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TOWN BOARD MEETING

HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE

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March 11, 2021  
5:00 p.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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

**BOARD MEMBERS :**

JANE BONNER  
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: I'd like to call  
this Town board of March 11th to order and  
with that, I'd ask the clerk to call the roll.

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MS. LENT: Yes.

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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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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Present.

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MS. LENT: Councilman Foley?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Here.

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MS. LENT: Councilman 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: Okay.

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If we would stand and pledge our flag.

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(Pledge of Allegiance.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Tonight in our

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moment of silence, I would ask that we

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remember a family from Gordon Heights, from

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Maple Avenue I believe it is and little almost

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two-year-old Majestic that lost their life in  
a very tragic fire this week.

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It's so sad when people have a house  
fire, they have property damage and loss and  
this is a total loss, this house, but to lose  
a child, very, very sad, so I'd ask you to  
keep them in your thoughts and prayers, thank  
you. Give it a moment of silence.

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(Moment of silence.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you again.

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Under reports to the board, I only have  
one report to the board and our next meeting  
is March 25th and I wanted to do it before  
that meeting, although we share the same day,  
this is a proclamation that I've issued.

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March 25th is the 200th anniversary of  
the Greek fight for independence from the  
Ottoman Empire. The nation of Greece  
celebrates its 200th anniversary on March  
25th. It was 1821 that they lead the revolt  
against the Ottoman Turks and freed Greece as  
an independent nation. Much of their laws  
were based on what we had done in the United  
States by that time, their flag has blue and

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white stripes and of course, the blue cross,

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so we celebrate the Greek and all of the Greek

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Americans and there are many, not only through

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the United States, but particularly here in

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Brookhaven, so my report to the board is happy

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independence day and to all my Greek American

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friends, God bless you and with that, we are

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onto the Communication Consensus Agenda and we

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have four items on that consensus agenda.

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MS. LENT: Yes. There are four items

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on the Communication Consensus Agenda.

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May I have a motion to accept these

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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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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Do we have

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anything on the highway --

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MS. LENT: One second, sir.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Excuse me?

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Donna's gonna ask  
6 us -- she's going to let us know when it's to  
7 go.

8 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I'm sorry, that's  
9 right. We have the new system, what is it,  
10 ECivil Plus, Civic Plus?

11 MS. LENT: Civic Plus, yeah and what  
12 happens is that I'm also time stamping this  
13 meeting to make it easier for the public to  
14 actually look at a particular portion of the  
15 meeting and there's a little delay there and  
16 that's why I need to ask --

17 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I know some people  
18 in the public thought it was they couldn't get  
19 in to see and it was the ECivic because we had  
20 switched over.

21 MS. LENT: Yes. All right. That  
22 motions carries and we have nothing for  
23 Highway, so if you'll give me one second,  
24 we'll go to move to the . . . where are we, we  
25 are on the . . . well, I guess go ahead, sir,

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you can do that, you can go ahead.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Well, the  
Consensus Resolution Agenda is up next and who  
is carrying that tonight?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I am, Supervisor.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: It is C-45 through  
C-47.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I'll second

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that.

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MS. LENT: A second, please.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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our resolution agenda and we'll start with

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Councilman LaValle.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Thank you,

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Supervisor.

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Resolution 158, authorizing the

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Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor to enter into

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vehicle lease renewal agreement with Suffolk

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County for its 2006 Ford 14-passenger transit

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bus.

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So moved.

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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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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: Jane.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: One second.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: We're just waiting



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2 for Donna.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Oh, I'm sorry,  
that's right.

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MS. LENT: All right. Now we can move  
on.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Okay.  
Resolution 159 of 2021 is setting a  
public hearing to increase the 2020 Stony  
Brook Water District operating budget to be  
funded by an application of surplus currently  
in the district's fund balance.

So moved.

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

MS. LENT: That public hearing will be  
held on April 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

All those in favor?

COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

MS. LENT: Opposed?

(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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Next.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 160 of  
2021, authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy

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Supervisor to execute an agreement with the

7

Student Conservation Fund.

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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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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

14

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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Give me one second here.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: Um, something . . . so,

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Jane, you started.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I did resolution

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159.

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2 MS. LENT: For a public hearing.

3 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Yup, 2020 Stony  
4 Brook Water District operating budget.

5 MS. LENT: And the first public  
6 hearing -- I'm sorry, the first resolution --

7 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Was 158, Donna. I  
8 had done 158, which was the vehicle lease  
9 renewal agreement.

10 MS. LENT: Great. Okay. So now we're  
11 going to the next resolution.

12 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I just read 160 and  
13 we're up to 161 now.

14 MS. LENT: So you telling me numbers  
15 doesn't really help me because the numbers are  
16 not listed on my screen.

17 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: So I read the last  
18 resolution, it was to execute an agreement  
19 with the Student Conservation Fund.

20 MS. LENT: Right. And I have a first  
21 and a second on that and we took the vote, so  
22 we're moving onto the next resolution, which  
23 is to enter into a lease agreement.

