# TOWN OF NEW BALTIMOE, COUNTY OF GREENE TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING

# JUNE 8, 2020 AGENDA

Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **New Business**

- Water Main Break at Scheller Park
- Declaration of State of Local Emergency Water District #2 Transmission Water Main Failure
- Audit of Claims

# **Upcoming Meetings**

• June 23, 2020 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM

## **Public Comment Period**

Adjournment

\*\*\*\* Agenda Subject to Change\*\*\*\*

#### GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

- 1. The Supervisor shall preside at the meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Supervisor, the Deputy Supervisor shall be the acting Supervisor. In the event both the Supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor are absent, the other members shall designate one of their members to act as temporary chairman. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
- 2. Town residents who wish to speak shall fill out a card at the entrances of the meeting room listing their name, contact information, and the subject matter in which they would like to speak. These cards will be collected prior to the beginning of the Town Board meeting and given to the Town Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.
- 3. Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and then proceed to the lectern and state their name and address. They must limit their remarks on official town business to up to three minutes on a given topic and may not yield any remaining time to another speaker. They must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof and not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
- 4. Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents, or others. All speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity, and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering, or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
- 5. Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks, or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.
- 6. After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
- **7.** The Town Supervisor, or in their absence the Deputy Supervisor, shall ensure compliance with these rules.

This policy will be amended by Majority vote of the Town Board.

#### TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE

## RESOLUTION 76-2020 JUNE 8, 2020

#### **Declaration of a Local State of Emergency**

#### Water District #2 Transmission Main Failure

- **WHEREAS**, in 1974, the Town of New Baltimore (the Town) acted to create Water District #2 which encompasses generally the geography of Scheller Park in the Town; AND,
- **WHEREAS**, the Town owns and operates a potable water system serving Water District #2 that includes a water transmission main as well as water distribution lines and appurtenances such as hydrants; AND,
- **WHEREAS**, the source of potable water for Water District #2 is Village of Coxsackie water system via water mains owned and operated by the Town of Coxsackie to a point of interconnection with the water transmission main owned and operated by the Town; AND,
- **WHEREAS**, the transmission main owned by the Town that serves Water District #2 is aged over 100 years, is pit cast iron, and bisects the Thruway Right of Way; AND,
- WHEREAS, on Monday, June 1, 2020, the Town was notified that the water transmission main serving Water District #2 was leaking in the vicinity of the New York State Thruway causing subsidence of the southbound travel lanes, in particular the passing lane, and that immediate action was necessary; NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING.

#### RESOLVED:

- 1. The break in the water transmission main owned by the Town that lies under the New York State Thruway constitutes a disaster and public emergency wherein the public safety is imperiled due to a lack of potable water in Water District #2.
- 2. The Declaration of a Local State of Emergency and any immediate related actions are Type II Actions under the State Environmental Quality Review Act as provided in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(33) which states: "emergency actions that are immediately necessary on a limited and temporary basis for the protection or preservation of life, health, property or natural resources, provided that such actions are directly related to the emergency and are performed to cause the least change or disturbance, practicable under the circumstances, to the environment. Any decision to fund, approve or directly undertake other activities after the emergency has expired is fully subject to the review procedures of this Part."
- 3. Decisions made to fund, approve or undertake Actions taken to address the emergency situation on a permanent basis are also Type II Actions under the State Environmental Quality Review Act as provided in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(2) and (4) and (5) which state:

- (2) replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site...unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part
- (4) repaying of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes
- (5) street openings and right-of-way openings for the purpose or repair or maintenance of existing utility facilities
- 4. In accordance with Executive Law §24.1, a Local State of Emergency is hereby declared commencing this date and extending for thirty days or until rescinded by the Town Supervisor, whichever comes first.
- 5. The Town Supervisor is hereby empowered to promulgate local emergency orders to protect life and property or to bring the emergency situation under control in accordance with Executive Law §24.1.
- 6. The declaration of a Local State of Emergency shall be published as soon as practicable in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected this order and transmitted to the radio and television media for publication and broadcast in accordance with Executive Law §24.2.
- 7. This Declaration and Order shall become effective immediately.

## TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE

# RESOLUTION 77-2020 JUNE 8, 2020

## RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS

WHEREAS the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review, and

WHEREAS the Town Board has audited claims 2020-06-01 to 2020-06-, it is

**REVOLVED** that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2020-06-01 to 2020-06-.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until July 31, 2020.