

Minutes of the Village Board Meeting held on May 31, 2022 at 7:30PM

Present: Andrew Giacomazza, Mayor
Tara Burek, Victor Ferrarelli, Jesus Gomez and Christopher Graziano, Trustees

Absent: None

Also Present: Kelly Naughton, Attorney for the Village; Robert Weyant, Village Streets Superintendent; Michael Panella, Building Inspector; Michael Phillips, Water/Wastewater Superintendent; Chris Gerver, Planning Board; Rachal Bruce, Zoning Board

Public Hearings:

a. Continued - Moratorium Waiver Petition – 19 Seven Springs Road:

A public hearing was continued from the May 12 meeting, at the request of the applicant, to entertain public comments to consider a request for relief from Local Law No. 9 of 2021 (instituting a moratorium on the issuance of certain permits, certificates of occupancy and approvals) for property located at 19 Seven Springs Road (SBL 215-1-5). The purpose of this public hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the application whereby the property owner is alleging that it suffers unnecessary or extraordinary hardship from the continued moratorium.

Rory Grady, attorney representing the applicant, distributed a letter from the Village of Kiryas Joel stating there is an existing agreement with the previous owner that states the Village of Kiryas Joel will allow water connection from their Village. The property is very close to the village boundary and the agreement runs with the land. He has reviewed the documentation about the legislative intent of why the moratorium exists and reviewed the minutes as well and he believes it is clear the moratorium was enacted due to the water shortage. Larry Hartman spoke about the existing well and an engineer report that shows this could have a potential to effect on the Village's water. He looked for ways to eliminate the possibility to affect the Village's water supply. The existing water line from KJ will assure the impact to the Village of Woodbury water supply would be diminished. He compared this water exchange to the two previously approved waivers that were able to get water from Harriman and the individual that got a waiver due to family health. This is an existing property with existing residents residing in it. It is designed as a ranch and his client's wife has medical issues relating to a fall from a few years ago. In the near future they are expecting a child. They missed the moratorium by a few weeks and went through all the channels he was required to go through. Mr. Grady stated he feels his client has satisfied the requirements set forth in the Village's hardship procedure, some of which do not apply to this application. He asked that the Board consider the fact his client can connect to the Village of Kiryas Joel water supply and that his client has met all the requirements the Board set forth.

Mayor Giacomazza asked when did the knowledge of the agreement come about and Mr. Grady stated he became involved about four weeks ago and the agreement was discovered a few days ago. Mayor Giacomazza stated this prohibits the Board from deciding this evening so that Attorney Naughton can have time to do research so the Board can do their due diligence.

Trustee Burek asked why the property was not connected to the Village of Kiryas Joel water supply in 2014 when the agreement was signed, and Mr. Grady stated he did not know. Attorney Naughton stated the grievance procedures requires the Board to look to see if they had in place a municipal connection and the fact is the property is currently hooked up to a well at the existing dwelling. A municipal connection has not been made at this time then. Mr. Grady stated if the well experiences an impact, then the agreement exists as an alternative.

Trustee Ferrarelli asked how many bathrooms the house currently has and will there be more added. Larry Hartman stated there are currently four bedroom and the new has nine bedrooms. Mayor Giacomazza how much square feet is being added and Mr. Hartman stated about double of what exists.

It has an existing well and understands that with more bedroom more water will be used. Two years ago, he had prepared plans for his client and then the Board passed the Ridge Preservation Law. Four months into the process of complying with the Ridge Preservation Law, the Board then passed the moratorium. His client has a right to build and understands the Board must take away a person's rights to solve the water issue. The additional five bedrooms effect on the existing well is questionable. He feels this really proves to be an unnecessary hardship. Trustee Ferrarelli asked how many bathrooms currently exist and how many are proposed. Mr. Hartmann stated the home currently has three and there will seven, two half-baths, with the new plans.

Trustee Gomez asked if the style would remain a ranch and Mr. Hartmann stated yes since a one-story home is early to walk for his client's wife. Trustee Gomez stated he does not understand where the hardship is, noting adding more bedrooms/bathrooms will affect the water usage. Mr. Hartmann stated the hardship is that there will be little additional water used for the extra bedrooms/bathrooms. Trustee Gomez stated by producing the agreement has an option he believes it proves how likely it will be that the well will not be able to serve the house. Trustee Graziano stated it does not matter since the well is coming from the same aquifer.

