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TOWN BOARD MEETING

HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE

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December 17, 2020  
2:00 p.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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A P P E A R A N C E S :

**BOARD MEMBERS :**

JANE BONNER  
VALERIE M. CARTRIGHT  
NEIL J. FOLEY  
KEVIN LaVALLE  
MICHAEL A. LOGUERCIO JR.  
DANIEL PANICO  
SUPERVISOR EDWARD P. ROMAINE

**ALSO PRESENT :**

DONNA LENT, TOWN CLERK  
ANNETTE EADERESTO,  
TOWN ATTORNEY

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: The Town board meeting, let me gavel it to order and with that, I'll ask us to stand and pledge our flag, which I will do right now.

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(Pledge of Allegiance.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you very much.

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And now, a moment of silence and actually, before we do the moment of silence, I want to extend a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a very happy and healthy 2021 to all of the residents of Brookhaven from every member of this Town board. I can tell you all these board members, myself, wish you the happiest, we've been through a very tough year together, we pray to God -- and that's the prayer -- we pray to God that 2021 is much better, is a much better year than 2020. Thank you and God bless all of you. We think of you all the time in our duties. You're the reason we serve, so with that, I'd ask the clerk to call the roll after the moment of silence.

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(Moment of silence.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. Moment of  
silence over.

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Clerk, Madam Clerk, if you could call  
the roll, please.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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Councilwoman Cartright.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Present.

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MS. LENT: Councilwoman Bonner.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Here.

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MS. LENT: Councilman LaValle.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Present.

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MS. LENT: Councilman Loguercio.

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(No response.)

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Mike, you're on

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mute.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I'm here now.

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MS. LENT: Councilman Foley.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Here.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Panico.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Here.

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MS. LENT: Supervisor Romaine.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Present.

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MS. LENT: You have a quorum, sir.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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We have reports to the board. First we'll take the report of revenue from the Town Clerk.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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The report of revenue for the office of the Town Clerk for the month of November 2020 in the amount of \$42,530.40.

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May I have a motion, please?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Now on this snowy day and we've just been through probably one of the worst snowstorms that we've had in a

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while, we're going to hear from our Highway Superintendent and how the men and women who serve there are doing and keeping our roads open.

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Mr. Highway Superintendent, Dan

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Losquadro.

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MR. LOSQUADRO: Thank you,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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This storm has certainly posed

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challenges for us. Some snowstorms are easier than others. This one was very challenging.

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About 4:00 this morning, we had changed

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over entirely to rain from the north shore all

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the way to the south shore and then

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unfortunately, by 4:30 or five, the

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temperatures dropped again and everything iced

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up and we picked up in some areas three or

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four more inches of snow, so we are working

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diligently, we're going to continue to work

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throughout the day today. Some areas with

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heavier icing are going to require multiple

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applications of salt to break that material

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up, plow it off, reapply salt, plow it off.

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It's a process. Unfortunately when you get

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icing like this, there is no quick solution to it.

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We were fortunate in the early part of the storm, the brining that we did before the storm started did prevent the early ice adhesion, but then once everything changed over to rain, it entirely changed the dynamic of the storm.

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We were fortunate, we only had four or five trees down townwide, even with the heavy snow and the heavy winds.

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We had just over 230 pieces of outside contracted equipment to supplement our about 250 pieces of Town equipment, so we had close to 500 pieces of equipment out on the road working to clear our roadways and we are in very good shape financially for this storm.

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We have used some of the surplus that we had from last year's snow or lack thereof, but we still have over a million and a half dollars to hire that outside equipment. We have over \$900,000 to purchase salt and sand materials of which we are in very good shape right now, our barns were full when we started

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this storm and we have almost \$570,000 in our

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overtime budget, so we are in very good shape

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financially for this storm.

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We are going to continue to work this

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until all the roads are clear.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you. I wish

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you, the men and women of your department the

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best. Keep up, you're doing a great job. You

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get a lot of kudos on how quickly you're

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clearing the roads considering how severe the

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storm was. Thank you again.

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MR. LOSQUADRO: Thank you,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Thanks, Dan.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Thank you.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Thank you Dan.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you, Dan.

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MR. LOSQUADRO: Thank you everyone.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. Thank you

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again.

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Next on our agenda we have the

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communication consensus agenda. We have two

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items.

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MS. LENT: Yes.



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Can I have a motion to accept the  
communication consensus agenda items?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Next we have our  
highway consensus agenda, we have four items  
on it.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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May I have a motion to accept the four  
highway agenda items, please?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: And then last

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before we hit resolutions, we have the

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consensus resolution agenda; who is handling

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that from the board?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Thank you,

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Mr. Supervisor, I have it today.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I move resolution

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C-0412 through C-0429.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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2 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

3 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

4 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

5 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

6 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

7 MS. LENT: Opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

10 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. And then  
11 we'll move to our resolution agenda and we  
12 start with Dan Panico.

13 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Thank you,  
14 Mr. Supervisor.

15 0662 of 2020 is to adopt the 2021  
16 professional service provider list.

17 So moved.

18 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

19 MS. LENT: All those in favor?

20 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

21 COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

22 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

23 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

24 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

25 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Resolution 663,

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resolution dedicating Town owned land in Coram

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to the Town of Brookhaven's nature preserve

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system.

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So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second that.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: On the motion, you

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know, we always talk about my district, one of

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the most overdeveloped districts. This

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happens to fall on the border. It's on my

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side, but right on the border of Councilwoman

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Bonner's district, it's a 15-acre piece of

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land that we're dedicating to the nature

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preserve.

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John Turner came in, he's our

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environmental guru and was very excited about

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this parcel with the trees that are on it and

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the various different other aspects of it, so

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this will be a great addition to our nature

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preserve and third district, putting some

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environmental -- getting into the

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environmental game, which is a great thing to

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see.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Fifteen whole

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acres in the third district. Good job,

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Councilman LaValle.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Hey, 15 more than

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we had before, so we're going to keep it

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moving.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Kevin, you're a

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leader, you're a leader.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: This is weird,

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Dan, you're always getting the land

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preservation money, this is -- actually this

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is no money, we're just dedicating it to

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something, so . . .

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: This is one Town.

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This is one Town. God bless you.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Nicely done,

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Kevin. I'll second that.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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Having been moved and seconded, all

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those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

3 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

4 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

5 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

6 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

7 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

8 MS. LENT: Opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

11 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Resolution 664,

12 award of the contract to L.K. McLean

13 Associates, P.C. for the project "Professional

14 services including construction administration

15 and monitoring to finalize a conceptual plan

16 and produce construction plans for the Middle

17 Country athletic facility."

18 So moved.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

20 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: I'll jump in on

21 this real quick, too; sorry, I'm being wordy,

22 I got a couple of things going on.

23 This has been long time coming.

24 Supervisor and I have been working on this

25 with former Legislator Tom Muratore. This is

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the fields that we're building on Boyle Road

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and Hawkins Path in Selden. The engineering

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firm will be coming in to do the design. We

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had to push a lot of this off because of COVID

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this year. We finally have the contract in

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place, the design will be out there and I'm

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happy to announce that this spring, the

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Supervisor and I have talked and we're going

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to be naming a portion of that park after the

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former legislator who passed away this year,

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Tom Muratore.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Absolutely.

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Tom was a great man. He had a big

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heart, he wanted so much for his district and

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his constituents. He is missed, particularly

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at this time of year. I know it's sad for his

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wife, but we will remember his work and we

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will name one of the fields, if not the whole

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complex, for Tom for his efforts.

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I was in the legislature with Tom for

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many years and I remember him talking about

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this and as soon as I came to the Town, it's

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the one thing I wanted to work on with Kevin

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LaValle and it was great.

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Thank you, Kevin, for your leadership on this, you've done a great job and when it's done, the people, the Middle Country community of Selden will have how many ball fields altogether?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Well, when we're completely done, it's going to be four baseball fields, two multipurpose fields, an ice rink and there will be walking trails throughout the whole facility and there will be a playground and bathrooms; for the senior softball league we will have bathrooms, we've been talking about that, but we will have bathrooms for them.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Absolutely.

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I know -- as a senior, I know some of their problems.

Anyway, thank you for your leadership on this, Kevin. This will be a great thing for the community when it's finished and some of the fields are finished now, but when it's totally finished, it will be a wonderful thing.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: It will be. It



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will be.

