

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS**
April 14, 2022 – Town Board Meeting – 6:00pm

A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday April 14, 2022 at 6:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: George D. McHugh, Supervisor
Brandon L. LeFevre, Council Member
Linda S. Bruno, Council Member
Marisa Tutay, Council Member
Stephen Schmitt, Council Member



Absent:

ALSO PRESENT: Candace McHugh, Town Clerk
Daniel Baker, Deputy Supervisor/ Highway Superintendent

Supervisor McHugh called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge. Council Member Bruno led the audience in prayer. The Supervisor asked to let the record reflect that all Council members were present.

Announcements:

The Supervisor addressed the recent issues with the broadcasting of meetings. He explained all the meetings are recorded and if it isn't working it is not due to a lack of effort. He also reminded the audience the meetings are open to the public.

COVID UPDATE:

Albany COVID numbers are as Follows:

*67 new infections as of April 11th

*Seven day average of new daily positive cases is now up to 84.4 from 64.8

*Three new COVID hospitalizations since April 11th with 21 total county residents now hospitalized. Three of those patients are in the ICU

Saturday 4/16 at 10:30 the Easter Bunny Parade will travel from Coeymans Hollow Firehouse, West on 143 then loop around Whitbeck Rd. To Stanton and then East on 143 towards Ravena, he will be escorted by Coeymans Fire, Medway Grapeville and Ravena Fire departments. He will travel down Main St. To Church St, they will make a loop around the Coeymans gazebo and return via Westerlo Street.

V.F.W. Post 9594 will host the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 16, 2022 beginning at 11:00a.m.

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Annual Alcove Community Yard Sales will be on Saturday April 30, 2022. To help offset the cost of advertising and printing, there will be a 10 dollar registration fee to be put on the treasure map; treasure maps will be for sale at the Coeymans Hollow Firehouse 8:00am on Saturday morning, along with breakfast sandwiches and Alcove anniversary booklets. Registration forms can be found on the Town of Coeymans website, please submit your registration by Saturday April 23, 2022. You can contact Stephanie Hamilton at (518) 376-2690 or (518) 756-2708 or shamilton27@gmail.com for any questions, additions, or cancellations.

Town of Coeymans will host their Annual Recycle Day on Saturday May 14, 2022 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. Information can be found on the Town of Coeymans Website for locations and acceptable items.

We Love RCS & RCS Friends of the Arts will be holding a Music & Street Art Festival on May 14th from 11am to 4pm on Main Street Ravena. Please contact weloveartsfestival@gmail.com for more information. The deadline is April 30, 2022.

Supervisor McHugh recognized Carver Companies for being named by the Times Union as a Top Workplace in the Capital District and was given an award for Workplace Leadership. Supervisor McHugh mentioned that Carver Companies has now moved their headquarters to Coeymans. He also noticed that almost eight years ago to the day Lafarge was breaking ground on their new plant which would be the cleanest in North America. He stated have two industries in our town that we should be proud of and he wanted to pay them a little respect.

Motion to Approve Minutes - motion made by Council member Tutay and Seconded by Council member LeFevre, all were in favor.

Minutes were approved for the following meetings:

March 24, 2022 Town Board Meeting

Old Business:

Chris Dooley from MJ Engineering presented to the Board the current plans for the Town Hall Project. Supervisor McHugh gave a little history on the efforts of the Town up to this point to either relocate Town Hall or add on. Ultimately the engineers met with the department heads to develop the site plan to rebuild on the current property. Mr. Dooley explained the reason for the placement of the new Town Hall was so the existing Town Hall could remain fully functioning