Trustee Graziano stated the fact that the Board approved waivers for other applications is irrelevant since each application holds its own merits. He feels stating the application is replacing a single-family home with another single-family is misleading as the size is doubling. He also noted it does not matter if it is a private well because the existing well is not big enough to serve the house of the planned size and it is also being fed from the same aquifer. He asked if there is any Woodbury infrastructure in that area that exists to provide municipal water to this house and Superintendent Phillips stated there are no existing water mains in the area. Mr. Grady stated it was never the intention to mislead the Board and that he used past parameters to prepare his statement for the Board. Regarding water usage, he read the Village's engineer opinion that was issued that stated it could impact the water usage but then it could be interpreted that it could not. Trustee Graziano does not believe that is how that is interpreted. Mr. Hartmann stated the change is minimum and this is an unnecessary hardship for an individual that has been waiting a year to be allowed to move forward. There is minimal potential of an impact to the water due to the existing well. Trustee Graziano understands what they are saying but the water from the Village of Harriman is different the water from this area being discussed. The water from the Village of Kiryas Joel has shown an impact on the water in Woodbury due to the impact on the aquifer. Mr. Grady asked if the Village of Kiryas Joel connection would affect the aquifer, why is that one of the options listed in the procedures. Trustee Graziano stated there is an area of Woodbury that is serviced by the Village of Harriman which is a different aquifer. Attorney Naughton clarified the request is an exemption from the moratorium, not permission to connect to the Village of Kiryas Joel. The Board needs to decide whether the application has met the requirements to qualify for waiver.

The property owner spoke about his wife's medical condition. He bought this house with plans to renovate it so it would be easier for her to walk around. The process before the Planning Board took longer than expected and then the moratorium was enacted. He has five children and other family members that want to state with him. He begged the Board to grant him the waiver.

Maria Hunter stated the application lists the homes as being at 19 Seven Springs Road, but the legal address is 19 Seven Springs *Mountain* Road. She noted the SBL on the application is incorrect as well. She is familiar with the location of the home and she has no recollection of the owner ever appearing before a Woodbury Board requesting permission to connect to water in the neighboring municipality. In the past, the Village has denied a property owner from getting water from the Village of Kiryas Joel.

Mayor Giacomazza asked the Board if they feel there is enough evidence presented for the Board to decision to be made. Attorney Naughton does not think what was presented needs to be investigated further, and the Board should be able to render a decision.

With no further comments, a motion was offered by Trustee Gomez, seconded by Trustee Burek, to close the public hearing.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Trustee Graziano, seconded by Trustee Ferrarelli, to direct Attorney Naughton to draft an unfavorable resolution based on the evidence and the Board’s comments this evening.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

b. Continued – Moratorium Waiver Petition – 20 Centre Drive:

A public hearing was continued from the May 12 meeting, due to a publication error, to entertain public comments to consider a request for relief from Local Law No. 9 of 2021 (instituting a moratorium on the issuance of certain permits, certificates of occupancy and approvals) for property located at 20 Centre Drive (SBL 225-2-1.12). The purpose of this public hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the application whereby the property owner is alleging that it suffers unnecessary or extraordinary hardship from the continued moratorium.

With no further comments, a motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Gomez, to close the public hearing.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Mayor Giacomazza noted at the last meeting the Board directed Attorney Naughton to draft a favorable resolution which will be entertained later on the agenda.

c. Moratorium Waiver Petition – 95 Maher Lane:

A public hearing was held to entertain public comments to consider a request for relief from Local Law No. 9 of 2021 (instituting a moratorium on the issuance of certain permits, certificates of occupancy and approvals) for property located at 95 Maher Lane (Old Glory Mall). The purpose of this public hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the application whereby the property owner is alleging that it suffers unnecessary or extraordinary hardship from the continued moratorium. The public notice was printed in the Times Herald Record on May 24, 2022, and the following comments were received:

Johnny Chew, property manager requesting a hardship, that there are two properties seeking a waiver: one wants to expand and the other wants to open. He has a private well and the application is for the entire property, not for a specific store.

