



# Town of Rotterdam

1100 Sunrise Boulevard

**Special Meeting Monday, July  
24, 2023 7:00pm**

**Purpose: Discussions of the Super 8 Hotel Asylum Seekers, and for any other purpose as may come before the Town Board.**



**BY ORDER OF THE  
ROTTERDAM TOWN BOARD**

Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk

*The Town of Rotterdam Town Board Meeting will be held in person; however, the public may access the meeting electronically via Zoom conference call. Members of the public may listen to the board meeting by dialing 1 (929) 205-6099(followed by the pound symbol) or by logging into Zoom.com, then enter the conference ID NO. 867 0373 0307. Video of the town board meeting will be posted on the Town of Rotterdam website (www.rotterdamny.org) the following Friday after the meeting.*

## **MEETING OF THE ROTTERDAM TOWN BOARD**

July 24, 2023  
7:00 PM

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **SUPERVISOR'S REMARKS:** Supervisor Mollie A. Collins

- Discussion regarding the Asylum Seekers residing at the Super 8 Hotel

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### **PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

### **PUBLIC HEARING PUBLIC COMMENT – PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Those members of the public wishing to address the Town Board will be asked to sign in before the meeting is called to order on the sign-in sheets being provided. Speakers will be called to the podium in the order of their signing in. Persons recognized by the Chair to speak during privilege of the floor shall direct his/her comments to the Town Supervisor as Chair of the meeting. Persons granted the privilege of the floor shall first clearly state his/her name and address for the record. Persons so addressing the Chair through the use of a prepared written statement shall submit a copy of the same to the Town Clerk for the purpose of maintaining clear and accurate official minutes of the Town Board meeting.

### **GENERAL RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Any person recognized by the Town Supervisor to speak during privilege of the floor shall direct his/her comments to the Town Supervisor as chair of the meeting. Any person granted the privilege of the floor shall first clearly state his/her name and address for the record. The purpose of privilege of the floor shall be for speakers to express their views, thoughts and speak freely. Each speaker, who wishes to address the town board, shall have an equal and reasonable opportunity to be heard by the town board. Each speaker shall be afforded a maximum of four (4) minutes to address the town board.

**INTRODUCTION OF MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS  
RESOLUTIONS**

**MOTIONS:**

**22.23** To vote on resolution 238.23 out of order.

**23.23** To add resolution 241.23 to agenda.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**238.23** Calling on Schenectady County to pause any further migration into the county by declaring a state of emergency.

**239.23** To declare lead agency for SEQR review for the change of zone from single family residential (R-1) to retail business (B-1) on a portion of tax parcel #59.19-1-4.1 known as 2917 Hamburg Street.

**240.23** To authorize an emergency purchase and installation of a Hydra-Stop Insta Valve to the Curry Road water main.

**241.23** To recognize the introduction of local law no. \_\_\_ of 2023; to amend Chapter 150, hawking, peddling and soliciting and scheduling a public hearing thereon

**LIAISON REPORTS  
MISCELLANEOUS  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
ADJOURNMENT**

**Mollie A. Collins, Supervisor**



**MOTION 23.23**

At the Special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam, held at the J.F. Kirvin Government Center, 1100 Sunrise Boulevard, Rotterdam, NY 12306 on Wednesday, July 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., the following motion passed:

**THEREFORE, UPON MOTION OF** Councilmember **DODSON**, seconded by Councilmember **MASTROIANNI**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** I make a motion to add resolution 241.23 to the agenda.

**SECTION 2.** This motion shall become effective July 24, 2023.

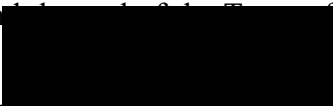
**DATED:** July 24, 2023

NAME	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN
Christou	X		
Miller-Herrera	X		
Dodson	X		
Mastroianni	X		
Collins	X		

I, Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk of the Town of Rotterdam, Schenectady County, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing motion passed by the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam on July 24, 2023, and that the foregoing motion is a true and correct transcript of the original motion and of the whole thereof and that said motion is on file in the Town Clerk’s office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of the Town Board had due notice of the said Town Board meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Town of Rotterdam this July 27, 2023.

  
Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk



At the Special public meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam, held at the John F. Kirvin Government Center 1100 Sunrise Blvd. Rotterdam, New York on Wednesday, July 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., the following resolution was duly adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 238.23**

**CALLING ON SCHENECTADY COUNTY TO PAUSE ANY FURTHER MIGRATION INTO THE COUNTY BY DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the Rotterdam Town Board supports legal and safe immigration into the United States and rightfully encourages people from all over the world to seek legal United States citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rotterdam Town Board acknowledges and applauds this country's long history of legal immigration and celebrates the contributions that millions of legal immigrants have made to help build this nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the failed leadership of the Biden administration regarding US border security has created a human rights crisis at the border; and

**WHEREAS**, this self-created federal crisis has left the nation as a whole, and the states, counties, cities, and all local governments, unprepared and unable to handle the overwhelming volume of migrants into our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal, state, and county governments have failed to provide a policy or any plan or strategy to deal with this crisis, and have failed to communicate with local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of New York and State of New York continue to shift the burden to local governments in communities across upstate New York; and

**WHEREAS**, the local governments across the county do not have the capacity or resources to receive and sustain the influx of migrants under these circumstances; NOW

**THEREFORE, UPON MOTION OF** Councilmember **DODSON**, seconded by Councilmember **MASTROIANNI**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam does hereby call upon the County of Schenectady to pause any further migration into the county by declaring a state of emergency that would prohibit the mass relocation of migrants, as described above, to any community within the county.

