

TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OYSTER BAY
REGULAR MEETING
June 16, 2020
10:39 a.m.

HEARING - LOCAL LAW

To consider a local law entitled: "A Local Law to Amend Chapter 221-Towing, Section 221-37-Charges, of the Code of the Town of Oyster Bay." (M.D. 5/26/20 #21).

JOSEPH SALADINO
SUPERVISOR

RICHARD LaMARCA
TOWN CLERK

P R E S E N T:

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COUNCILMAN LOUIS B. IMBROTO
COUNCILMAN THOMAS P. HAND
COUNCILMAN STEVE L. LABRIOLA
COUNCILWOMAN LAURA L. MAIER
COUNCILWOMAN VICKI WALSH

A L S O P R E S E N T:

RICHARD LaMARCA, TOWN CLERK
JEFFREY P. PRAVATO, RECEIVER OF TAXES

Minutes of the meeting
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1 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Would everyone
2 please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance, led by
3 Councilwoman Michele Johnson?

4 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance
5 was recited at this time.)

6 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I would like to
7 recognize for a moment of prayer.

8 Lord, please grant us the strength and
9 the wisdom to continue to make this Town the best
10 that it can be. Please protect all of those who
11 have been fighting this dreadful pandemic. Please
12 bless all of those who have passed from COVID-19
13 and bless their families suffering at the
14 tremendous loss of a loved one. Please continue to
15 give us the strength to move forward, to accomplish
16 the work of this Town, to pull our community
17 together as one and to unify each and every one of
18 us on the common goals that we all share, the
19 community that we hold so dear in our heart, that
20 is the Town of Oyster Bay, and please bless our
21 first responders, bless our military and bless
22 everyone who is focused upon the challenges of the
23 day in this great nation and I ask you in the name
24 of God. Amen.

25 Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

1 Welcome to the Oyster Bay Town Board
2 meeting of June 16, 2020.

3 It's great to have our members of the
4 Town Board and our elected officials back with us
5 including our Town Clerk Rich LaMarca who frankly
6 has been here for every meeting from the beginning.
7 Thank you for your commitment. Our Receiver of
8 Taxes Jeff Pravato and all of our Town Board
9 members. Two members are interacting at this Town
10 Board meeting telephonically including Councilman
11 Lou Imbroto and Councilman Tom Hand.

12 With that, I ask you to please take
13 attendance, Town Clerk.

14 MR. LaMARCA: Supervisor Saladino?

15 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Present.

16 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Johnson?

17 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Present.

18 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Imbroto?

19 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Councilman Imbroto
20 is present.

21 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Can we turn the
22 volume up on that, someone?

23 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Hand?

24 COUNCILMAN HAND: Councilman Hand,
25 present.

1 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Labriola?

2 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: Present.

3 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Maier?

4 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Present.

5 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Walsh?

6 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: Present.

7 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you.

8 Greatly appreciate everybody being here
9 today, all of our Town Board members and then those
10 who are taking part over the phone.

11 I speak for my colleagues when I say we
12 are all looking forward to getting back to a level
13 of normalcy and looking forward to holding these
14 meetings in front of our residents.

15 As you know, Governor Cuomo has
16 extended Executive Order until July 7th, so we hope
17 to welcome the public back at that next meeting as
18 of July 14th. In the interim, we'll continue to
19 make sure the public has every opportunity to
20 participate.

21 Residents continue to have the ability
22 to view this meeting and all of our Town Board
23 meetings as they are live streamed and that is all
24 located -- those videos are both live and for past
25 meetings they're located on the Town's website

1 oysterbaytown.com as well as on Facebook.

2 The public also has an opportunity to
3 be heard on matters brought before the Town Board
4 and during public comment for a period of ten days
5 following the meeting. That can happen via e-mail,
6 a written letter, a phone call, any of the
7 different options that you would like with respect
8 to today's hearings.

9 We have two hearings on today's
10 meeting. The public will have until the end of the
11 business day on June 26, 2020 to submit comments on
12 the subject of the hearing. So no decision will be
13 made and the roles will be kept open until
14 June 26th as it relates to the two hearings.

15 You can e-mail to publiccomment@
16 oysterbay-ny.gov.

17 Again, one-word, publiccomment@
18 oysterbay-ny.gov.

19 You can also mail a letter to the
20 office of the Town Attorney at 54 Audrey Avenue,
21 Oyster Bay, New York 11771.

22 All comments with form part of the
23 public record and will be considered before any
24 decision is rendered.

25 Now, let's get to some of the good news

1 that's happening our town.

2 Last Wednesday, the Governor in Albany
3 greenlighted Long Island for a Phase 2 reopening.

4 Now, we have just learned Phase 3 will
5 begin on Wednesday, June 24th. This Town Board
6 believes that it is critical, and we mean critical
7 to get more industries open, get people back to
8 work in a safe manner and we're already looking
9 forward to being of assistance to businesses to
10 continuing our assistance in Phase 3.

11 Our Town Board colleagues and I have
12 had the pleasure of welcoming some of our local
13 merchants back and letting the public know how
14 important it is to shop locally. It is critically
15 important to help these businesses get back on
16 their feet and now, as they're reopening, it is
17 critically important to make sure that happens.

18 We've all been celebrating different
19 ways, the Phase 2 opening. I got along overdo
20 haircut from my favorite barber, and that was the
21 way I celebrated it and we've also have been
22 celebrating the return to outdoor dining. I've
23 been out to dinner and I know my colleagues have
24 been too and we thank everyone for supporting our
25 local restaurants.

1 To assist the restaurants, the Town's
2 website features outdoor dining information and we
3 have helped these businesses, we have been up and
4 running with a Small Business Economic Recovery
5 Task Force working with the presidents of the
6 Chambers of Commerce, working with individual
7 members per community on how to get their
8 businesses open. There are very few regulations
9 the Town of Oyster Bay has for their reopening.

10 There are many in terms of outdoor
11 dining from New York State. I will say that again.
12 There are very few regulations per the Town of
13 Oyster Bay. Many, many regulations from New York
14 State and the State Liquor Authority.

15 So, we are assisting these businesses
16 to deal with the regulations from New York State so
17 that we can get them open as quickly as possible
18 and, of course, make sure it's safe.

19 Everyone realizes that dining in a
20 parking lot that also has moving cars in the same
21 parking lot, there is the potential for great harm
22 and danger. So, there must be plan in order to
23 keep a car from backing up into a diner, a
24 restaurant patron who is dining in that parking
25 lot, but we continue to do that. The message is

1 get out to your local restaurants and your local
2 shops and please support the mom and pops, please
3 support the local shops in your community.

