

TOWN BOARD
GARNERVILLE, NY
OCTOBER 25, 2022

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

The Town of Haverstraw Police Honor Guard presented the Colors.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town of Haverstraw Police Honor Guard retired the Colors.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman	Isidro Cancel
Councilman	Vincent J. Gamboli
Councilman	John J. Gould
Councilman	Johnny Ortiz

**APPOINTMENT OF ONE FULL TIME POLICE SERGEANT POSITION –
RUBEN BERRIOS II**

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

397-22 RESOLVED, THAT UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF PETER MURPHY, CHIEF OF POLICE, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY APPOINT RUBEN BERRIOS II OF THIELLS, NEW YORK TO THE POSITION OF SERGEANT, FULL TIME, CONTINGENT PERMANENT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT MR. BERRIOS HAS BEEN CLEARED ON ALL PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTS BY THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THIS APPOINTMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL, AND MR. BERRIOS SHALL SERVE A PROBATION PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS.

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES

398-22 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2022 as submitted by the Town Clerk and on motion by Councilman Gamboli, seconded by Councilman Cancel were unanimously adopted.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

399-22 RESOLVED, that bills numbered 2726 through 2854 in the amount of \$1,038,618.90 (\$9,280.53 – Highway Department) audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

None.

NEW YORK STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM – ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

400-22 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Elected Officials						
Title	Name	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends	Days/Month (based on Record of Activities)	Tier 1 (check only if member is in Tier 1)	Not Submitted (check if no record of activities completed)
Supervisor	Howard T Phillips, Jr	6	1/1/22-12/31/23	29.88		
Town Justice	Ivonne Santos	6	1/1/22-12/31/25	6.24		
Town Clerk	Raquel Ventura	6	1/1/22-12/31/23	22.72		
Appointed Officials						
Animal Control Officer	Claudia Perry	6	1/1/22-12/31/22	12.22		
Recreation Assistant	Lorraine Arocena	6	1/1/22-12/31/22	7.81		
Youth Board Member	Jansen Barron	6	1/1/22-12/31/22			X
Youth Board Member	Nikki Merriman	6	1/1/22-12/31/22	1.28		
Youth Board Member	Kenia Serrano	6	1/1/22-12/31/22			X
Emergency Services Coordinator	Gerald Knapp	6	1/1/22-12/31/22	1.08		
Planning Board Member	Joseph Michalak	6	1/1/22-12/31/26			X
Architectural Review Board Member	Gregory Merriweather	6	11/22/21-12/31/24			X

On this 25th day of October, 2022

Date Enacted: 10/25/2022

(Signature of Clerk)

I, Raquel Ventura, clerk of the governing board of the Town of Haverstraw, of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution passed by such board, at a legally convened meeting held on the 14th day of May, 2018 on file as part of the minutes of such meeting, and that same is a true copy thereof and the whole of such original. I further certify that the full board, consists of 5 members, and that 5 of such members were present at such meeting and that 5 of such members voted in favor of the above resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and the seal of the Town of Haverstraw

(seal)

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AND NEARMAP US, INC.

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

401-22 RESOLVED, BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF TOWN ASSESSOR CHARLES ZABA AND BUILDING INSPECTOR GEORGE BEHN, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEARMAP US, INC. TO PROVIDE AERIAL IMAGERY AND LOCATION DATA FOR A 12 MONTH SUBSCRIPTION TERM STARTING OCTOBER 27, 2022 AT A COST OF \$7,500.

CHANGE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING DATE FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

402-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 AT 7:00 PM FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW IS HEREBY CHANGED TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER, 7, 2022 AT 7:00 PM.

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING - 2023 PRELIMINARY TOWN BUDGET

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

403-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN CLERK BE AND SHE HEREBY IS AUTHORIZED TO PUBLISH A NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC HEARING SHALL BE HELD ON THE PRELIMINARY TOWN BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023, AT THE TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M., AND THAT ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND SHALL BE HEARD BY THE BOARD, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN LAW THE PROPOSED ANNUAL SALARIES ARE HEREBY SPECIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

SUPERVISOR	\$150,897.31
COUNCILMAN (EACH)	\$32,306.72
TOWN CLERK	\$97,404.38
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT	\$115,341.05

AUTHORIZATION TO SET TERMS & CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR POLICE LIEUTENANT – OCTOBER 11, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022

Councilman Cancel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gamboli and on roll call unanimously adopted.

404-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR POLICE LIEUTENANT JAMES W. HANSEN FROM OCTOBER 11, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 AS SET FORTH IN THE WRITTEN TERMS AND CONDITIONS DATED OCTOBER 11, 2022.

