



**VILLAGE OF SUFFERN**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, January 5, 2026**  
**5:30 P.M.**

**Present:** Michael F. Curley, Mayor  
Jo Meegan-Corrigan, Deputy Mayor  
Angela Hogue, Trustee  
Steven Alpert, Trustee  
Terry Rice, Village Attorney  
Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk

**Absent:** Clarke Osborn, Trustee

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Curley called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

A Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2026, at 5:30 P.M

A Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2026, at 5:30 P.M

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** To Approve December 1, 2025, Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes was moved by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Hogue with all in favor.

**MOTION** To Approve December 1, 2025, Reorganization Meeting Minutes was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, seconded by Trustee Hogue with all in favor.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**14 Wayne Ave:**

Their attorney, Ira Emanuel, requested that we adjourn the public hearing without date, due to the fact he feels he has to go back to the Planning Board.

**MOTION** – to adjourn without date for 14 Wayne Avenue, was moved by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan and seconded by Trustee Alpert with all in favor.

**To amend Chapter 266 of the Code of the Village of Suffern, the Zoning Local Law, by adding a New Section, Prohibiting Short-Term Rentals in the Village of Suffern**

The Planning Board has a meeting this month, so we are going to wait for their comments

**MOTION** – to adjourn the Public Hearing for the continuance To amend Chapter 266 of the Code of the Village of Suffern, the Zoning Local Law, by adding a New Section, Prohibiting Short-Term Rentals in the Village of Suffern, until the February 2, 2026 Meeting was moved by Trustee Hogue and seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan with all in favor.

### **2026 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant)**

We put in for a Community Development Block Grant and will have a Public Hearing for it at the February 2 meeting.

**MOTION** – To set a Public Hearing the 2026 CDBG, for February 2, 2026, was moved by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan with all in favor.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT (Chief Loughlin)**

Presented the Police Department statistics for the month of December, and the total annual calls for service were 11,303 in 2025.

Chief Loughlin gave a brief history of Brian Block’s background.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 001 OF 2026**

### **AUTHORIZING THE NOMINATION OF BRIAN BLOCK TO THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER PART-TIME**

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees hereby nominates Brian Block to the position of Police Officer Part-Time, pending final certification of qualifications by Rockland County Personnel.

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

**Adopted:** January 5, 2026

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

**MOTION** – giving permission to host the Annual AFC/NFC Football Fundraiser at Vol. Hose Co. #1 on Sunday, January 25 from 3:00-10:00 pm, was moved by Trustee Hogue, seconded by Trustee Meegan-Corrigan, with all in favor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**MOTION** to open the public comment period was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

Mayor Curley: We constantly have emails and phone calls from people all week long and we (myself, the Departments, and this Board) answer them. I think that over time it has made it to where people don’t come to as many meetings, because we are so accessible and transparent. It is constant with all our departments, and we are constantly addressing those situations and telling them what we can and cannot do.

I want to mention one thing, on Crestwood Lane: Chief, if we could set up the speed radar machine to track the speeds, we have some concerns about speeding. There is a problem as a whole in the country obviously if you look at how many tickets are given out all over the country every day. We

are ordering some stop signs that are solar and that blink, we will see where they are needed and ordering more.

**MOTION** to close the public comment was made by Trustee Alpert and seconded by Trustee Hogue.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. Charles Sawicki presented the board resolutions:

**RESOLUTION NO. 002 OF 2026**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 5 TO COPPOLA SERVICES, INC., FOR THE STP UV REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR A CONTRACT PRICE DECREASE in the amount of \$33,515.68**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that Change Order No. 5 to Coppola Services, Inc. for the STP UV Replacement Project for a decrease in the contract price in the amount of \$33,515.68 is hereby authorized.

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

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**RESOLUTION NO. 003 OF 2026**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR DS MEYER FOR THE 2025 RIGHT OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT in the amount of \$59,884.00**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that Change Order No. 1 to DS Meyer for the 2025 Right of Way Improvement Project in the amount of \$59,884.00 is hereby authorized.

