

A Town Board meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro, Westchester County, New York, was held on February 13, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lewisboro Town House, 11 Main Street, South Salem, New York.

PRESENT:

Supervisor	Tony Gonçalves
Council Members	Andrea Rendo, Mary Shah, Richard Sklarin, Daniel Welsh
Town Clerk	Janet L. Donohue
Absent	None

Also attending was the Attorney for the Town Gregory Folchetti, Maintenance Employees Shawn Johannessen and Joel Smith, Highway Superintendent Peter Ripperger, Comptroller Nisha Singh, Financial Consultant Leo Masterson and Parks & Recreation Supervisor Nicole Caviola.

Approximately 16 residents/observers attended the live meeting and approximately 16 participated via Zoom.

Supervisor Gonçalves called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

Supervisor Gonçalves noted the exits to be used in the event of an emergency.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

COMMUNICATIONS

WALLACE DONATED LAND

Councilwoman Shah read the below email that was sent to the Town Board regarding the property that was donated to the Nature Conservancy, and then the town by Henry A. Wallace's wife, Ilo Wallace, in his honor.

To Town officials:

In 1974 my grandmother Ilo Wallace gifted 4.2 acres of land from Farvue Farm to the Town of Lewisboro in honor of her husband, Henry A. Wallace, to be used as a nature preserve and a buffer zone for other town properties. The supervisor at the time, Alvin R. Jordan, had written to my grandmother in 1973 and 1974 to ask if she would be interested in selling the parcel and stated in his letter: "It is needed to provide proper drainage and as a space for landscaping and screening. Since this area is adjacent to the approach to the hamlet of South Salem, we wish to do an extensive landscaping project as soon as possible to establish a beautiful site and totally block out the future highway garage area which will be at the rear of the property." Though funds had been set aside to purchase the property, my grandmother generously donated the property.

The deed of the property was conveyed to the Nature Conservancy, with the intent of donating the same property to the Town of Lewisboro, subject to the stringent restrictions listed in the deed: "This conveyance is made subject to the express condition and limitation that the premises herein conveyed shall forever be held as a nature preserve, for scientific, educational, and aesthetic purposes and shall be kept entirely in their natural state, without any disturbance whatever of habitat or plant or animal populations, exciting the undertaking of scientific research and the maintenance of such fences and foot trails as may be appropriate to effectuate the foregoing purposes without impairing the essential natural character of the premises. Should the premises cease to be used solely as provided herein then the estate hereby granted to the Town of Lewisboro may be terminated by the Nature Conservancy under a power of termination in the nature of right of entry for condition broken or executory interest."

In appreciation, the Lewisboro Town Board, represented by Alvin R. Jordan, Supervisor expressed gratitude in a letter to Ilo Wallace stating that the property would be held forever by the Town as a "Nature and Wildlife Preserve in the memory of your beloved husband and our friend and neighbor, The Honorable Henry A. Wallace". Quoted in the Reporter Dispatch, Mr. Jordan states: "While it is very nice that this land can be useful to us, what is most important is that it will always be preserved as a natural open space in our town."

It has been almost 50 years since the land was donated, and there has never been an effort to create a nature preserve, or at the bare minimum, to landscape it or to protect it from contamination from the neighboring salt dome. The property where the salt dome is located has been the site of an illegal logging operation for years before it was brought to the attention of the town by concerned residents. There is a large pile of mulch with smoke rising from it, as well as a hill of dumped millings, and it is worrisome that a cell phone tower in its vicinity is being considered.

I feel deeply that our family's stewardship of Farvue Farm has been dedicated to preserving the valuable green spaces of South Salem and to ensuring that the use of water resources on our property adhere to the strict environmental guidelines of New York. While we no longer own the land deeded to the town, it is discouraging that the Town of Lewisboro has not been a conscientious steward of this property, or respectful of the stringent restrictions of the deed, which includes a reverter clause in case they are not followed.

If almost 50 years ago this small parcel was considered so valuable by the town that one official proclaimed it the gateway to South Salem and the first welcoming sight to visitors, I urge the current Town Council to also treat it with the same respect and appreciation as did the town officials who came before them.

Thank you, Ann Wallace Douglas Cornell

Councilwoman Shah did respond via email to Ms. Cornell.