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MS. LENT: All right.

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Resolution 663 having been moved and

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seconded, all those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: I'm sorry, that was

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actually --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: 664.

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MS. LENT: 664.

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Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 665 of 2020 is

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setting a public hearing on the Town board's

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own motion to amend certain covenants and

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restrictions on property located in Shirley,

25

New York.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Any abstentions, recusals?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: No.

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MS. LENT: Okay. Motion carries.

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Thank you.

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Oh, that public hearing is January 14,

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2021 at 5:30 p.m.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Thank you.

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666 of '20 is authorizing the

22

Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor to execute an

23

addendum between the Town of Brookhaven and

24

Civic Plus, LLC to utilize Civic Optimize.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 667 of '20 is

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authorize the settlement of the Supreme Court

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matter Martino versus Town of Brookhaven, this

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is indexed at 13-21098.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0668

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is to authorize the Commissioner of Finance to

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transfer 2020 operating cash to the capital

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fund to fund 2021 capital projects.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 669 of

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2020, authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy

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Supervisor to enter into an inter-municipal  
agreement to accept unprocessed C&D from the  
Town of Southold.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll second it.

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MS. LENT: I have Mr. Loguercio.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 670 of

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2020, award bid number 20055 - collection and

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recycling of electronic waste (e-waste) to the

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lowest responsible bidder, Arrow Scrap

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Corporation.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Resolution 671

15

of 2020 is the determination of the premises

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at 128 West Bartlett Road, Middle Island, New

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York 11953 to be unsafe as defined by Chapter

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73 pursuant to the engineer's report of

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Cashin, Spinelli & Ferretti, LLC and setting a

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public hearing by which the owner or other

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persons having an interest in the premises may

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be heard with respect to the condition of the

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premises and the actions necessary to secure

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or remove same.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: That public hearing will be held January 28, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

12

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0672

17

is authorize the Commissioner of Finance to

18

implement government accounting standards

19

board (GASB).

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: GASB.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: GASB, I'm sorry.

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Standards board (GASB), yup, statement number

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0673

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is the appointment of PKF O'Connor Davies

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LLP/Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck & Company PC to

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provide auditing and accounting services for

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the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.



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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Resolution 674

8

of 2020, authorize the Commissioner of Finance

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to amend the 2020 adopted capital budget to

10

establish a separate capital project for open

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space land acquisition for brush development

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to be funded through a budget neutral

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transfer.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Resolution 675,  
award bid 20056 - traffic signal requirements  
contract to the sole bidder, Hinck Electrical  
Contractor, Inc.

5

So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

7

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

12

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

14

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

15

MS. LENT: Opposed?

16

(No response.)

17

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

18

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Resolution 676

19

of 2020, authorizing the acceptance and

20

installation of a gazebo at the South Setauket

21

Park donated by Andrew Begina.

22

So moved.

23

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

5

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

6

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

8

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

9

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

10

MS. LENT: Opposed?

11

(No response.)

12

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

13

COUNCILMAN PANICO: 677 of '20 is

14

authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor

15

to enter into a participation agreement

16

between the Town of Brookhaven and North

17

Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters

18

for the purpose of hiring union carpenters on

19

an as needed, temporary, part-time or seasonal

20

basis.

21

So moved.

22

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

23

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

24

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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2 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

3 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

4 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

5 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

6 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

7 MS. LENT: Opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

10 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 678 of  
11 2020, authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy  
12 Supervisor to submit a grant application to  
13 the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation  
14 and Historic Preservation for zoos, botanical  
15 gardens and aquariums grants or programs.

16 So moved.

17 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

18 MS. LENT: All those in favor?

19 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

20 COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

21 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

22 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

23 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

24 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

25 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 679 of '20 is

6

authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor

7

to submit a grant application to the New York

8

State Division of Homeland Security and

9

Emergency Services cybersecurity grant program

10

for funding for cybersecurity training.

11

So moved.

12

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

13

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

14

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

16

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

17

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

21

MS. LENT: Opposed?

22

(No response.)

23

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

24

COUNCILMAN PANICO: 680 of '20 is

25

authorizing the execution of an end user

1

2

license agreement between the Town of

3

Brookhaven for use of the Suffolk County real

4

property tax maps and Suffolk County AREIS

5

system and GIS base map.

6

So moved.

7

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

8

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

9

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

10

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

11

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

12

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

13

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

14

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

15

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

16

MS. LENT: Opposed?

17

(No response.)

18

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

19

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 681 is

20

to authorize the Commissioner of Finance to

21

amend the 2020 adopted capital budget to

22

establish dedicated appropriation accounts to

23

record expenses related to the FEMA declared

24

disaster, Tropical Storm Isaias and transfer

25

related expenditures from operating funds.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

4

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

5

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

7

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

10

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

11

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

12

MS. LENT: Opposed?

13

(No response.)

14

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

15

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 0682 of

16

2020, authorizing the change order number one

17

to contract number 20200021 - Davis Park

18

Marina breakwater.

19

So moved.

20

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

21

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

22

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

23

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

24

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

4

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

5

MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

7

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

8

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0683

9

of 2020 is approval of capital professional

10

service requisition in excess of \$25,000 for

11

payment of services to be performed by L.K.

12

McLean Associates, P.C. in connection with the

13

Rolling Oaks storage facility.

14

So moved.

15

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

16

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

17

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

18

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

19

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

20

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

21

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

22

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

23

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

24

MS. LENT: Opposed?

25

(No response.)



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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

3

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0684

4

of 2020 is authorization for the

5

Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor to accept a grant

6

award from the National Fish and Wildlife

7

Foundation (NFWF) for funding the development

8

of a restoration design for the degraded

9

saltmarshes of southern Mastic Beach and to

10

authorize the Commissioner of Finance to amend

11

the 2020 capital budget in connection with the

12

grant award.

13

So moved.

14

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

15

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

16

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

17

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

18

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

19

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

20

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

21

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

22

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

23

MS. LENT: Opposed?

24

(No response.)

25

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 685 of '20 is the approval of capital professional service

3

4

requisition in excess of \$25,000 for payment

5

of services to be performed by Nelson & Pope

6

Engineers and Land Surveyor PLLC in connection

7

with the animal shelter ADA improvements.

8

So moved.

9

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

10

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

11

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

12

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

13

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

14

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

15

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

16

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

17

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Recused.

18

MS. LENT: Opposed?

19

(No response.)

20

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

21

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Supervisor.

22

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 686, Supervisor.

23

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Oh, 686 is a

24

resolution to amend the 2020 adopted budget

25

for the New York State Municipal Consolidation

1

2

and Efficiency Plan Grant.

3

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

5

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

7

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

8

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

9

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

10

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

11

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

12

MS. LENT: Opposed?

13

(No response.)

14

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I just would say

16

that we lost 20 percent of this grant. As you

17

know, the governor cut 20 percent of all State

18

funding that the Town was receiving, which is

19

regrettable and the next is up to -- Dan,

20

you're next.

21

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Yes. 687 of '20 is

22

authorizing the colonial youth and family

23

services temporary use of the Town of

24

Brookhaven's Mastic Recreation Center, it's on

25

Herkimer in Mastic, New York.

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2

So moved.

3

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

4

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

5

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

7

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

8

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

11

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

12

MS. LENT: Opposed?

13

(No response.)

14

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

15

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Resolution 688

16

of 2020, authorization for the Town of

17

Brookhaven to accept the first and second

18

rounds of federal awards from the United

19

States Department of Housing and Urban

20

Development provided under the CARES Act

21

allocating additional and supplemental

22

administration funds for the Section 8 Housing

23

Choice Voucher Program and to amend the

24

related budget to reflect the increase in

25

funding.

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So moved.

3

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

4

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

7

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

8

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

9

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

10

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

11

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

12

MS. LENT: Opposed?

13

(No response.)

14

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

15

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Resolution 689

16

of 2020 is to amend the resolution number 179

17

of 2020, which is entitled "Authorization for

18

the Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor to execute a

19

sub-recipient agreement with Family Service

20

League and Brighter Tomorrows, Inc. using

21

emergency solutions grant funds on behalf of

22

the Town of Brookhaven."

23

So moved.

24

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

25

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

6

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

7

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

8

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

9

MS. LENT: Opposed?

