



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**  
**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024**  
**7:00 P.M.**

Present: Michael F. Curley, Mayor  
Steven Alpert, Trustee  
Angela Hogue, Trustee  
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Trustee  
Clarke Osborn, Trustee  
Robert Magrino, Assistant Village Attorney  
Melissa B. Reimer, Village Clerk  
Gregg Smith, Village Treasurer

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for our veterans and all the soldiers fighting for us all day all around the world.

**OATHS OF OFFICE**

Village Clerk Melissa B. Reimer administered the Oath of Office to:

- Trustee Steven Alpert to a two-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 7, 2026.
- Trustee Angela Hogue to a two-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 7, 2026.

Mayor Curley stated that it has been an honor to work with Steve Alpert and he is glad to have him, and Angela Hogue re-elected. They make it a very successful team to better this Village and it is great having them.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Board of Trustees will hold their monthly meetings at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of each month. Unless otherwise noticed, all meetings of the Board of Trustees will be held at Suffern Village Hall, 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

**DESIGNATION OF THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

The official newspaper for the Village of Suffern is the Rockland Journal News.

**DESIGNATED LOCATION FOR THE POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICES**

Pursuant to Section 104 of Public Officers Law, the designated location for the posting of Village of Suffern public notices will be the Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board located at 61 Washington Avenue, Suffern, New York.

**DESIGNATED LOCATIONS FOR THE POSTING OF LEGAL NOTICES**

The locations designated for the posting of Village of Suffern legal notices will be as follows:

- Suffern Village Hall Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue
- Suffern Police Department Bulletin Board, 61 Washington Avenue
- Suffern Post Office, 15 Chestnut Street
- Suffern Free Library, 210 Lafayette Avenue
- Suffern Community Center, 41 Washington Avenue
- Leo Lydon Building, Cypress Road

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolutions was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2024**

##### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of Suffern shall recognize and shall be closed for business on the following holidays:

New Year's Day – January 1, 2025  
Martin Luther King's Birthday – January 20, 2025  
President's Day – February 17, 2025  
Memorial Day – May 26, 2025  
Juneteenth – June 19, 2025  
Independence Day – July 4, 2025  
Labor Day – September 1, 2025  
Columbus Day – October 13, 2025  
Veteran's Day – November 11, 2025  
Thanksgiving Day – November 27, 2025  
Day after Thanksgiving – November 28, 2025  
Christmas Eve – December 24, 2025  
Christmas Day – December 25, 2025

A motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR**

Mayor Curley appointed Trustee Meegan-Corrigan to the office of Deputy Mayor, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, December 1, 2025. The appointment of Deputy Mayor is a Mayoral appointment that does not require confirmation from the Board of Trustees.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 187 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTING ROBERT MAGRINO, ESQ. ASSISTANT VILLAGE ATTORNEY FOR A ONE YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley does hereby appoint Robert Magrino, Esq. as Deputy Village Attorney, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term through 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board recognizes that the position of Deputy Village Attorney is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village that may include activities that occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if Robert Magrino participates in the New York State Retirement system, he shall be required annually to record or recertify work activities for a period of three consecutive months in accordance with Chapter 315.4, Section (a) Record of Work Activities, of the New York State Retirement System Regulation, Regulation on Reporting for Elected or Appointed Officials.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTING STEPHANIE FURGANG ADWAR AS ASSOCIATE VILLAGE JUSTICE FOR A ONE YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, Stephanie Furgang Adwar is hereby appointed to Associate Village Justice, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at noon on December 1, 2025, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if Stephanie Furgang Adwar participates in the New York

State Retirement system, she shall be required annually to record or recertify work activities for a period of three consecutive months in accordance with Chapter 315.4, Section (a) Record of Work Activities, of the New York State Retirement System Regulation, Regulation on Reporting for Elected or Appointed Officials.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

Ms. Furgang Adwar was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 189 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Kathy Van Sickle as Deputy Village Clerk Part-Time, effective December 2, 2024, to a one-year term of office through 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board recognizes that the position of Deputy Village Clerk is of a nature typically available to be called upon at any time and any day to perform duties on behalf of the Village that may include activities that occur outside of the Village of Suffern Municipal Building offices.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 190 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTING MARIA DUFFY AS DEPUTY TREASURER FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Maria Duffy as Deputy Treasurer, effective December 2, 2024, to a one-year term of office through 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025,