4 Other good news, last week we announced
5 that Amazon is proposing plans for the former Cerro
6 Wire site in Oyster Bay. This project would bring
7 a great tax base, support to the school, the Town
8 and County government without a burden on the
9 school district, without the burden on more
10 services that cost money. This project not only
11 brings that tax base, but it will bring 550 jobs at
12 a time when we need those jobs the most.

13 We will continue to work with the
14 community, all of the stakeholders and everyone
15 involved to work through this application process
16 to bring about the best choices for our residents,
17 for our township and for the community.

18 More good news, last week we knocked
19 out another zombie home. This one was in
20 Massapequa. Eliminating these blights from our
21 community is just another way that this Town Board
22 continues to honor its commitment in protecting our
23 suburb quality of life. This is the twelfth zombie
24 home that has been knocked down since our
25 administration took over.

1 We put in place a new court process to
2 get the permission to get the access to go forward
3 because these homes, once they become zombie homes,
4 they're usually owned by a bank or another lender
5 and we have forced the process to get those lenders
6 to clean up their property because at that point
7 it's in foreclosure and it's generally no longer
8 the ownership of the resident, and now the bank is
9 the owner and we force them to put \$25,000 in an
10 escrow account. This is the bank or the lenders,
11 so that when a property has to be maintained or a
12 zombie home is demolished, that the lender is
13 paying the bill on that and not our taxpayers.

14 Many other great interesting things are
15 happening including newly announced drive-in Summer
16 concert series. Personally, I can't wait for the
17 live music. We had tremendous success with the
18 drive-in movies that continue throughout the month
19 and now drive-in concert series will begin in July.
20 You can get the full line up and all the
21 information. We are beginning with the proposal to
22 have them at Tobay Beach and then we'll see how
23 Albany and the State unpauses and perhaps then have
24 the ability to move them into smaller venues in
25 Town parks throughout the Town of Oyster Bay.

1 More good news, playgrounds are now
2 scheduled to open as well as our communities pool
3 and they will be open on July 3rd, if not even
4 sooner. Summer day camps have been authorized to
5 open on June 29th. The Town of Oyster Bay Summer
6 Recreation Program will commence as planned. Also
7 good news for our four-legged friends, our pets,
8 our members of the family. We love our dogs and
9 our dog parks have been reopened and I join with
10 Councilman Labriola and we both brought our dogs to
11 -- you brought Bocci and --

12 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: Bailey.

13 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Bocci and Bailey.
14 I brought Captain and the dogs had a great time.
15 And guess what? Steve, not one drop of comment, no
16 complaints from any dog at all during that entire
17 opening day. So, we're very, very happy with that
18 news.

19 We have more news that we will speak to
20 after the Board meeting is over which is very, very
21 important and including sensitivity to all that's
22 going on in our nation. We have tremendous
23 sensitivity going on and we'll talk more about
24 that, but we do pray for the brave men and women in
25 our United States Armed Forces. We do pray for the

1 brave men and women who protect us each and every
2 day. I want to especially thank those in public
3 safety in the Town of Oyster Bay, Sanitation sort,
4 all of our essential workers from one end to the
5 other. They have been doing a phenomenal job. We
6 greatly appreciate our workforce.

7 With that, we will talk more about
8 COVID-19. We'll talk about some of the
9 demonstrations and what has been going on there. I
10 do want thank Public Safety. We're joined by our
11 Commissioner of Public Safety. Your team has done
12 a phenomenal job and every member of this Board and
13 every elected official in this Town as well as our
14 residents are so thankful for the peaceful way that
15 these demonstrations have taken place.

16 So that is the expertise of our staff
17 and also we want to thank the sensitivity of all of
18 those involved in demonstrations because there have
19 been no acts of violence, there have be no
20 problems, and we understand and support people's
21 First Amendment Rights and we will continue to do
22 that.

23 But before we move into today's
24 business, since I began talking about this, let us
25 state that collectively we mourn the lives of

1 everyone who has been victimized by injustice.

2 What has occurred in Minneapolis is
3 unimaginable and quite frankly, horrifying.
4 Since then, Americans have exercised their rights
5 to free speech in demanding accountability.

6 Our mission in the Town of Oyster Bay
7 is to unite all of the people in our Town. We
8 thank our residents for their peacefulness and
9 their compassion that they have been showing on one
10 another. We thank all of those including Public
11 Safety but everyone who is missioned with
12 protecting the protestors and protecting their
13 First Amendment Rights and protecting residents and
14 protecting store owners. We've seen all of that
15 occurring in the Town of Oyster Bay. We are so
16 thankful that the demonstrations have taken place
17 peacefully and we support the First Amendment
18 Rights of all Town of Oyster Bay residents.

19 So with that, I'm going to ask our Town
20 Clerk to -- who has already polled the Board and
21 now call our first hearing.

22 MR. LaMARCA: Supervisor, the first
23 hearing is to consider a local law entitled Local
24 Law to amend Chapter 221, towing Section 221-37
25 charges of the code of the Town of Oyster Bay.

1 MR. SCALERA: Good morning, Supervisor,
2 Members of the Town Board.

3 Frank Scalera, Chief Deputy Town
4 Attorney, presenting this Amendment to the law.
5 This is a local law as the Town Clerk said to amend
6 Chapter 221. That's the Towing chapter and
7 specifically one section of that Chapter, 221-37.
8 Basically, that is for the fees to be charged for
9 towing, labor and storage. The name of the Section
10 is Charges.

11 So, very simply before we get into the
12 substance of it, Public Notice of this hearing was
13 adopted by Resolution and published by law, by
14 New York State Law, from our last meeting and I
15 believe that -- not believe, I know that the public
16 law itself the draft was posted on our website, was
17 posted in the bulletin boards and the like. So,
18 for procedural purposes I believe we've established
19 that and I think the Town Clerk could acknowledge
20 that after this presentation.

21 MR. LaMARCA: Correct.

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Counselor, I'm
23 going to ask you to repeat that in a sentence so
24 everyone at home understands, especially those who
25 don't have a legal background.

1 Is the process that we're doing, does
2 it meet all the legal requirements from the State,
3 does it meet our State law, does it meet our Town
4 code?

5 MR. SCALERA: Correct. All legal
6 requirements, the process for publishing the local
7 law for viewing of the public and the noticing of
8 this public hearing for this local law.

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: And their
10 participation?