10

(No response.)

11

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

12

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 0690

13

of 2020 is 2020 various operating and capital

14

budget transfers.

15

So moved.

16

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

17

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

18

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

19

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

20

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

21

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

22

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

23

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

24

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

25

MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

3

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 0691 of  
2020 is setting a public hearing to authorize

6

the granting of a license agreement between

7

the Town of Brookhaven and The Pines

8

Foundation for leasing of property (Greenbelt)

9

along Fire Island Boulevard, Fire Island

10

Pines.

11

So moved.

12

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

13

MS. LENT: All those in favor?

14

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

15

COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

16

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

17

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

18

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

19

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

20

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

21

MS. LENT: Opposed?

22

(No response.)

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MS. LENT: That motion will be heard on

24

January 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

25

Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: And finally

3

resolution 0692 of 2020, setting a public

4

hearing to authorize the granting of a license

5

agreement between the Town of Brookhaven and

6

The Pines Foundation for the leasing of

7

property along Fire Island Boulevard and the

8

west corner of Atlantic Walk.

9

So moved.

10

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

11

MS. LENT: That public hearing will

12

also be heard on January 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

13

All those in favor?

14

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

16

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

17

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

18

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

19

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

20

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

21

MS. LENT: Opposed?

22

(No response.)

23

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: That ends our

25

resolution agenda, but I understand we have a



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walk-on --

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Yes,

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Supervisor.

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MS. LENT: I'll take a motion to add

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number 693.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Yes --

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

10

Oh, sorry, Val.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: No problem.

12

MS. LENT: So you're making the

13

motion --

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: I made the

15

motion and Councilwoman Bonner seconded.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

17

All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

22

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

23

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

24

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries, motion to

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add.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Okay.

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I move the adoption of the resolution

7

directing the Commissioner of Information

8

Technology to add the Community Development

9

Block Grant, which is considered CDBG, census

10

track areas to our publicly available GIS

11

system.

12

So moved.

13

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: And that's --

14

second and that's being co-sponsored by the

15

whole Town board.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Yes, it is.

17

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Everyone

19

co-sponsoring this.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

21

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

23

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

24

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

25

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

3

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: On this

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motion, aye, of course. If I can just be

9

heard very briefly on this motion.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Sure.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: First I'd like

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to thank my colleagues for co-sponsoring this

13

resolution, every colleague.

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The issue of environmental justice is

15

very important to me and it has been a topic

16

of discussion in communities around our nation

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for decades. However, in these times, in

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2020, a year where there has been meaningful

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public engagement across the country about

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injustices of all kinds, environmental justice

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has been brought to the forefront, so the

22

development of this extra layer of mapping is

23

a step in the right direction.

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It will help the Town of Brookhaven

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remain cognizant of the geographic regions in

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which there are likely to be disparities and

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existing or greater risk of environmental

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injustice. It will also help to identify low

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income communities and communities of color in

6

Brookhaven, which are at more risk of

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environmental injustice and it will be

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available to the public on the Town website.

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As you all know, municipalities across

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the country are intentionally and

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affirmatively taking additional steps to

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address this important issue. I have always

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been a proponent of municipalities doing more

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than the bare minimum that the law requires

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and that's what we're doing. I've always

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believed that if the municipalities have the

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capability to do more, to help to affect the

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quality of lives of our constituents, we

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should do that and that's what we're doing by

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adopting this resolution and I thank you for

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that and I thank you for the support of my

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colleagues and I know that there is a lot more

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work that needs to be done in the areas of

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environmental justice and of course,

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addressing racial equity within the climate

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crisis and I trust that my colleagues will

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continue to do so in my absence, but I'm happy

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to be a part of this step today. Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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Also, no community should suffer

7

injustice, environmental or otherwise and I

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know as Supervisor, I try hard, I hope I

9

succeed at the end of the day, in trying, as

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my colleagues try and each colleague tries

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very hard to make sure that the communities

12

that comprise Brookhaven are adequately

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represented and that there is no injustice,

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environmental or otherwise, that impact any of

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these communities and it weighs on our mind

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every single day, but thank you for the

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resolution and let's take a vote.

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We took the vote, right?

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MS. LENT: Yeah, we took the vote and

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the motion carries, yes. Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. So we're

22

going to go onto public hearings, which is at

23

2:30, in about three or four minutes, but

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while we're here, let me wish our colleague,

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Valerie Cartright, every success.

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As some people know, Valerie was elected to the State Supreme Court for a 14-year term and will start I guess January 1st and will be installed or robed, they have a robing ceremony for the judges, so I want to wish her every success.

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During her tenure, I know she's worked hard for her constituents and for her district and I wish her success and if any of my colleagues want to chime in, I'm sure we all wish her well.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Well, I have to jump in.

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You know, as a member of the Town council class of 2013, Valerie and I came in right at the same time, so it's going to be weird not having you here, Val, we've been here every day together, although your first speech you did call me Ken. I always will remember that, you did call me Ken.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: I remember that.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: But a lot of people do that, I'll let you get away with it,

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2 but it's been great to work with you, Valerie,  
3 your staff and yourself. You've always  
4 maintained yourself as very professional and  
5 it's been great to work with you and I wish  
6 you nothing but the best on the bench and hope  
7 to never be in your courtroom.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: So I can just  
9 echo the comments of my colleagues because I  
10 sat next to Valerie when we were all fortunate  
11 to meet in person in the auditorium and our  
12 offices were next door to each other and I can  
13 honestly say that our staffs, our staff  
14 members, work very collaboratively together as  
15 council districts that touched each other and  
16 it was truly an honor to be able to work with  
17 Valerie and understand her viewpoints and I  
18 think she hopefully appreciates some of my  
19 viewpoints as women that come from different  
20 sides of the political aisle.

21 She opened my eyes to some things that  
22 I didn't really -- wasn't really aware of and  
23 for that, I appreciate it very, very much and  
24 I wish you nothing but success and I echo what  
25 Councilman LaValle said, I hope to never be in

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your courtroom and I'm also going to miss

3

Noelle at various functions, she was my buddy

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at Town functions, so I wish you all the best,

5

Valerie, good luck.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Let me just say,

7

I've known Valerie longer than anybody here on

8

this screen, even Ed believe it or not.

9

Valerie and I came through law school

10

together, we were both on the student bar

11

association. Valerie was the president of the

12

black law students association, I was the

13

president of the student bar association. We

14

came up together in three years. I've always

15

had a great deal of respect that will

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continue.

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People watching this I think should

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realize, especially in light of the recent

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presidential election, although we may differ

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in our political registration, party

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registration, that type of spiteful rhetoric

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that you see on the national level and you

23

used to see in Brookhaven doesn't exist and

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this Town board really does work together.

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The issues we deal with, largely land use and



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local municipal issues, are not political

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issues.

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In instances where, Val, we've

5

disagreed, it's always been respectful because

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that's the relationship that we have, that's

7

the relationship you have with all of the Town

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board members and we have with each other.

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Brookhaven has come quite a long way.

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You've been an asset to this Town board, you

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will be missed and we will see you again at

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some point I'm sure in other functions, Town

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functions, we hope and we know that you'll

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still be a part for so long that you live in

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the Town of Brookhaven and I wish you truly

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the best.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Hey, Valerie, I just

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want to say congratulations to you and your

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family. It's going to be an amazing journey

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that you're going to take on as a supreme

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court judge. You were here seven years,

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you're going to be there a long time and

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you're going to be viewed upon just as a

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person that people can really look up to and I

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applaud you for that. You're a great mom,

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2           you're a great councilwoman and good luck.

3                   COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Thank you.

4           Thank you.

5                   Supervisor, it's 2:30, but do I have a  
6           few minutes to say a few words?

7                   SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Of course.

8                   COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Valerie, if I  
9           could just interrupt one second?

10                   COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Of course.

11                   COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I just also  
12           wanted to echo all the words of my colleagues  
13           on this board.14                   As the newest member to this board, I  
15           want to thank you because, you know, as, you  
16           know, opposite sides of the aisle, so to  
17           speak, in some beliefs, we've always worked  
18           well together, we've always joined forces and  
19           I appreciate everything that you've taught me  
20           being the newest member on the board. Your  
21           staff has been wonderful, my staff has always  
22           appreciated working with them and enjoyed  
23           working with them and I wish you tremendous  
24           success, I'm sure you're going to do a fine  
25           job on the bench and I wish you all the best

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and well.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Thank you,

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thank you.

