

Pursuant to NYS Executive Order 202/2020 issued by the Governor, the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandt is holding meetings virtually via a platform known as Zoom. The public can observe the meetings in real time and they are recorded as usual and posted on the Town Website.

A full audio/video recording of this meeting is available at www.townofcortlandt.com

A **Special Meeting** of the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandt was conducted on September 14, 2020 via Zoom, with the following elected officials and appointed staff in attendance:

LINDA D. PUGLISI FRANCIS X. FARRELL DEBRA COSTELLO RICHARD BECKER JAMES CREIGHTON

Also present:

TOM WOOD MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM LAROUE ROSE SHATZKIN CHRISTINE B. COTHREN PATRICIA ROBCKE MICHAEL PREZIOSI CLAUDIA VAHEY STEPHEN FERREIRA Supervisor Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember

Town Attorney Assistant Town Attorney Town Clerk Deputy Town Clerk - ABSENT Comptroller Director, DOTS Human Resources Coordinator Director, DES

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Supervisor Puglisi called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Supervisor Puglisi led all in attendance in a Pledge to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call attendance taken by Laroue R. Shatzkin, Town Clerk all Town Board members indicated their presence.

Councilmember Costello made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Councilmember Creighton with all voting **AYE**.



RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 213-20 RE: Refunding Bonds of the Town of Cortlandt for Refinancing.

Supervisor Puglisi explained this is a proactive move to refinance and take advantage of very low interest rates, saving close to \$200,000.

Comptroller Patty Robcke further elaborated that the Town has previously issued public improvement serial bonds. In 2004 the Town issued \$1,950,000. for the purchase of the DES Sanitation Building at Roa Hook. In 2010, the Town issued another 3.3 million dollars for various capital projects including the construction of the Youth Center on Memorial Drive and the water tower at Jacob's Hill. The average interest rate was about 3.8 percent at the time, and the Town can now refinance at 1 percent or less. This will save approximately \$17,000. per year, and about \$180,000. over the life of the bond. There would be no extension of time, just a savings. The Comptroller reminded everyone that the Town has very low debt, only using about 1% of its legal borrowing capacity, which is approx. 6.5 million. The Town was also recently upgraded to a Bond Rating of AA1.

Councilmember Costello made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Councilmember Farrell with all voting **AYE**.

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 214-20 RE:</u> Authorize the temporary closure of Lent Street & Emerson Place on September 27, 2020 with a rain date of October 4, 2020.

Town Clerk Laroue Shatzkin explained that a resident requested a socially distant block party and provided an outline of her safety measures, and that Dir. Of DES Stephen Ferreira will determine which portions of the road will close.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

The Town Board adjourned in memory of all those lost during 9/11.

Councilmember Becker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Costello with all voting **AYE**.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.



NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING

September 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm Town Hall Web Site address: <u>www.townofcortlandt.com</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Laroue Rose Shatzkin Town Clerk