NYS DOT PAVING PROJECT

Supervisor Gonçalves read a portion of a letter from the NY State Department of Transportation regarding the repaving of a portion of Route 35 and Route 121 which is scheduled to take place this summer during the daytime hours. The Route 35 portion would start at Old Shop Road to the East section of Route 121 and conclude at the South of the John Jay school. Councilman Welsh asked about sidewalks by Orchard Square and the school. Supervisor Gonçalves stated that he did request this from DOT a while back but will follow up with his contact at DOT. Once it gets closer, emails will be sent out alerting shop owners and residents.

ZOOM PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilwoman Rendo read the below two emails regarding public comments via zoom. She stated that these were just a few of many emails:

Dear Lewisboro Town Board Members:

My name is Jo Ann Ehnes and I live at 13 Hall Avenue Goldens Bridge.

I'm writing in disagreement with the decision to stop participants, via zoom, from speaking during public comments. I have an adult disabled son, who can't make the meetings but participates via zoom / YouTube as paratransit stops running at 7pm and he the bus doesn't run near location. Since covid life has changed for all and having a zoom option is a great way for the homebound, aging, disabled, families with childcare issues, etc. be part of the town meetings that they have a right to partake in. I would like to thank Andrea Rendo, Dan Walsh, and Richard Slarkin for voting yes and asking others to reconsider your vote. Thank you for your time and service to the town of Lewisboro. Happy and healthy New Year to all and your families. May 2023 be the good change Lewisboro deserves. Have a blessed and good week. Jo Ann Ehnes

Dear Mr. Goncalves,

I was appalled at your treatment of your fellow board members over your mandate to cancel public commentary from zoom meeting attendees. You spoke about public bullying and harassment from folks and then turned around and did exactly that to the other members with dismissive rhetoric and constant interruption. I strongly encourage you rethink this idea. Why can you not enforce restrictions on public comments who abuse the rules? If they abuse the commentary rules, block them from future commentary. If this town needs anything, it is more transparency, not less. I voted for you. After seeing this meeting, I won't again.

Disappointed, Todd Gardner

CONSENT AGENDAMINUTES & REPORTS - Approved

On motion by Supervisor Gonçalves, seconded by Councilwoman Shah, the minutes of the January 23, 2023, Town Board meeting and the monthly January Building Report were approved and filed.

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Gonçalves, Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

It was also mentioned that the Building Department's revenue was the lowest that it has been in 2 years, and they feel that this is due to a combination of Mercedes no longer making a payment and January is typically a slow month.

CHAPTER 199 TAXATION - Update

Supervisor Gonçalves reminded everyone about the public hearing to be held on February 27, 2023 for the proposed amendment to Chapter 199 Article IV entitled "Volunteer Fire Fighters and Ambulance Workers". At the last meeting there was some discussion from the volunteers that

they would like the wording changed. Town Attorney Greg Folchetti stated that he spoke with counsel for the fire departments and explained that this is an opt-in law, and the wording needs to stay as is and the volunteers were in agreement with the 2 years versus 5 years for eligibility.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE – Update (7:53 – 8:29 p.m.)

Valerie Monastra, Principal Planner and Project Manager from Nelson Pope Voorhis (NPV), the consultants for the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, made a presentation as to where they are in the process (see attached).

Ms. Monastra stated it was also suggested by the committee that hamlet meetings could be held on Saturdays however, Councilwoman Rendo stated that this might not be ideal for small business owners who are open at this time and young families can be involved with sports on Saturdays. There would also be town wide events as well.

Councilman Sklarin asked what they are doing to get a diverse sample of residents involved with these surveys and meetings. Ms. Monastra stated that email/web blasts are sent out, social media and surveys/emails are also in Spanish and Chinese. Interpreters and childcare were also available at the meetings. He also questioned the 266 total participants which represents about 2% of the town's population and asked how this compared to the response rates of other towns and Ms. Monastra stated that we are doing very well.

The Board brainstormed about how to reach more residents such as mailings, text messages, etc. Ms. Monastra will report back to the committee. Their next meeting is February 23, 2023.

BOND APPROVALS – Discussion (8:30 – 9:40 p.m.)