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Supervisor, thank you. Thank you for

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allowing me to just say a few words.

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Well, yes, this is my last Town board

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meeting and it's a bit emotional, we have been

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together for the past seven years, I say

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through the good times and the bad times,

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working really hard together to accomplish a

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lot here in the Town of Brookhaven, but I must

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say that it has been an honor and a privilege

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to serve as the elected representative for

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Council District 1.

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I thank the community for putting their

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faith and trust in me for all these years and

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it has been an amazing and interesting

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experience. I've learned so much. I've, you

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know, touched base and connected with so many

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community organizations. We have really made

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an impact within the Three Village, the Port

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Jefferson Station, the Terryville communities

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as well as all the villages within my

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Many of the things that we've accomplished on the Town board, of course, I could not accomplish without all of you, I'm only one vote. I know sometimes we go to battle as to certain issues, but at the end of the day, it's about compromise and as Councilwoman Bonner mentioned, us looking at each other's perspectives and understanding that we all come from different walks of life, we all have different experiences and all of our experiences and all of our expertise means something to the conversation, so thank you for respecting that and respecting my opinions.

When I was elected into office, I committed myself to being open, accessible and transparent and I believe that I have fought to keep that going all seven years in office. I was a brand new elected official coming in with Councilman Kevin LaValle and new to Brookhaven Town government, but everyone worked really hard to get me up to speed.

I want to just give a special kudos to the Town Attorney's office because they really

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helped my office get up to speed on all of the  
3 issues within the Town and that's not only our  
4 Town Attorney, Annette Eaderesto, but everyone  
5 within that department.

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I'd like to thank all of the other  
department heads and all the department  
members that work with my office. As you all  
know, I'm very much on research and making  
sure I have every component of an issue in  
front of me so I can understand what I'm doing  
so I can make an informed decision. I know  
that that is not always how everyone else  
functions, but I appreciate you all accepting  
my approach and working with me as we continue  
to fight for a better Brookhaven.

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So this is bittersweet, the fact that I  
am leaving here today because of the great  
work that we have been able to accomplish in  
my district as well as across the Town, but I  
am looking forward to this new part of my life  
and I do want to say it's evident, you know, I  
am the first African-American to ever be  
elected to the Town board and I'm proud of  
that and I hope that I have opened the door

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for other people of color in the Town of

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We talk about, especially this year, how diverse the Township Brookhaven is and we all have different backgrounds. We've been fighting against racial injustice and we've been doing it, we've said it in open forums and I'm happy that I have been able to set the standard to some degree on diversity from a female perspective as well as a black perspective.

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So thank you again for everything that you have all done for me, the community as well as my colleagues, over these past seven years and continue to make an impact on the lives of others in the Town of Brookhaven while I will try to do that from the bench, so thank you, thank you and thank you and Donna Lent, thank you. Thank you.

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MS. LENT: Thank you. Best of luck to you, Valerie. I'm very happy for you.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Thank you.

Thank you, Supervisor, for letting me say a few words.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Pleasure,

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pleasure.

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Before we move to public hearings, we

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have one decision to make regarding

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introductory local law number, I guess it's

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MS. LENT: No, no, no, it's

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introductory local law 15.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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And I believe, Valerie, you wanted to

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make that motion.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Yes.

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I move the resolution of adoption

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amending Chapter 29 entitled "Zoning" --

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MS. LENT: Before we do adoption, are

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we doing a SEQRA on this?

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Oh, yes.

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Actually let me see, I only have the

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SEQRA, I think. Okay. So I apologize, let me

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rephrase.

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I move SEQRA negative declaration

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related to the resolution of adoption amending

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Chapter 29 entitled "Zoning Redevelopment" in

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the code of the Town of Brookhaven.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second that.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Now I move for

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the resolution of adoption amending Chapter 29

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entitled "Zoning Redevelopment" of the code of

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the Town of Brookhaven.

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So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.



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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: On that

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motion, we did receive some letters citing

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some concerns related to this proposed code.

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I did ask the Town Attorney's office to

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take a look at all of the comments that were

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made and to see what adjustments could be made

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to the code that would allow us to be able to

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move forward today. Beth Reilly, I don't know

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if she's still on the call, but she did make

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adjustments in response to some of the

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concerns raised by local civic associations.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes, we had a

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discussion just before we came online about

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some of those. Obviously your Three Village

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Civic from your district raised some concerns,

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Herb Mones. We've had some concerns raised by

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MaryAnn Johnston and ABCO and they were

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extensive.

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We are looking at all of those and we

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said if there's any adjustments that need to

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be made, we would make them in January, but

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yes, we've read all of them and we've had a

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brief discussion about that before the start

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of this meeting formally.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: And ultimately at

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the end of the day, this change fully and

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squarely relies on the Town board's decision,

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no other board and it's not a fait accompli,

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it's not an as of right. Just because

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somebody comes forward with an idea doesn't

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mean it's going to be embraced or accepted.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No, we're not

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looking to promote development. We are

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looking to promote in some cases redevelopment

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of vacant or abandoned properties or

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underutilized properties that could be better

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utilized, but again, it requires the support

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of the Town board. It's not, as Councilwoman

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Bonner said, as of right, so -- but believe

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me, we've taken all those considerations into

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effect and I'd be happy to speak with MaryAnn

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Johnston or Dan Panico can speak with her, I'd

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be happy to speak with Herb Mones or anyone

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from the civic association including

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Mr. Kornreich, who is I believe the president.

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So with that --

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: You're right,

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Mr. Supervisor. This is a critical time

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really with COVID happening, I see it in my

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district, I think everybody sees it in their

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district. This is a good time to pass this,

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continue the conversation, it's something that

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I think we've all worked on as a board trying

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to improve these blighted sites, now we're

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putting pen to paper and we can amend as we go

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along, I think there will be some changes to

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this, but I think this is a concept that we

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need to continue to push forward and like I

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said, this is critical right now, how many

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businesses are going out of business right now

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in these communities because of COVID, so we

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have to continue to push forward, try to

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support our business community and our

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property owners.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: It's extremely

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important. So many of our commercial

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developments have suffered during this

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pandemic. We've got to ensure that they -- if

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they become abandoned or vacant, that they are

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redeveloped in accordance with the wishes of

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the community and to promote economic

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development and jobs. Very important. You're

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absolutely right, Councilman, absolutely

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right.

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So we've taken a vote, have we taken a

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vote on the resolution?

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MS. LENT: Yup, we're done.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. So it's

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done business and we go right to public

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hearings. Thank you so much.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Good luck, Val.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Thank you.

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MS. LENT: So we'll start with public

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hearing number one, Supervisor?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes, public

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hearing number one, our Uniform Traffic Code,

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please.

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MS. LENT: Right.

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Uniform Traffic Code amendments. Town

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Attorney Annette Eaderesto will be providing a

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brief summary of today's public hearing to

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amend the Uniform Traffic Code.

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Legal notices for public hearings are published no less than ten days, no more than 20 days in one of the legal Town newspapers prior to a public hearing. My office has received a signed affidavit of publication from the newspaper.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Annette, do you want to make a list of the changes that we're making to the traffic code?

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MS. EADERESTO: Yes, Mr. Supervisor. They are as follows: Article Seven, Section 26, stop and yield intersections, there's one deletion and one addition in the Hamlet of Middle Island.

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Article Eight, Section 33, parking prohibited in designated areas, there's one addition in the Hamlet of Center Moriches.

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Article Eight, Section 39, stopping in designated locations, there's one addition in the Hamlet of Shirley.

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Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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With that, I'm going to move into --

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does any of the board members have any

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questions about Uniform Traffic Code changes?

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(No response.)

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Motion to close.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll second.

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MS. LENT: I have Mr. LaValle.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion to close carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Motion of

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adoption, I move that we adopt --

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I make a motion

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to adopt.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. We are onto

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public hearing number two.

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number two,

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let's see.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Would you open it

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and then when you do, the Town Attorney's

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going to give us some background?

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number two is

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introductory Local Law 16 of 2020 to consider

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enacting an introductory local law amending

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Chapter 85 entitled "Zoning", Article XXXIV

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entitled "Land Development Standards", Section

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2 85-871 entitled "Illegal Exterior Lighting" of  
3 the code of the Town of Brookhaven.