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Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

405-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO RETAIN JAMES BIRNBAUM, ESQ. OF NEW CITY, NEW YORK TO PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES ON AS AS NEEDED BASIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH HIS RETAINER LETTER DATED OCTOBER 19, 2022.

APPOINTMENT OF DANNY SANTANA TO THE POSITION OF GROUNDWORKER FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

406-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPOINTS DANNY SANTANA OF THIELLS, NEW YORK TO THE POSITION OF GROUNDWORKER, FULL TIME FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 25, 2022, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THIS APPOINTMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND MR. SANTANA SHALL RECEIVE AN HOURLY RATE OF \$21.63.

REFUND OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE TO FERGUSON LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION, LTD

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

407-22 RESOLVED, THAT BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING INSPECTOR GEORGE BEHN AND PAT BRADY, P.E., THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF \$310.00 TO FERGUSON LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION, LTD FOR A BUILDING PERMIT FEE FOR THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 78 MADISON AVENUE, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK.

APPROVAL FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR – TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

408-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPROVES THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REPAIR AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: STAGE II TESTING FAILURE REPAIRS - SUPPLY AND INSTALL TWO (2) NEW 623V 2" VENT CAPS, TWO (2) NEW COAXIAL OVERFILL PREVENTION DROP TUBES ON THE GAS TANKS, BY AMERICAN PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT & CONSTRUCTION OF WALDEN, NEW YORK AT A COST OF \$7,262.74.

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**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE THREE (3) CONCEPT SEATING HIGH BACK
COMMERCIAL SEATS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE
DEPARTMENT UNDER NEW YORK STATE CONTRACT**

Councilman Cancel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gamboli and on roll call unanimously adopted.

409-22 RESOLVED, BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CAPTAIN JOHN GOULD, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO PURCHASE THREE (3) CONCEPT SEATING HIGH BACK COMMERCIAL SEATS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER NEW YORK STATE CONTRACT #PC68321 TO CONCEPT SEATING GOVERNMENT LLC OF BROOKFIELD, WISCONSIN AT A COST OF \$4,729.46.

**AWARD OF RFQ NO. 21-2022 – FOR THE PURCHASE, DESIGN AND
INSTALLATION OF ONE (1) ROUND DIBOND SIGN WITH VINYL AND LAMINATE
– RECREATION COMPLEX**

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

410-22 RESOLVED, THAT ONE (1) REQUEST FOR QUOTE WAS SUBMITTED TO SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC., TOWN CONSULTANTS, FOR THE PURCHASE, DESIGN AND INSTALLATION OF ONE (1) ROUND DIBOND SIGN WITH VINYL AND LAMINATE – TOWN SEAL LOGO FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW RECREATION COMPLEX, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD THE RFQ TO FASTSIGNS OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY, THE SOLE PROVIDER, AT A COST OF \$7,882.00.

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND
AND TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW**

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

411-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES CHIEF OF POLICE PETER MURPHY TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ROCKLAND COUNTY AS A PARTICIPATING AGENCY OF THE ROCKLAND REGIONAL RESCUE, ENTRY AND COUNTER TERRORISM TEAM (REACT).

**ADVERTISE FOR BID NO. 9- 2022 – TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE STATION
HVAC REPLACEMENT**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

412-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN CLERK BE AND SHE HEREBY IS AUTHORIZED TO PUBLISH A NOTICE TO BIDDERS THAT SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT HER OFFICE AT ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, UP TO AND INCLUDING 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022, FOR THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE STATION HVAC REPLACEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS.

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**ALLOCATION FOR LOCAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LOCAP)
GRANT FUNDS**

Councilman Cancel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gamboli and on roll call unanimously adopted.

413-22 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO APPLY FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LOCAP) GRANT FUNDS, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW WILL BE USING THE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS ON THIELLS MT IVY ROAD (\$200,000.00) AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS, DRAINAGE AND PAVING ON CHAPEL STREET (\$100,000.00).

**AWARD OF RFP NO. 9 - 2022- PRINTING AND MAILING OF MAGNETS FOR THE
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2023 PICK UP SCHEDULE**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

414-22 RESOLVED, THAT TWO (2) REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS WERE SUBMITTED TO GEORGE WARGO, JR., SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, FOR THE PRINTING AND MAILING OF TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (2,5000) CALENDAR MAGNETS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2023 PICK UP SCHEDULE, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD THE RFP NO. 9 - 2022 TO SHELL ANN PRINTING OF STONY POINT, NEW YORK, AT A COST OF \$3,438.00, THE LOW BIDDER.