11 MR. SCALERA: Correct.

12 Have been done pursuant to the mandates
13 and directives of New York State Law. So, that's
14 the procedural part.

15 The substantive part as I indicated is
16 very straightforward. It changes and amends
17 Chapter 221-37 which is charges.

18 The particular Section has five
19 subdivisions, A, B, C, D, and E; only A, B, and C
20 is being Amended. Let's go with over each one.

21 A is towing charges. The last time it
22 was mended 2006, 14 years ago.

23 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: There has been no
24 increase to any of the towing fees for 14 years.

25 MR. SCALERA: 14 years.

1 That provision basically -- presently
2 says \$95 for the first mile and \$5 for each
3 additional mile. That is what it currently says.

4 The proposed Amendment is \$125 for the
5 first mile and \$5 for each additional mile. That's
6 it for that one. That's for towing.

7 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Is that paid by
8 the residents or by the tow company?

9 MR. SCALERA: This is the charge to the
10 person requiring the tow. So it could be a
11 resident or it could be somebody who broke down on
12 a Town road that's from outside the Town, but,
13 typically, most of the time and, typically,
14 insurance companies of the person who owns the car
15 picks up this fee and pays it to the Town -- sorry,
16 pays it to the towing company. I'm sorry.

17 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Are there any
18 questions?

19 (No verbal response given.)

20 MR. SCALERA: Next section is Section B
21 of that same section. Subdivision B is the storage
22 charges. It was or it's presently \$10 for the
23 first few days. Then \$20 the day thereafter. The
24 proposed Amendment in this law is \$35 each 24-hour
25 day. Straight \$35. The last time that was amended

1 was 2000. So, from 2000 to the present, it has
2 been \$10, so twenty years ago.

3 Now, it will be a flat \$35. That's for
4 storage at a tow place where a car is towed or auto
5 body place, wherever the car is towed.

6 The last subdivision is Subdivision C
7 is labor charges. Labor charges for the tow
8 operator. The last time it was amended was 2006.
9 Back then to the present time, it was \$35 per half
10 hour -- excuse me -- yes, \$35 for a half hour and
11 the proposed Amendment is \$50 per half hour.

12 Now, that is typically special skills
13 stuff like if they have to come in and they have to
14 use special equipment if the car turns over and you
15 have to flip it back over or if they have to clean
16 the site of any oil or gasoline spills and they
17 have to clean the site. So, it was 35 for 14 years
18 and the proposed Amendment is \$50 per half hour.

19 And, lastly, in that same subdivision
20 of labor charges, cleanup of an accident scene, the
21 material they use is a bag of material they use to
22 put on top of the oil or gasoline, I guess.

23 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Speed Dry is one
24 brand names product.

25 MR. SCALERA: Yes. It was \$10 a bag.

1 It's going to be \$15 a bag. That's basically it.

2 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: These are costs
3 that the Town incurs for the cleanup.

4 In this case, with the Speedy Dry or
5 whatever the generic name for the product is, the
6 Town comes incurs costs, the taxpayers incur
7 costs --

8 MR. SCALERA: The taxpayers, right.

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: -- clean up the
10 site to remove oil, gasoline, whatever it might be.
11 Use special equipment. Sometimes the jaws of life
12 are used to open up a car. Unfortunately, some car
13 wrecks leave a car behind looking like a crushed
14 can, and all of the parts in all of this that is
15 the Town's responsibility to clean up on Town
16 roads.

17 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: No.

18 MR. SCALERA: No, no. The Town -- I'll
19 make it simpler. I apologize, Supervisor.

20 The Town regulates tow license through
21 the Office of the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk would
22 get applications for companies that want to tow
23 cars. Those companies that apply for the Town of
24 Oyster Bay towing license, it has to follow the
25 rules and regulations and fees set forth by this

1 Town Board. These are the fees that the person who
2 needs to use the towing company, it could be our
3 resident, it could be somebody who breaks down --

4 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Mr. Scalera, this
5 is Councilman Imbroto.

6 What is the benefit to the public of
7 increasing these fees?

8 For example, are there fewer tow
9 companies operating in the Town of Oyster Bay
10 because we have lower fees than neighboring
11 municipalities? Is it difficult for somebody to
12 get a tow when they need one? What is the public
13 benefit?

14 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Imbroto, this
15 is Town Clerk LaMarca.

16 So, I'm going to pass out something
17 that I e-mailed to you folks last week which is the
18 comparison of the Town of Oyster Bay's charges and
19 rates for residents. It's against the other
20 municipalities in our surrounding neighborhoods
21 including the Town of Hempstead, the Town of North
22 Hempstead, the City of Glen Cove, the Town of
23 Huntington and New York State.

24 And you will see that we are clearly
25 currently not in line with the rates as they have

1 gone up amongst the other municipalities. So what
2 we're trying to do is bring our rates more in line
3 with those other municipalities. So we came up
4 with numbers after doing some research that kind of
5 meets the tow companies in the middle and what I
6 mean by that is they came to meet --

7 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: I understand that
8 we're lower.

9 I guess my question is, is there a
10 benefit to the public --

11 MR. LaMARCA: No.

12 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: -- of not being
13 low?

14 MR. SCALERA: No. Let me answer the
15 question.

16 Councilman Imbroto, yes, there's a
17 benefit, because what happens is if you're so low
18 and you're charging 1970 prices, you're not going
19 to get --

20 MR. LaMARCA: Correct.

21 MR. SCALERA: -- a good reputable tow
22 company --

23 MR. LaMARCA: Service.

24 MR. SCALERA: -- wanting to have
25 license in the Town of Oyster Bay. That we cannot

1 have because you're talking about residents
2 breaking down on a highway at 3 o'clock in the
3 morning or even --

4 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Right.

5 What I'm asking is, do we have fewer
6 companies registering for towing licenses in Oyster
7 Bay because of this and are residents having
8 difficulty getting the necessary service that they
9 need because of our rates being lower?

10 MR. SCALERA: Well, I can tell you
11 this, I know from my experience from fifteen years
12 ago to today, we have a lot less tow operators that
13 have been submitting and seeking licenses down to
14 three or four; whereas, when I first started
15 working here, it was seven or eight. So we're down
16 that much. So, yes, we are losing the ability or
17 the opportunity to get better tow companies and
18 let's be honest, Councilman, when somebody's stuck
19 on the road at night, you want to make sure that
20 the people you're dealing with are reputable and
21 that also goes to what the Clerk does -- as
22 licensing agent here for the Town, that we take
23 certain background checks on any tow company that
24 comes in to make sure that they are reputable and
25 their background is of good moral character.