24 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Yes.

25 This is resolution 161 of 2021,

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authorizing the Supervisor/Deputy Supervisor

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to enter into a lease agreement with the Davis

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Park Ferry Company, Inc.

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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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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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 162 of '21 is

19

authorizing a stipulation of settlement

20

between Clear River Environmental Service

21

Corporation and the Town of Brookhaven.

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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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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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Resolution 163,

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setting a public hearing on the application of

13

Soriano Enterprises, Inc. for a change of zone

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from B Residence and J Business 2 to J

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Business 2 on property located on Middle

16

Country Road in Centereach, New York.

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So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: That public hearing will be

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held April 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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2 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

3 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

4 MS. LENT: Opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

7 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 164 of  
8 2021, accept the final supplemental  
9 environmental impact statement for 7 Eleven,  
10 974 Portion Road in Ronkonkoma.

11 So moved.

12 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

13 MS. LENT: All those in favor?

14 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

15 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

16 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

17 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

18 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

19 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

20 MS. LENT: Opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

23 Next.

24 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: 165 is to amend  
25 the 2021 capital budget to establish a project

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for Town Hall second floor improvements.

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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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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 --

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sorry.

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MS. LENT: It's all right, you can go

18

ahead now.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Sorry, Donna.

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Resolution 166 is to amend the

21

part-time seasonal salary schedule.

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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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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 Next.

11 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Resolution 167 is  
12 the appointment to the anti-bias task force of  
13 Ali Nazir from Lake Grove.

14 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

15 MS. LENT: All those in favor?

16 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

17 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

18 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

19 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

20 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

21 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

22 MS. LENT: Opposed?

23 (No response.)

24 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

25 Next.



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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 168 of '21 is

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authorizing the declaration of decommissioned

4

vehicles as surplus to be sold at Town

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auction.

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So moved.

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MS. LENT: Jane, are you seconding

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that?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I'll second.

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MS. LENT: Jane, okay. One second, let

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me change that.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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.

18

SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.

19

MS. LENT: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 169 of

23

2021, authorizing the "Save the Great South

24

Bay - Creek Defender Program" to be classified

25

as a "Program for Public Good."

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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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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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And next.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 170 of

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2021 is to authorize the Commissioner of

17

Finance to amend the 2020 adopted budget to

18

establish dedicated appropriations to record

19

expenses related to Tropical Storm Isaias and

20

federal disaster declaration.

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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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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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: 171 is a bond

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resolution authorizing the issuance of

12

\$200,000 bonds to pay the cost of the

13

preparation of an engineering plan for the

14

reuse of treated wastewater for irrigation

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purposes at the Town owned Mill Pond Golf

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Course, in and for said Town.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: This will be a roll call

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vote.

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Ms. Bonner, how do you vote?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: I vote yes.

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MS. LENT: Mr. LaValle?

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Yes.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Loguercio?

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2 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

3 MS. LENT: Mr. Foley?

4 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Yes.

5 MS. LENT: Mr. Panico?

6 COUNCILMAN PANICO: Yes.

7 MS. LENT: Supervisor Romaine?

8 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes.

9 MS. LENT: Motion carries.

10 Next. Go ahead.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Neil.

12 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I'm sorry.

13 Resolution 172 of 2021, authorizing  
14 permission for the Suffolk County Board of  
15 Elections to use the Town of Brookhaven's  
16 auditorium as a polling place for special,  
17 primary and general elections for the year  
18 2021 and 2022.

19 So moved.

20 COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

21 MS. LENT: All those in favor?

22 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

23 COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

24 COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

25 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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Next.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 173 is

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authorization for the addition of "Glen Doc

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Moody Boulevard" as an honorary street name to

11

Groveland Park Boulevard, Sound Beach, New

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York.

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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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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 174 of  
2021, award bid number 21008 - on call  
landfill gas treatment system annual service  
contract.

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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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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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: 175 is the  
authorizing acquisition of land in the Town of  
Brookhaven for property located on Prospect  
Avenue, Middle Island, New York, Suffolk  
County tax map number is provided, the owner  
is Robert Lewis.

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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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.)

12

MS. LENT: Motion carries.

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Next.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: 176 of '21 is

15

authorizing the acquisition of farmland

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development rights in the partnership with the

17

County of Suffolk for property located on the

18

east side of Chapman Boulevard and the west

19

side of Pine Street, this is East Moriches,

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New York. The owners are Eberhard and HJE

21

Real Estate, Incorporated.

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So moved.

23

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Jane.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 177 is

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authorization for acceptance of donation of

14

land from Howard Bell Family Trust - Hempstead

15

Avenue, Miller Place, Suffolk County tax map

16

numbers are provided, for open space purposes.

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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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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

22

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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: 178 is amending

7

the length of service award program point

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system (LOSAP) for special response rules

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during the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: On that motion,

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Supervisor, may I?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes, please.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Thank you.