4 Legal notices for public hearings are  
5 published no less than ten days, no more than  
6 20 days prior to a public hearing in one of  
7 the legal Town newspapers. My office has  
8 received a signed affidavit of publication  
9 from the newspaper. My office, we are  
10 awaiting a letter from Suffolk County  
11 Planning, so we will . . . we've opened the  
12 hearing, we're going to hear this today and  
13 then it will be held on the decision calendar  
14 moving forward.

15 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

16 MS. LENT: So . . .

17 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: We've opened it.

18 Does Annette want to comment on it  
19 before we adjourn it?

20 MS. EADERESTO: Yes, I have it. I have  
21 a little blurb for the board, it's very  
22 simple.

23 Over ten years ago the Town updated  
24 code requirements for commercial lighting.  
25 The code provided for notice to property



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owners so they had time to bring their sites  
into compliance.

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Another section of the code states that  
the nonconforming lighting must be brought  
into compliance within ten years of code  
adoption.

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Since the property owners have now had  
over ten years to comply, the notice  
requirement is outdated and should be removed  
from the code.

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This is a continuing cleanup of a code  
that we've been doing for the past few years.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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We're adjourning this until we get the  
letter from Suffolk County; is that correct?

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MS. EADERESTO: Yes. We should close  
and hold on the decision calendar.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. I make a  
motion to close this public hearing then.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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2 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

3 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

4 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

5 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

6 MS. LENT: Opposed?

7 (No response.)

8 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

9 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: We'll take a vote  
10 of adoption, we'll wait for the letter from  
11 Suffolk County. At our first business meeting  
12 in January, we'll vote on this now that the  
13 public hearing has been closed.

14 MS. LENT: Okay.

15 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

16 We are onto public hearing number  
17 three.

18 MS. LENT: Public hearing number three  
19 is to authorize a renewal of a franchise  
20 agreement between the Town of Brookhaven and  
21 Brookhaven Town Volunteer Firefighters Museum  
22 in the operation -- I'm sorry, for the  
23 operation of a firefighters museum in Ridge,  
24 New York.

25 Legal notices for public hearings are

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published no less than ten days, no more than

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20 days prior to a public hearing in one of

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the legal Town newspapers. My office has

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received a signed affidavit of publication

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from the newspaper.

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Should the board render a decision,

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this has been deemed a SEQRA Type II action.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you and

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we'll hear from Annette Eaderesto, our Town

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Attorney on this.

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MS. EADERESTO: Thank you,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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Brookhaven Town Volunteer Firefighters

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Museum is requesting a renewal of the

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franchise agreement for the operation and

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maintenance of a firefighters museum and

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memorial park in approximately ten acres of

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land on the north side of Route 25 east of

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William Floyd Parkway at the Town park in

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Ridge, New York.

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This renewal will retroactively

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commence November 30, 2019 and run for a

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period of 25 years from that date.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Do we have any questions from any board members?

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(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll just say the museum is a great place --

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: It is. They do a great job there.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: -- a tremendous asset to the Town of Brookhaven and I'm happy to see that we're renewing their franchise agreement, they do a great job and they are committed. It's a great place to visit, by the way, it's in Ridge on the north side of 25. It's a great place to visit.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Every fire department in Brookhaven has a memorial there. There are -- they run some wonderful programs, they've done a great job with restoring some buildings, you know. They have races. They do a really, really great job and you know, we're very supportive of our volunteer firefighters and EMS.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Supervisor, as someone who uses it constantly, you know,

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there is so many departments that come in from

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all over Long Island to see that museum and

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they're in awe of it because they don't have

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anything like that right here in Brookhaven --

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: No.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: -- and they're

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so happy to see something like this, so thank

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you, board.

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MS. LENT: Do I have a motion to close?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Make a motion to

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close.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll make a motion

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to close this public hearing.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I'll second.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Sorry.

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I got a resolution of adoption to authorize -- I know you're the volunteer

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fireman, Mike, but it is in my council

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district.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Right.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution of

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adoption to authorize the renewal of franchise

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agreement between the Town of Brookhaven and

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Brookhaven Town Volunteer Firefighters Museum

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for the operation of a firefighters museum in

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Ridge, New York.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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We are onto public hearing number four,  
which I understand is going to be adjourned,

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so I'm going to make the motion to adjourn

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that to January 14th of 2021, unless you want

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to open it first.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second it.

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MS. LENT: I don't have a clear answer

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on my notes whether or not this has been

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opened before.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: It hasn't.

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MS. LENT: So I'm going to open it,

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please.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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MS. EADERESTO: Mr. Supervisor, we were

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going to --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: And then we'll

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make the motion to adjourn.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Hold on, Annette

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is trying to speak.

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MS. EADERESTO: We were adjourning that

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to January 28th.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: January 28th?

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MS. LENT: I'm going to open it,

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Annette.

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MS. EADERESTO: We settled it. Donna,

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we've settled it, so . . . we have contracts

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out, so I don't think we'll ever need to have

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this. You can open it, if we need to, on the

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28th.

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MS. LENT: Okay.

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So I'll take a motion to adjourn to

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January 28th.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll make that

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motion.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: And I'll second

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it.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Romaine. Okay.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.



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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. We're

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moving right along to public hearing number

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five.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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Public hearing number five,

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determination of the premises located at 38

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Our public hearing had been adjourned

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Legal notices for public hearings are

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MR. SWEENEY: Yes, Town Clerk, it has been opened and I've actually presented it as well.

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MS. LENT: All right. So I'll just add to that what I've already said is that if the board renders a decision, this has been deemed a SEQRA Type II action.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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We have Brendan Sweeney to tell us what's going on here and why it was opened in the past and what's happening now.

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MR. SWEENEY: Yeah and for now I'll do a little brief summary before I show pictures. The board has seen these pictures in the past.

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Conditions have slightly changed at this site in that the tree that you can see in this first picture that I'm sharing has been removed and cleaned by the owners. They are one step away right now from obtaining their permit to rehab the home. We delayed it because they had to go to the Board of Zoning Appeals, they had to do some various stages in order to be able to come into -- the ability

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The only thing I'm awaiting from them at this point now is just a cost estimate for the work that is to be done because that will calculate what the cost of the permit is actually going to be, so I did send notice of them yesterday that we do need that and then once I receive, that permit can be issued and work can again.

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If you want me to present these pictures again, I'd be happy to share them for everyone, otherwise we have heard this and we have spoken with the attorneys for this property before.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I just have a couple of questions for the Town Attorney. Thank you, Brendan.

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MR. SWEENEY: You're welcome.

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Annette, are you there; Brendan, can we . . .

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MR. SWEENEY: It looks like she stepped away from her desk in this exact moment, so I don't know if you want to wait --

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: All right, so maybe Valerie and Dan as attorneys can chime in.

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My concern is and I think we've experienced this with all of our council districts and houses like this that sort of languish and banks or property owners sort of kind of dither and are not very diligent about doing the things that they need to do. I'm dealing with another one in Rocky Point; the gentleman has renewed his demolition permit, I think for the fourth time over a year and I just -- I'm . . . I have concerns for the neighbors and the community as a whole for safety on that block and their surrounding community when we have derelict houses that are easily accessible.

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MR. SWEENEY: I just want to note before they begin that the Town board building permits that we issue do have comments that state that the building permit does not supersede the authority of the Town board's, you know, like if you guys choose to act on this, we would have the authority to still go

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in and do the demolition, the building permit

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doesn't stop that, it's just that they have

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the building permit to begin working.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: So you're saying

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that we should delay this one more Town board

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meeting, Brendan?

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MR. SWEENEY: I'll defer to the board.

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I mean like I said, the only thing I'm waiting

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on is a cost estimate. Once that cost

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estimate is obtained, they can begin working.

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permit's issued they begin the work, but I

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obviously am not them, I cannot guarantee

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Brendan, in an

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attempt to move this along, I will adjourn

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this, I will make a motion to adjourn this

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public hearing till January 14th, which is the

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first business meeting after our organization

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meeting in January and by that time, Brendan,

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we want, you know, an update on this because

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we want to see this house either rehabbed or

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we're going to demolish it.

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MR. SWEENEY: Absolutely.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you again,

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Brendan and you're up next, Brendan, also

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because we're moving onto public hearing

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number six.