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during the construction of the new 12,000 square foot building to eliminate down time. Mr. Dooley went through the current floor plan which is approximately 90% done. The Police, Clerk, Assessor and Building Departments are located on the first floor as they are the most heavily used by the public. Upstairs will be the court and Supervisor's office. There will be a meeting room to be used by the court and Town Board. There will be approximately 80 parking spaces. The basement will be climate controlled and fire rated, each department will have their own area in the basement for records. Supervisor McHugh asked Mr. Dooley to explain why it isn't feasible to build onto the current hall. Mr. Dooley explained our current building does not meet code and is not ADA compliant and cannot be altered to be so. Most departments are running out of room and would have to be displaced while construction was occurring. Council member Tutay asked what the estimated construction time is, Mr. Dooley believes it will be 12 to 14 months. Mr. Baker asked if the new building could be used as a shelter in place if needed, Mr. Dooley said yes. Mrs. Driscoll expressed her hope that the Town would go beyond the current ADA requirements. Mrs. Tanner asked about the price. Mr. Dooley said price has not been fully determined yet as the plans are not complete. Supervisor McHugh believes we will be able to pay for approximately half of this with fund balance. Nicole Ambrosio asked if there were any plans to add on to this to accommodate a community center. Mr. Dooley said it could be considered. Supervisor McHugh has a goal of finalizing the plans by the end of the year. Mrs. McDonald asked if there was green space and what is being done for energy efficiency. Mr. Dooley answered by saying his firm usually tries to go above and beyond as long as the costs of the upgraded efficiencies justify the potential savings.

Joralemon Playground Equipment: Installation is set to begin the week of April 18, 2022. Copeland Striping is looking to set up the final striping of the courts by the end of April. Mr. Baker and Mr. Chmielewski visited the site to starting planning out the permit process.

Riverfront Green Initiative Grant Project: Our engineers put this project out to bid approximately March 1st, and 11 different contractors pulled the plans. The bids were opened by the Town Clerk at Town Hall on March 31st at 2:00pm in the presence of our Town Engineers. The Town Engineers reviewed the bids and evaluated the lowest competitive bid for acceptability, then gave us a letter dated April 7th, recommending award of the contract, which will be consider later tonight.

Broadband Expansion RFP: The Town published a Request For Proposals, better known as an RFP, and sent a copy to every broadband internet provider currently doing business in Coeymans. Proposals will be received and opened on April 27th, and the board anticipates awarding the Grant at the Town Board meeting on the evening of April 28th.

Coeymans Ambulance District: The Town discussed pursuing a Town wide Ambulance District for Coeymans several months ago, together with the officers of the Ravena Rescue Squad. Since that time, Supervisor McHugh met with our town attorney as well as the officers of the Ravena Rescue Squad, and he believes we have an agreement to pursue this goal together. This will put a detailed amount on the tax bill for the ambulance district. It doesn't necessarily mean there will be a tax increase. By paying a tax directly to the ambulance district it would remove it from the

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Town budget. The estimate for legal services that will be required to form this district is approximately \$25,000, which the Rescue Squad has agreed to split equally with the town. Supervisor McHugh made a motion that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign a letter of engagement with attorneys Dreyer Boyajian for legal work involving the establishment of a Coeymans Ambulance District, not to exceed \$25,000, seconded by Council member Schmitt, all were in favor.

Letter of Support for Carver Companies: The Port of Coeymans is seeking a Grant for infrastructure improvements such as water and sewer, to support the offshore wind industry that is soon to be making Coeymans their home. Supervisor McHugh made the motion that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign and submit a letter of support to be added to the Grant application for the Port of Coeymans, seconded by Council member Bruno, all were in favor.

New Business:

SEQRA review for Coeymans Sewer District Extension No.1

SEQRA review for Coeymans Water District Extension No.2

Jason Ballard from Barton & Loguidice reviewed the need for the SEQRA and advises it will be a negative declaration. He mentioned the potential need for wetland delineation further along in the process.

Resolutions

Resolution # 93-22 Authorize Permanent Hire of Clerk 1

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Tutay offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, Riley Smith was appointed as a provisional hire for Building Department Clerk 1 pending CSEA examination on January 24, 2022, and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Smith has since taken and passed the Clerk 1 Civil Service examination on February 4, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby acknowledge the passage of the required examination and appoints Riley Smith as a permanent hire for Clerk 1, retroactive to February 4, 2022 at a rate commensurate with the current CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Seconded by Council member LeFevre, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council member Schmitt asked for clarification. Supervisor McHugh explained this is just making her appointment permanent now that she has passed the Civil Service Test that is required.