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I just want to thank the board very

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much, I know everyone was, you know, very

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happy to approve this and speaking for all

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first responders, who very much appreciate the

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fact that we're doing this because as you

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know, first responders put their lives on the

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line day and night, seven days a week and they

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were very appreciative that the board is doing

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this for them, so thank you very much,

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speaking for all of them.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Well, we're all appreciative of all those who volunteer for our ambulance services. The Town runs, as you know, nine ambulance districts. They do a great job, they're our safety blanket, along with the ambulances provided by the fire departments, but we don't have jurisdiction over their LOSAP, but we do have jurisdiction over the ambulance districts' LOSAP, so we were happy to do this.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Thank you, I'll pass that along to them.

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MS. LENT: Having been moved and seconded, all those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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 179, authorizing the Commissioner of Finance to transfer monies from the general fund Centereach Pool reserves to the capital fund to fund the Centereach Pool capital project for fiscal year 2019 and 2020 to reimburse the capital fund for spending prior to fiscal year 2021.

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So moved.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Just on this motion, just quickly, this is the continuation of a lot of work we've been doing at Centereach pools for many years. You know, whether it's been redoing the basketball courts, adding more pickleball courts, these projects that are moving forward, this year I just happened to be at the pool, we're actually redoing the bathrooms this year, the womens room is all ripped out right now getting repaired and redoing that whole building, so this is a continuation of our program over there to really get that pool back up into shape. Obviously we've done a

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lot of work over the last about seven years

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and we're going to continue those efforts.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you, Kevin.

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I know you've worked very hard for those

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projects and you do a great job representing

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your district.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Thank you,

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Supervisor.

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MS. LENT: I don't remember if I took

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the vote or not on this.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: No, you didn't, I

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spoke on the motion.

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MS. LENT: Okay.

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So all those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: This is always a

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2 good one. This is the first time I'm carrying  
3 this one, Mike.

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Resolution 180, appointment of  
5 Councilman Michael A. Loguercio Jr. as a  
6 marriage officer.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Can we all sponsor  
9 this, please?

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This is a record.

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MS. LENT: Who is the second, I didn't  
12 catch it?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I'll second it.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: How many weddings  
15 does this make for you, Mike?

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: It's probably at  
17 least ten.

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MS. LENT: I'm going to say four.  
19 Don't exaggerate.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: Donna, I want a

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recount.

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MS. LENT: That's all I remember.

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Okay. Next, please.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Resolution 181 of

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2021 is 2020 various operating budget

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transfers.

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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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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: Resolution 182,  
authorization for the Supervisor/Deputy  
Supervisor to execute an inter-municipal  
agreement with the Brookhaven Industrial  
Development Agency for services previously  
performed by the Division of Economic  
Development and I so move.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: 183 is the

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authorization for budget modification from

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accounts with unexpended balances to Community

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Development block grant accounts that require

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additional funding to complete and continue

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eligible activities.

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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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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: 184 of '21 is

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authorization for the County of Suffolk to

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acquire part of Town of Brookhaven Calabro

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Airport property in Shirley for a proposed

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sewage treatment facility. The Suffolk County

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tax map number is provided there.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: On that motion, I

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want to say this is critical. This is decades

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in the making.



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A few years ago Legislator Rudy Sunderman and his office were instrumental in getting the referendum passed for the Forge River sewer district.

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This project is funded, this is post Sandy Community Development block grant DR funds and hazardous mitigation funds that date back now almost a decade.

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This project is not only critical for the environment, but is also critical for the future economic development along the Montauk Highway corridor in the Shirley/Mastic area.

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This is a major step and this Town has kept this property set aside for the County. We've had other offers on the property, but the Town has been steadfast, the Supervisor's been steadfast in ensuring that we do everything that we can to ensure this project comes to fruition and this is a giant step forward in ensuring that does occur.

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MS. LENT: Thank you.

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This has been already moved and seconded, I recorded that vote.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: 185 is to

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authorize the Commissioner of Finance to amend

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the 2021 capital budget to establish new

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project for road improvements in Bellport.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Second.

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MS. LENT: Second.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: I have it.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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One second, please.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: Next.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Resolution 186,

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designating the month of March as Brain Injury

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Awareness Month.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Second.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: On the motion,

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Mr. Supervisor, you know, unfortunately it's

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like your presentation earlier today, this is

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a presentation we would usually do before Town

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board, but obviously because of COVID we were

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unable to do it.

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This is an issue that has actually

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touched me. A friend of mine, when we were

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younger in college, was in a very bad car

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accident and sustained a very bad brain injury

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and you know, last year we started this, a

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group called The Social Brain, which is

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located in Port Jeff Station, which's job is

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to reduce the isolation of individuals with

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brain injuries and to participate in

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recreational activities to improve their

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quality of life and they also pass out any

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kind of goods or things that people with brain

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injuries need. They do a great job. We

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started with them last year.

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Just the other day I went over to their

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facility and presented them a proclamation

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naming today Brain Injury Awareness Month.