Supervisor Gonçalves stated that the Highway asked for \$614,000 of borrowing for 2 highway vehicles and a hot box and Parks & Recreation asked for \$367,000 of borrowing for various capital improvement projects. Former town comptroller Leo Masterson was at the meeting and explained why borrowing resolutions for several capital projects and highway vehicles were being discussed this evening. He stated that the town's current outstanding Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) of \$3.3 million will mature in April. Mr. Masterson explained that at that time, the town would either have to pay back the amount in full, or they could reissue the note for another year, which he said was the town's only viable option. Since the town must reissue the BAN for another year, it would make sense to add on any additional money that might be needed for borrowing. And since the process of issuing a BAN costs money, he said they can avoid additional fees by including borrowing in the town's current BAN. Mr. Masterson also reminded the board that the resolutions that were in front of them this evening were only to set borrowing limits. At a later date, they can decide if they want to borrow the entire amount or part of it or none.

Highway Superintendent Peter Ripperger was in attendance and stated that and stated that the department is in need of 2 plow and salt trucks which retail for \$279,000 each and 1 "hot box" for asphalt which retails for \$56,000. Mr. Ripperger stated that these are the same 2 trucks that he requested to replace last year, and they are 21 & 18 years old and causing a lot in expenses in maintenance. The new trucks are also computerized which allows the department to use less salt.

He explained that these trucks will take some time to manufacture; approximately one and a half years and they will be purchased off New York state contract. Mr. Masterson stated that the borrowing resolution would give Mr. Ripperger the ability to order the trucks and then pay for them once they are manufactured.

The Board did ask about leasing the vehicles, which the town used to do, and Mr. Ripperger will investigate the pricing for leasing.

Parks & Recreation Supervisor Nicole Caviola requested a maximum borrowing amount of \$367,000 which would include \$55,000 of pool equipment, \$75,000 for baseball field backstops, \$125,000 for paving at the town park, \$100,000 for renovations to the Onatru bathrooms and \$12,000 for a 10x16 shed at the town park.

It was discussed that the town received a total of \$1,284,304 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and after using \$350,000 for the playground at the town park, they are left with \$934,304. Supervisor Gonçalves went over a few scenarios which included using part or all of the ARPA funds. The Board will need to decide how to use the ARPA funds by the end of 2024 and have until 2026 to spend the money.

Councilman Sklarin would like to know what the impact of this borrowing would be and would like it in writing. Mr. Masterson stated that if this decision was delayed until the next meeting, the interest rate could change. After continued discussion, Councilman Sklarin opposed approving this borrowing resolution for Parks & Recreation at this time and he wants to sit down and talk about borrowing priorities in more detail.

The Board did vote in favor of passing the resolution in the amount of \$614,000 for the Highway Department however, postponed the vote on the resolution to borrow \$367,000 for Parks & Recreation capital improvements until the February 27, 2023, Town Board meeting.

BOND APPROVALS - \$614,000 for Purchase of Highway Trucks & Hot Box

On motion by Supervisor Gonçalves, seconded by Councilman Welsh, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Gonçalves, Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2023.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$614,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF LEWISBORO, WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE ACQUISITION OF TRUCKS AND EQUIPMENT FOR ROAD PLOWING AND MAINTENANCE, IN AND FOR SAID TOWN.

WHEREAS, all conditions precedent to the financing of the capital purpose hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital purpose; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro, Westchester County, New York (the "Town"), as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of the acquisition of trucks and equipment for road plowing and maintenance, each item of which shall cost \$30,000 or more, in and for the Town, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, a class of objects or purposes, there are hereby authorized to be issued up to \$614,000 bonds of said Town pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is \$614,000, and the plan for the financing thereof shall be by the issuance of the \$614,000 bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond resolution.

Section 3. It is hereby further determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is fifteen years pursuant to subdivision twenty-eight of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the maximum maturity of the bonds authorized will exceed five years.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such

manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said Town are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent such appropriation is not made from other sources, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Town a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the Town by the manual or facsimile signature of the Supervisor and a facsimile of its corporate seal shall be imprinted or impressed thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Town Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Supervisor, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as the Supervisor shall deem best for the interests of the Town; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Supervisor shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Supervisor shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the

fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the Town by the facsimile signature of its Supervisor, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the Town), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the Supervisor. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the Town not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and, accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine.

