

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

For the Regularly Scheduled Board meeting of February 18, 2021

8:00 pm – conducted via Zoom (due to COVID-19)

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 VANALSTYNE

TRUSTEE

FLORENCE A. MANDEL

VILLAGE CLERK

ABSENT:

WALTER SEVASTIAN

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
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7:30 pm

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On March 7, 2020, in Executive Order No. 202.1, Governor Cuomo suspended, and subsequently extended the suspension, of 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 February 18, 2021 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.

- Complimented Land/Use Board for the way they operated during the Pandemic.
- Had Zoom conference with new Assemblyman Mike Lawler on Wednesday. He had put this together with the Ramapo Town Supervisor and other Mayors in the district. Hopes to have these meetings on a regular basis.
- Chatting with Planners in regard to the Red Schoolhouse Traffic Study. They are wrapping things up making sure whatever needs to be in the study is in there. The stakeholders, namely the applicant in the general vicinity, talking with each other how they can be sharing in the improvements that were reflected in that study.

3. Open Floor: Public discussion of Agenda Items

Held for end of meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting, January 21, 2021.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Miller

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve the Minutes of January 21, 2021.:

5. Resolution No. 2021-9. Resolution to schedule 2020 CDBG Public Hearing for March 18, 2021.

RESOLVED, that the Village of Chestnut Ridge's 2020 CDBG Public Hearing shall be held on March 18, 2021 at 8:00 pm.

Mayor Presti:

- We have this every year. We are part of the Consortium. By having this annual hearing, if and when we need and are able to get Community Development funds, we have the preliminary.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee VanAlstyne

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Schedule 2020 CDBG Public Hearing for March 18, 2021.

6. Resolution No. 2021-10:

RESOLVED that Village Clerk is authorized to publish a publish notice setting forth the (1) Polling Place for the March 16, 2021 Village Election, (2) the hours during which the polls are open, (3) the names and addresses of candidates, offices, and term nominated for, and (4) an abstract of any proposition. Election Law 15-104(3)(c) and 15-104(4).

MOTION: Trustee Rose

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Valentine

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve Resolution No. 2021-10.

7. Resolution No. 2021-11 Resolution appointing Village Election Inspectors (Election Law 15-116(1)).

RESOLVED, that the following persons are hereby appointed as Inspectors for the General Village Election to be held on March 16, 2021:

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| 1. Roy Narine, Chairperson | 2. Rosemarie Cristina |
| 3. Margaret C. James | 4. Ruben Ortiz, Jr. |
| 5. Beth A. Silberstein | 6. Bella B. Freuman |
| 7. Steven A. Burman | 8. Felisa Rivers |

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Miller

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve the appointed Election Inspectors for the General Village Election to be held on March 16, 2021.

8. Resolution No. 2021-12 approving Abstract of Audited Claims.

RESOLVED, that General Fund Claims set forth on pages 1 through 4 in the aggregate amount of \$149,750.84 as set forth on Abstract No. 2021-2 dated February 18, 2021, as submitted by the Village Treasurer, are hereby approved.

MOTION: Trustee Miller

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Valentine

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Approve the Abstract of Audited Claims.

9.. Open Floor: Public Discussion.

No one from the public wished to speak.

Motion to Close the Open Floor Public Discussion.

MOTION: Trustee Miller

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Valentine

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 to Close the Open Floor Public Discussion.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting and Go Into Executive Session for Personnel.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valentine

SECOND: Trustee Miller

The Board was polled and voted 5-0 To Adjourn Meeting.

10. Executive Session – a. Personnel (Building Department staffing), b. Pending Litigation: 1. OJC v. Village of Chestnut Ridge (Federal Ct. Action); 2. Kogut et. al v. Chestnut Ridge (Article 78 Proceeding); 3. Kogut/CUPON v. Chestnut Ridge (Federal Ct. Action); 4. Kogut et. al v. Chestnut Ridge (Declaratory Judgment Action).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:08 P.M.
EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED: 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence A. Mandel
Village Clerk
Recording Secretary

RESOLUTIONS

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