SUPPORTING OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

415-22 WHEREAS, THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HAVE GREAT RESPECT, ADMIRATION, AND THE UTMOST GRATITUDE FOR ALL OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SELFLESSLY SERVED OUR COUNTRY AND THIS COMMUNITY IN THE ARMED FORCES; AND

WHEREAS, THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES HAVE BEEN VITAL IN MAINTAINING THE FREEDOMS AND WAY OF LIFE ENJOYED BY OUR CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS, TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW SEEKS TO HONOR THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE PAID THE HIGH PRICE FOR FREEDOM BY PLACING THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY FOR THE GOOD OF ALL; AND

WHEREAS, VETERANS CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY IN THE AMERICAN LEGION, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, RELIGIOUS GROUPS, CIVIL SERVICE, AND BY FUNCTIONING AS COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICERS IN 29 STATES TO HELP FELLOW FORMER SERVICE MEMBERS ACCESS MORE THAN \$52 BILLION IN FEDERAL HEALTH, DISABILITY AND COMPENSATION BENEFITS EACH YEAR; AND

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WHEREAS, APPROXIMATELY 200,000 SERVICE MEMBERS TRANSITION TO CIVILIAN COMMUNITIES ANNUALLY; AND

WHEREAS, AN ESTIMATED 20 PERCENT INCREASE OF SERVICE MEMBERS WILL TRANSITION TO CIVILIAN LIFE IN THE NEAR FUTURE; AND

WHEREAS, STUDIES INDICATE THAT 44-72 PERCENT OF SERVICE MEMBERS EXPERIENCE HIGH LEVELS OF STRESS DURING TRANSITION FROM MILITARY TO CIVILIAN LIFE; AND

WHEREAS, ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS TRANSITIONING FROM MILITARY SERVICE ARE AT A HIGH RISK FOR SUICIDE DURING THEIR FIRST YEAR AFTER MILITARY SERVICE; AND

WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES ENCOURAGES ALL COUNTIES, PARISHES AND BOROUGHES TO RECOGNIZE OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW APPRECIATES THE SACRIFICES OF OUR UNITED STATE MILITARY PERSONNEL AND BELIEVES SPECIFIC RECOGNITION SHOULD BE GRANTED; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, WITH DESIGNATION AS A GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS COUNTY, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY DECLARES FROM OCTOBER THROUGH VETERANS DAY, NOVEMBER 11TH 2022 A TIME TO SALUTE AND HONOR THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM TRANSITIONING FROM ACTIVE SERVICE; THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT IN OBSERVANCE OF OPERATION GREEN LIGHT, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW ENCOURAGES ITS CITIZENS IN PATRIOTIC TRADITION TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF HONORING ALL THOSE WHO MADE IMMEASURABLE SACRIFICES TO PRESERVE FREEDOM BY DISPLAYING A GREEN LIGHT IN A WINDOW OF THEIR PLACE OF BUSINESS OR RESIDENCE.

AWARD OF RFP NO. 10 - 2022 – TRANSPORTATION FOR A TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW YOUTH BOARD TRIP

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

416-22 RESOLVED, THAT ONE (1) RFP WAS SUBMITTED TO LORRAINE AROCENA, RECREATION ASSISTANT, TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR A TRIP FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW YOUTH BOARD TO RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL FOR THE CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR SHOW IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD RFP NO. 10 - 2022 TO US COACHWAYS OF STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK AT A PRICE OF \$1,552.55.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ilan Shulein, Thiells, NY gave a letter to Supervisor Phillips and the Board expressing his concern about several matters including cars parking on his street in front of his mailbox.

Supervisor Phillips stated that Building Inspector George Behn will set up a meeting with Mr. Shulein to go over his concerns.

Maddalena Harper Harper, Pomona, NY asked Supervisor Phillips if he received her email and was able to read it.

Supervisor Phillips stated that he is reviewing Mrs. Harper's requests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town of Haverstraw 14th Annual 90 ~ Plus Recognition Day at the Hudson Water Club was held on Thursday, October 13th. It was a beautiful event and every year it is an honor to host this event. Congratulations to all the honorees!

The Town of Haverstraw Youth Board has two trips planned: Disney on Ice is scheduled for Saturday, November 5th and the Annual Town trip to Radio City for the "Christmas Spectacular" is scheduled for Thursday, December 15th.

The Town of Haverstraw's Annual Halloween Festival at Bowline Point Park is scheduled for Saturday, October 29th starting at 12 noon. The festival is open to North Rockland children 12 years old and under, accompanied by an adult.

ADJOURNMENT

417-22 Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of Lydia Esther Borgos, Marion Doris Margiotta, Carmen Hilda Inoa, Catherine Marie Welsh, Pedro Soriano and Frank J DeGroat Jr. who recently passed away. A motion was made by Councilman Cancel, seconded by Councilman Gamboli, and unanimously adopted and the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

RAQUEL VENTURA
TOWN CLERK