Resolution # 94-22 Awarding of Coeymans Riverfront Park Bid

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>4</u>		<u>1</u>

I, Council member McHugh offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT, CONTINGENT UPON THE RECEIPT AND EXECUTION OF GRANT
AGREEMENT WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION, FOR
COEYMANS LANDING RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT**

WHEREAS, notice to bidders has been duly given as required by law for the Coeymans Landing Riverfront Park Project for the Town of Coeymans as described in the plans and specifications; and

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WHEREAS, there has been filed with the Town Clerk in response to the published notice bid proposals for providing the specified construction with the required bid bond accompanying each proposal; and

WHEREAS, MJ Engineering and Land Surveying has reviewed the lowest bid submitted by Carver Construction and found the bid to be acceptable and recommended award of the contract to Carver Construction; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans finds Carver Construction to be a responsive and responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby accepts the Total Construction Contract Base Bid from Carver Construction, contingent upon the approval of the Environmental Facilities Corporation, for the Coeymans Landing Riverfront Park Project and that the contract for construction is now awarded subject to receipt and execution of a grant agreement with the Environmental Facilities Corporation, to said Contractor in the amount of One Million Four Hundred and Sixty One Thousand One Hundred and Forty Five and 00/100 (\$1,461,145.00) Dollars.

Seconded by Council member Bruno, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Supervisor McHugh said 11 companies pulled the plans but only one bid was received. MJ Engineering has reviewed the bid and finds it acceptable.

Resolution # 95-22 Authorize Promotion to Police Sergeant

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member LeFevre offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

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WHEREAS: The Coeymans Police Department has an existing vacancy for the position of Sergeant due to the resignation on March 18, 2022 of Daniel Braden.

WHEREAS: The need for an Officer performing the duties of Sergeant is necessary for the operation of the department and, whereas existing staff within the Police Department were reviewed for experience and knowledge pertaining to this position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby provisionally appoint part time officer Timothy Hajec to the position of part time Sergeant within the Police Department effective April 11, 2022 at a rate commensurate with the current Council 82 Collective Bargaining Agreement including the July 22, 2021 addendum pertaining to longevity.

Seconded by Council member McHugh, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 96-22 Appoint Part Time Police Officer, Mullen

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

I, Council member Bruno offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS: The Coeymans Police Department has an existing vacancy for the position of Part Time Police Officer due to the resignation on March 18, 2022 of Officer Edmund Seney.

WHEREAS: The need for a Part Time Officer is necessary to the operation of the Department to fulfill its mission of providing quality police services to Town of Coeymans residents on a 24 hour a day basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Scott Mullen to the position of part time Police Officer within the Police

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Department effective April 11, 2022 at a rate commensurate with the current Council 82 Bargaining Agreement including the July 22, 2021 addendum pertaining to longevity.

Seconded by Council member Schmitt, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 97-22 Approval of SEQRA for Coeymans Sewer District Extension 1

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Total</i>	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>		

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS TOWN BOARD DETERMINING
THAT THE ACTION TO EXECUTE THE TOWN OF COEYMANS SEWER DISTRICT
EXPANSION NO. 1 IS AN UNLISTED ACTION AND WILL NOT HAVE A
SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

I, Council member Schmitt offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board (the “Town Board”) is reviewing issuance of proposed Town of Coeymans Sewer District Expansion No. 1 (the “Action”), which will extend public sewer service to industrial users on the eastern side of the Town of Coeymans;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, as amended, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the “Regulations”), the Town Board desires to comply with SEQRA and the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board is identified as the agency directly undertaking the proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Town Board has considered the significance of the potential environmental impacts of the Action by (a) using the criteria specified in Section 617.7 of the Regulations, and (b) examining the Short Environmental Assessment Form (“SEAF”) for the Action, including the facts and conclusions of Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the SEAF, together with

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other available supporting information, to identify and thoroughly analyze the relevant areas of environmental concern; and