1 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: So, in other
2 words, by taking this action, we will make more
3 options available to the public and increase their
4 ability to procure reputable services when they're
5 broken down on the side of the road, perhaps in the
6 middle of the night when it's difficult to find
7 businesses that are even open?

8 MR. SCALERA: That would be correct,
9 Councilman.

10 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Okay. Thank you.

11 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: I just want to
12 say something.

13 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Yes.

14 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: Just to add
15 further clarity to because most of the time in an
16 accident, our residents are covered by their
17 insurance companies. So these are fees are not
18 something that become a burden to our residents.

19 Where I think -- I think our Town
20 Clerk, of course, and I know Rich LaMarca is going
21 to be diligent about is to make sure our tow
22 companies are licensed -- our licensed tow
23 companies are not taking advantage of our residents
24 when they are being towed. Sometimes they get
25 towed in a private parking lot and that parking lot

1 is not being utilized for any purpose and there
2 are, I guess, there used to be these schemes that
3 existed where tow companies had arrangements with
4 private companies, for instance, that might not be
5 doing business on the weekend, but there is an
6 active business nearby, people use that parking lot
7 and instantly were getting towed away and being
8 charged some ridiculous price.

9 There has been an effort by New York
10 State government -- I know when the Supervisor was
11 in the State Assembly, Senator Fuschillo actually
12 sponsored a bill I proposed back in the day and we
13 went after them on that. But it's important, I
14 think, in terms of what you said, our Commissioner
15 of Licensing, which is the Town Clerk, is diligent
16 in following up on complaints from people who feel
17 they've been taken advantage by a towed car. If a
18 resident -- I'm sorry, I didn't know that my mic
19 was off. Thank you very much, Mr. Pravato.

20 -- if a resident sees that their car is
21 on the tow car, they can ask that it be released
22 for a much smaller fee, whereas the tow car
23 operator is not supposed to speed off with their
24 car.

25 So there are rules that must be

1 followed and there are complaint procedures about
2 how residents feel they're being taken advantage
3 of, but I read Town Clerk LaMarca's explanation for
4 these fee increases and to me they do seem
5 reasonable in light of the fact they haven't been
6 raised in 14 years.

7 And, most of the time if a tow car
8 operator is doing this right, it's somebody is
9 parked in a hazardous situation that needs to be
10 towed or is violating our laws and police are
11 asking they be towed, et cetera, so those are the
12 reasons we need to have these tow car operators
13 functional. And, of course, that they're able to
14 make a profit, otherwise, why would they be in
15 business, so that's why I would support what Town
16 Clerk LaMarca is advocating.

17 Thank you.

18 MR. LaMARCA: Thank you.

19 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Is it safe to say
20 that the more attractive this is to tow operators,
21 the more they will do work here, and as there are
22 more choices that -- and more competition among
23 them, that indeed could bring down the price of the
24 tow to the residents?

25 MR. SCALERA: Well, I mean, based on

1 economics, I can't predict them in the future, but,
2 yeah, that can happen, instead of three or four
3 operators we now have fifteen operators on this
4 floor and we can revisit this in a year or two to
5 see what the statistics are, but based upon the due
6 diligence of Rich LaMarca and I believe, Tina
7 Palito is from your office.

8 MR. LaMARCA: Correct.

9 MR. SCALERA: -- that they did a search
10 of all the remaining twelve towns on Long Island.

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: And we were the
12 lowest.

13 MR. SCALERA: And we were woefully low
14 and, unfortunately, you're going to get into a
15 situation where you're so low that you can't get
16 reputable tow operators and that you cannot have,
17 not when people break down as Councilman Labriola
18 said, in hazardous situations on the side of the
19 highway, we just can't have that.

20 As far as enforcement, as a licensing
21 agent, Town Clerk LaMarca, any complaint that he
22 gets regarding -- from a person or resident
23 regarding any tow operator, and they are far and
24 few between, but also they are handled him and the
25 Town Attorney's office and they're handled swiftly

1 and we always get compliance. They're always
2 resolved. There hasn't been a situation, at least
3 in my tenure, where we have to go after a tow
4 operator's license because -- and this goes all the
5 way back when Steve Labriola was the Town Clerk.
6 We've been pretty diligent as a Town to pursue any
7 operator if they go outside the lines of this local
8 law of towing Section 221.

9 So, I don't have any other points to
10 make on this one. If you have any other questions,
11 it's, again, pretty straight forward. It's an
12 amendment of this section regarding fees.

13 MR. LaMARCA: I would just like to make
14 one further comment, before I took this job, I was
15 completely unaware that a municipality could
16 regulate the cost of a towing company. So I think
17 this is something that we should publicize and put
18 on our website and let the residents know that
19 there are rates that are regulated by the Town of
20 Oyster Bay and that they're aware if they get in an
21 accident and need a tow company to come pick them
22 up and they understand they should not be
23 overcharged because they have a listing of the
24 rates in front of them.

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Getting back to

1 boiling this all down, we found that our rates that
2 we allow are the lowest anywhere, by far, of any
3 township on Long Island. We've learned that tow
4 companies want a certain percentage -- a certain --

5 MR. LaMARCA: Rate.

6 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: A cost -- a rate
7 to cover their cost so they can make money. So we
8 know that most people their insurance will cover
9 this cost. It does not come out of the pocket of
10 most residents because they're insured and have
11 this coverage, and we are also insuring the rate
12 lock; basically, insures the tow companies can't
13 come in and charge somebody anything they want.

14 You're stuck on the side of the road.
15 You've got a tow truck there. They could --
16 without this law, they could ask for any amount and
17 you're, in essence, held hostage in the middle of
18 the night, you spouse or the kids are in the car,
19 you want to make sure they get home safely. Rather
20 than allow tow companies to charge any price they
21 want, we have rates. These rates have not been
22 raised in 14 years. We're raising them only to be
23 in lockstep with the other towns on Long Island.

24 MR. SCALERA: Yes.

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: We're still not

1 moving up to the highest rate.

2 MR. LaMARCA: We're no nowhere near the
3 highest.

4 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: We're nowhere
5 near the highest.

6 We're somewhere in the middle?

7 MR. LaMARCA: We're still on the low
8 end, actually.

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Still on the low
10 end of what the rates are charged.

11 Once again, the reason the Town set
12 rates, so an unscrupulous tow truck driver is not
13 able to come along and charge whatever they want,
14 and, quite frankly, rip off the public. Our tow
15 drivers are not doing that.

