

1. Chairman Phillips called to order the Rockland Green Board meeting for Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Kenny

3. Roll call by clerk. There is a quorum.

Present

Chairman Phillips
Commissioner Hoehmann
Commissioner Hopstein
Commissioner Jobson
Commissioner Kenny
Commissioner Kohut

Present

Commissioner Malowitz
Commissioner Sheridan
Commissioner Soskin
Commissioner Specht
Commissioner Stamm
Commissioner Tursi

Absent

Commissioner Hofstein
Commissioner Hood
Commissioner Moroney
Commissioner Paul
Commissioner Powers

Staff

Yisroel Eisenbach, Jerry Damiani, Lawrence Garvey, N. Gelok, Jeremy Goldstein, Suzanne Haggerty, Ken Murphy

Others

Teno West

Phillips: Let's welcome Commissioner Stamm from the Town of Stony Point to our Board. Congratulations.

4. Introduced by: Hoehmann/Specht Unan. January 22, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 1 OF 2026
ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF
December 9, 2025

5. **Phillips:** Resolution appointing Commissioners to the Executive Committee of Rockland Green for the year 2026. Mr. Executive Director I see that we have the following: Myself, Commissioner Hoehmann, Commissioner Specht, Commissioner Moroney, Commissioner Soskin, Commissioner Kohut.

Is there anyone else that would like to be on the Executive Committee?

Introduced by: Kenny/Stamm

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2 OF 2026

**APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF ROCKLAND GREEN FOR THE YEAR 2026**

6. **Phillips:** Resolution appointing Commissioners to the Finance Committee of Rockland Green for the year 2026. Right now, I see that we have the following: Myself, Commissioner Malowitz, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Hoehmann, Commissioner Soskin, Commissioner Kohut.

Is there anyone else that would like to be on the Finance Committee? We'll add Commissioner Specht.

Introduced by: Malowitz/Hopstein

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 3 OF 2026

**APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR 2026**

7. **Phillips:** Resolution appointing Commissioners to the Audit Committee of Rockland Green for the year 2026. Right now, I see that we have the following: Myself, Commissioner Specht, Commissioner Hoehmann, Commissioner Kohut, Commissioner Hofstein, Commissioner Soskin.

Is there anyone else that would like to be on the Audit Committee?

Introduced by: Soskin/Kohut

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2026

APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2026

8. **Phillips:** Resolution appointing Commissioners to the Governance Committee of Rockland Green for the year 2026. Right now, I see that we have the following: Myself, Commissioner Specht, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Kohut, Commissioner Powers, Commissioner Hoehmann, Commissioner Soskin.

Is there anyone else that would like to be on the Governance Committee?

Introduced by: Tursi/Sheridan

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 5 OF 2026

**APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR 2026**

9. **Introduced By: Specht/Hoehmann**

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 6 OF 2026

ADOPTION OF ROCKLAND GREEN'S MISSION STATEMENT

Commissioner Phillips: Mr. Executive Director, state what is our mission statement.

Damiani: Our mission is to develop the education, programs, and technology to lead the waste prevention, recovery, responsible disposal movement, and animal management services in Rockland County.

10. **Introduced by: Jobson/Hoehmann**

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 7 OF 2025

**AUTHORIZING THE ENGAGEMENT OF WEST GROUP LAW
ON A FLAT-FEE RETAINER BASIS**

11. Introduced by: Kohut/Soskin

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 8 OF 2026

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH
RRT DESIGN & CONSTRUCTIONS FOR ENGINEERING
CONSULTING SERVICES AT THE HILLBURN
MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY**

Commissioner Phillips: If any Commissioners have a question on the consultant resolutions, I know we are all very familiar with them, just stop me and let me know.

12. Introduced By: Sheridan/Tursi

Unan.