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Another great organization that I could

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also talk to you about is in Medford and we're

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very lucky, we have two great organizations

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right here in the Town. It is the New

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Beginnings Community Center. They are more

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focused on awareness and education and they

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also have a rehabilitation center there.

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So that's just another great avenue for

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people that have sustained these injuries, to

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have an organization that's here to fight for

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them, you know, so this is actually a great

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thing that we're doing today to try to bring

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awareness to this cause.

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For those that don't know, each year an estimated 2.5 million children and adults in the United States sustain traumatic brain injuries and another 795,000 individuals sustain an acquired brain injury from non-traumatic causes, so this is something that really happens and touches many people's lives, so anything that we can do or if you could help out in any way in any of those these organizations I talked about, your help would be very much appreciated.

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That being said, thank you, thank you all.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you, Kevin, for mentioning the very important issue. So many people are afflicted with that and not only people from car accidents or just normal causes, but veterans who served in overseas conflicts and so thank you for mentioning that. We should all remember. Any research that we can do to help these people lead a more normal life would be good.

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MS. LENT: Having been moved and

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seconded, all those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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Next.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Resolution 187 of

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2021, authorize the Supervisor/Deputy

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Supervisor to execute a contract for a

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merchant credit card service processor for the

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Town's parking meter system based upon the

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recommendations of the Commissioner of

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Finance.

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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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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 177 --

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oh, sorry. Resolution 181 --

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MS. LENT: Oh, I see.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No, 188.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 188? Sorry about

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that.

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Resolution 188 is authorize

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Commissioner of Finance to increase the budget

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for the data center migration and

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implementation capital budget for the

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procurement of Microsoft Azure cloud services.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Second.

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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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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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Just give me a second.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: Next.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: 189 is

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designating March as National Nutrition Month,

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so, Dan, no wings for you.

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So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: That's a second.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: That really cuts me

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deep.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: In proportion,

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Dan, you can't get the big plate.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Kevin, we know

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better, we know better.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Use an air fryer.

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MS. LENT: Go ahead, next.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Okay.

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Resolution 190 of 2021, authorize the

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Commissioner of Finance to amend the 2021

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capital plan to defer the Port Jeff Marina

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parking lot capital project from fiscal year

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2021 to fiscal year 2022.

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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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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 191 is authorize the Commissioner of Finance to amend 2021 capital budget and the 2025 capital plan to move Cedar Beach access road improvement project from 2023 to 2021 and increase the 2021 capital budget to be funded with Parks reserve.

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On the resolution?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes, please.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Sure.

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COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: I'll second it.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Harbor Beach Road from the booth to the pier has suffered significantly this past winter from the freeze and the thaw, so I want to thank my colleagues for moving that money forward. It is really our probably most heavily utilized parks and recreation marina facility, beach, Brookhaven townwide and you'll make the residents very happy that they won't have to hold onto their straps in their car as they traverse Cedar Beach, so thanks, guys.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Well, hopefully the repairs take place and people can enjoy Cedar Beach, it's a great location.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: They better take place because now they have the money.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Absolutely, they have the money, so I fully expect that I will work with your office, Councilwoman Bonner, to ensure that our Parks Commissioner, Ed Morris, gets this out to bid and we get the work done, we may even use a requirements contract so the work gets done faster and I haven't spoken enough because we still have one minute before public hearing because once we pass that, that's the last resolution.

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MS. LENT: We have, you know, it's been moved and seconded, all those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.

COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.

COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.

COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.

COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.

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 I know we don't have any dates to set or any other business other than a public hearing; is that correct, Donna?

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MS. LENT: Correct.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: So with that, it's 5:29, when that clock says 5:30, we're going to open our public hearing and people can go online and speak up, they can use the chat box to speak up and you can send your questions in and then we'll put you up and you can speak on the public hearings and with that, it is now 5:30. Donna, we can open public hearings.

MS. LENT: Yes.

So public hearing number one, introductory local law number three of 2021, to consider enacting an introductory local law amending Chapter 85 of the Town code of the Town of Brookhaven entitled "Zoning", Article XXV entitled "Overlay Districts", Section 85-734 entitled "Application Procedure."

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Legal notices for public hearings are published no less than ten days and no more than 20 days prior to a public hearing in one of the legal Town newspapers. My office has received a signed affidavit of publication from the newspaper and my office is also in receipt of a letter from Suffolk County Planning advising that this is a matter of local concern, determination.

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Should the board render a decision today, this has been deemed a SEQRA Type II action.

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The letter from Suffolk County Planning is dated February 18, 2021:

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Dear Ms. Lent:

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Pursuant to the requirements of Sections A 14-14 to A 14-25 of the Suffolk County Administrative Code, the above referenced application which has been submitted to the Suffolk County Planning Commission is considered to be a matter for local determination as there is no apparent significant county-wide or inter-community impact(s). A decision of local determination

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should not be construed as either an approval

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or disapproval.

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Signed Very truly yours,

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Andrew P. Freleng

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Chief Planner

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you, Madam

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Clerk.

