Town of Schodack Town Board Meeting September 10, 2020

Public Session - 7 p.m.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Joining us via Zoom:

Presentation - Library Directors Melissa Tacke (Castleton Library), Jill Dugas Hughes (East Greenbush Library) and Tracy Clague (Nassau Free Library)

Watch via livestreaming https://townhallstreams.com/towns/schodack

Public Comment – will be received via emails up to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 10th Deb.curtis@Schodack.org

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

2020-230) WHEREAS, Town of Schodack, with the assistance from AECOM and Rensselaer County Bureau of Public Safety, has gathered information and prepared the Rensselaer County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Rensselaer County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, Town of Schodack is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, Town of Schodack have reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Town Council that Town of Schodack adopts the Rensselaer County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan as approved by FEMA and New York State in July 2020 as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

2020-231) WHEREAS, Village at Miller Road, LLC and the Town of Schodack are desirous of having certain assessment issues resolved as to properties owned by Village at Miller Road, LLC in the Town of Schodack, and

WHEREAS, a settlement proposal resolving tax certiorari litigation was recommended by the Vincelette Law Firm, special counsel to the Town of Schodack, and reviewed by the Schodack Town Board at its regular monthly meeting, and

WHEREAS, such a proposed settlement would present the parties with an expeditious and economic alternative to further litigation so as to resolve issues between the parties, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the Town; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept a proposed settlement for the 2019 tax certiorari proceedings filed by Village at Miller Road, LLC in which the 2019 assessed value of the subject properties shall be reduced as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	Prior Assessed Value	New Assessed Value	Reduction
2019	1783-6.223	\$1,800,000	\$1,250,000	\$550,000
2019	1783-6.226	\$1,176,000	\$785,000	\$391,000

Real Property Tax Law §727 shall apply, and the assessments shall remain unchanged for the 2020, 2021 and 2022 assessment rolls; and it is further

RESOLVED that Village at Miller Road, LLC shall be entitled to a refund of excess taxes, waiving statutory interest, paid based upon the above revision; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt this resolution to end the litigation between Village at Miller Road, LLC and the Town of Schodack as to the above referenced assessment.

2020-232) Resolved that the 2020 Budget Presentation Meeting will be held Monday, October 5, 2020 at 5 p.m. Further, the following schedule was set to review the 2020 Tentative Budget:

Tuesday,	October 13, 2020	6 p.m.
Wednesday,	October 14, 2020	6 p.m.
Thursday,	October 15, 2020	6 p.m.

2020-233) Authorize Supervisor Harris to execute and administer 2020-2021 Snow and Ice Agreement with Rensselaer County Department of Engineering and Highways for reimbursement for snow and ice removal on Stony Point Road.

2020-234) WHEREAS, it is the privilege and duty of the American people to commemorate the anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America with appropriate ceremonies and activities, and

WHEREAS, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as *Constitution Week*,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Schodack does hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as *Constitution Week* and urges all citizens to study the Constitution and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

- Waive the requirement pursuant to Chapter 177§1 of the Code of the Town of Schodack to hold Water Rate hearings on or before October 20th each year, in order to schedule said hearings at a special meeting at a later date to be determined.
- 2020-236) Waive the requirement pursuant to Chapter 176§4 of the Code of the Town of Schodack to hold Sewer Rent hearings on or before October 20th each year, in order to schedule said hearings at a special meeting at a later date to be determined.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed water rates for Operation and Maintenance costs and the assessment rolls of capital charges for Water District Number 1. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed water rates for Operation and Maintenance costs and the assessment rolls of capital charges for Water District Number 3. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed water rates for Operation and Maintenance costs and the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Water District Number 101. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.
- 2020-240) Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Water District Number 2a. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the

Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.

- 2020-241) Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Water District Number 8. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Water District Number 9. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district extension hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed sewer rents for Operation and Maintenance costs for Consolidated Sewer District Number 1. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:20 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed sewer rents for Operation and Maintenance costs and the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Sewer District Number 5. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:20 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed sewer rents for Operation and Maintenance costs for Sewer District Number 6. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:20 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of public hearing on proposed sewer rents for Operation and Maintenance costs and the assessment rolls of the capital charges for Sewer District Number 8. Said hearing shall be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:20 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road or as soon thereafter as the above water district hearing is concluded.
- Authorize Town Clerk to publish legal notice of hearing to seek public input relative to the 2020 Preliminary Budget and proposed fees for 2020 to be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road as soon thereafter as the above sewer district hearing is concluded.
- 2020-248) Adopt the fee schedule for Fall Clean-Up Days (October 15, 16 & 17) at the

Transfer Station as follows:

Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners & dehumidifiers \$ 8.00 Tires, rimless (maximum size 16") \$ 2.00 price by size Larger and rimmed tires TVs, computer monitors (limit of 2 items per household) **FREE Propane Tanks FREE** Furniture (limit of 3 items per household) **FREE** Metal goods **FREE** Push mowers **FREE** Gas grills **FREE Bicycles FREE** *********Please note: all other pricing remains the same********

- 2020-249) Appoint Ann St. Peter as a member of the Board of Assessment Review at salary as set forth in Year 2020 adopted budget. Term to expire September 30, 2025.
- **2020-250)** WHEREAS, the Town Board delegated its annual auditing responsibilities pursuant to Section 123 of Town Law to the Town Comptroller, and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller performed the audit in accordance with the guidelines provided by the New York State Office of the State Comptroller as published in the Local Government Management Guide – Fiscal Oversight Responsibilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accepts the audit report submitted for Justice Court for the fiscal year 2019.

- 2020-251) Authorize the Comptroller's recommendation to direct the Town Supervisor to pay the claims #20-1235 to 20-___ on Abstract No. 2020-09, in the amount of \$_____, including the claims paid \$_____
- **2020-252)** Authorize the August 2020 budget modifications, interfund loans and interfund transfers as provided in document dated September 2020 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 David Harris
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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