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MR. SWEENEY: I am.

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MS. LENT: I'm so sorry, this noise.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: -- which deals

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with 195 Union Avenue in East Patchogue.

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MS. LENT: Yes, I'll open it, sir.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. And we have

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Brendan Sweeney to briefly explain what's

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going on with this house.

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Brendan?

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MR. SWEENEY: Yes.

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195 Union Avenue is owned by Prestige Worldwide Group, LLC. They've owned it since March 28th of 2019. No mortgage was found in the title report that we did. The taxes are unpaid just for the one that just began a couple of days ago, so it's not that there's years of unpaid taxes, it's just that we only started a couple of days ago and they haven't dropped it off yet.

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It's not on our vacant registry, asbestos is present and we conducted two inspections, one on September 4th and one on December 10th. We also did contact Prestige Worldwide at the address they have on file with us and I want to note that on Tuesday, the 15th, so this Tuesday that just happened, I spoke with the owner, Mr. Salvatore Pane, who represents the -- he owns the company of the LLC. He already reach out to the Law Department, either the same day or slightly a little earlier, I'd have to check my notes.

His property has a rather detailed history. In fact, there was an issue at one



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point where he got his CO for his house, it

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wasn't owned by him at the time, but the

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subdivision was never properly filed. As a

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result, when he went to go to the health

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department to get approval to become a

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four-bedroom home, they told him that he had

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to get an IA system not only for his property,

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but also for the property of his neighbor

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because the County viewed them as one lot.

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with him to what he has to say. I will note

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that I did receive from his expediter the

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plans for what he intends to do to the home;

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it's now just to return it to the state it was

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that's listed on the CO, which is a

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two-bedroom home and we are having a plans

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examiner review that as we speak at this

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moment. He's looking over it to confirm if

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the plans conform to the New York State

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building code or if there's some issues that

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need to be addressed.

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Now in terms of this home. The

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building is a 40 by 48 wood frame, two-story

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residential structure with the basement

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resting on concrete foundation partially clad

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with vinyl siding and with an asphalt shingle

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see.

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abandoned construction project with the second

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floor not completed and open to the elements.

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Tarping which covered the roof and areas under

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construction are destroyed and hanging from

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the structure. The exposed wood sheathing and

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second story wood framing are deteriorating.

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The exterior wall is open to the elements.

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The chimney appeared to be leaning and if it's

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left unattended could potentially collapse.

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The property is overgrown and there's

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construction debris.

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The engineers, when they went to the

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site, were unable to get access to the

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interior, but as you'll see in some of the

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later photos, they did take pictures through a

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front door, through the glass front door.

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The interior is completely gutted and

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is also exposed to the elements as you can see

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The building is not boarded up and the site is not secure, constituting a public safety hazard, especially due to the incomplete state of the construction of the building.

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Violations include from the 2020 Property Maintenance Code of New York State I have chapters one and chapter three, sections 101, 107, 301, 302 and 304 and from the 2020 Fire Code of New York State I have Chapter 3, sections 301 and 311; from the code of Town of Brookhaven I have violations of chapters 49 and 73.

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Pursuant to the above definitions, the building is considered unsafe, lacks maintenance, is in an advanced state of disrepair and unfit for human occupancy.

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Due to its very poor condition, rapid deterioration and incomplete construction, the inspectors believe that this site poses a

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threat to the health, safety and general

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welfare of the public.

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Based on prior mentioned inspections,  
the owner has not completed the construction

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of this house nor made the required repairs.

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It is thus recommended that it is unsafe and

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if it cannot be reasonably repaired and

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construction completed to meet State and Town

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codes in a timely manner, it should be

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demolished.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. Thank you,

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Brendan.

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Does the board have any questions about

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this presentation?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Supervisor, I think

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there's a couple of speakers on the -- in the

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queue. I think we can definitely hear from

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them, then I will chime in.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. So we'll

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move to speakers then.

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I'll ask the clerk if I have speakers

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for this public hearing.

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MS. LENT: Annette, you would have that

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MS. EADERESTO: As Neil said, there are some speakers and I believe they're now admitted from the monitors, so the clerk can swear them in.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. Please.

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MS. LENT: All right. Let me change the view because this way I can see them.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: You need to move, all I can see are your slides, Brendan, so you need to move them.

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MR. SWEENEY: Yup, sure, I'll stop sharing.

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MS. LENT: Okay, great.

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So I have a Mr. Andersen; is there anyone else on that I'm not seeing, that's all I see?

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Mr. Andersen, if you would please --

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MR. PAGANI: It's Mr. Pane. I apologize, I'm using someone else's computer in my office because my webcam is not working.

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MS. LENT: Got it. Okay. All right.

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So okay, so can I have your full name, please?

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MR. PAGANI: It's Enzo Pagani formerly known as Salvatore Pane.

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MS. LENT: And your hamlet that you're from?

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MR. PAGANI: Patchogue.

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MS. LENT: Okay, for the record.

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So, sir, if you'll just raise your right hand. If you please swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth so help you God.

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MR. PAGANI: I do.

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MS. LENT: Okay. Thank you.

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You can begin. I'm going to set the clock for five minutes and when your time has expired, I will stop you, okay?

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MR. PAGANI: Thank you, ma'am.

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Thank you all for letting me speak today. I really appreciate the opportunity to explain a little bit about what has transpired with this property.

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Since I purchased this property, I have done everything I can to bring this back to what it originally was, which was a beautiful house when it was originally built.

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Upon closing on this property, this situation, what my title company did not understand or notice was that I have a C of O when I closed on the property, the house was in complete disarray, it was left abandoned, under major demolition issues, squatters, the whole nine yards, there was a dead animal in the house, which I had to have a biohazard company clean up.

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We did everything we had to do to get this house. We filed for a zone of board -- a Board of Zoning Appeals to get the extension approved that had been done. We have filed for permits multiple times. There was one or two times they were rejected because we needed to upgrade the water system -- the cesspool system with the AI systems, I'm not familiar with these terms, I apologize, but the system that is required is a much more expensive system. I had to hire an engineering firm to design the system, I had to have soil samples done, bore samples. I've gone through all this process. We then resubmitted. The Board of Health said my permit was being denied

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because the Town of Brookhaven issued a C of O

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on a property that was never closed out with a

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subdivision back in the 1990's.

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of an AI system to my next door neighbor for

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an additional \$45,000 that I would have to

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pay, soil samples, new engineering --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: You know there's

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grants available, you know there's State and

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County grants available for both?

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MR. PAGANI: For me and my neighbor?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: For these sewer

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MR. PAGANI: For me and my next door

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neighbor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Because this is a

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County requirement.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Your next door

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MR. PAGANI: I will definitely look into this, but the concern I have is, is that from the moment I closed till now, a year and a half has transpired. In this year and a half, now we're sitting at a board where you guys are looking to knock down my house with my investment in here. I do not want my house knocked down.

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I have now changed the engineering plans and the architecture design a third time because the Board of Health said, after me and my neighbor could not come to a deal on getting him to upgrade his system, which I offered to pay 50 percent of his cost, so \$40,000 for my system, I offered 20,000 to his system. I cannot offer -- he will not accept it. He also is a member of the active military, he is in Afghanistan; again, he's Soldiers and Sailors Act, I've been contacting him again and again, he's out of the country. His house is --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Excuse me, sir.

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You live in Patchogue?

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MR. PAGANI: Yes.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Do you know who Legislator Calarco is?

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MR. PAGANI: Absolutely. Personally,

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: You should go see

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him and ask about the County grant; you know

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where he's located, right on Main Street.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: He didn't tell

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you about this, that this is available? This

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is a County initiative. He didn't offer his

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services to help you with this?

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MR. PAGANI: Actually I knew nothing

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about this grant.

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My bigger concern is that you guys, in

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my opinion, like we're at the point where your

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guys want to knock my house down --

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: No, hold on, sir,

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hold on, we'll get you, we'll let you speak.

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Mr. Sweeney, is there violations on

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this home?

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MR. SWEENEY: I don't have any that

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Management. If they were of any other type of

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that was done when Mr. Pane was trying to

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secure the home so that it wouldn't

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deteriorate further.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Okay.

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MR. PAGANI: I will definitely look

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into this grant and do everything I can.

