

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
VILLAGE OF CHESTNUT RIDGE**

For the Regularly Scheduled Board meeting of May 21, 2020

8:00 pm

277 Old Nyack Turnpike

Chestnut Ridge, New York 10977

PRESENT

ROSARIO PRESTI, JR.

MAYOR

GRANT VALENTINE

DEPUTY MAYOR

RICHARD MILLER

TRUSTEE

CHAIM ROSE

TRUSTEE

PAUL VAN ALSTYNE

TRUSTEE

WALTER SEVASTIAN

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

FLORENCE A. MANDEL

VILLAGE CLERK

P On March 7, 2020, in Executive Order No. 202.1, Governor Cuomo suspended certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to permit a Village Board to meet and take actions authorized by law without permitting in public in-person access and authorizing such meeting to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed. The Village will be activating a remote meeting platform for the Thursday, May 21, 2020 Village Board meeting, which will enable residents to watch a livestream of the meeting and comment on the Zoom platform in compliance with the Executive Order:

Phone in: 646-568-7788

ID#: 756-079-8481

URL/ID: <https://zoom.us/j/7560798481>

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Mayor's report.

Welcome to the May 21, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting for the Village of Chestnut Ridge.

In accordance with the Executive Order 202.1, our meeting procedures have been modified to this platform, and we will be continuing to do this until further notice.

That's how we are going to handle this; any and all future meetings with regard to the Village Board. In addition, to our Land Use Boards, whether it be ARB, Planning Board or ZBA will all be meeting via a Zoom platform.

The information is on the Web-site as to how to participate whether it be by computer or phone.

That's how we are going to handle this.

In regard to the Mayor's report we are now opening Village Hall on a limited basis, to our residents and people who need to come in one at a time.

It will be a good idea to call in advance to let us know you need to come in and then we will take care of you accordingly.

Meeting procedures have been modified to this platform.

As far as next month is concerned, we will try to operate as best as we can as far as doing all that we need to do; which means the Land Use Boards, will be meeting in June, via a Zoom platform.

They will be modifying their agendas so that they could entertain the applicant.

They won't be able to do it in person, due to the restrictions on gatherings.

As a house keeping matters, we will be having our June workshop on June 10th; the Comp. Plan meeting too, at 7:00 P.M. also by Zoom.

Our Regular Board of The Village Trustees will be meeting on June 18th by Zoom, 8:00 P.M.

ARB, Planning Board and ZBA will be holding their meetings too.

We will try to operate as best as we can within the perimeters that the State will permit us to work.

3. Open Floor: Public discussion of Agenda Items.

- Saving to the end of meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting, April 18, 2020

- Will be approved next month.

5. Resolution No. 2020-31 Resolution approving Mayor’s limited slate of Appointments (all other positions held over until further action).

RESOLVED that the Mayor’s limited Slate of the following appointments, and contract renewals, are hereby approved by the Board of Trustees:

- Acting Justice, appointing William F. Smith for a term to expire April 2021.
- Village Historian, appoint the village Mayor, for a term to expire April 2021

MOTION: Trustee Miller

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Valentine

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve Resolution No. 2020-31.

6. *[On Agenda for continuing Public Hearing purposes only]*

a. Public Hearing for Special Permit Application of Threefold Educational Foundation and School – west side of Hungry Hollow Road (66.16-1-4 & 56) - request for a Special Permit for a new school of general instruction building (the “Otto Specht School”).

b. **Resolution No. 2020-32.** Resolution continuing Public Hearing until June 18, 2020.

RESOLVED that the Public Hearing for the Special Permit Application of Threefold Educational Foundation and School – west side of Hungry Hollow Road (66.16-1-4 & 56) for a new school of general instruction building (the “Otto Specht School”) is continued until June 18, 2020.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Miller

The Board was polled and voted 4-0 to Approve Resolution No. 202-32.

7. *[On Agenda for continuing Public Hearing purposes only]*

a. Public Hearing for Special Permit Application of Yeshivas Ohr V’Daas – 972 Chestnut Ridge Road - request for a Special Permit for a school for special education with a student body not to exceed 80 students.

b. **Resolution No. 2020-33.** Resolution continuing Public Hearing until June 18, 2020.

RESOLVED that the Public Hearing for Special Permit Application of Yeshivas Ohr V'Daas – 972 Chestnut Ridge Road - request for a Special Permit for a school for special education with a student body not to exceed 80 students is continued until June 18, 2020.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Van Alstyne

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve Resolution continuing Public Hearing until June 18, 2020.

8. Resolution No. 2020-34. Approving Abstract of Audited Claims.

RESOLVED, that General Fund Claims set forth on pages **1 through 2** in the aggregate amount of **\$145,553.13** as set forth on Abstract No. 2020-5 dated **May 21, 2020**, as submitted by the Village Treasurer, are hereby approved.

MOTION: Trustee Miller

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Valentine

The Board was polled and voted 4-0 to Approve Resolution No. 2020-34.

9. Open Floor: Public Discussion.

No one from the public wished to speak.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Van Alstyne

The Board was polled and voted 4-0 to Close the Open Floor Public Discussion.

Motion to Adjourn:

MOTION: Trustee Van Alstyne

SECOND: Trustee Miller

The Board was polled and voted 4-0 to Adjourn the Meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

**FLORENCE A. MANDEL
VILLAGE CLERK
RECORDING SECRETARY**

Resolutions

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May, 2020