16 Steve did speak about what you did in
17 past years to stop the practice of unscrupulous tow
18 truck drivers, so we're protecting the public. We
19 have a rate that is still lower than virtually --
20 most of the other towns on Long Island and it is
21 designed to protect them and also to make tow truck
22 drivers want to pick up cars in the Town of Oyster
23 Bay.

24 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: In addition, I'm
25 just going to add, it also -- our laws also prevent

1 tow car operators from demanding cash in order
2 release the vehicle. That used to be a common
3 problem also where there would be no receipt, no
4 proof of the abuse that took place of the resident
5 and no recourse.

6 So now, of course, if there is a paper
7 trail of the fees that were charged our residents
8 or if they complain to the Town Clerk and feel
9 they've been overcharged, it's the Town Clerk's
10 responsibility, actually, to retrieve that
11 overcharge and get that overpayment returned to our
12 residents. So that's just another safety
13 precautions Town code and our State law.

14 MR. SCALERA: If you look -- just to
15 add, just to put in perspective, I mean, I don't
16 know, I've had my car break down in the past and
17 I'm thinking one 150 or 170 something was the rate
18 I paid. It must have been 20 years ago. If you do
19 the math here, you have 125 the first mile. Figure
20 if you're on a highway in this metropolitan area,
21 you're always within four to six miles of a gas
22 station to drop the car off. So at \$5, you're
23 talking about anywhere between 145 and 165 in this
24 2020. That's not --

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: The vast majority

1 of the cases, the person's --

2 MR. SCALERA: They're higher.

3 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Auto insurance
4 covers the cost.

5 MR. SCALERA: And they're covered,
6 right. It's usually higher. So these rates are
7 being changed to this amount. So just to tell you
8 where how low we were over the years and we're
9 still low but, again, it's fair to the people who
10 need the service. Okay? Thank you, guys.

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Are there any
12 other questions before you walk away Frank?

13 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: One last
14 question, I just wanted to say in general I think
15 over the years, we weeded out what I considered to
16 be the bad apples or the bad operators and I think
17 by and large we have some very good tow car
18 operators, honest brokers in doing the right thing
19 by not just the driving public but also the police
20 department that is answering the call to all these
21 accident scenes. They're doing the right job.
22 They're cleaning up and that has been my experience
23 anyway.

24 MR. SCALERA: Thank you.

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Would you -- may

1 I have a motion -- do we have proof of mailings?

2 MR. LaMARCA: We have affidavits of
3 posting and publication.

4 There is no other correspondence.

5 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: May I have a
6 motion, please?

7 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I'll
8 make a motion that this public hearing be closed
9 and decision reserved.

10 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: May I have a
11 second?

12 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

13 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: All in favor,
14 please signify by saying, "Aye."

15 ALL: "Aye."

16 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Opposed, "Nay."

17 (No verbal response.)

18 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Would you
19 announce the result? We put in a motion.

20 MR. LaMARCA: The motion passes with
21 seven "Ayes" and Zero "Nays."

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: We close the
23 hearing until what, the 26th? We had a date on
24 this. What date are we leaving -- I just want to
25 inform the public of what date we're leaving the

1 roles open if they have any comment whatsoever.

2 MR. LaMARCA: I believe you said the
3 26th, yes.

4 MR. SCALERA: Yes.

5 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: June 26th, okay.

6 So these roles will be open until
7 June 26th. People can comment by mail. They can
8 comment by e-mail. If you want to e-mail us a
9 comment, please send it to publiccomment@
10 oysterbay-ny.gov.

11 Thank you. All that information is on
12 our website.

13 (TIME NOTED: 11:12 A.M.)

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TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OYSTER BAY
REGULAR MEETING
June 16, 2020
11:13 a.m.

HEARING - FINANCE

To consider the application of the Jericho Water District for the issuance of bonds to pay the cost of improvements to the water district. (M.D. 5/26/20 #18).

JOSEPH SALADINO
SUPERVISOR

RICHARD LaMARCA
TOWN CLERK

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JEFFREY P. PRAVATO, RECEIVER OF TAXES

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Reporter/Notary Public

1 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Would you please
2 call the second hearing?

3 MR. LaMARCA: The second hearing is to
4 consider the application of the Jericho Water
5 District for the issuance of bonds to pay the cost
6 of improvements to the Water District.

7 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Good morning,
8 Counselor.

9 MR. INGHAM: Good morning.
10 Good morning Members of the Town Board,
11 Supervisor Saladino.

12 For the record, my name is Mike Ingham
13 from the firm of Carman Callahan & Ingham, 266 Main
14 Street, Farmingdale, New York. I'm general counsel
15 to the Jericho Water District.

16 Talking history, I've proudly held that
17 position for over thirty years since 1986. I'm
18 here today to be the principal spokesman for the
19 District's bond petition for capital improvements
20 primarily addressed to remediating the emerging
21 contaminant of 1,4 Dioxane.

22 With me today is our Chairman, Tom
23 Abbate; our Business Manager Kathleen Cannon; and
24 our Superintendent, Mr. Logan.

25 Ms. Cannon can answer any questions

1 regarding finances. Mr. Logan can answer any
2 questions regarding the projects. Mr. Abbate can
3 answer any question because, as you know, he's the
4 Chairman.

5 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: A very good one
6 at that.

7 MR. INGHAM: So, a little bit of
8 followup from the bond petitions we did last year.

9 Even though the State is undergoing
10 some fiscal difficulties, they have assured us that
11 their commitments to the grants that have already
12 been issued and signed will be fulfilled. So
13 that's good news for all of us because substantial
14 grants were issued by EFC for the 1,4 Dioxane
15 treatment.

16 Number two, as you may know, we have a
17 substantial action for 23 of the water providers
18 here in both Nassau and Suffolk Counties against
19 Dow Chemical, the manufacturer of 1,4 Dioxane.
20 They manufactured and had the patent to manufacture
21 90 percent of 1,4 Dioxane and those litigations
22 were filed eighteen months ago.

23 On June 4th, I am happy report to the
24 Board that Dow's motion to throw the case out was
25 dismissed in its entirety. So we have a green

1 light to go forward with our Discovery. We're
2 working on the damages now, and, hopefully, with
3 the firm that we're working with from
4 San Francisco, we will prevail and will obtain
5 substantial amounts of money which we can use to
6 reduce these bonds.

