Town of Schodack Town Board Meeting February 8, 2024

Public Session - 7 p.m.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Public Hearings-

7:05 p.m. to seek public comment on Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2024 Amending Chapter 197, Article I entitle Senior Citizens Exemption in the Town of Schodack.

7:10 p.m. hearing to seek public comment on Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2024 Amending Chapter 197, Article V entitle Disabled Persons Exemption in the Town of Schodack.

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Public Comment

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:

2024-99

Amend resolution 2024-067 as adopted on January 11, 2024 to reflected the contract amount for East Greenbush Library as follows: Approve contracts and authorize Supervisor Peter to execute contracts with the Castleton Public Library (\$88,000.00), East Greenbush Community Library (\$356,125.00) (\$346,125.00), and Nassau Free Library (\$37,000.00) as set forth in the Year 2024 adopted budget. Terms and conditions of the contract are subject to approval by Attorney to the Town as to form and substance.

2024-100

Authorize Town Clerk to publish a legal notice for a public hearing to seek public comment on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2024 Amending Chapter 197, Article 8 entitled Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighter and Volunteer Ambulance Worker Exemption in the Town of Schodack. Said hearing to be held on Thursday, February 8, 2024 at the Schodack Town Hall at 7:05 p.m.

2024-101

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Schodack for public hearing to be held by said Town on February 8, 2024 at 7:05 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall to hear all interested parties on Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2024 Amending Chapter 197, Article I entitled Senior Citizen Exemption in the Town of Schodack, and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly posted on the Town Clerk's Sign Board on January 29, 2024 and advertised in the January 29, 2024 edition to THE RECORD, official newspaper of the Town, and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on February 8, 2024 at 7:05 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of, or in opposition to, said proposed local law or any part thereof, it is hereby

WHEREAS, that Town Board of the Town of Schodack, after due deliberation finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to adopt said local law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Schodack hereby adopts Proposed Local Law Number 1 of 2024 (P1-2024) to be known as Local Law 1 of 2024 Senior Citizen Exemption in the Town of Schodack, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk, be and is hereby directed to enter said local law into the <u>Code of the Town of Schodack</u> and to give due notice to said local law to the Secretary of State.

2024-102

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Schodack for public hearing to be held by said Town on February 8, 2024 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall to hear all interested parties on Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2024 Amending Chapter 197, Article V entitled Disabled Persons Exemption in the Town of Schodack, and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly posted on the Town Clerk's Sign Board on January 29, 2024 and advertised in the January 29, 2024 edition to THE RECORD, official newspaper of the Town, and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on February 8, 2024 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of, or in opposition to, said proposed local law or any part thereof, it is hereby

WHEREAS, that Town Board of the Town of Schodack, after due deliberation finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to adopt said local law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Schodack hereby adopts Proposed Local Law Number 2 of 2024 (P2-2024) to be known as Local Law 2 of 2024 Disabled Persons Exemption in the Town of Schodack, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk, be and is hereby directed to enter said local law into the <u>Code of the Town of Schodack</u> and to give due notice to said local law to the Secretary of State.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the franchise agreement between Time Warner Cable ("TWC") (now known as Charter Communications) and the Town of Schodack, TWC/Charter pays the Town a fee for a special franchise to operate its cable television business in the public right-of-way, and

WHEREAS, for the year 2023 TWC/Charter paid the Town of Schodack \$89,972.13 in franchise fees, and

WHEREAS, TWC/Charter was levied a total of \$3,602.40 in Town taxes on five special franchise properties, and

WHEREAS, Section 626(1) of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York provides that the amount paid as a franchise fee is to be deducted from the taxes levied on a special franchise, and

WHEREAS, Section 626(2) of the Real Property Tax Law provides that the person responsible for collecting the franchise fee shall deliver to the Town of Schodack a certificate showing the amount of the franchise fee paid for the year ending on the date set forth in the certificate, and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the certificate, the law requires the Town of Schodack to enter a credit on the tax roll in the amount shown on the certificate, and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County Bureau of Finance is responsible for entering the credit on the tax roll, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 626, the TWC/Charter Tax Department returned the Town's Special Franchise tax bill, and

WHEREAS, TWC/Charter is required to make a request in order to receive a credit on the tax roll, and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a request for the credit on property taxes assessed in 2024 from the franchise fees paid during 2023,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED to authorize payment of \$3,602.40 to Rensselaer County Bureau of Finance based on the 2023 TWC/Charter Utility report on said franchise properties assessed within the Town of Schodack.

2024-104 Approve the list of Volunteer Ambulance Workers Service Award Program Participants for all 2023 active Volunteer Ambulance Workers of the Castleton Volunteer Ambulance Service Inc., as submitted.

- Authorize Supervisor Peter to execute and administer an annual maintenance agreement, including parts and labor, with Eastern Copy Products, LLC for the Konica Minolta Bizhub 654a copier on the third floor at the Town Hall, ID # 770GF, for the period February 2, 2024 to February 1, 2025 for \$1,225.33 annually. Contract includes 168,000 copies annually with an overage charge of \$0.00807 per copy.
- Authorize Supervisor Peter to execute and administer Addendum Number 2022034-01 for Water District #10 Contract Closeout and Record Drawings, Contract amount shall be increased by \$36,000.00 plus reimbursable expenses.
- 2024-107 Authorize Kerrie Joiner, Human Resource Manager, to post internally the full-time position of Operator I/Operator II for the Town of Schodack and allow the Supervisor to advertise in the official Town newspaper as necessary.
- Authorize Supervisor Peter to execute and administer the Solar Facility Construction Surety Agreement, the Solar Facility Maintenance Surety Agreement, and the Solar Facility Decommissioning Surety Agreement between the Town and Green Dale Solar, LLC, with respect to the solar energy facility to be constructed at 201 County Road 23 (Tax Map No. 13.-1-6).
- 2024-109 Authorize the Comptroller's recommendation to direct the Town Supervisor to pay the claims #24-0141 to 24-0____ on Abstract No. 2024-02, in the amount of \$_____ including the claims paid \$_____.
- 2024-110 Authorize the January 2024 budget modifications, interfund loans and interfund transfers as provided in document dated February 2024 and recommended by the Comptroller.

Motion to Adjourn

Pursuant to the regulation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (Public Law 101-336), the Town of Schodack will provide auxiliary aids or special services for persons with disabilities. Please notify the Town Clerk's Office at 477-7590 so arrangements can be made for requested services.

Please forward correspondence regarding Town matters to: Supervisor Charles J. Peter Town of Schodack, 265 Schuurman Road Castleton-on-Hudson, New York 12033-9622 or call the Supervisor at 518-477-7918

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