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My biggest fear is that at this point,

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I have now resubmitted again because the Board

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of Health told Andy Malguarnera and the H2M

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this AI system and not have to upgrade my

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original specs to bring it back to the

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original way so I won't have to change the

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septic system and then I can just get my

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building permit.

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I have built 50 homes in Long Island in

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Suffolk County over the past 15 years. I want

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to do the right thing by my community. I own

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buildings on Main Street in Patchogue, I own

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36 rental properties in Patchogue Village. I

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was awarded Patchogue's -- the Private

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Patchogue Award for my four family on South

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Ocean Avenue. I do the right thing by my

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property, I want to do the right thing by

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Brookhaven. I just don't want you guys to

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knock my house down while I'm doing everything

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I can in a situation that was way above my

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I didn't know that the property wasn't subdivided in the 1980's, my title company didn't know it. Annette Eaderesto, I believe she heard about the situation, she said she's never seen a situation where a C of O was given and a subdivision was never approved.

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I will do anything I can. I ask you to give me the time so Brendan can get me my permit and I promise you, my men and women will be working on that property immediately.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Pane, I'm sorry, but your time is up.

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MR. PAGANI: Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I would simply say the Board of Health is the County of Suffolk, you should have immediately stopped by Legislator Calarco and spoke to him about that and you should speak to the County about -- the County and the State are offering sewer grants for these IA systems.

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All I could tell you is the Town is not tolerant of a code deficient house existing for a long period of time. We get complaints

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from neighbors and it is our goal to stop that  
type of stuff.

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I understand the circumstances you say,  
but this cannot continue and I'll turn it over  
to my colleague, Councilman Foley.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Yes.

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Just looking at the house, I'm not an  
engineer, but I could tell you, this house has  
been open to the elements for two years. I  
really don't know how you're going to build it  
because it's deemed unbuildable basically to  
be demolished, but that's up to you down the  
road.

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MR. SWEENEY: Councilman, not to  
correct you, but the engineers did state that  
the home is eligible for repair per Cashin,  
Spinelli & Ferretti, that is in their  
engineer's report and it's part of the  
conclusions --

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: So then we should  
not be in a public hearing right now. It  
should --

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MR. SWEENEY: It's unsafe, but that it  
is something that is eligible for repair.

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It's not beyond the point of repair.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Thirty days.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: So this is what we're going to. We do not -- this board does not like to demolish homes, we want to see you rehab it. I will work with you, we will do our Zoom call on Monday, but we're going to vote today to demolish -- well, I'm not saying we're going to vote, to see if we can demolish it and then we'll work on helping you out and see if there's a solution in the future for you.

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MR. PAGANI: Give me the 30 days with you, that's all I ask. I've never asked for one favor. I ask this one. If I can't in 30 days, I won't even join the meeting next time, you have my word. I ask for 30 days.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Councilman Foley, do you have a motion that you'd like to make?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I have a motion to close hearing number six.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I'll second that.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I have a

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.



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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: All right. Thank

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you and we are onto public hearing number

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number seven,

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Now we hear from Brendan Sweeney, who

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will tell us a little bit about 55 Washington

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Drive, Mastic Beach.

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Brendan.

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MR. SWEENEY: Yes.

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So 55 Washington Drive, Mastic Beach,

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is owned by Roger Shadlowsky and Mary

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Tortorella since August 29th of 2019. Now for

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a note, Roger has owned this property since

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1986. Mary came into possession after the

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passing of her sister. We've actually dealt

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with these individuals at a previous property

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that we demolished, 150 Grand Avenue, that

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Ms. Tortorella was able to actually demolish

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for us. We did have to have the hearing, but

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she did follow through and demolish the

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property herself.

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In terms -- I believe also that

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Mr. Tortorella, her husband, is going to be

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somebody that's going to come on to speak, at least per the conversations I've had with some of the monitors.

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Now in terms of this property, there is no mortgage. Taxes per the County of Suffolk when I called them yesterday are unpaid since the 2019-2020 tax bill, which would enable the County to take ownership after December of 2022.

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Verified vacant, asbestos is present.

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There are two inspection dates that were conducted, one on November 2nd and one on December 10th.

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The only violations I was able to obtain from our records that we have are tall grass and a litter violation, in both cases the Town performed the work, which means a lien was placed onto the property for both violations.

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We contacted Mr. Shadlowsky as Melinda Zavesky told me from Waste Management; she told me that the certified mail that went to his address did come back and said that it was not able to send there and there was no known

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2 forwarding address, so we attempted to contact  
3 him, but it did not succeed. We also  
4 contacted Mrs. Tortorella at her address.

5 In terms of this property, like I said,  
6 we've dealt with them previously on a  
7 different property matter. I have not spoken  
8 to either individual regarding this one since  
9 we opened the process.

10 Subject building is 30 by 46 wood frame  
11 single story residential structure on a  
12 concrete foundation above a crawlspace. It's  
13 clad with asbestos shingle siding and an  
14 asphalt shingle roof and is in extremely poor  
15 condition. The roof is old and worn and based  
16 on conditions observed at the interior, the  
17 roof is not watertight.

18 Siding, fascia and soffits are  
19 dilapidated. Gutters are broken and missing  
20 and at the rear, the roof structure as well as  
21 portions of the exterior walls have collapsed,  
22 leaving the building open to the elements.

23 Property is densely overgrown and there  
24 is miscellaneous trash in areas.

25 The interior is also in a poor

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condition with trash, construction debris and mold throughout. The ceilings have fallen due to prolonged exposure to moisture. Flooring has rotted through to the crawlspace. The rear portion of the building has completely collapsed, leaving it open to the elements and trespassers.

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Unsatisfactory conditions exist throughout this interior. The building is also not boarded up and the site not secure, constituting a public safety hazard, especially due to the advanced state of decay of the building and per Inspector Incagliato, the conditions have not changed since Cashin did its report.

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In terms of violations, from the 2020 property maintenance code of New York State, I have Chapter One, sections 101 and 107 and Chapter 3, sections 301, 302 and 304.

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From the 2020 Fire Code of New York State, I have violations of Chapter 3, sections 301 and 311, from the code of the Town of Brookhaven I have violations of chapters 49 and 73.

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Pursuant to the above definitions, the building is considered unsafe, lacks maintenance, is in an advanced state of disrepair, unsanitary and unfit for human occupancy.

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Due to its extremely poor condition and rapid deterioration, the engineers and inspector believe this site poses a threat to the health, safety and general welfare of the public.

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Based on the prior mentioned inspections, the owner has not corrected existing defects nor made required repairs to the structure.

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Due to the dilapidated and unsafe condition of the building, the rate of deterioration from lack of maintenance and numerous violations of State and Town codes, it is CSF's recommendation the structure be demolished.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay, thank you.

Questions from the board?

(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No questions from

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the board members.

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Do we have any speakers on this?

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(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No speakers.

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MS. EADERESTO: Wait. Mr. Supervisor,

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I'm sorry, we do have speakers, I just

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couldn't --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: We do. Okay.

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MS. EADERESTO: Sorry.

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Monitors, please let the speakers in

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and the clerk will --

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MR. SWEENEY: They're in, I see them

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right there, they're in.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. So let the

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speakers --

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MS. LENT: It's --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: -- swear them in

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and let them give testimony.

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MS. LENT: Okay.

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So I just want to be sure, is it one or

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both of you speaking?

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MRS. TORTORELLA: Yes, both of us.

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MS. LENT: Okay. So will you both

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please raise your right hand?

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Do you swear to tell the truth, the  
whole truth and nothing but the truth so help  
you God?

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MRS. TORTORELLA: Yes.

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MR. TORTORELLA: Yes.

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MS. LENT: All right.

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I'm going to actually for once give you  
your choice, who's going to speak first?

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MRS. TORTORELLA: I'll start.

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MS. LENT: All right. I'm going to  
start your clock, you'll have five minutes, go  
ahead.

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MRS. TORTORELLA: Okay, thank you.

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In regards to this property, as  
Mr. Sweeney said, it was mostly owned by Roger  
Shadlowsky. Roger Shadlowsky is being housed  
by New York State, is paying for his housing.  
I would hope that you would contact him at the  
correct address as opposed to putting the  
entire bill on me because he's the one that  
destroyed the house. I keep cleaning up his  
messes and it's getting very, very costly, so  
I would like to know if you would serve him  
because you know where he is.

