

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Thompson, Town Hall, 4052 State Route 42, Monticello, New York held Remotely via Zoom on **May 11, 2020.**

ROLL CALL:

Present: Supervisor William J. Rieber, Jr., Presiding
Councilwoman Melinda S. Meddaugh
Councilman Ryan T. Schock

Absent: Councilman Scott S. Mace
Councilman John A. Pavese

APPROVED

Also Present: Marilee J. Calhoun, Town Clerk
Michael B. Mednick, Attorney for the Town
Patrice Chester, Deputy Administrator
Van B. Krzywicki, Town Assessor

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Rieber opened the special meeting at 12:11 PM. Due to the outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19) the meeting will be held via Videoconferencing and streamed live on the Zoom app and Facebook Live, which is accessible to the public and is also being recorded for full transcription purposes should it be required.

Supervisor Rieber said that the purpose of this special meeting is to approve a resolution to conduct Grievance Day remotely via Zoom Meetings for the Year 2020. Notice of said meeting was sent to the news media and posted on the Town website.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THAT GRIEVANCE DAY FOR THE YEAR 2020 BE CONDUCTED REMOTELY VIA ZOOM MEETINGS BY VIDEOCONFERENCING

Attorney Mednick explained the purpose of the proposed Resolution. He advised that the State of New York granted permission allowing local municipalities to conduct Board of Assessment Review (BAR) and Grievance Day Meetings to be held at the end of this month Remotely via Zoom. Action to approve the Resolution was taken as follows:

The Following Resolution Was Duly Adopted: Res. No. 193 of the Year 2020

At a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the
Town of Thompson held at the Town Hall, 4052
Route 42, Monticello, New York on May 11, 2020

RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT GRIEVANCE DAY REMOTELY VIA ZOOM MEETINGS FOR 2020

WHEREAS: Every calendar year, the Board of Assessment Review (BAR) conducts Grievance Day so that tax payers may contest their assessment; and

WHEREAS, The BAR meetings are generally held on the fourth Tuesday in May at Town offices; and

WHEREAS, While the State of New York (and the Town of Thompson) are operating under a State of Emergency, and all Town Offices are currently closed to the public the Town Board shall authorize the BAR hearings be held remotely via Zoom Meetings; and

WHEREAS, The Town shall notice the format of the BAR meeting both on its website and in the Sullivan County Democrat prior to May 15, 2020 in order to give tax payers notice of the platform of the hearings and the notice shall be sufficient to give tax payers the information necessary to participate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Town Board of the Town of Thompson authorizes the Board of Assessment Review to conduct grievance day via Zoom Meetings.

Moved by: Councilman Ryan T. Schock
Seconded by: Councilwoman Melinda S. Meddaugh

Adopted on Motion: May 11, 2020

The members of the Town Board voted as follows:

Supervisor William J. Rieber, Jr.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Scott S. Mace	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilman John A. Pavese	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilwoman Melinda S. Meddaugh	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Ryan T. Schock	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilman Schock and seconded by Councilwoman Meddaugh the meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By:



Marilee J. Calhoun, Town Clerk