Trustee Graziano asked if he is looking to add seating to one of the locations and Mr. Chew stated yes, and the ability to host parties without causing the need to rearrange the entire store. He stated he does not hit the maximum capacity and it is more for a convenience to him, noting the number of customers will not change. Trustee Graziano stated a study showing how the additional size of the one store would affect the water usage of that location should be conducted.

Trustee Gomez asked if there will be additional bathrooms and Mr. Chew stated no. He also noted he purchases water for cooking due to the taste. The only water used is for bathrooms, washing hands and dishes. One location is a restaurant, and the other is a doctor’s office or nail salon.

Trustee Ferrarelli asked if the well will be able to support the additional usage and Mr. Chew stated he does not expect the extra space to increase his business nor does me expect a big enough impact where it will affect his water usage.

Trustee Burek stated she agrees the applicant should produce a report showing that there would be no impact on the water with the planned changes. Mr. Chew stated the Village Engineer did a water study for the zoning that had an inquiry with the sewage, and it was part of his Planning Board application. Trustee Graziano gave him suggestions on what he should include in his report to prove to the Village Board the impact to the water.

With no further comments, a motion was offered by Trustee Ferrarelli, seconded by Trustee Burek, to close the public hearing.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez
 NOES 1 Graziano

Trustee Graziano stated there is not enough information provided. When it is received the public will need to be able to comment it.

Motion was then offered by Trustee Gomez, seconded by Trustee Burek, to direct Attorney Naughton to draft a favorable resolution based on the evidence and the Board’s comments this evening.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez
 NOES 1 Graziano

d. Introductory Local Law 3 of 2022 – Fire Prevention:

A public hearing was held to entertain public comments on Introductory Local Law 3 of 2022 which would amend Chapter 154 of the Village Code entitled “Fire Prevention” to provide for a requirement for the installation of Knoxboxes®. The public notice as printed in the Times Herald Record on May 24, 2022 and the following comments were received:

Mayor Giacomazza stated comments from the Planning Board have not yet been received, it is scheduled to be discussed at their meeting this week.

With no further comments received, a motion was offered by Trustee Graziano, seconded by Trustee Burek, to continue the public hearing to June 9, 2022.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

e. Introductory Local Law 4 of 2022 – Videoconferencing:

A public hearing was held to entertain public comments on Introductory Local Law 4 of 2022 which would authorize the Village public bodies to use videoconferencing technology to participate in public meetings. The public notice was printed in the Times Herald Record on May 24, 2022.

No comments were received.

Motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Gomez, to close the public hearing.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Trustee Graziano, seconded by Trustee Burek, to adopt Local Law 3 of 2022 entitled “Videoconferencing” as printed at the end of these minutes.

ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL AS FOLLOWS:

Mayor Giacomazza	YES
Trustee Burek	YES
Trustee Ferrarelli	YES
Trustee Gomez	YES
Trustee Graziano	YES

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

No comments were received.

Administrative Business:

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Ferrarelli, to accept receipt of the minutes of the meeting held May 12, 2022.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Trustee Graziano, seconded by Trustee Ferrarelli, to approve Abstract 22 containing vouchers 212196 - 212345 and totaling \$862,785.28.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

c. Fire Department Equipment Request:

Motion was offered by Trustee Gomez, seconded by Trustee Burek, to approve Fire Department Equipment Request 2022-17 totaling approximately \$820.50 for the purchase of one pager for the Chief.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

d. Resolution – Re-Levy of Previously Exempt Property:

Motion was offered by Trustee Graziano, seconded by Trustee Gomez, to adopt the following resolution to re-levy a prorated tax amount due on property(ies) located at various locations that was/were previously eligible for an exemption:

WHEREAS, the owner(s) of property was/were eligible for an exemption on property taxes and upon the sale/death this exemption must be removed; and

WHEREAS, notification was received by the Village Clerk from the Woodbury Assessor that prorated amount(s) need to be re-levied onto the FY2023/2024 taxes for this/these property(ies).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Village Board directs the Village Clerk, Village Tax Collector and any other Village official, employee or agent of the Village to take any and all necessary actions to levy and collect the following amounts on the following affected land(s) in the same manner as all other Village Charges and to take any necessary actions to execute and record a lien upon such land:

