**Village of Coxsackie**

**Public Hearing Minutes**

**Local Law #5 of 2022- To Opt-In to the New Provisions of the Open Meetings Law.**

**August 8, 2022**

The Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Mark Evans at 6:45 p.m. Present were Trustee Donald Daoust, Trustee Katlyn Irwin and Trustee Rebecca Vermilyea. Trustee Stephen Hanse was absent.

Mayor Evans stated that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow for public comment on Local Law #5 of 2022. This local law is to authorize opting into the new provisions of the Open Meetings Law. The Village of Coxsackie desires to opt-in to the new provisions of the Open Meetings Law that allow government officials in New York to remotely participate in meetings until 2024. The new and more permanent solution balances the competing interests of transparency and full accessibility to meetings of public bodies. Accordingly, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the Village of Coxsackie to opt-in to the new provisions of the Open Meetings Law.

No public comments were offered.

A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing was made by Trustee Vermilyea and seconded by Trustee Irwin. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Vermilyea voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Bereznak

Clerk