulting firm, has entered into an agreement with the Town of Yorktown to provide these services on an on-call basis which was authorized by the Town Board by resolution on July 7, 2021; and

Whereas, Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. has submitted a proposal to provide the requested environmental review of the submitted project materials pursuant to said on-call agreement for an amount not to exceed \$5,500.00; now therefore

Be It Resolved, that the Supervisor of the Town of Yorktown is hereby authorized to engage Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. under the on-call agreement with the Town of Yorktown for the purpose of reviewing the proposed Yorktown Rehab & Nursing Solar Projects located at 2300 Catherine Street, in an amount not to exceed \$5,500.00 for the environmental review, and that the total cost shall be reimbursed by the applicant as part of the cost of the application's review.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

### AUTHORIZE COMPTROLLER TO REFUND THE FOLLOWING DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENTS RESOLUTION #108

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Diana,

Resolved, the Comptroller is authorized to refund the following duplicate tax payments:

Account No:	Amount	Refund Second Half of School Tax
0181000	\$4,408.17	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
3562040	\$2,668.58	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
4771060	\$8,234.49	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
3169500	\$4,980.74	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
3437500	\$3,579.12	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
2340000	\$5,920.28	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
1869000	\$4,449.69	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
4452076	\$3,253.75	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
2823500	\$5,433.33	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
1006542	\$4,020.13	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
1756764	\$8,484.78	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
0325000	\$615.09	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax
0110000	\$4,280.03	Refund Duplicate Second Half School Tax

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

Supervisor Slater introduced Section 8 Program Director Sandrine Nseng. He asked Ms. Nseng to explain the waiting list in the following resolution. Ms. Nseng said that in order for an applicant to receive a Section 8 voucher for housing they must apply to the waiting list. She said that the waiting list opens once in a while; the last time was January 2020 when 400 applicants applied. She said that list is nearly exhausted, with about 96 remaining. She said that every applicant does not receive a voucher. Ms. Nseng said she is considering taking in about 500 applications so the list would last longer. When an applicant receives a voucher, they pay 30% of their rent and HUD covers the remainder. There is also a limit to how much rent they can look for in a rental unit.

# AUTHORIZE SECTION 8 PROGRAM DIRECTOR TO PROCEED WITH OPENING ITS WAITING LIST ELECTRONICALLY

RESOLUTION #109

Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilwoman Haughwout,

Whereas, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) waiting list has been closed and unable to accept pre-applications to its list since January 9, 2020. At this time, The Town of Yorktown (PHA) has exhausted three fourth of the applicants from its most recent waiting list.

Whereas, if a waiting list has been closed, it cannot be reopened until the PHA publishes a notice in local newspapers of general circulation, minority media and other suitable outlets. A list of those outlets is included in, but not limited to, the PHA administrative plan.

Whereas, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program is fully federally funded, there is no financial consequence to the Town or any current or future HCVP participants.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Town Board hereby directs the Program Director to proceed to open its waiting list electronically, utilizing https://www.waitlistcheck.com/NY1819-3766 (link is external) commencing April 28, 2022 at 12:01am through April 29, 2022 at 11:59pm.

Further, public notices in media outlets, written and e-mail notification to other local Westchester and Putnam PHAs and written notification to community based organizations will be placed/disbursed no earlier than February 27, 2022 and no later than March 29, 2022.

Slater, Diana, Esposito, Haughwout, Lachterman Voting Aye Resolution adopted.

## **ADJOURN**

Upon motion made by Councilman Lachterman, seconded by Councilman Esposito, the Town Board meeting was adjourned.

DIANA L. QUAST, TOWN CLERK TOWN OF YORKTOWN CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CLERK