206-3-6.2	19 DePalma Drive HM	\$12.44
245-1-136	5 Berkeley Court, HM	\$5.16
209-3-8	34 Olympus Road, HM	\$97.76
255-1-64	17 Stillman Wye, Monroe	\$66.22
219-2-7	90 Weygant Hill Road, HM	\$2.93

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

e. Fire Department – Application for Membership:

Motion was offered by Mayor Giacomazza, seconded by Trustee Gomez, to approve the application for membership to the Woodbury Fire Department (Highland Mills Fire Company) received from Matthew Heady, pending physical.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Old Business:

a. Decision – Moratorium Waiver Petition – 5 Allegheny Cross:

Motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Ferrarelli, to adopt the following resolution granting the applicants petition for a waiver:

WHEREAS the Village of Woodbury adopted Local Law No. 9 of 2020 entitled “A Local Law Instituting a Moratorium on Certain Permits, Certificates of Occupancy and Approvals” (the “Moratorium”), after having received reports that the Village’s water supply is at a critical juncture; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Moratorium is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village and to maintain the status quo of residential and nonresidential development in the Village, while the Village explores mitigation efforts to offset the water shortage impacts throughout the Village; and

WHEREAS the Moratorium as adopted did not provide for any waivers to its applicability, beyond the exemptions listed therein, but permitted the Board of Trustees to promulgate regulations by Resolution authorizing a hardship waiver process if it subsequently determined that a waiver process is necessary and in the best interest of the Village.

WHEREAS on December 23, 2021 and January 27, 2022, the Board of Trustees adopted Resolutions promulgating regulations establishing a hardship waiver process to the Moratorium; and

WHEREAS Joel and Rachel Jacob (“the Jacobs”) own a piece of property located at 5 Allegheny Cross and known on the tax maps as Section 255, Block 1, Lot 6, which property is proposed to contain a single-family dwelling; and

WHEREAS on February 24, 2022, Larry Hartman, the Jacobs’ representative submitted an application for an exemption from Local Law No. 9 of 2021 pursuant to the Resolution setting regulations establishing a hardship waiver process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Woodbury Board of Trustees hereby determines as follows:

- 1) The failure to grant this waiver will cause the petitioner extraordinary hardship, substantially unique to its property and circumstances, and such hardship is substantially greater than the hardship, including, but not limited to, financial hardship, necessarily experienced by other applicants having their or its application decisions delayed. Specifically, the Jacobs would be permitted to construct a single-family dwelling with the same number of bedrooms and bathrooms; however, due to the desire to change the layout of the dwelling from a two-story to a one-story dwelling, approval from the Village Architectural Review Board (“ARB”) is required, which subjects the application to the current moratorium. Additionally, the Jacobs have indicated that the purpose of requesting a one-story dwelling is so that they can care for their father, who is very ill and cannot use stairs.
- 2) The granting of this waiver will have no clear, adverse effect upon the goals or objectives being now undertaken by the efforts of the Board of Trustees to protect and preserve the water resources of the Village. The Board recognizes that the water usage calculations are based on the bedroom count of a dwelling, and the proposed dwelling will have the same number of bedrooms as one of the model homes that are approved for this property.
- 3) The Applicant has sought this waiver for an action that is harmonious with neighboring uses and the community planning efforts currently underway (i.e., a single-family dwelling in a residential neighborhood).

- 4) The extraordinary hardship is not the result of any delay, action, or inaction by the applicant, the property owner, or any predecessors-in-interest, and that such alleged hardship has not been self-created. The need for this waiver is not based in whole or in part upon a lack of maintenance or repair of the property. Rather, a dwelling could be constructed on the premises, but since the Jacobs have requested to revise the layout of the dwelling to care for their sick relative, it requires ARB approval.
- 5) The impact of granting this waiver will not be outweighed by the benefit to the community in preserving the status quo pending completion of review of water resources. There will be no additional usage of water resources by permitting the construction of this dwelling, as the Jacobs are not proposing to increase the number of bedrooms in the structure from what is already permitted to be constructed.
- 6) The relief being granted herein is not greater than the relief requested by the Jacobs in their representative’s petition, and is not greater than the minimum amount of relief necessary to alleviate the extraordinary hardship found by the Board.
- 7) The unnecessary or extraordinary hardship presented here in is not:
 - a) A concern or objection that the present regulations may be changed by the Village; or
 - b) The delay necessarily incurred in making an application or waiting for a decision on the application for a variance, special permit, site plan, subdivision, or other permit during the period of the moratorium imposed by this Local Law.