7 So, lastly, we talked about the bands
8 and Mr. Darienzo reported last year that there is
9 no statute of limitations on our bands for the
10 Districts, a little bit different than the Town.

11 So we've asked to make sure that the
12 bands are not retired in the bonds for a while
13 until we get money in from Dow to reduce the total
14 amount of money we're borrowing on the bonds.

15 A little good news, too, Mr. Darienzo
16 was helpful in this Town to clarify the statute of
17 limitations on the bands and we have been
18 successful in communicating that protocol to the
19 Town of North Hempstead who also has a good number
20 of Districts who were impacted by this 1,4 Dioxane.
21 So, they are now going to convert their bands to
22 bonds as well. So that's good news. I appreciate
23 Mr. Darienzo's help in that regard.

24 So, with those three things addressed,
25 I will turn to the bond application itself. There

1 are seven principal projects covered by this
2 petition.

3 First, there'll be new South Woods Road
4 Well to replace our existing Well 5 which is not
5 operable at the moment.

6 Second, Wells 9 and 14 will receive AOP
7 and Advanced Oxidation Process treatment for 1,4
8 Dioxane 3.

9 Number 3, the Kirby Lane facility will
10 also receive AOP treatment and a Booster Electrical
11 Upgrade.

12 Number 4, Kirby Lane will also receive
13 Blow-Off and drainage improvements.

14 Number 5, Well 17 will receive GAC,
15 Granular Activated Carbon treatment to treat VOCs.

16 Well 6, the same.

17 Well 20 will also receive GAC
18 treatment.

19 Lastly, Number 7, a booster station
20 will be installed at Split Rock Well.

21 The engineer's total estimated cost and
22 expenses for the seven District projects is
23 \$35,776,570 which includes estimated contingencies,
24 engineering and bond fees; however, I'm pleased to
25 report that one-third of this amount is covered by

1 EFC grants totalling \$11,457,590. These grants are
2 going to assist with the AOP remediation of 1,4
3 Dioxane at the two District wells, Well 9 and Kirby
4 Lane facility.

5 Turning to the projects themselves,
6 Project 1, the new South Woods Road well to replace
7 Well No. 5. At the main facility, Well 5 has
8 exhibited levels of 1,4 Dioxane in recent years of
9 one-half of the recommended MCL of one part per
10 billion. One possible treatment solution would be
11 consideration of Advanced Oxidation Process
12 treatment facility to reduce the 1,4 Dioxane levels
13 below the recommend MCL.

14 However, Well 5 also has exhibited
15 levels of nitrates which are approaching MCL of 10
16 parts per million. For Well 5 to be placed back in
17 service, it will require nitrate removal as well as
18 an AOP treatment facility.

19 So, instead of pursuing this additional
20 treatment at Well 5, the District is exploring
21 options such as a new source to replace Well 5.
22 The District owns a vacant property at South Woods
23 Road in Woodbury and that has potential to
24 construct a new well on this site to replace Well
25 5.

1 The costs of this project are estimated
2 to be 7,337,000. We'll subtract or deduct from
3 that amount partial funding from our 2019 bond
4 issue of 200,000, so the cost for this project
5 under the 2020 bond is 7,137,000.

6 Project No. 2, Wells 9 and 14 AOP
7 treatment. Well 9 and 14 are located at separate
8 sites which are in the process of being
9 interconnected for nitrate and organic contaminant
10 treatment. The new nitrate removal facility and
11 air stripping tower is under construction already
12 at Well 9. Once complete, the tower will treat the
13 existing 9 and 14 contaminants for the OCs.

14 However, Well 14 has also exhibited 1,4
15 Dioxane levels significantly higher than the
16 recommended MCLs for 1,4 Dioxane. Because the
17 screen zone at No. 9 is at a similar depth to Well
18 14, and that Well is located approximately 2,200
19 feet away, it is anticipated that Well 9 may likely
20 exhibit similar levels to 1,4 Dioxane as Well 14.
21 That was part of the petition. I've been informed
22 today by Superintendent Logan that indeed Well 9
23 exceeds MCLs as well.

24 An AOP treatment system is therefore
25 proposed for the two Ls to remove the 1,4 Dioxane.

1 The engineers proposed a Trojan low-pressure,
2 ultraviolet system with hydrogen peroxide followed
3 by GAC for hydrogen peroxide quenching and PFAS
4 removal.

5 PFAS is another one of the emergent
6 contaminants which is not set at a part per billion
7 but at 10 parts per trillion. So it's difficult to
8 get down to those levels, but kind of the good
9 thing about PFAS is it can be treated by the GACs
10 and you don't need the advanced oxidation process
11 which is the ultraviolet light. So the GACs can be
12 used to treat the PFAS.

13 The total estimate for this project is
14 \$10,496,000. Again, partial funding is left over
15 from the 2019 bond of 200,000 but partial funding
16 for the EFC is \$5,896,777 on a grant. So the total
17 request for funding is reduced to \$4,399,230.

18 Project 3, Kirby Lane AOP treatment and
19 Booster electrical upgrade. Currently, Wells 25
20 and 26 account for nearly 9 percent of the
21 District's supply and are critical in providing an
22 adequate supply of clean safe drinking water to our
23 consumers.

24 Wells 25 and 26 will likely require
25 immediate action if the recommended MCLs are

1 adopted as regulation. The MCLs were first to be
2 placed on board in March, but they returned on June
3 4th and because of COVID, they pushed it off now to
4 probably July 30th. The final date to adopt these
5 regulations will be August 7th; otherwise, they've
6 got to start the process all over again, as a
7 regulatory process for the Department of Health.
8 So, they're coming down on probably July 30th. So,
9 we need to get a head start on these projects
10 because when they come down, we're going to have an
11 issue because we don't want to be in violation of
12 the MCLs.

13 Installation of the AOP system and GAC
14 facility at 25 and 26 will require equipment and
15 facility upgrades and additions throughout the
16 entire Kirby Lane site. Electrical services to the
17 facility and power distribution system will be
18 upgraded and a stand-by generator set will be
19 provided to the AOP building.

20 The total estimated project cost for
21 this project is \$11,474,000 less partial funding
22 from the 2019 bond issue and a grant, again, of
23 over \$5,560,800 will be deducted, so the request
24 for funding is \$5,713,000.

