

October 19, 2016

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MAMARONECK HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2016, BEGINNING AT 5:00PM IN CONFERENCE ROOM A AND CONTINUING AT 8:00 PM IN THE COURT ROOM OF THE TOWN CENTER, 740 W. BOSTON POST ROAD, MAMARONECK, NEW YORK

PRESENT: Supervisor Nancy Seligson
Councilman Ernest C. Odierna
Councilwoman Abby Katz
Councilwoman Jaine Elkind Eney
Councilman Thomas A. Murphy

ALSO PRESENT: Christina Battalia, Town Clerk
Stephen V. Altieri, Town Administrator
Connie Green O'Donnell, Assistant Town Administrator
William Maker, Jr., Town Attorney

CALL TO ORDER - WORK SESSION

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilwoman Katz, the Work Session was unanimously opened at 5:00PM.

Discussion – New York State Legislation Re: Senior Star Exemptions

Additionally Present: Pam Valenza, Assessor and Tony Siligato, Comptroller

The Town Board reviewed a memo from Ms. Valenza, dated October, 12 2016. The memo explains the new RPTL 467 (8-A) Local Level Senior Exemption Renewal Deadline Extension – Local Option, how it effects the Town, and the Assessor's recommendation not to adopt the local option.

Discussion – *Ban The Barges* Campaign

The Town Board discussed a request from the Hudson River Waterfront Alliance in support of *Ban The Barges*.

Preliminary Review – 2017 Tentative Town Budget

Additionally Present: Tony Siligato, Comptroller

The Town Board received the Tentative Budget and two addendums; *The Property Tax Cap Formula for Determining Tax Levy Limit – 2017* and the *2017 Statement of Proposed Budgeted Revenues and Expenditures*. The Town Board reviewed the Tentative Budget in detail by receiving a presentation and full discussion of Mr. Altieri's transmittal letter.

New Business

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilman Odierna, the Board unanimously agreed to enter into an Executive Session to discuss the Sale of Land, Certiorari with Mamaroneck Gardens and litigation.

Councilman Murphy excused himself from the discussion of Mamaroneck Gardens due to a conflict of interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sale of Land, Certiorari with Mamaroneck Gardens and Litigation.

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilman Odierna, the Board unanimously agreed to resume the Regular Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Seligson at 8:00 PM, she then pointed out the location of the exits.

Supervisor Seligson noted that the Town Board met for a worksession beginning at 5:00 o'clock this evening, adding this is an open meeting that all residents' are welcomed to attend.

SUPERVISOR'S SUMMARY REPORT

- *I have been reporting on the progress of creating the 2017 Town budget for the past few months. Tonight, during the TB work session (which is open to the public), Steve Altieri, the Town Administrator, submitted the Tentative 2017 Town Budget to the Town Board. He and Town Comptroller, Tony Siligato, have been working day, night and weekends to produce this budget. The Town Board began reviewing and discussing the Tentative Budget during work session tonight. We have public budget work sessions scheduled for the next 6 weeks. The schedule is available on the Town's website at www.townofmamaroneckny.org.*
- *I would like to congratulate and thank the TMFD for the Open House they held Saturday October 15th. It's a wonderful family event where the Fire House Station grounds are turned into a kid's fire house dream. There are jumping castles, hotdogs, a smoke drill house, fire fighters jumping out of staged windows for training and of course the apparatus. All of the fire engines and equipment is open and accessible with Town of Mamaroneck fire fighters ready to explain how it is used.*
- *I also want to thank Pat Sutherland, the senior services art teacher, for the wonderful art exhibition opening held at the Larchmont Library. There was a great crowd of admirers and artists all of whom praised Pat for her skill as a teacher and loveliness as a person.*
- *Thank you to members of the Sustainability Collaborative and Highway Department who worked a table at the Sheldrake Fall Festival Sunday October 16th and presented demonstrations of leaf mulching and quiet leaf blowers.*
- *Leaf collection began this week and please place only leaves on the curb to be picked up. The County will not accept our leaves if it is co-mingled other material.*
- *Finally, Slow Down to Get Around is now the Law in New York. In September of this year Governor Cuomo signed into law a bill requiring motorists to slow down when passing waste and recycling vehicles. The US Bureau of Labor statistics now ranks garbage/recycling collection as the fourth most dangerous profession in the United States. Road accidents caused by distracted or speeding drivers is a huge risk for the sanitation personnel that work each day to collect our garbage and recycling in the Town and Village. It is critically important for their safety and yours that everyone slow down when approaching and passing a waste collection vehicle. In the coming weeks you will see these signs mounted on the back of our waste collection vehicles to remind you to "SLOW DOWN TO GET AROUND"*

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Supervisor Seligson asked if anyone in the audience would like to address the Board, and there was not.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

The Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Seligson, and then on motion of Commissioner Elkind Eney, seconded by Commissioner Odierna, the Board of Fire Commissioners was unanimously declared open.