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RESOLUTION No. 9 of 2026

**AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION OF
STERLING ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING, P.C.
FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

13. Introduced by: Hopstein/Malowitz

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2026

**AUTHORIZING RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN & RESEARCH
FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

14. Introduced by: Kenny/Stamm

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 11 OF 2026

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH
D&B ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS, P.C.**

15. Introduced by: Jobson/Malowitz

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 12 OF 2026

**AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS TO
THE CONTRACT FOR THE BUILD-OUT OF A NEW ANIMAL SHELTER LOCATED
AT 427 BEACH ROAD IN HAVERSTRAW, NY**

Phillips: Mr. Executive Director, could you just delineate the change orders.

Damiani: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Change Order #15 in the amount of \$29,396.76 was required by injecting additional grout into the buildings concrete masonry block walls on the north and south sides to securely connect to maintain proper load transfer onto over 500 feet of interior ledger angle to support the installation of the second-floor trusses of the second floor build out of the new animal shelter.

16. Introduced by: Specht/Hoehmann

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 13 OF 2026

**AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR A NEW FABRICATED STEEL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE
& DEFLECTOR PLATE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE
CLARKSTOWN TRANSFER STATION
RFP NO. 2025-08**

Phillips: Mr. Executive Director, can we get a brief explanation on this?

Damiani: Rockland Green issued RFP 2025-08 on December 4, 2025 for new fabrication of a steel pedestrian bridge and deflector plate improvements at the Clarkstown Transfer Station. Four proposals were received on or before submission date of January 7, 2026. The submitted pricing range from \$147,200 to as high as \$392,000. Rockland Green elected to engage the lowest two proposers to make sure they had a full understanding of the project scope of work and the timeline to complete the project. Both proposers were requested to submit a best and final offer. Based upon Specialty Construction Systems best and final offer and a full understanding of the project scope of work, I am seeking authorization to award RFP 2025-08 to Specialty Construction Systems in the amount of \$143,720.

Phillips: Mr. Executive Director, I know some of our Commissioners have not been out to the Clarkstown Transfer Station, just tell them about the pedestrian bridge.

Damiani: The pedestrian bridge is being utilized right now. Two years ago we approved authorization to remove the concrete platform to create efficiencies by installing a seventy-foot scale inside the transfer station to allow us to load additional trailers inside the footprint of the building. We created that efficiency and what we are trying to do here is to ensure that we don't damage the building by installing the deflector plates and extending those deflector plates. Also, when we removed the concrete platform we constructed the wood timber pedestrian bridge. While it is constructionally

sound, it won't stand up to the abuse a long period of time inside the transfer station. If there was ever a fire in there, it is going to burn.

Phillips: I know there are some Commissioners that have not been out there, I would strongly urge the Executive Director to reach out to anybody who would like, I think everybody should go to every single one of our facilities. We have done this a few times, it is a great learning experience and you will get a much better visual in what we are doing. Especially, taking a trip up to Torne Valley because that is an eye-opener, but also in Clarkstown as we do more things there. Jerry, let's see if we can get some type of bus and have the Commissioners tour.

Hoehtmann: We will give you a Clarkstown mini trans bus.

Damiani: Okay, thank you.

17. Introduced by: Soskin/Kohut

Unan.

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RESOLUTION NO. 14 OF 2026

AUTHORIZATION FOR ROCKLAND GREEN TO SUPPORT KEEP ROCKLAND BEAUTIFUL

18. New Business

Phillips: Mr. Executive Director, do you have any new business?

Damiani: Just to inform the Board we have our next TNVR event on February 4th and it is the first of the year.

Phillips: Also, we are trying to arrange getting everyone up there, but we are going to wait for some warmer weather so we can get a tour of the new animal shelter.

Damiani: If the Board would like to tour in February, I'd be happy to give the tour of the shelter new build out.

Phillips: We will wait until at least March. We will pick a date in March and try to get everybody at the animal shelter and get a good idea of what we are doing there. Anything else, Mr. Executive Director?

Damiani: No. I think you will be really impressed with the progress of the new shelter. The rooms are framed out, and the second floor is built out and they installed the HVAC systems on the second floor. It is really progressing at a rapid speed.

19. Commissioner Comments

No comments offered.

20. Public Comment

Phillips: Is there anyone from the public that would like to speak tonight.

No comments offered.

Phillips: Do we have a motion to adjourn?

Hoehmann: Moved

Specht: Seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne Haggerty