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I also want to know if the water's been turned off at the residence and if the electric has been turned off and do you have a letter about the gas because I do know from 150 Grand that all of those things are necessary to take the house down.

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In return -- in terms of fines, how much are the dollar -- what's the dollar amount, I didn't receive that in the letter for the fines?

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MS. EADERESTO: Mr. Supervisor, you want me to take some of those questions?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes.

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MS. EADERESTO: First of all, we don't go after people individually, these liens are placed on the tax bills, so they would go on the property tax bill, it would be on your tax bill for 2021-2022.

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We don't have a full estimate yet of the demolition costs. That is done if and when the Town board votes to demolish the property and the Town does not have an address for Mr. Shadlowsky, that's New York State that maybe have him in housing, but we're not aware

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2 of it. We'd be happy to send any notices to  
3 him if you can share an address with us.

4 MRS. TORTORELLA: I was hoping you  
5 could share the address with me.

6 MS. EADERESTO: The lien goes on the  
7 real property, not on the individuals, to  
8 answer your question.

9 MRS. TORTORELLA: Okay.

10 Because Roger is unavailable, if -- I  
11 was going to let the property go back to New  
12 York State because he won't sell it, his half.

13 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: The property will  
14 not go back to New York State. The way the  
15 Suffolk County Tax Act works is if people  
16 don't pay their taxes on the property, the  
17 County takes possession of the property. They  
18 file a tax deed.

19 I don't know how -- what are the  
20 arrears in terms of taxes, property taxes, on  
21 the property?

22 MR. SWEENEY: The report that the  
23 County Comptroller's office gave to me is that  
24 it's unpaid since 2019-2020, which would make  
25 the County eligible after December of 2022,

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2 but I want to even note that as you know,  
3 Supervisor, I've had conversations with  
4 Comptroller Kennedy, it's even longer than  
5 that, so while it may be eligible, it might  
6 not be taken by the County for at least  
7 another six, seven years after that.

8 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Right, absolutely.

9 So that's the way it works. We put a  
10 lien on the property.

11 MRS. TORTORELLA: Okay. So I get -- I  
12 understand that I have to do this regardless  
13 of Roger. I understand that.

14 MS. EADERESTO: Well . . .

15 MRS. TORTORELLA: I'm willing to do it,  
16 I just was really hoping that he could be  
17 involved in the payment.

18 MS. EADERESTO: Again, this will not  
19 have personal liability to you, it will go on  
20 the tax bill. So if you do not have the  
21 ability to sell this, you do not have to do  
22 the demolition, the Town will do it, we will  
23 assess it on your tax bill and then if you  
24 don't pay the taxes, the Town will be made  
25 whole by the County for our lien and then

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eventually the Town -- the County will take the vacant land, but that's your choice.

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MRS. TORTORELLA: All right, thank you.

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Can I find out what the price is and then make a decision?

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MS. EADERESTO: Absolutely. Keep in contact with Brendan Sweeney and Michelle Zavesky of the Town and they will eventually have those if the Town votes to demolish, we will start preparing that. We will obtain all the shutoffs for the water, electric, gas, if any and then we'll get an estimate and demolish the house.

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Brendan, is there asbestos at this house?

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MRS. TORTORELLA: Yes.

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MR. SWEENEY: I believe yeah, I believe yes, it does.

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Mary, as you know, we've emailed in the past, so feel free to email me and we'll get in touch over some of that stuff.

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I will note that as of right now, no shutoffs have been obtained. I believe, according to when I've talked to Melinda in

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2 the past, she usually requests them the same  
3 day as the board hearing or the next day, so  
4 she'll probably be doing that right now for  
5 water, electric and natural gas.

6 MRS. TORTORELLA: Okay, thank you.

7 MR. TORTORELLA: Thank you.

8 MRS. TORTORELLA: And finally my last  
9 question has to do with 150 Grand.

10 MR. SWEENEY: Okay.

11 MRS. TORTORELLA: 150 Grand Avenue.

12 We've had plans in the Building  
13 Department for two years, we've done the soil  
14 test, we've done everything.

15 MR. TORTORELLA: We got the sanitary  
16 engineer.

17 MRS. TORTORELLA: We got the sanitary  
18 engineer, similar to Mr. Andersen and we're  
19 unable to get the permit and they said they  
20 never received the engineer's report from two  
21 years ago after the house was done and Panzer,  
22 who did it also called me from the engineer's  
23 report and we're not able to obtain it. I  
24 think we spoke about this in September.

25 MS. LENT: Can I just interrupt you a

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2 second, please, I'm sorry --

3 MRS. TORTORELLA: Yes.

4 MS. LENT: -- because the conversation  
5 about another property really is not germane  
6 to this --7 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No, it's not  
8 germane.

9 (Inaudible comments.)

10 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: You can send that  
11 also to Brendan because believe it or not,  
12 he's multi-talented, he also works in the  
13 Building Department helping people get their  
14 permits, so he's the guy you want to deal  
15 with.16 MR. SWEENEY: Mary, I will look into  
17 who is handling it in Planning because you are  
18 building a new home, so it does have to go to  
19 the Planning Division as well, so I'll talk to  
20 the Planning Division, I'll talk to Building,  
21 I'll pass the engineer's report we did for  
22 that property to them.23 MRS. TORTORELLA: I want to do it for  
24 the neighbors, for the neighborhood.

25 MR. TORTORELLA: Yeah, we want to keep

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the neighborhood beautified.

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MRS. TORTORELLA: I mean it's a long  
time.

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Thank you.

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MS. LENT: All right.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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Councilman Panico, this is in your  
district; what is your preference?

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I will make a  
motion to close public hearing number seven of  
December 17, 2020.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion to close carries.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I have a resolution

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of adoption determining the premises at 55

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Washington Drive, Mastic Beach, New York, to

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be unsafe as defined by Chapter 73 pursuant to

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the engineer's report of Cashin, Spinelli &

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Ferretti, LLC.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second that.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries. Thank you.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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We are onto public hearing number eight

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and my understanding is that this public

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hearing is going to be adjourned to

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January 28th.



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COUNCILMAN PANICO: This one's going to be adjourned. Title companies are extremely busy. Our Town Attorney, Annette Eaderesto, was very diligent in ordering, but it's just an indication of how active the real estate market is; you can ask Councilman LaValle about that as well. So we're probably going to get the title back sometime in January and then we'll have the hearing.

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MR. SWEENEY: That's exactly what Councilman Panico said, yes.

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MS. LENT: So I would like to open the hearing so if we can adjourn it to a date certain.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay, let's do that.

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number eight, determination of the premises located at Nine Clark Street, Mastic, New York, to be unsafe as defined by Chapter 73 pursuant to the engineer's report of Cashin, Spinelli & Ferretti, LLC.

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The owner or other persons having an interest in the premises may be heard with

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Legal notices for public hearings are

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published no less than ten days and no more

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than 20 days prior to a public hearing in one

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of the legal Town newspapers.

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My office has received a signed

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affidavit of publication from the newspaper

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and should the board render a decision, this

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has been deemed a SEQRA Type II action.

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So I will take a motion to adjourn this

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public hearing to January 28, 2021 at

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2:30 p.m. from you, Mr. Panico?

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Yes, please, thank

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you.

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MS. LENT: And seconded by?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'll second it.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Romaine.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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2 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

3 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

4 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

5 MS. LENT: Opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 MS. LENT: Motion carries. Thank you.

8 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay. That

9 actually ends the business portion of this  
10 meeting.

11 I want to wish everyone a happy  
12 holiday, a Merry Christmas, if you're  
13 celebrating Hanukkah, God bless you and let's  
14 look forward to a new and happy, healthy new  
15 year and the great thing is I will see most of  
16 you because you guys work around the clock and  
17 you know, it's always good to see you in Town  
18 Hall these days, but to everyone out there,  
19 God bless you, may this holiday be a happy one  
20 for all and with that, I will make a motion to  
21 adjourn this meeting.

22 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Second.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second.

24 MS. LENT: Mr. Panico second.

25 All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CARTRIGHT: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

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MS. LENT: We stand adjourned.

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Thank you.

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I, JOANN O'LOUGHLIN, a Notary Public

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for and within the State of New York, do hereby

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certify that the above is a correct transcription

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