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We have our Town attorney, Annette

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Eaderesto, to explain what this amendment

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would change in terms of the date of

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submission for the change of use application

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and site plan, so, Annette, it's all yours.

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MS. EADERESTO: Thank you,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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As the board remembers, we are -- the

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board has a road improvement district at

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Munsell Road. We've completed all the

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condemnations. Our assistant engineer, Gregg

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Kelsey, with Highway is finalizing final

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plans. We believe we may be under

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construction in the fall.

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We have about six people who have

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complied and brought in changes of use and are

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bringing some of the sites into compliance,

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others we've acquired, but there are still a

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number of people who haven't come in with

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their change of use.

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So since we haven't started

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the date, which would expire March 21st, to

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July 31st for individuals to come into

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compliance and bring in a site plan or change

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of use, which is very modified, as the board

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knows, to try to get these sites into

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compliance so that when the road's

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constructed, we'll have a nice looking

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industrial park.

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If they don't come into compliance,

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eventually we're going to have to use

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enforcement, but we'd rather use a carrot than

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the stick, so we're asking the board to extend

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this to July 31, 2021.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Is there any questions from the board?

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(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No questions.

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Do we have public speakers on this?

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MS. EADERESTO: We do not.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No public speakers  
on this, I'll make a motion to close this  
public hearing.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Second.

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MS. LENT: Ms. Bonner.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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. And who is  
doing the --

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I have public  
hearing number one of March 11, 2021. This is  
a resolution of adoption amending Chapter 85  
of the code of Town of Brookhaven entitled  
"Zoning", Article XXV entitled "Overlay  
Districts", Section 85-734 entitled  
"Application Procedure."

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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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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

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moving onto public hearing number two.

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number two is

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to authorize the license agreement between the

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Town of Brookhaven and Mastic Beach Property

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Owners' Association for an existing bulkhead

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and pump-out station/utility shed located in

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Mastic Beach, New York.

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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 and should the board render

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a decision, this has been deemed a SEQRA Type

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II action.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay and I believe

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we have Annette that's going to explain this.

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MS. EADERESTO: Yes, Mr. Supervisor.

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This involves the Mastic Beach Property

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Owners' Association, which maintains a marina

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known as Marina One in Mastic Beach. It's

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located on Riviera Drive.

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The association previously entered into

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an agreement with the Village of Mastic Beach

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to maintain portions of the bulkhead on

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Village land and a small shed, which

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encroached onto the Village property.

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The Town has acquired this property

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because of the dissolution of Mastic Beach and

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therefore, we are seeking to enter into a new

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license agreement to allow the association to

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maintain that bulkhead and small shed.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Questions from the board members?

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I don't have any

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questions, I just have -- I think we have a couple of speakers.

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I want to say that Assistant Town Attorney Leigh Rate was instrumental in getting this done and the property owners, which is a great group, have been around forever in Mastic Beach. Jim Ryan, our former assessor who's an attorney, worked on behalf of the property owners and worked very well and I'm glad we were able to hammer out this agreement.

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I see the former mayor, Maura Sperry, from Mastic Beach is joining us here tonight live.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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MS. SPERRY: Am I on?

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MS. LENT: One second. Let me see --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Donna, do you want to swear in the --

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MS. LENT: I will.

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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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MS. SPERRY: Yes, I do.

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MS. LENT: Would you just mention your name again and the hamlet you're from for the record?

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MS. SPERRY: Yup. My name is Maura Sperry. I'm from Mastic Beach, New York.

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I just wanted to thank the board and everyone there for allowing me this

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opportunity to speak. You all look great and I'm happy for that, over the past year.

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I also want to do a shout-out to our Town Clerk, Donna Lent.

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Thank you, Donna, you're in my heart because I am going to get vaccinated with my wife tomorrow and I encourage everyone and the Town's been great.

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Okay, I'm going.

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So I wanted to speak on the stipulation of settlement, which is attached in the

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licensing agreement between the MBPOA and the

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Town. I specifically wanted to talk about

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item number four, which states: The

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waterfront property received by the Village

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from the MBPOA shall be dedicated as parkland

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in perpetuity pursuant to the laws of New York

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State for parkland for use as a marina, boat

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slips, beaches, access to the water and

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similar recreational purposes.

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As you all know, sometimes things in

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Mastic Beach and certainly at this time of the

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Village could get a little heated, but there

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was one area that was almost universal in

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consent and that was keeping our waterfront

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for public access and recreational use, not

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forever wild, which we know can become

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problematic, not developed commercially, but

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for recreational public use; crabbing,

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fishing, kayaking, hiking, jogging, bike

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riding, walking, birding and you know, just

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plain old communing with nature.

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I mean I think we all live on Long

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Island because it's an island and we love the

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water, we love the smell of the salt air, we

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love the cry of the seagulls in the wind, we

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love the sound of the ocean, you know, I know

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that's why I'm here.

