

Town of Shandaken, NY

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Town of Shandaken County of Ulster State of New York

The Town of Shandaken Town Board held a Special Workshop Meeting on Friday October 10, 2025 at 6:00pm. Shandaken Town Hall. 7209 Rt. 28 Shandaken, NY

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

Members Present Peter DiSclafani – Supervisor

Elizabeth Kneissl – Board Member Robert Drake – Board Member Kyle Steen – Board Member

Attended remotely via Zoom Kevin VanBlarcum - Board Member

Recording Secretary Joyce Grant - Town Clerk

The Town of Shandaken Town Board has scheduled a Budget Workshop & Special Meeting for Friday October 10th at 6pm. 7209 State Rt. 28.

AGENDA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL
DISCUSSION OF ONGOING TOWN BUSINESS
BUDGET DISCUSSION
PREPARATION OF NEXT TOWN BOARD AGENDA

RESOLUTION #134-25

OFFERED BY: DRAKE

RESOLUTION ADOPTING TENTATIVE BUDGET AS PRELIMINARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken has prepared a 2026 Tentative Budget for review;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Town Board of the Town of Shandaken hereby adopts the 2026 Tentative Budget as the 2026 Preliminary Budget for the Town of Shandaken

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: KNEISSL ROLL CALL 5AYES

RESOLUTION # 135-25

OFFERED BY DISCLAFANI

SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW YORK CITY FUNDED FLOOD BUYOUT PROGRAM FOR 464 PLANK ROAD., PHOENICIA, NY 12464

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken is subject to flooding that can damage property, close roads, disrupt traffic, and present a public health and safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, at the request of local communities, funding from the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is being made available to help property owners who qualify for the NYC Funded Flood Buyout Program (NYCFFBO) based on eligibility criteria in five categories – 1) Hydraulic study properties

(recommended by engineering analysis), 2) CWC Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Program, 3) Community-approved Stream Management Project, 4) Erosion Hazard, and 5) Inundation Hazard, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken has conducted a Local Flood Analysis (LFA) including a hydraulic analysis of flooding in the Town, and the LFA recommends that certain properties that are subject to repetitive flood damage should be considered for flood buyout, and

WHEREAS, the entirety of the 11.01-acre property at 464 PLANK ROAD, PHOENICIA, NY 12464 (Section-Block-Lots: 25.1-2-28 and 25.1-2-1.100), is within the bounds of the National Flood Insurance Program's Regulatory Floodway, and therefore susceptible to damaging floods, and ineligible for locally-funded mitigation programs, and

WHEREAS, the flood-vulnerable structures at 464 PLANK ROAD, PHOENICIA, NY 12464 are recommended to be removed from the floodway in the LFA, "where there is owner interest and programmatic funding available", and

WHEREAS, the Town has been approached by JAMES J. AMENTA JR. OF PHOENICIA FARMSTEAD LLC, the owner of both tax lots which comprise the 11.01-acre property, who is requesting to participate in the NYCFFBO program under the Hydraulic study category, and

WHEREAS, the property suffered damages in previous floods, including Tropical Storm Irene, on August 28, 2011, and "The Christmas Flood," on December 25, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken will choose the option for ownership of the property and understands this property will be managed as open space in accordance with a re-use plan prepared by the Town. Minimal management of the property will be performed, such as maintaining boundary lines, posting signs, and annually inspecting the property, with all activities subject to and consistent with the restrictions in flood-prone areas identified in the Second Supplemental Agreement Among West of Hudson Watershed Stakeholders Concerning the New York City-Funded Flood Buyout Program, Page 5 (1) a., i., ii., iii., iv.; and v; and

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, The Town of Shandaken Town Board approves James J. Amenta, Jr. of Phoenicia Farmstead LLC, Property Owner of 464 Plank Road, Phoenicia, NY 12464, to apply for the NYCFFBO program to permanently remove this flood hazard risk, allowing the DEP to begin assisting in the real estate process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Town of Shandaken Town Board agrees to take title to the property and manage it as open space in accordance with a re-use plan and above-acknowledged management conditions.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTIONSeconded by: DRAKE
ROLL CALL 5AYES

Meeting Adjourned on a Disclafani/Drake motion at 7:45