and it is further

RESOLVED that based upon the above-noted findings, the Jacob/5 Allegheny Cross application is hereby exempt from compliance with Local Law No. 9 of 2021, and is thereby permitted to proceed to apply for and receive approvals from the Village Planning Board and permits from the Building Department, to the extent they are otherwise entitled to the same.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

b. Decision – Moratorium Waiver Petition – 20 Centre Drive:

Motion was offered by Trustee Gomez, seconded by Trustee Burek , to approve the following resolution granting the applicants petition for a waiver:

WHEREAS the Village of Woodbury adopted Local Law No. 9 of 2020 entitled “A Local Law Instituting a Moratorium on Certain Permits, Certificates of Occupancy and Approvals” (the “Moratorium”), after having received reports that the Village’s water supply is at a critical juncture; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Moratorium is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village and to maintain the status quo of residential and nonresidential development in the Village, while the Village explores mitigation efforts to offset the water shortage impacts throughout the Village; and

WHEREAS the Moratorium as adopted did not provide for any waivers to its applicability, beyond the exemptions listed therein, but permitted the Board of Trustees to promulgate regulations by Resolution authorizing a hardship waiver process if it subsequently determined that a waiver process is necessary and in the best interest of the Village.

WHEREAS on December 23, 2021 and January 27, 2022, the Board of Trustees adopted Resolutions promulgating regulations establishing a hardship waiver process to the Moratorium; and

WHEREAS Woodbury Centre Partners, LLC (“WCP”) owns a piece of property located along New York State Route 32 and Centre Drive known on the tax maps as Section 225, Block 2, Lot 1.12 (“Woodbury Centre”); and

WHEREAS there is a proposal to demolish the existing Pizzeria Uno and replace it with a Popeye’s restaurant (also known as “Woodbury Chicken, LLC”); and

WHEREAS on April 1, 2022, Woodbury Chicken, LLC and Woodbury Centre submitted an application for an exemption from Local Law No. 9 of 2021 pursuant to Subsection E of the Resolution setting regulations establishing a hardship waiver process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Woodbury Board of Trustees hereby determines as follows:

1. Woodbury Centre, and specifically the location to be occupied by the Popeye’s restaurant, had in place a municipal water connection to the Village of Harriman prior to the enactment of Local Law No. 9 of 2021.
2. Woodbury Centre provided proof of such connection to the Village of Harriman water system, which was reviewed by the Building Department, Water Department, Village Clerk and Village Engineer, which connection mitigates to an extent the demands on the Village water system and its potential new sources of water.
3. Pursuant to a memorandum from H2M architects + engineers dated April 12, 2022, the information provided is accurate, and there are no changes in use that may increase the usage of water.

and it is further

RESOLVED that based upon the above-noted findings, the Woodbury Chicken, LLC application is hereby exempt from compliance with Local Law No. 9 of 2021, and is thereby permitted to proceed to apply for and receive approvals from the Village Planning Board and permits from the Building Department, to the extent they are otherwise entitled to the same.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

New Business:

a. Appointment to Planning Board – Term Beginning June 1, 2022:

Motion was offered by Trustee Ferrarelli, seconded by Mayor Giacomazza, to reappoint Evan Yan to the Planning Board with a term to begin June 1, 2022 and expire May 31, 2027.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Giacomazza, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 ABSTAIN 1 Burek

b. Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals – Term Beginning June 1, 2022:

Motion was offered by Trustee Gomez, seconded by Trustee Burek, to appoint Edward DeJesus to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to begin June 1, 2022 and expire May 31, 2027.

ADOPTED AYES 3 Giacomazza, Burek, Gomez
 NOES 2 Ferrarelli, Graziano

c. Authorize Mayor to Sign – Agreement for Aerial Testing – Fire Department:

This it was tabled as the agreement is currently being reviewed by Attorney Naughton.