WHEREAS, the proposed extension of the Town of Coeymans Sewer District No. 1 is an Unlisted Action, as defined by 6 NYCRR Section 617.2(al);

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board has elected to conduct an uncoordinated review in accordance with 6 NYCRR Section 617.6(b)(4);

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements for Unlisted Actions in the SEQRA Regulations, the Town of Coeymans Town Board hereby confirms that the proposed Action meets the criteria for classification as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that based upon an examination of the SEAF and other available supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each relevant area of environmental concern, the Town Board makes the following findings and determinations:

- No significant adverse environmental impacts are noted in the SEAF or corresponding narrative for the Action and none are known to the Town Board; and
- The Action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact and will not require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) with respect to the Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a consequence of such determination and in compliance with the requirements of SEQRA and the Regulations, the Town Board directs the Town Supervisor to sign and complete Parts 1 and 3 of the SEAF for the Action, in accordance with the Regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council member Tutay, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Supervisor McHugh explained this does not approve the extension it only accepts the SEQRA. When it is time to accept the expansion it will be done in conjunction with the Village of Ravena.

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Resolution # 98-22 Approval of Coeymans Water District Extension 2

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Tutay offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS TOWN BOARD DETERMINING
THAT THE ACTION TO EXECUTE THE TOWN OF COEYMANS WATER DISTRICT
EXPANSION NO. 2 IS AN UNLISTED ACTION AND WILL NOT HAVE A
SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board (the “Town Board”) is reviewing issuance of proposed Town of Coeymans Water District Expansion No. 2 (the “Action”), which will extend public water service to industrial users on the eastern side of the Town of Coeymans;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, as amended, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the “Regulations”), the Town Board desires to comply with SEQRA and the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board is identified as the agency directly undertaking the proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Town Board has considered the significance of the potential environmental impacts of the Action by (a) using the criteria specified in Section 617.7 of the Regulations, and (b) examining the Short Environmental Assessment Form (“SEAF”) for the Action, including the facts and conclusions of Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the SEAF, together with other available supporting information, to identify and thoroughly analyze the relevant areas of environmental concern; and

WHEREAS, the proposed extension of the Town of Coeymans Water District No. 2 is an Unlisted Action, as defined by 6 NYCRR Section 617.2(al);

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Town Board has elected to conduct an uncoordinated review in accordance with 6 NYCRR Section 617.6(b)(4);

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements for Unlisted Actions in the SEQRA Regulations, the Town of Coeymans Town Board hereby confirms that the proposed Action meets the criteria for classification as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that based upon an examination of the SEAF and other available supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each relevant area of environmental concern, the Town Board makes the following findings and determinations:

- No significant adverse environmental impacts are noted in the SEAF or corresponding narrative for the Action and none are known to the Town Board; and
- The Action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact and will not require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) with respect to the Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a consequence of such determination and in compliance with the requirements of SEQRA and the Regulations, the Town Board directs the Town Supervisor to sign and complete Parts 1 and 3 of the SEAF for the Action, in accordance with the Regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council member LeFevre, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 99-22 Authorize the Supervisor to Adopt Best Value Procurement Local Law

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has introduced proposed Local Law entitled “Best Value Procurement”, to allow the Town of Coeymans to award purchase contracts and contracts for services on the basis of best value, as defined in New York State Finance Law §163, to a responsive and responsible bidder or offeror; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board duly noticed and held a public hearing on the proposed local law on April 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of this local law is a Type II action pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6, N.Y.C.R.R. 617.5 as it involves agency administration, management and legislative decision making that does not affect the environment or commit the Town to a future decision on a project, and therefore is exempt from environmental review;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby approves and adopts the proposed Local Law entitled “Best Value Procurement”, and number is as Local Law Number 2 of 2022 of the Town of Coeymans, to allow the Town of Coeymans to award purchase contracts and contracts for services on the basis of best value, as defined in New York State Finance Law § 163, to a responsive and responsible bidder or offeror.

