MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025 COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM

PRESENT: TOWN SUPERVISOR DANIEL MCLAUGHLIN; DEPUTY TOWN SUPERVISOR RAE SZYMANSKI; COUNCILWOMAN KRISTEN BURKE; COUNCILWOMAN MAURA CURTIN; COUNCILWOMAN KARA MCLOUGHLIN

RECORDING SECRETARY: TOWN CLERK – ANTOINETTE CLEMENTE; DEPUTY TOWN CLERK- MOLLY GIROLAMO

OTHERS PRESENT: RUTHANN DESIMONE – CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERVISOR; TOM KLEINBERGER – TOWN ATTORNEY, AUGUSTA TURNER – LIBRARY DIRECTOR

CALL TO ORDER- Town Supervisor Daniel McLaughlin opened the Legislative meeting at 7:00PM

1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Town Supervisor Daniel McLaughlin asked the Board to review and approve the minutes from the meeting held on June 2, 2025.

Legislative meeting minutes:

Motion by: Councilwoman McLoughlin
Seconded by: Councilwoman Burke

Vote Taken:
Supervisor McLaughlin- Aye
Deputy Town Supervisor Szymanski- Aye
Councilwoman Burke- Aye
Councilwoman Curtin- Abstain
Councilwoman McLoughlin - Aye

Motion passed unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) DEPUTY TOWN SUPERVISOR SZYMANSKI

a. EMS stats for June 2025: 110 calls

Pelham – 52
Pelham Manor – 50
Mutual Aid –Eastchester-4; Bronxville -3; Tuckahoe - 1; Hutch – 4; I-95 -1

- Average response time for the ambulance and flycar was 5 minutes and 9 seconds.
- The onsite time (the time that the flycar is there until the ambulance comes) was 18.9.
- Transportation time average was 14 minutes 8 seconds.
- Turnaround time (the EMS cannot be released to come back until there is a report from the hospital) was an average of 29.8.
- Hospitals: Lawrence – 23; Sound Shore – 16; Mount Vernon – 4; White Plains – 21; Medical Center – 4; Jacobi -5

b. The construction for the EMS staff is almost complete. Eastchester is going to help furnish the space.

c. The permanent EMS Certificate of Need application is being worked on. We need to send over 200 registered or certified letters to surrounding municipalities. We are following the lawyers' suggestions to complete the mailing. This must be completed by September 20, 2025.

d. Deputy Supervisor Szymanski, Councilwoman Burke and Ruthann DeSimone have been on multiple calls with our law firm, Keane and Beane, to examine and update the employee manual. The goal is to distribute the new manual in October, before evaluations and the budget cycle.

2) COUNCILWOMAN MCLOUGHLIN- RECREATION/SENIORS

a. Summer camps are running smoothly. There are 164 Big Tots participants – the most ever. Day Camp has 120 which is the max we have allowed. Tiny Tots is running at the following schools: Colonial -76 ; Siwanoy – 56; Prospect – 75 (AM) and 30 (PM). Camp Mindfulness for children with special needs starts the week of July 14th and has 13 participants. There is still space in the summer sports clinics. More information is available on the Recreation website.

b. Registration for Fall soccer is open. Sign up on pelhamsoccer.com.

c. The Summer Concert series on Monday nights has started and is more popular than ever. They will keep going until the middle of September.

d. A new registration system for Recreation is being set up in mid-August.

e. Senior activities in the month of June included: Hutchinson School ballroom dancers, Civics luncheon, hot dog day, pizza day, Westchester County Senior club boat cruise around the Statue of Liberty, cards, bingo. There were 24 medical van trips.

f. There is a New York State grant opportunity opening next week and closes three week later. It might be appropriate for Pelham Together, but we would have to partner with them since they do not have physical property. More information to come.

3) COUNCILWOMAN BURKE – LEGAL

a. The judges and court staff walked through the first floor renovation and are looking forward to being together in one space.

b. Transit Mobility update: the survey is complete and we are waiting for the final report. When approved the Board will share the results with the public and begin discussions about which grants to apply for based on the results.

c. EV charger update: We have a $30,000 grant for EV chargers. Councilwoman Burke and Supervisor McLaughlin have met with three potential vendors and have landed on ChargePoint. We are looking at locations for the chargers, the process could take up to 8 months.

d. Glover Field update: We are still waiting for the final report.

e. Justice Report:

May 2025:

Judge Kagan - $13,998.00

Judge Gardner - $47,520.00

f. Monthly Tax Receiver's Statement – June 2025

Town/County 2025	$75,083.33
Town/County 2024	$0
School Taxes	$17,963.40
School Collection Fee	$150.89
Duplicate Payments	$0
Duplicate Refunds	$0
Penalties and Interest (Town)	$3,351.36
Penalties and Interest (School)	$2,173.72
Penalties and Interest (Liens)	$1,797.70
Liens	$43,985.09
Taxpayers Agreement	$2,555.32
Misc.	$24.00
Pro-Ratas	$3,712.26
Total	**$150,797.07**

4) COUNCILWOMAN CURTIN – LIBRARY

a. Councilwoman Curtin was in attendance at the summer reading program kick-off which included a visit from the Bubble Bus. There were 250 people in attendance and 133 of them signed up for the program.

b. Monday, July 14th there will be a crafty adults program to make flower drying racks. Sign up on the library website.

c. Reading Bingo for adults is happening now. Bingo cards can be picked up at the library or printed from the website. The prize is a Kindle.

d. Tai Chi for beginners will take place on the library lawn on Tuesdays at 11:30 am. Walk ins welcome.

e. Continuing programs include: after hours book club, lego club and Mah Jongg.

f. Tickets for Novel Night go on sale Tuesday, July 15.

g. A new Town Update was posted on the website on June 30th.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- There is a cooling center at the library (during working hours).
- All Westchester County municipalities must change to .gov for websites and emails by December 31, 2025. Our IT consultant is handling this for the Town.
- Mike Ibarra was sworn in as a new Constable.
- Supervisor McLaughlin attended the Eagle Scout ceremonies for Greg McFarland, Paul McLaughlin, Julian Matteoni and Logan Constant.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1) **Tax penalty forgiveness request for property S/B/L# 05/603.83-1-61.**

   ****The Board unanimously agreed to take no action per NYS law.**

2) Councilwoman McLoughlin met with Joe Durnin to discuss the Town's involvement in the Memorial Day parade and 9/11 ceremony. She will be forming a committee to meet in October to commence the planning process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- David Montilla, Communications Director for NY State Senator Nathalia Fernandez gave an update on the latest legislative session, which included legislation on opiate settlement fund disbursement transparency and individual liability. He also dropped off flyers for upcoming family events in the district.

Motion to adjourn the Legislative meeting at 7:57 PM and move to Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Motion by: Councilwoman Burke
Seconded by: Councilwoman McLoughlin

Vote Taken:
Supervisor McLaughlin- Aye
Deputy Town Supervisor Szymanski- Aye
Councilwoman Burke- Aye
Councilwoman Curtin- Aye
Councilwoman McLoughlin – Aye

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Antoinette Clemente, Town Clerk
Molly Girolamo, Deputy Town Clerk