Section 9. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 - 2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 10. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not authorized to expend money, or
 - (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,
- and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in summary in *The Record Review*, the official newspaper of the Town, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 12. This resolution is adopted subject to permissive referendum in accordance with Section 35.00 of the Local Finance Law.

PLANNING BOARD – Keane & Beane Hourly Rate

On motion by Councilman Welsh, seconded by Councilman Sklarin, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Gonçalves, Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED that the Town Board does authorize the Supervisor to sign the retainer agreement with Keane & Beane which reflects an increase in their hourly rate for applicants by \$20/hour and be it further

RESOLVED that Keane & Beane's hourly rate that they charge the Town will not increase.

PARKS & RECREATION SUPERVISOR – Salary Increase

On motion by Councilwoman Shah, seconded by Councilman Welsh, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(4)
	No	- None	(0)
	Abstain	- Gonçalves	(1)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED that the Town Board does, as previously authorized, authorize the increase in salary for the Parks & Recreation Supervisor position to \$82,500 starting with pay period #2 of this year.

UTILITIES – Sewage Rate Increase for The Meadows (9:55 – 10:01 p.m.)

Supervisor Gonçalves stated that he received a letter from the Board of Directors for the Meadows at Cross River Sewage Works Corporation stating that they want to apply to the Town

Board to increase the sewage treatment rates to the homeowner users effective March 1st, 2023. The requested rate increase is as follows:

- Current rate - \$5.50 per 1000 gallons and \$73/quarterly
- Proposed rate - \$8.50 per 1000 gallons and \$90/quarterly

They noted that the last increase was on 12/1/20 and the cost of operations has increased in the past 2.5 years, therefore they are requesting that the requested rate increase be approved for this private community of homeowners.

Town Attorney Gregory Folchetti stated that NY State Law Section 121 of the Transportation Corporations Law requires that they obtain Town Board approval for any increase.

Andrea Scalzo from the property management company was asked by Councilman Sklarin for a resolution showing evidence that in fact this was agreed upon by the homeowners association. Ms. Scalzo stated there was no resolution however she could forward the minutes of where this was agreed upon to the Supervisor.

On motion by Councilwoman Shah, seconded by Councilman Sklarin, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Gonçalves, Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Lewisboro Town Board has received a letter dated February 6, 2023 from Scalzo Property Management, requesting an increase in rates to be charged for the collection and treatment of sewage within the Meadows at Cross River Sewer District, and

WHEREAS, the Sewage Works Corporation is owned by the Meadows at Cross River Homeowners' Association, which has agreed to the new rates, and

WHEREAS, the sewer rates in the Meadows has not been increased since December 1, 2020, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lewisboro Town Board elects to treat the letter of February 6, 2023, from Scalzo Property Management as a petition under Section 121 of the Transportation Corporations Law and providing the Meadows at Cross River Homeowners' Association shows evidence that they did in fact approve this increase, grants the petition, and be it further

RESOLVED, that effective March 1, 2023, the charges for the collection of sewage in the Meadows at Cross River are fixed at \$8.50 per thousand gallons, with a quarterly service charge of \$90.00 per quarter.

ZOOM PUBLIC COMMENT – Discussion

Councilwoman Shah read the following email from a resident:

"Mr. Goncalves and Board,

As a long time Lewisboro homeowner I believe that residents who have an interest in the health and agendas of our community appreciate and in fact are entitled to have the opportunity to be participants. I am frankly shocked at the new decision to not provide comments via zoom at board meetings. Over the past few years I have seen our community acknowledge the need for inclusivity in many areas and had been encouraged that we in fact were nurturing a more cohesive generous spirited community. This decision counters this forward motion to engage citizens with a poorly and contentiously adopted decision. If the logic in this decision, if I understood correctly upon viewing the meeting, was to eliminate contentious comments that cross lines of civility via phone I honestly don't understand the effectiveness of this decision as a out of line caller can immediately be disconnected, whereas an irate citizen in person will be hard to silence or remove making in person commenting potentially broadly disruptive.