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

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Like other municipalities, we have to come up with a plan for how to minimize the copper that comes off pipes. This engineer is assisting us in that as well as our workers in the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**RESOLUTION NO. 004 OF 2026**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH PITINGARO & DOETSCH FOR THE PREPARATION OF A COPPER MINIMIZATION PLAN in the amount of \$16,800**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Pitingaro & Doetsch for the preparation of a copper minimalization in the amount of \$16,800.00, in accordance with the proposal dated November 25, 2025, subject to approval by the Village Attorney as to form and substance.

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

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## **TREASURER**

This resolution is to secure fixed pricing for gas for the Village. It is a two-year commitment, and it's better than the last price fix we had two years ago, and much better than O&R.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 005 OF 2026**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CITY POWER & GAS FOR THE SUPPLY OF GAS**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Suffern has contracted with JMI Consultants LLC to analyze its gas usage and to obtain competitive bids for the supply of gas; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing contract for the supply of gas expired on March 31, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, JMI Consultants solicited proposals for the supply of gas and obtained bids from five potential providers; and

**WHEREAS**, City Power & Gas submitted the lowest bid at \$0.51448/therm for a term of 24 months; and

**WHEREAS**, JMI Consultants has reviewed the proposals and has recommended an award of contract to City Power & Gas.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a gas sales agreement with City Power & Gas, 3 Mount Ebo Road Suite 554, Brewster, NY, 10509 for the period of two years, commencing on 12/31/2025, at a rate of \$0.51448/therm subject to approval of a contract as to form and substance by the Village Attorney.

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

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## **MAYOR**

I have been dealing with the County in reference to Memorial Drive, where we got a million dollars. We are working on getting other money from the Federal government, and we will see if that can happen, even FEMA money. We have applications in and are waiting in that. We are going forward with the plans for Memorial Drive with an engineering firm. I am going to the public to ask what they would like, whether we can do two lanes plus a sidewalk, or if it is one lane. Chances are it will be two lanes. If you do a sidewalk, if you need to do eminent domain on one side and if it takes much longer or not. We are working on getting that road open.

A lot of times we have situations in the Village, and the Chief deals with it all the time, where you need the County or even the Town. The County set up a new program where they actually pay for an officer one day a week, even at an overtime rate. So we can send an officer to one Bureau and another officer to another Bureau, like the Task Force and the Intelligence Unit. They get experience and it keeps Suffern in the know for intelligence, drugs, and things that unfortunately go on.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 006 OF 2026**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE ROCKLAND COUNTY INTELLIGENCE CENTER AND REGIONAL INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCE CENTER AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT THERETO**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law authorizes municipal governments to perform together that which each government is authorized to perform individually and requires that any Memorandum of Understanding be approved by each participating municipal governing board by a majority vote thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the joint exercise of law enforcement powers and authority is specifically authorized by General Municipal Law §209-m and;

**WHEREAS**, General Municipal Law §209-m empowers law enforcement officers to exercise their powers outside of their normal jurisdictions with the same powers, duties, rights, benefits, privileges, and immunities as if they were performing their duties in the local government in and by which they are normally employed, when assistance is requested; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern has determined that it is in the public interest and of mutual advantage to enter into an agreement for the aforementioned provision of inter-agency police services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Suffern that the Mayor is authored to sign on behalf of the Village of Suffern and Village of Suffern Police Department a Memorandum of Understanding with the participating municipalities to participate in the Rockland County Intelligence Center and Regional Investigative Resource Center and the First Amendment thereto, should he be so advised, subject to approval by the Village Attorney and Mayor as to the form and substance of the Memorandum of Understanding, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor reserves the exclusive authority to make any such assignments of personnel and the identity of such personnel which, in his sole discretion, he deems advisable.

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

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We had a very good 2025 with lots of events, we will be doing more. We will be doing another carnival on May 28 to May 31, The last carnival brought in money allowing us to help out Little League, Football, and any overtime expenses Suffern paid. We get a percentage. It's good bringing back the old times to Suffern.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 P.M. was made by Trustee Alpert, seconded by Trustee Hogue, with all in favor.

Respectfully,

Betty Vanderbeek, Village Clerk