EXTRA ITEM – Resignation from Revitalization Committee:

Motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Graziano, to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Brady DelVecchio from Revitalization Committee effective immediately.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Public Comment:

Melissa Jackson stated she lives on Hadley Farm Road. Adjacent to her property is Town open space and across the street the home there is being used as a shul. Over Memorial Day weekend the residents there created a street across the open space so individuals from Woodbury Junction can access the shul. They removed a fence and used wetlands. It was first a small walking path and now it is a road. Mayor Giacomazza suggested Ms. Jackson send to the Building Department the pictures and videos she has and he will follow-up with them and the HOA tomorrow. Ms. Jackson then stated the residents of 115 Roselawn Road strung lights all along Hadley Farm Road which she feels look like a fire hazard. Also the owners at 72 Southfield Farm Road erected a large tarp on her trees so they can block the view of her pool. They also have a four-foot fence with a 10-15 wall on top of it that she fears will fall onto her property causing damage. She has written the Building Department and was told they had permits which were awaiting final inspection. Trustee Graziano agreed the Building Inspector should inspect the area to see what is happening and Mayor Giacomazza stated he will speak to him tomorrow.

Maria Hunter thanked the Board for participating in the Memorial Day Parade. She thanked all that were involved, participated, watched and helped. Regarding the comments made by Ms. Jackson, she suggested she go before the Town Board since they own the property the road was constructed upon.

Edward DeJesus thanked the Board for appointing him to the ZBA.

Rachal Bruce thanked the Board for their vote on the videoconferencing local law.

Board Member/Department Comment:

Inspector Panella stated he will address the issues raised by Ms. Jackson first thing in the morning.

Trustee Graziano stated he had the privilege of walking in the parade and stressed we all need to honor those individuals that sacrificed for our country. He thought it was overwhelming good to see the public participating and cheering all the marchers on. He thanked all that were involved in organizing the parade.

Trustee Ferrarelli thanked all for attending the meeting this evening. He noted he was also honored to be able to march in the parade and thanked all that were involved in the planning.

Trustee Burek thanked all for attending the meeting and participating in the process. She also thanked all that were involved in organizing the parade and all that served and gave their lives for our freedom. She congratulated those that were appointed to Boards and thanked Kevin Abrams for the time he served.

Trustee Gomez thanked to all that attended. Thanks to all that marched and involved in the parade. Thanks to the Department Heads and employees.

Mayor Giacomazza congratulated Frances Huang for her 20 years of service to the Town and community. He stated he agrees with the comments made about the parade and feels it was one of the best attended parades. Regarding the Ridge Road bridge - he understands it is an inconvenience to those that live in that area but stressed the Village's hands are tied as a tributary is involved, which

requires the DEC approval before work can be done. Once the plans are approved, the bidding process can begin, and the work can be done. He asked for patience while the process moves forward.

Adjournment:

With no further comments received or business to discuss, a motion was offered by Trustee Burek, seconded by Trustee Gomez, to adjourn the meeting at 9:15PM.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Giacomazza, Burek, Ferrarelli, Gomez, Graziano
 NOES 0

Desiree Potvin, Village Clerk

LOCAL LAW 3 OF 2022

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF WOODBURY PUBLIC BODIES TO USE VIDEOCONFERENCING TECHNOLOGY TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC MEETINGS

SECTION 1 LEGISLATIVE INTENT

It is the intent of this local law to give the Village of Woodbury’s public bodies, as that term is defined in Public Officers Law § 102, the authority to participate in meetings via videoconference in a manner consistent with the Village’s videoconferencing policy and the authority granted in Public Officers Law § 103-a.

SECTION 2 AUTHORITY

This local law is adopted pursuant to Public Officers Law § 103-a which expressly authorizes the Board of Trustees to adopt a local law giving the Village’s public bodies the authority to participate in meetings via videoconference from locations not accessible to the public so long as a quorum of the board/body participates from locations where the public may be physically present and other conditions are met.

SECTION 3 VIDEOCONFERENCING FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Woodbury hereby authorizes all members of the Village’s public bodies to participate in meetings using videoconferencing technology in a manner consistent with Public Officers Law § 103-a and the Village’s videoconferencing policy adopted by the Board of Trustees, which may be amended by Resolution.

SECTION 4 SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

SECTION 5 EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.