Our community is made up of various types of households including the following who are largely unable to attend live; single parent households, the elderly, those ill or chronically compromised, the handicapped or those with mobility issues and those that for personal reasons still are not comfortable gathering in enclosed unmasked spaces.

As this decision was clearly not favored by the board it is apparent that it bears further discussion and hopeful amendment. We are after all a democracy. If any board members would like to respond I'd be very happy to know I've been heard and am interested in greater understanding of this issue. Respectfully, Cathy Deutsch

The Board stated that this email reflects what many have conveyed to them either through emails or phone calls.

Supervisor Gonçalves stated that he is going to reinstate the public comment portion on Zoom but he feels that the rules should be followed by all. He said that the town is not bound to support Zoom and many towns have given Zoom up altogether, but he is willing to continue with Zoom.

Councilwoman Shah stated that since she could not get a word in edgewise at the last meeting, she feels it is very important to practice accessibility and inclusivity and to be considerate.

PUBLIC COMMENT – New Business Only

A total of six residents spoke during public comment period.

PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM

Five residents stated that they were glad that the Supervisor reinstated public comment via zoom. One resident, who is also on the school board, stated that they did away with Zoom altogether and feels that people who want to make public comments should do so in person.

COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN SURVEY

A resident stated that he disagreed with having “race” on the comprehensive plan survey.

SALT DOME TIMBER PILE

A resident asked about the status of the salt dome timber pile.

CLAIMS – Authorized for Payment

On motion by Councilman Sklarin, seconded by Councilwoman Shah, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize payment of the Town's bills in the amount of \$681,180.53.

POLLING OF BOARD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION UPDATES

There will be a new neighbor wine and cheese get together at Onatru Farmhouse on February 26, from 4-6 p.m. Please sign up by calling the Parks & Recreation Department at 914-232-6162.

TOWN SPONSORED EVENTS

Councilwoman Rendo requested an agenda item on the next meeting agenda to discuss what constitutes a town sponsored event so they can come up with an appropriate policy.

PROCLAMATION

Councilwoman Rendo stated that she has been asking for a year now to have a proclamation for Bill Bongiorno added to the agenda and would like that to be on the upcoming meeting agenda.

VISTA PARK CLEANUP

On February 4, a group of Vista residents, businesses and organizations got together to cleanup Vista Park. Councilwoman Shah suggested maybe doing the same at the salt dome/cemetery area.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Shah thanked the Emergency Management Committee for volunteering and urged all residents to sign up for <https://alert.ny.gov>.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

For more information on African American History Month, you can visit the Lewisboro Library.

GARDEN CLUB

Councilwoman Rendo thanked the Garden Club for spending time at her home removing invasives in her yard after bidding and winning on this item at a fundraiser.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE

Residents were urged to take the Comprehensive Plan survey which is open until February 15th.

TOWN EMAIL BLASTS

Residents were reminded to sign up for the Town Email blasts by visiting the town's website at www.lewisborogov.com.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

It was announced that the new Building Inspector started two weeks ago and went on his first fire call last evening in Goldens Bridge.

ANTENNA ADVISORY BOARD

Supervisor Gonçalves stated he attended a recent Antenna Advisory Board meeting where they started the discussions of a cell tower at the South Salem Presbyterian Church. There was an initial site visit by Homeland Towers, and they need to get a more detailed engineering review and get the buy-in from ATT & Verizon. More information to follow.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Gonçalves wants to focus on government business and to continue to do the good work that they have been doing. He did hear the constituents and will continue with public comments during the Zoom calls.

MEETINGS – Dates Set

There will be a meeting on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town House, 11 Main Street, South Salem, New York.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – To Conduct an Interview

On motion by Supervisor Gonçalves, seconded by Councilman Welsh, the Board voted 5-0 to go into executive session at 10:30 p.m. to conduct an interview.

On motion by Councilwoman Shah, seconded by Councilwoman Shah, the Board voted 5-0 to come out of executive session at 11:17 p.m.

PLANNING BOARD – Appoint New Member

On motion by Councilwoman Shah, seconded by Councilwoman Rendo, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Gonçalves, Rendo, Shah, Sklarin, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does appoint John Gusmano to the Planning Board for a 5-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilman Rendo, seconded by Councilman Sklarin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 11:23 p.m.

Janet L. Donohue
Town Clerk