25 Project No. 4 is the Kirby Lane

1 Blow-Off and Drainage Improvements.

2 The existing blow-off recharge basin
3 for the Kirby Lane site is not adequate to allow
4 this facility to operate to waste or to drain the
5 storage tank for an extended period of time; thus,
6 it will be necessary to install a new drain line
7 from the facility to the nearest Nassau County
8 storm water recharge basin. The drainage pipe will
9 be approximately 700 feet long and will be sized to
10 carry the maximum drainage flows from the facility
11 operations including the AOP system.

12 The estimated cost for this project is
13 \$984,000, less partial funding from the 2019 bond
14 issue of \$500,000, so the total cost is \$484,000.

15 Project No. 5, Well 17 GAC treatment.

16 Well 17 has exhibited increasing levels
17 of Simazine, an herbicidal contaminant which is
18 approaching the MCL of 4 micrograms per liter.
19 Currently, there is no treatment on site for this
20 contaminant. Consequently, we will relocate the
21 existing GAC vessels at the main office facility
22 that were previously used for Well 5, which is now
23 out of service. The GAC system will remove the
24 Simazine to meet the MCL standard. As this is a
25 season well, the GAC vessels will be installed

1 outside without a building enclosure. The
2 equipment will be drained down and removed from
3 service during the winter months.

4 Part of the work at Well 17 site will
5 the include rehabilitation or replacement of the
6 well pump. At the time of the well pump
7 replacement, a video inspection of Well 17 screen
8 and casing will be done to assess the condition and
9 schedule any rehabilitation or replacement work.
10 The work also includes the installation of a new
11 chemical injection vault and miscellaneous drainage
12 and site improvements.

13 At this time, the maximum cost of the
14 GAC system under this project is \$1,463,000.

15 Project No. 6 is similar. This is Well
16 20 GAC treatment. Well 20 has also exhibited
17 increasing levels of Simazine. Currently, there is
18 no treatment on-site for this contaminant as well.
19 Like Well 17, Well 20 is a season well.

20 Consequently, the proposed GAC vessels
21 can be installed outside without a building
22 enclosure. Again, as with 17, the equipment will
23 be drained down and removed from service during the
24 Winter months. Part of the work at Well 20 will
25 also include the rehabilitation or replacement of

1 the well pump and the installation of a chemical
2 injection vault.

3 The total maximum not to exceed cost
4 for this project is \$1,668,000.

5 Lastly, Project No. 7, a booster pump
6 station at the Split Rock site.

7 The existing Split Rock standpipe which
8 is similar to the big tank, but it's a standpipe.
9 I think you've seen some of them, has a capacity of
10 approximately 3.4 million gallons. However, due to
11 location and elevation of the structure, the
12 effective capacity is reduced to approximately
13 1 million gallons. If a boost pump station is
14 installed at the site, the effective capacity of
15 the standpipe will nearly triple, thereby
16 increasing the District's overall storage capacity.
17 The booster pump station will be a prepackaged pump
18 skid located in a prefabricated building. This
19 will save us money.

20 Also included in this project will be
21 additional drainage and piping modifications. At
22 this time, the maximum cost of the booster pump
23 station is \$2,299,000.

24 So, to conclude, the estimated cost and
25 detailed description of the improvements outlined

1 in the Engineer's Report projects the maximum cost
2 of the projects to be \$35,776,570. The funding
3 sources will consist of grants totalling
4 \$11,457,570. It will also repurpose \$1,100,000
5 from previous bond authorizations. This makes the
6 total refinance in this petition a maximum not to
7 exceed \$23,219,000. That's the abridged version.

8 Are there any questions?

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Yes.

10 Counselor, thank you.

11 That presentation was very informative.
12 You had a tremendous amount of details, but I'm
13 going to ask you, work with me briefly so we can
14 can give an executive summary of what that was to
15 so many of our residents who are following along.

16 First of all, the State, in an effort
17 to protect the water supply for residents from one
18 end of the State to the other has passed laws to
19 mandate the cleanliness of the water and gave
20 specifics as to what parts per billion, parts per
21 trillion, of a long list of chemicals must be
22 reached through special technologies that this
23 Water District must build.

24 New York State gives some of the cost
25 back in grants, but there's a large portion that is

1 an unfunded mandate that they do not provide money
2 the for.

3 So you're coming to us for asking that
4 the Water District borrow this money, money that
5 would have to be paid back by the residents of the
6 Water District only and not the Town of Oyster Bay
7 taxpayers at large?

8 MR. INGHAM: That is correct.

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I know we've
10 explained this many times when each and every Water
11 District comes before us and Fire Districts as
12 well.

13 Please explain to the public why if the
14 Jericho Water District has its own duly elected
15 Board of Commissioners, why then do you have to
16 come to the Town for permission to borrow?

17 MR. INGHAM: So, the abridged version
18 is 1934 when these Districts were created.

19 In 1932, every special district
20 throughout the State was abolished under the
21 Kirkland Act. Those districts who had a referendum
22 by their consumers that voted to continue those
23 districts were continued. All those here in Oyster
24 Bay were survived by a referendum in 1934. Part of
25 Kirkland Act, however, indicated that the only way

1 the Districts could borrow money was to come to the
2 Town, so we're required by institute to come to the
3 Town to borrow the money.

4 So, in essence, you serve as a
5 functionary or a pass-through to the financial
6 markets. The Town residents in Massapequa don't
7 pay for the bonds in Jericho. Likewise, the
8 Jericho bonds are not paid by the residents in
9 Massapequa. Each District controls its own
10 financing. So only the residents in Jericho will
11 be responsible to repay this bond.

12 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: So, what you're
13 saying is back in 1934, before any of us were here,
14 the New York State Legislature in Albany passed the
15 law to mandate that borrowing on these smaller
16 districts, the Water Districts in the case of Fire
17 District, the special districts had to, by law, do
18 their bonding through the larger municipality and
19 in the case in our town, remember they passed this
20 law to apply to smaller special districts across
21 the State, but here in our communities, that
22 bonding has to take place through the approval of
23 the Town Board. That's why you're making this
24 presentation and that's why we will be voting --
25 not today, we're not voting on this today. We're

1 going to leave the roles open just as everyone
2 heard in the last hearing, we're going to leave the
3 roles open until June 26, 2020 so we can hear from
4 the public via telephone, written letter, e-mail to
5 get their input on this, but, ultimately, it is the
6 Town's responsibility by law to help with the
7 borrowing, but when it comes to play paying back
8 the bonds, those are paid back by the water users
9 in the District in question and, in this case, the
10 Jericho Water District.

