

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 10, 2023 - 7:00 PM

Virtual Webex Meeting

To access information on how to use WebEx to join the meeting, please click on the following link: <https://www.southorange.org/800/WebEx-FAQs>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call Meeting to Order

President Collum called the meeting to order at approximately 6:15pm:

2. Roll Call

Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coallier - Absent
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones
Trustee Schnall
Ms. Doran, Acting Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

3. Meeting Notice Statement

Village Clerk Davis read the following statement:

In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the official newspapers of the Village, posted on the Village's website and filed in the Office of the Village Clerk indicating that this meeting is being held virtually via Cisco WebEx video conferencing. During a remote meeting, participants, including members of the public may be muted by the host. However, there will be an opportunity for them to participate and speak during the public portion of the meeting where participants will be unmuted at their request. Official action may be taken.

4. Resolution to go into Executive Session

2023-103 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the April 10, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception)



Executive Session:

- South Essex Fire Department (Personnel & Contract Negotiation)
- Water Utility Task Force (Contract Negotiation)

Trustee Schnall moved to approve Resolution 2023-103, seconded by Trustee Hilton. All members were in favor and none opposed.

5. Reconvene Into Open Session

President Collum reconvened the meeting at approximately 7pm:

ROLL CALL Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coalier - Absent
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones
Trustee Schnall
Ms. Doran, Acting Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

6. Announcements

President Collum read the following announcements:

A. Water Department - Low Income Home Water Assistance Program

The Department of Community Affairs has a Low Income Home Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP). This is a federally funded program designed to help low-income households reduce the balances they have on their residential water and wastewater bills. Eligibility and application details can be found on the news feed of our website, southorange.org, or by calling 1 800- 510-3102, Mon.- Sat. 8:00 am – 8:00 pm for further information.

B. Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs

The Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs Active Older Adult Programming registration is underway! From Arts and Crafts to Yoga and Zumba there is something for everyone. For additional information, please visit the department's registration catalog or call their office.

C. SOMA Interfaith Holocaust Service



Remember & Tell! SOMA Interfaith Holocaust Service - On Sunday, April 23, 2023 at 3:15PM A Rally of Remembrance will be held on the front lawn at Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel and at 4PM the 46th Annual Remembrance Service will also be held at Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel and LIVE Stream at rememberandtell.org/2023 - Guest Speaker: Fred Polak

7. Public Comment

Village President opened the meeting for public comment: Walter Clarke resident of South Orange thanked the Village President for the new member appointment to the Environmental Commission on tonight's agenda. Also, mentioned that his water meter installation has been scheduled and he will report back to this board on the process. Mr. Clarke announced River Day, the annual river cleanup will be held on Sunday, May 7th. There will be fun activities, music and food. Participants should register in advance on the website of the South Orange Environmental Green Team page.

Ms. Doran gave a shout out to Walter Clarke, Kirk Barrett and Andy Stone of the Environmental Commission for their assistance with the Village on an grant application to the New Jersey American Water for the riparian river.

8. Approval of Minutes

A. The Village Clerk is requesting the Board's approval of the minutes for the following meetings:

- Regular meeting held on March 27, 2023 (All Trustees are eligible to vote)

Trustee Hilton moved to approve the minutes of March 27, 2023, seconded by Trustee Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Absent
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee Schnall	Yes

Motion carried.

9. Ordinances for First Reading

A. 2023-07 **[TABLED]** AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH



ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 185, PART 13 - ZONING, ARTICLE XXIX - DISTRICT USE REGULATIONS, SECTION 164 - PROHIBITED USES TO REMOVE TATTOO PARLORS FROM, AND TO ADD SHORT-TERM RENTALS TO, THE LIST OF PROHIBITED USES

This Ordinance was tabled and will be re-introduced at a future meeting.

10. Ordinance for Second Reading

- A. 2023-04 CALENDAR YEAR 2023 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no questions or comments from the public.

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Ordinance #2023-04 for second reading/adoption, seconded by Trustee Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Absent
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee Schnall	Yes

Motion carried.

- B. 2023-05 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,783,080 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,821,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE VILLAGE TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no questions or comments from the public.

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Bond Ordinance #2023-05 for second reading/adoption, seconded by Trustee Jones.

Roll Call Vote:



Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Absent
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee Schnall	Yes
Motion carried.	

11. Resolutions for Consent Agenda

- A. 2023-104 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT WITH RECOVERY SOLUTION AND TITLE, LLC
- B. 2023-105 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE AUTHORIZING A MEMBER IN THE ESSEX REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,143.00
- C. 2023-106 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF SEWER CHARGES RELATED TO PARCEL 1906/06 AKA 25 VALLEY STREET
- D. 2023-107 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID OF AND AWARDDING CONTRACT TO HUTTON CONSTRUCTION LLC AS LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A REPLACEMENT OF THE NJAW INTERCONNECT METER VAULT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$88,319.00
- E. 2023-108 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PATROL OFFICER IN THE SOUTH ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE FORCE
- F. 2023-109 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC AUCTION AND SALE OF ABANDONED AND UNCLAIMED BICYCLES
- G. 2023-110 RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE ENACTMENT OF ASSEMBLY BILL A-4498/S-3090, THE SO-CALLED "20 AND OUT" LEGISLATION
- H. 2023-111 RESOLUTION STATING THAT THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL BUDGET LAW (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1, ET SEQ.) HAVE BEEN SATISFIED AND AUTHORIZING THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Resolutions #2023-104 through #2023-111, seconded by Trustee Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Absent
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes



Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee Schnall Yes
Motion carried.

12. Village President Appointment

President Collum made the following appointment to the South Orange Environmental Commission:

- A. 2023-VP05 VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT KATIE SKIBINSKI AS THE ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE SOUTH ORANGE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

13. Resolution for Separate Action

- A. 2023-112 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no questions or comments from the public.

Trustee Schnall moved to adopt Resolution #2023-112, seconded by Trustee Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown Yes
Trustee Coalier Absent
Trustee Haskins Yes
Trustee Hilton Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee Schnall Yes
Motion carried.

14. Approval of Bills

- A. Trustee Hartshorn Hilton, Chair of the Finance and Capital Projects Committee presents the Bills List audited by the Village Treasurer dated April 10, 2023. The Board of Trustees has been provided with a copy of the Bills List prior to the meeting for examination.

2023-113 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH APRIL 10, 2023 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$9,463,015.24

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Resolution #2023-113,, seconded by Trustee Jones.



Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Absent
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee Schnall	Yes

Motion carried.

15. **Village President Report** – There was no report.

16. **Village Administrator Report** – There was no report.

17. **Village Counsel Report** – There was no report.

18. **Trustee Reports**

- A. Trustee Brown – There was no report.
- B. Trustee Coalier – There was no report.
- C. Trustee Haskins – There was no report.
- D. Trustee Hartshorn Hilton – There was no report.
- E. Trustee Jones – There was no report.
- F. Trustee Schnall – There was no report.

19. **Public Comment**

Village President opened the meeting for public comment:
There were no questions or comments from the public.

20. **New Business**

There was no new business.

21. **Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, President Collum adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:40 pm.

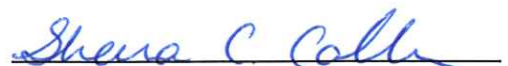
***These minutes are a summary and the actual statements can be found on the video located on the Village's website at the following link:**

<https://southorangenetwpnj.portal.civicclerk.com/event/1926/media>

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHORANGEVILLAGE


Ojeri E. Davis, Village Clerk


Sheena C. Collum, Village President