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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 10, 2022 - 7:15 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

2. Roll Call

Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coalier
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones
Trustee Zuckerman
Mr. Loehner, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

3. Meeting Notice Statement

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the press in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A 10:4-6 and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey. Notice of this meeting was posted in Village Hall and on the Village's website, and has been filed in the Office of the Village Clerk. 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. Ojetti E. Davis, Acting Village Clerk

4. Resolution to go into Executive Session

2022-001 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the January 10, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees



A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception)
Executive Session

- Additional items for discussion may be introduced at the table.

5. Reconvene into Open Session

ROLL CALL

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6. Announcements

A. **Importance of continuing to follow the COVID-19 Emergency Precautions**

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause us all health concerns and inconvenience, it is critical that we continue to follow the emergency protocols put in place. If you haven't gotten the vaccine yet, please do so. The Pfizer vaccine is currently available to residents 5 years and up. The Moderna vaccine is currently available for residents aged 12 and up. A 3rd dose or a booster dose is recommended and available to certain ages and in certain circumstances. The NJ COVID-19 information center has issued a chart to explain and simplify these guidelines. You can find this on the southorange.org website's COVID-19 information page, call your primary care doctor or call New Jersey's toll-free vaccination hotline at 1-855-568-0545.

B. **Water Department**

Important Notice from New Jersey American Water: We recognize that many people are facing additional hardship due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, making it difficult to stay current on your water bills. To help you avoid shutoffs scheduled to begin March



15,2022, we are offering payment plans to assist customers with bringing their past due balance current. **For more information or to enroll in a payment plan, please contact the Customer Service Center at -1-855-722-7072. Call center representatives are available on weekdays from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.**

C. **Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs**

Registration for our second session of indoor baseball and softball clinics is now open. The clinics will be held at the SOMS Gymnasium on Mondays starting January 24th. The program will run for 8 weeks and is open to players ages 7-12. For additional information, please visit the department's website.

Spring baseball registration is now open. Our program welcomes all children living in South Orange and Maplewood, ages 5 through 15 (as of April 30, 2022). No prior experience is needed. Visit the South Orange Recreation website to register your player online. During the registration process, you also have the option to sign up to volunteer as a coach, for the field crew and Baseball Committee, or general help. Our program cannot run without the dedication of our many volunteers, so we thank you in advance.

2022 Memberships are available for purchase or renewal. The benefits of this membership include access to the community pool, free tennis court reservations and discounts on many South Orange Recreation Department programs. You can complete your purchase on the department's website or in person.

D. **WINTER SNOW REMOVAL**

We want to remind residents they are required to clear snow from sidewalks within 12 daylight hours following a snowfall. If there is a fire hydrant on your property, you are required to clear it by three feet on each side and with a clear path to the sidewalk. Visit southorange.org for more details on snow removal requirements and safety tips.

E. **South Orange Police Department**

The South Orange Police Department is pleased to announce that the New Jersey Civil Service Commission will be holding examinations for entry-level police officers. Successful completion of this test is required to apply and be considered for employment as a police officer in the Township of South Orange Village.



This is a preferential hiring process for residents of South Orange between the ages of 18 to 35. Applicants must meet certain requirements in order to be considered for employment including: United States citizenship, graduation from a high school or approved equivalent, possession of a valid NJ driver's license, an in-depth background investigation, medical and psychological testing, drug screening, and successful completion of a Police Academy training course.

We encourage anyone interested in pursuing a highly rewarding career in a progressive and diverse public safety organization to consider applying for the exam via the Civil Service Commission website:

Job Announcement:

<https://info.csc.state.nj.us/Vats/WebAnno.aspx?FileNumber=33900>

2022 Law Enforcement Examination (LEE) Fact Sheet:

<https://info.csc.state.nj.us/Vats/PdfForms/2022Law.pdf>

Per Civil Service Commission rules, all applications for the entry level examination must be completed on the CSC website by 2/28/2022.

South Orange Police Department personnel are available to assist in answering general questions regarding the application process. Please contact us at 973 763 3000.

7. Public Comment

Village President opens meeting for public comment.

8. Presentation

- A. Leaf Blowers/Leaf Blower Regulation
- B. Presentation of the 2022 Environmental Commission Annual Budget
- C. Presentation of the 2022 South Orange Performing Arts Center (SOPAC) Annual Budget

9. Approval of Minutes

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



- Regular meeting held on December 27, 2021 (All Trustees are eligible to vote)
- Special meeting held on December 31, 2021 (Trustee Brown is ineligible to vote)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

10. Ordinances for First Reading

- A. 2022-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 143, CHAPTER 101 AND CHAPTER 96 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO ESTABLISH LICENSING FEES, LOCAL LICENSING REGULATIONS AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF SUCH REGULATIONS FOR LEGAL CANNABIS BUSINESSES AND OPERATIONS

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- B. 2022-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 185 TO REMOVE CANNABIS BUSINESSES FROM THE LIST OF PROHIBITED USES IN SECTION 185-164 AND TO PERMIT THE OPERATION OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES AS PROVIDED HEREIN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- C. 2022-03 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 316 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO CREATE A MUNICIPAL TAX RELATIVE TO CANNABIS SALES, BUSINESSES AND OPERATIONS

ROLL CALL VOTE:

11. Resolutions for Consent Agenda

- A. 2022-002 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR ESSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2022



- B. 2022-003 RESOLUTION TO RE-APPOINT GRACIA ROBERT MONTILUS TO THE POSITION OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE
- C. 2022-004 RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX OVERPAYMENTS AND SMALL BALANCES FROM CALENDAR YEAR 2020
- D. 2022-005 A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DESIGNATING 8 SECOND STREET, LLC AS THE REDEVELOPER OF CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN VILLAGE IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 1905, LOT 1 ON THE VILLAGE'S OFFICIAL TAX MAPS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, AND CERTAIN OTHER AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND 8 SECOND STREET, LLC IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
- E. 2022-006 RESOLUTION FOR THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023
- F. 2022-007 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 2022 PART TIME NURSING RATE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE
- G. 2021-008 RESOLUTION AWARDDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO PKF O'CONNOR DAVIES TO SERVE AS MUNICIPAL AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR 2022

ROLL CALL VOTE:

12. Village President Report

13. Village Administrator Report

14. Village Counsel Report

15. Trustee Reports

- A. Trustee Brown
- B. **Trustee Coalier**
 - Community Care & Justice



C. **Trustee Haskins**

Environmental Commission

- 4th Thursday @ 7:30pm

Shade Tree Committee

- 2nd Wednesday @ 6:30pm

Waste Nothing Group

- 4th Tuesday @ 6:30pm

Green Team Work Crew

- Every Sunday 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- **Facebook** - <https://www.facebook.com/SOGreenTeam>
- **Instagram** - <https://www.instagram.com/sogreenteam/>
- **Blog** - <https://sogreenteam.wordpress.com/>

D. **Trustee Hartshorn Hilton**

- Library Updates
- Senior (active adults) programming
- Citizen Budget Advisory Committee

E. Trustee Jones

F. Trustee Zuckerman

16. **Public Comment**

Village President opens meeting for public comment

17. **New Business**

A. River Greenway

<https://www.southorange.org/379/River-Corridor-Project>

18. **Adjournment**