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 191 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE TAX COLLECTOR**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Joanne Cioffi as Village Tax Collector, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 192 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY VILLAGE TAX COLLECTOR**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Kathy Van Sickle, as the Deputy Village Tax Collector, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 193 OF 2024**

##### **APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE HISTORIAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Craig Long as Village Historian, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 194 OF 2024**

**APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Richard Gandon as Planning Board Chairman, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Osborn, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

Mr. Richard Gandon was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

Mayor Curley thanked Richard Gandon for his work for the last three years as the Planning Board Chairman.

**RESOLUTION NO. 195 OF 2024**

**APPOINTING PAUL STANBRIDGE AS PLANNING BOARD MEMBER FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Paul Stanbridge as Planning Board Member, effective December 2, 2024, for a five-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 3, 2029.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 196 OF 2024**

**APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Hudson Van Sickle as Planning Board Alternate Member, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 197 OF 2024**

**APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Richard V. Byrnes, Jr. as Planning Board Alternate Member, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 198 OF 2024**

**APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Barry Tesseyman as the Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 199 OF 2024  
APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Bruce Simon as Zoning Board of Appeals member, effective December 2, 2024, for a five-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 3, 2029.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

Mr. Bruce Simon was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

**RESOLUTION NO. 200 OF 2024  
APPOINTING STEVEN MARKS AS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AD HOC MEMBER  
FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Steven Marks as Zoning Board of Appeals Ad Hoc member, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025, at an annual rate of \$753.39.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

Mr. Steven Marks was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

**RESOLUTION NO. 201 OF 2024  
APPOINTMENT OF SEWER RENT APPEALS BOARD CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Bruce McClintock as the Sewer Rent Appeals Board Chairman, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 1, 2025.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Osborn, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 202 OF 2024  
APPOINTMENT OF SEWER RENT APPEALS MEMBER**

**RESOLVED**, that Mayor Michael F. Curley hereby appoints Louis Ciaccio as the Sewer Rent Appeals member, effective December 2, 2024, for a three-year term to expire at 12:00 noon, on December 6, 2027.

A motion to confirm the foregoing resolution was made by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Alpert, with all in favor.

**Adopted:** December 2, 2024

PLEASE NOTE: Mayoral appointments are one-year appointments that are in the purview of the Mayor and do not require the approval of the Board of Trustees. Mayor Curley made the following appointments for one-year terms to expire at 12:00 noon, December 1, 2025:

**TO THE ADVISORY BOARD ON CULTURE AND RECREATION:** Cathy Mills, Trustee Hogue, Nancy Christopher, Melissa Reimer, Lisa Conroy, Lisa DeJuse, Suzanne Joyce, Lynn Limbrick, Michael Murphy, Jonathan A. Theodore, Heather Ford, Barbara Murphy, Steven Marks, and Kathy Van Sickle are hereby appointed as members of the Advisory Board on Culture and Recreation, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 1, 2025.

**TO THE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:** Theresa Shedler, Ernie Bosco, Frances Glick, Kathy Van Sickle, Fred

Rella (Advisor), and Charles Sawicki (Advisor), are hereby appointed as members of the Citizen Advisory Committee for Community Development Program, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 1, 2025.

**TO THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:**

Mayor Curley and Trustee Hogue for the Community Foundation Board Members, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 1, 2025.

**TO THE MAHWAH RIVER COMMITTEE:**

Trustee Alpert and Trustee Meegan-Corrigan for the Mahwah River Committee Board Members, effective December 2, 2024, for a one-year term to expire at 12:00 noon on December 1, 2025.

**MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Curley stated that Trustees Steve Alpert and Angela Hogue did not have any challenges this year because the public was happy with what they saw. They were happy with the service they received and that is a compliment to them. I thank them for working for this Village and all of us working together.

Mr. Robert Magrino was sworn in by the Village Clerk.

Mayor Curley spoke about the different positions that Mr. Magrino steps in as the Assistant Village Attorney within the Village.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 P.M. was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, and passed unanimously by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa B. Reimer, CPA  
Village Clerk