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So it's kind of with great

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disappointment, but with hope for a brighter

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2 future that I implore the Town to fix the dirt  
3 road portion of Riviera Drive; the condition  
4 is untenable. I mean if the Town hasn't been  
5 sued, I'm not sure why not. The giant gully  
6 has eaten a moving van, an Access-A-Ride  
7 vehicle, a small school bus and so many cars  
8 I've lost count. Unfortunately my  
9 understanding is that this past winter a car  
10 got stuck, the driver had to walk through  
11 freezing cold water and had some issues with  
12 hypothermia. Could be hearsay, but it sounds  
13 pretty accurate.

14 I get it, Google Maps and Waze send  
15 people down that road, but that's because it's  
16 a legal road in the Town of Brookhaven. So  
17 there's no reason for that road to -- yup.

18 So there's no reason for that to be  
19 open to vehicular traffic, none. All that  
20 happens is people dump garbage in the  
21 wetlands, buy, sell and use drugs, have sex in  
22 their cars and they tear up the wetlands in  
23 their four-wheel drive vehicles, especially  
24 when they're trying to avoid the large puddles  
25 and gullies and ponds. So the road that

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2 originally was 20 feet wide is 50 feet wide  
3 and that 50 feet is into our fragile wetlands.  
4 This is not what was meant by access to the  
5 water and I get there's a conflict with the  
6 fire department, but it's a red herring.

7 With the consistent erosion of the  
8 shoreline and the rising sea, none of those  
9 wetlands are going to catch on fire. Plus a  
10 gate is, you know, a gate, really, is it going  
11 to impede the fire department? I mean really,  
12 come on now, they got bolt cutters. They can  
13 get through a gate if there was some really  
14 big fire, I just -- it seems at this point not  
15 closing that road down is a public safety  
16 issue and I'm imploring the Town in that  
17 stipulation of settlement, it really is  
18 supposed to give the public access and this is  
19 absolutely not access, so please consider  
20 that.

21 I'll just say to Dan and Supervisor  
22 Romaine, we could go on one of those cool Jeep  
23 rides again if you want, but I can show you  
24 what I'm talking about.

25 SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I remember taking

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2 the ride several years ago. I watched when we  
3 hit one of those potholes, the water go over  
4 the roof.

5 MS. SPERRY: Yup.

6 COUNCILMAN PANICO: We got the official  
7 mayor's tour and I believe that was an  
8 official vehicle, which is good for you, Maura  
9 because if that was your car, forget it, but  
10 that is -- there are -- look, it's -- Maura's  
11 right in the fact that you cannot maintain a  
12 road that is constantly underwater. This is a  
13 dirt road straight down across from  
14 St. Jude's.

15 I know that our Highway Superintendent,  
16 Dan Losquadro, has been working on this with  
17 Kevin Geiger and Steve Tricarico with regard  
18 to that road that you're mentioning, going all  
19 the way down to the water at Locust.

20 There was an issue as to whether or  
21 not -- and I believe they're going to do it  
22 this year -- they're going to widen, I think  
23 it's Elfin is the place there that way because  
24 you do have one house in that stretch, but  
25 that road, there's no real way to maintain



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2 that road and I think the fire department  
3 understands that as well.

4 You know, people will talk about  
5 bulkheading. Eight miles of waterfront, it's  
6 not going to happen and it's not going to  
7 happen not because the DEC is -- the DEC is  
8 not going to allow you to harden eight miles  
9 of waterfront and they're not going to allow  
10 you to fill in wetlands because you have to  
11 have tiebacks on that bulkhead. If you were  
12 to do that, in the Town of Brookhaven we have  
13 to meet all the municipal requirements, we  
14 furnish and install bulkhead on average about  
15 1,250 to \$1,500 a linear foot. That would be  
16 about 56, \$57 million in what you would have  
17 to expend to do that. The Town doesn't have  
18 that money, no one has that money and trying  
19 to maintain a road, as you mentioned, that's  
20 constantly underwater --

21 COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: That floods  
22 constantly.

23 COUNCILMAN PANICO: -- it is an  
24 impossible feat.

25 So I will get back with the Highway

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Superintendent, see where they are on that

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project and we'll hopefully try to get that

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done to some extent this year and in the

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meantime, if they can get a grater out and

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just grate the road as was done in the past in

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the immediacy to avoid people by taking Waze,

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Google Maps and any other app that's out there

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down stuck in front of your house, we will try

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to do that.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Dan, will you stay

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in touch with Maura about this?

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I most certainly

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will.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay, thank you.

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MS. SPERRY: Thank you all.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Do we have other

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speakers, Madam Clerk?

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Thank you, former mayor.

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Do we have other speakers?

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MS. EADERESTO: The next speaker's in.

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MS. LENT: Mr. Roberts, Corey Roberts

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it is?

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Yes.

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MS. LENT: Would you please --

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2 MR. ROBERTS: Hi, how are you?

3 MS. LENT: Please raise your right

4 hand.