Present were the following Members of the Commission:

Commissioner:	Nancy Seligson
Commissioner:	Ernest C. Odierna
Commissioner:	Abby Katz
Commissioner:	Jaine Elkind Eney
Commissioner:	Thomas A. Murphy

There being no business to come before the Commission, on motion of Commissioner Elkind Eney, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, the Commission unanimously adjourned and the Town Board reconvened.

AFFAIRS OF THE TOWN

1. Presentation – 2017 Tentative Town Budget

Mr. Altieri presented the 2017 Tentative Budget by highlighting from his transmittal letter dated October 19, 2016.

2. Authorization – County Wide Bus Shelter Agreement

On motion of Councilman Odierna, seconded by Councilman Murphy, it was

RESOLVED, that the Mamaroneck Town Board does hereby approve the Bus Shelter Extension Agreement for the period April 1, 2016 through April 21, 2016 and also approves the Extension Agreement for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021, and

BE IT, FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Administrator is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Town.

The above resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Murphy	Aye
Elkind Eney	Aye
Katz	Aye
Odierna	Aye
Seligson	Aye

3. Consideration of Certiorari

On motion of Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Elkind Eney, it was

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the settlement of the following Tax Certiorari on the following terms:

Tri City Realty Corp.

650 Mamaroneck Avenue
 Section/Block/Lot: 8-19-13
 Town of Mamaroneck/Village of Mamaroneck

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Amount of Reduction</u>	<u>Reduced Assessment</u>
2011	\$16,000	\$1,648	\$14,352
2012	\$16,000	\$2,428	\$13,572

The above resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Murphy	Aye
Elkind Eney	Aye
Katz	Aye
Odierna	Aye
Seligson	Aye

4. Support of *Ban the Barges*

Supervisor Seligson explained that there is a proposal by the US Coast Guard to create a parking area in the Hudson River, off Westchester County, for over 20 barges bringing fuel from Canada to Countries outside of the US. The Hudson River Communities have joined together and are asking the US Coast Guard to reevaluate this decision and to consider moving the barges elsewhere. These communities are also asking for support from neighboring communities in Westchester County. The Town Board discussed this during Worksession and would like to offer their support. There is no formal action being taken at this time.

5. Amendment – In rem auction property listing

Mr. Altieri explained that adjoining property owners have been notified of the sale of these lands, as well as the properties being listed on the Town’s web site. During the previous session this evening the Town Board was presented with three properties that Mr. Altieri and Mr. Maker advise, that due to circumstances that have changed warrant their removal from the auction. Mr. Altieri continued and stated that if anyone would like to see the properties being removed can refer to the website for a complete listing.

On motion Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilman Murphy, it was

RESOLVED, that the Mamaroneck Town Board does hereby approve the removal of the following parcels from the list of properties scheduled to be auctioned as follows:

Lot/Block/Section: 4 -12 -1002

Lot/Block/Section: 5-6-6

Lot/Block/Section:1-4-300

The above resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Murphy	Aye
Elkind Eney	Aye
Katz	Aye
Odierna	Aye
Seligson	Aye

6. Amendment to 2017 Budget Calendar

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilwoman Katz, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, that due to the Town Board having sufficient time this evening to do an initial review of the Tentative Budget, the Mamaroneck Town Board does hereby deem it appropriate to amend the 2017 Town Budget Calendar by removing October 26, 2016 as a Budget Review Worksession.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilman Murphy, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, that the Mamaroneck Town Board does hereby approve the Board Minutes from the meetings of September 21, 2016 and October 5, 2016.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORT OF COUNCIL

The Town Board Members reported on their various activities and meetings since the last Town Board Meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilwoman Elkind Eney, seconded by Councilman Murphy, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:35 PM

**Submitted by
Christina Battalia, Town Clerk**