Seconded by Council member Bruno, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 100-22 Appoint Administrator of Access

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marisa J. Tutay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member LeFevre offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby have an agreement with Mid-Hudson Cablevision to provide public access programming directly from the Town Building located at 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint George Palmer as an Administrator of Access for the purpose of coordinating, programming, and overseeing individuals involved in the telecasting of approved programs, at a rate of \$75.00 per televised meeting.

Seconded by Council member Bruno, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Public Comment:

Carol McDonald and Joan Radley gave an update of the Town beautification initiative. They secured funds for flowers and mulch for specific areas thanks to a donation from George and Rosemary McHugh. Council member Bruno has been working with RCS students and Christina Wallace on producing flyers with the graphics design department at the school. Joan has been visiting local businesses to educate them on our initiative. Flyers were given out during the Grange dinner. The ladies have been invited to the Village of Ravena meeting to tell them more about the project. Mrs. McDonald would like to try to attend the RCSCBA to inform more businesses as well. Mrs. Radley is hopeful this will encourage people to interact with their neighbors and get outside to beautify the community. Mr. Baker has had some of the town workers cleaning up the memorial garden.

Nick Laraway thanked the Town for the letter of Support and mentioned they are hiring.

Joy Iafallo from the RCSCBA learned at the January meeting many jobs will be coming to the Port of Coeymans due to the wind power initiative. Several projects that Carver has had the foresight to take on have put the town in a great spot for growth. With this growth she is hopeful more people will visit our community to shop, dine, etc and possibly find it engaging enough to relocate to. She doesn't believe the main thoroughfares in town encourage people to visit. She thinks this is all fixable but needs much attention. The RCSCBA has learned certain grants require Economic Plans and has requested the Town establish an Economic Development Plan.

Nicole Ambrosio, Grant writer for the Town of Coeymans stated the 2007 Economic Plan can be worked off of. The board would like clarification as to why we can't work off the Comprehensive Plan created last year which contains economic planning. Nicole explained the documents are very different. Nicole offered to run open meetings to go through the plan and update where needed. Nicole stated New York State wants this type of plan. Councilmember Bruno asked what components are missing from the comprehensive plan. Nicole said both need to be synthesized to one another. Council member Tutay asked to try to Clarify, she believes our current plan is not specific enough and needs details added. Nicole believes the 2007 plan has a good structure but feels since the town growth it needs to be added to. Supervisor McHugh stated he is concentrating on "doing" to keep up with the planning we have done so far. Supervisor McHugh said they will discuss it.

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Barbara Tanner said she believes the things the Town board has been doing are great but thinks they should talk to the Mayor of Ravena about Main Street. She referenced a building that has been on the auction block for several years. She was interrupted by an audience member and she asked them not to interrupt her as she did not interrupt them. Mrs. Tanner researched how far behind the taxes are on this particular building. She is frustrated that the Village hasn't taken more action in situations such as this. Supervisor McHugh mentioned there is a county law that he just found out about which allows the foreclosure process to be expedited if you get your building department involved. The department can certify what they have done to speed up the process with the County. Then you can work with the county to take it over as a municipality.

Mrs. Mary Driscoll wanted to discuss two articles recently written in the Times Union. The first article she feels is misinformation and bias towards the town considering our town a disadvantage community. The second article she wished to speak about was the one that awarded Carver Companies a workplace leadership award. She feels Mr. Laraway has invested tons of money in old buildings to improve the community which he doesn't have to do. Mrs. Driscoll personally thanked Mr. Laraway on a job well done for the community. She believes he has given our community pride and hope.

Supervisor McHugh stated he was not against planning but he is also not against doing. When the board came on the Comprehensive plan was updated within 2 years. If we continue to plan Joralemon wouldn't getting their improvements, Riverfront Park wouldn't be getting 1.4 million in grant monies. Planning is not going to get broadband to homes; doing is going to get broadband to homes. He stated there's a time to plan but also a time to roll up your sleeves and do it because a plan without execution is a hallucination, and he is not here to hallucinate he is here to execute.

Motion to Adjourn - On motion of Council member Tutay, seconded by Council member Bruno, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.
APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED .

Respectfully Submitted,


Candace McHugh, Town Clerk