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

8 MR. ROBERTS: I do.

9 MS. LENT: Would you please state your  
10 hamlet where you're from for the record?

11 MR. ROBERTS: Mastic Beach.

12 MS. LENT: Thank you.

13 MR. ROBERTS: Thank you.

14 I just wanted to speak on the  
15 stipulation of the waterfront of the MBPOA  
16 number four in terms of maintaining parkland  
17 in perpetuity pursuant to the laws of the  
18 State of New York for use as a marina, boat  
19 slips, beaches, accesses to water and similar  
20 recreational purposes.21 My wife and I and my child have lived  
22 in Mastic Beach for the past three years, take  
23 lots of walks around the area, three-mile loop  
24 that we do every single morning and have spent  
25 most of mornings picking up trash to various

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2 degrees, whether it's simple household waste  
3 in bags or beer cans that are tossed out of  
4 people's cars and whatnot on up to, you know,  
5 deer carcasses, which obviously we don't deal  
6 with, but we see everything from, you know,  
7 barcaloungers to people's entire cabinet from  
8 the kitchen set thrown on the side of the road  
9 in the wetlands area and along the waterfront,  
10 so as it pertains to maintaining this property  
11 along the waterfront, I just wanted to see if  
12 there's opportunities for the Department --  
13 the Highway Department to perhaps, you know,  
14 do some better signage in the area in terms of  
15 litter and trying to, you know, deter this a  
16 bit more, perhaps doing some -- a little bit  
17 more in terms of maintaining the roads in  
18 terms of perhaps street sweepers in the area  
19 coming around a little bit more often and just  
20 general sweeps of the area to see if there's  
21 major pieces of garbage that have been just  
22 tossed around.

23           You know, we invite friends from all  
24 over the place, they love the area, we love  
25 the area because of the proximity to the

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water, its seclusion and there's lots of

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parking areas that are along the waterfront

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that people can go and appreciate this, but

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again, there's, you know, trash constantly

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around the area. There's no trash

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receptacles, so perhaps those are things we

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could investigate and put around those areas a

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bit more to again, deter the dumping of

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garbage and whatnot to a degree.

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I'd just like to thank you for your

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time and letting me speak this evening.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Thank you.

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Dumping is becoming a large problem in

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Brookhaven where people think that the great

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outdoors is their garbage can. It's not and

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you know how said, little older than some of

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the people on the board, so I still remember

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that commercial from the Indian looking out on

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the wilderness and there was all garbage

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around and you see the tear come down his eye.

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We should all worry about our

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environment. If you see something, say

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something. If someone's in a truck or car,

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dumping stuff in the wetlands or wherever,

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copy down their license plate, let us know,

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you can remain anonymous and we'll pursue it.

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Thank you.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: We've raised all

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the fines. We're down -- Waste Management,

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Highway Department sometimes, mostly Waste

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Management -- picking up garbage every single

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day.

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We work with the Tri-Hamlet

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Neighborhood Watch south, who go out every

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morning, they've broken up ten sections of

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Mastic Beach into zones. They're out there.

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They send it in.

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You know, unfortunately and I found in

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my experience, signs do not deter criminals,

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prosecution deters criminals and catching

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people. Even though this entire Town board,

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most every level of government has raised the

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fines for doing this, these people who dump

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illegally are criminals and they have a

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flagrant disregard not only for where they

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live, but also their neighbors.

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I know Annette in her office, Annette

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Eaderesto, our Town Attorney, has deployed

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trail cams and things of that nature. We work

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with the County to try to catch people. It's

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becoming a big problem and it's not only in

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Brookhaven, it's everywhere unfortunately

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throughout Long Island.

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You go to other places on vacation and

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you travel places throughout this country and

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elsewhere, you don't see this much litter

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everywhere and it's not because they have more

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government workers picking it up, it's just

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people are not littering as much. So we all

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have to do our part and as the Supervisor

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said, copy down people's plates. If you see

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somebody heading south on Neighborhood Road

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with their pickup truck full of construction

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demolition debris, anything, you know what,

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follow that person, get a snapshot of their

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plate and what's in that truck and we work

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with our police to follow up.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Other speakers on this?

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MS. EADERESTO: No other speakers,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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Any last-minute comments by board

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members?

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(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: I don't see any,

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so I'll make a motion to close this public

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hearing.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Second.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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: For public hearing

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number two of March 11, 2021, I have a

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resolution of adoption to enter into a license

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agreement between the Town of Brookhaven and

23

the Mastic Beach Property Owners' Association,

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Incorporated for existing bulkhead and

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pump-out station/utility shed located in



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Mastic Beach, 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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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

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three.

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MS. LENT: Okay. Public hearing number

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three had been previously opened. It is to

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consider condemnation of an easement for

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drainage purposes, Ridge Road, Rocky Point,

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New York.

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This public hearing was adjourned from

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the April 15th -- I'm sorry, it's adjourned

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from -- it was adjourned from the January 28th

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board meeting.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: And I believe my understanding is it's going to be adjourned to the April 15th meeting at 5:30 p.m., so I'll make the motion to adjourn this public hearing.