**SECTION 2.** Furthermore, forbid any municipality, persons, businesses, or entities within the county to partake in the transportation and/or housing of any migrants without a license issued by the county and the local government in which the migrant is seeking housing.

**SECTION 3.** Furthermore, immediately constitute a task force to develop strategies to properly plan for such influx, with such task force made up of the county manager, the county sheriff, the director of the county health department, the chief elected official from each municipality within the county, and the police chief from each municipality within the county.

**SECTION 4.** Furthermore, the task force is to meet monthly for the purpose of developing strategies, attracting resources and facilitating communications between all levels of government and to prepare and publish a plan to deal with the migrant crisis.

**SECTION 5.** This resolution shall become effective July 24, 2023.

**DATED:** July 24, 2023

NAME	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN
Christou	X		
Miller-Herrera	X		
Dodson	X		
Mastroianni	X		
Collins	X		

I, Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk of the Town of Rotterdam, Schenectady County, New York, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing resolution was approved by the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam Special Meeting on July 24, 2023, and that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct transcript of the original resolution and of the whole thereof and that said resolution is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

**I DO FURTHER CERTIFY** that each of the members of the Town Board received the Special meeting notice of the said Town Board meeting.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of Rotterdam this July 27, 2023.

*Diane M. Marco*

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Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk





At the Special public meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam, held at the John F. Kirvin Government Center 1100 Sunrise Blvd. Rotterdam, New York on Wednesday, July 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., the following resolution was duly adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 239.23**

**TO DECLARE LEAD AGENCY FOR SEQR REVIEW FOR THE CHANGE OF ZONE FROM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1) TO RETAIL BUSINESS (B-1) ON A PORTION OF TAX PARCEL #59.19-1-4.1 KNOWN AS 2917 HAMBURG STREET**

**THEREFORE, UPON MOTION OF Councilmember DODSON, seconded by Councilmember CHRISTOU,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam hereby declares the Town Board as Lead Agency under 6NYCRR Part 617 SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review) in connection to the proposed change of zone from Single Family Residential (R-1) to Retail Business (B-1) request by Michael and Catherine McGuire, on ±10,645 square feet of ±14,575 square foot parcel (Lot 2). Property is known as 2917 Hamburg Street and is a portion of Tax Map No. 59.19-1-4.1.

**SECTION 2.** The Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam hereby authorizes the Town Planner to prepare, file, publish, and distribute all documents as necessary to comply with 6NYCRR Part 617 SEQR.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall become effective July 24, 2023.

**DATED:** July 24, 2023

<b>NAME</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NOES</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Christou	X		
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*Diane M. Marco*

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Diane M. Marco, Town Clerk



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**RESOLUTION NO. 240.23**

**TO AUTHORIZE AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A HYDRA-STOP INSTA VALVE TO THE CURRY ROAD WATER MAIN**

**THEREFORE, UPON MOTION OF Councilmember DODSON, seconded by Councilmember CHRISTOU,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam hereby authorizes the Supervisor to negotiate and execute an agreement with Rangeline Group located at 7256 Westport Place Suite A, West Palm Beach, Florida 33413, for the purchase & installation of Hydra-Stop Insta Valve to the Curry Road water main, in an amount not to exceed fifty-nine thousand nine hundred sixty and 00/100 (\$59,960.00) dollars.

**SECTION 2.** This resolution shall become effective July 24, 2023.

**DATED:** July 24, 2023

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Christou	X		
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**RESOLUTION NO. 241.23**

**TO RECOGNIZE THE INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL LAW NO. \_\_\_ OF 2023; TO AMEND CHAPTER 150, HAWKING, PEDDLING AND SOLICITING AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON**

**THEREFORE, UPON MOTION OF Councilmember DODSON, seconded by Supervisor COLLINS,  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town Board hereby recognizes the introduction of Introductory Local Law No. \_\_\_ of 2023; to amend Chapter 150, Hawking, Peddling, and Soliciting, of the Town Code of the Town of Rotterdam.

**SECTION 2.** The Town Clerk of the Town of Rotterdam is hereby directed to publish in the official newspaper of the Town of Rotterdam not less than ten (10) days prior to the date designated for the public hearing provided for by the following public notice:

**TOWN OF ROTTERDAM  
NOTICE OF HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** That the Town Board of the Town of Rotterdam will hold a public hearing at the John F. Kirvin Government Center, Town Hall, 1100 Sunrise Boulevard, Rotterdam, New York 12306, at 7:00 p.m. on the 9th day of August, 2023 for the following purpose:

To recognize the introduction of Introductory Local Law \_\_\_ of 2023; to amend Chapter 150, Hawking, Peddling, and Soliciting, of the Town Code of the Town of Rotterdam.

**BY ORDER OF THE ROTTERDAM TOWN BOARD  
DIANE M. MARCO, TOWN CLERK**

DATED: July 24, 2023  
Daily Gazette: Please publish once on July 28, 2023  
Town Clerk  
Post

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