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: And I'll second it.

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MS. LENT: One second, let me mark it.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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 moving right onto public hearing number four.

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MS. LENT: Public hearing number four is to consider the condemnation of property

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for open space purposes, Country Road,

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Medford, New York. The owner is Grand Medford

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Estates LLC.

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Condemnation hearings are published for

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legal compliance no less than ten days and no

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more than 20 days prior to the public hearing

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in five successive editions of Newsday and two

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successive editions of a local Town newspaper.

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The signed affidavits of publication have been

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received by my office and should the board

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render a decision, this has been deemed a

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SEQRA Type II action.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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We have Annette Eaderesto to briefly

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explain why we're buying this property, I

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think the appraised value is \$50,000.

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MS. EADERESTO: Correct,

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Mr. Supervisor.

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The purpose of this acquisition is to

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protect wetland habitat, which became

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established because the lot was cleared and

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what happened was nature took over and it

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became a natural drainage area for run-off and

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it created a freshwater wetland. The parcel

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is adjacent to a recharge basin and it is  
located on Country Road, Medford, New York

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and --

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: If I'm not  
mistaken, it's a little north of Eagle  
Estates.

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MS. EADERESTO: Correct, correct.

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And it's selected because of the  
presence of the, as I said, the regulated  
freshwater wetland containing cattails and a  
species of rush grass.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: Rush grass?

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MS. EADERESTO: Rush.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: We don't hear that  
very often.

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MS. EADERESTO: That's all I have,  
Mr. Supervisor, unless the board has any  
questions.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Questions?

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(No response.)

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: No questions.

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Do we have any public speakers?

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MS. EADERESTO: No, we do not.

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

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: I'll second  
that, Supervisor.

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MS. LENT: All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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 LOGUERCIO: Resolution to  
adopt the findings and determination of the  
Town --

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MS. LENT: One second, please.

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(Pause.)

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MS. LENT: Now you can go ahead.

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COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Sorry.

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Resolution to adopt the findings and  
determination of the Town board to condemn  
property for open space purposes, Country

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Road, Medford, New York, Suffolk County tax

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map number is provided and the owner is Grand

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Medford Estates LLC.

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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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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 five,

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which I believe is going to be adjourned till

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April 15th at 5:30 p.m. and I will make a

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motion to adjourn that public hearing till

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then.

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: I'll second that,

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but on that motion, Annette, are we ever going

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to close on this?

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MS. EADERESTO: Yes. There were some title issues.

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Both of these hearings that adjourned tonight we have in contract and I'm hoping by the 15th we'll have a closing on this.

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So it is -- they're both in contract, there's title issues and the board directed me not to take them off until we close, so that's why; sorry for all the adjournments, it's really not in my hands, the sellers have to clear up their title.

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MS. LENT: And just so that the public understands, this Town board hearing was for Town board's own motion known as MC-18A for a change of zone from J Business 2 to A Residence 1 on a parcel of property located in East Moriches, New York.

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So it's been moved and seconded for an adjournment to April 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: 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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That is the last piece of business, but

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I do want to make a comment.

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I just looked at my phone, at the chat

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box and there are some people that would like

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to meet with me are in the towing business.

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So please call my office, I'll set it up with

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some of our council people and we can

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certainly talk about it and look at the code

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and make sure that you're following the code

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and if there's a problem with that, we can

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discuss that. But the Town has a code

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regarding the towing yards and as most of our

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board members know, we try to stick to our

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code and enforce it so there's consistency

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throughout the Town, but I'm happy to meet

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with someone, this is at the end of the

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meeting because I saw in the chat box there

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was some people who wanted to meet with me.



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More than happy, give me a call, telephone

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number for the Supervisor's office is

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(631)451-9100. (631)451-9100 and we'll be

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happy to talk about towing yards and the

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existing code and we will take out the code

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book and you can tell us what you think and

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we'll be happy to listen.

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With that, I don't think we have any

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more business and by the way, when I have this

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meeting, if any of the council people would

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like to attend, I'm happy to have them join

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me.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: I will join you,

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Supervisor.

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SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Okay.

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So with that, is there a motion to

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adjourn this Town board meeting?

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COUNCILMAN PANICO: So moved.

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Second.

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MS. LENT: The second was you,

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Mr. Foley?

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COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Yes.

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MS. LENT: Okay. Thank you.

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All those in favor?

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COUNCILWOMAN BONNER: Aye.  
COUNCILMAN FOLEY: Aye.  
COUNCILMAN LaVALLE: Aye.  
COUNCILMAN LOGUERCIO: Aye.  
COUNCILMAN PANICO: Aye.  
SUPERVISOR ROMAINE: Aye.  
MS. LENT: We stand adjourned.

I, JOANN O'LOUGHLIN, a Notary Public  
for and within the State of New York, do hereby  
certify that the above is a correct transcription  
of my stenographic notes.

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JOANN O'LOUGHLIN