11 MR. INGHAM: Precisely correct.

12 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Okay, so we
13 arrived at why you're here. We also have arrived
14 at the fact that New York State in an effort to
15 ensure the drinking water of its residents
16 statewide that they're not drinking 1,4 Dioxane and
17 these other chemical contaminants they have
18 mandated, they have provided a law that says you,
19 the Water District, must build the equipment to
20 ensure that these contaminants, we call them
21 emerging contaminants, are either filtered out or
22 through a number of processes are removed from the
23 drinking water.

24 Also good news, the unfortunate piece
25 to this is that New York State, the unfunded

1 mandates, I yelled -- I railed against these as
2 State assemblyman, Steve Labriola did before me in
3 the State assembly, the bottom line is, this is a
4 good initiative to protect the water but, once
5 again, like in so many cases, New York State
6 mandates something and then doesn't provide the
7 entirety of the money to do it and, therefore, in
8 this case, the Jericho Water District users would
9 by pay the difference or would pay the debt service
10 on the bond you're asking for.

11 MR. INGHAM: Correct.

12 And, hopefully, hopefully, more than
13 hopefully, I do believe this Dow litigation is
14 going to be successful and probably reduce all the
15 bonding indebtedness on the 1,4 Dioxane
16 improvements.

17 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: That's wonderful
18 news, as well as other infrastructure projects.
19 You're asking for the money for infrastructure
20 projects to update whether it's a new well, new
21 piping, the different things that you have to care
22 for and maintain in any municipality.

23 MR. INGHAM: Standard infrastructure
24 improvements, yes, sir.

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you.

1 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: I have a couple of
2 quick questions if I may.

3 Thank you, Counselor, for you very
4 thorough and detailed explanation and breakdown of
5 all the projects. I'm still new to this whole
6 process and learning.

7 I think my first question is, you threw
8 a lot out there of some of the contaminants and I
9 guess the residents that are listening that are
10 part of the Jericho Water District, is the water
11 safe to drink and if it is, would you provide an
12 explanation?

13 MR. INGHAM: We meet or exceed every
14 federal, state, or local standard that we must meet
15 and Nassau County Health Department tests our water
16 continually. We test our water continually and it
17 meets every standard that's out there.

18 So, that's what we do. We are in full
19 compliance with all the regulations and the
20 Department of Health, Nassau County Department of
21 Health is extremely visioned [sic] about making
22 sure we meet all those standards.

23 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Thank you.

24 The second question is, \$23 million is
25 a big number.

1 Do we know what breakdown is per
2 resident, per month?

3 MR. INGHAM: I'll defer to our
4 financial person on that, Ms. Cannon. She can
5 certainly answer that question, but if you've got
6 other questions, I will --

7 MS. CANNON: We calculated that the
8 average household with an assessed value of 500,000
9 would pay \$37.25 per year in taxes to pay off this
10 \$23,219,000 in debt.

11 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: What's the
12 duration? You said \$27?

13 MS. CANNON: \$37.25 per year.

14 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: For how many
15 years? What's the length of the bond? What do we
16 expect it to be?

17 MS. CANNON: This is based on a 30-year
18 bond.

19 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: 30-year bond.

20 MS. CANNON: Estimated 3 and a half
21 percent.

22 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Thank you.

23 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: And those numbers
24 will come to fruition when the bond -- if we indeed
25 pass this, when the bond goes out to market.

1 MR. INGHAM: That's correct.

2 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Thank you.

3 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: It is a point of
4 information for all of us that we continue to lobby
5 New York State, our State assembly members, State
6 senators to change the law and do the bonding
7 through New York State where we think they would
8 get the best rate of all. It makes sense to the
9 public. It makes sense to having more -- to
10 dealing with issue of the unfunded mandate, but
11 most of all, it make sense to take this off the
12 responsibility of the towns across the State when
13 you should be allowed to bond directly through
14 New York State.

15 MR. INGHAM: I would be personally in
16 favor of that since both my daughters live in
17 Albany. I'd argue the bond issue up there. I have
18 no problem with that.

19 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Are there any
20 other questions?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 MR. INGHAM: Good? Thanks, guys. I
23 appreciate it.

24 Supervisor, Members of the Board, thank
25 you very much.

1 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you.

2 Is there any correspondence?

3 MR. LaMARCA: There is no other
4 correspondence.

5 We have affidavits of posting and
6 publication.

7 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Just, again, to
8 reiterate this, we are leaving the record open
9 until June 26, 2020. People can write us at the
10 office of the Town Attorney, 54 Audrey Avenue,
11 Oyster Bay, New York 11771. They can comment in
12 e-mail and please send that to publiccomment@
13 oysterbay-ny.gov or they can phone us in any of the
14 council's offices, the Town Attorney's office and
15 of course my office. So those are the different
16 ways and to that I will ask for a motion.

17 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I
18 make a motion that this public hearing be closed
19 public comment be left open until June 26, 2020 and
20 decision be reserved.

21 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I heard Lou
23 Imbroto second that motion.

24 Would you just mention who made the
25 motion and who seconded it for clarity?

1 MR. LaMARCA: A motion was made by
2 Councilwoman Johnson.

3 Seconded by Councilman Imbroto.

4 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: All favor, please
5 signify by saying, "Aye."

6 ALL: "Aye."

7 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Those opposed,
8 "Nay."

9 (No verbal response.)

10 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: The "Ayes" have
11 it.

12 Thank you. We will be making a
13 decision after June 26th. Thank you for your
14 presentation.

15 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I
16 make a motion that the Board go into Executive
17 Session for the purpose of discussing, regarding,
18 proposed or pending or current -- and/or current
19 litigation.

20 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I'm just going to
21 ask that we do that after we complete our calendar.

22 Is there a need for this to take place
23 before we complete the calendar?

24 MR. ROSEA: So long as it takes place
25 within the meeting.

1 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I understand that
2 the Board would like that Executive Session to take
3 place now.

4 May we have a second?

5 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

6 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: All in favor,
7 please signify by saying, "Aye."

8 ALL: "Aye."

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: If you are
10 against it, please say, "Nay."

11 (No verbal response.)

12 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: The "Ayes" have
13 it.

14 We're going into Executive Session and
15 we will return and report if any action is taken
16 and then we will move on to the calendar for the
17 day.

18 (Whereupon, the Executive Session began
19 at 11:38 a.m. and ended at 12:45 p.m. and the
20 proceedings resumed as follows:)

21 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: We are now done
22 with our Executive Session.

23 The Board members are coming back to
24 their seats, and I will ask Michelle Johnson to
25 report on the outcome of the Executive Session.

1 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I'll
2 make a motion that the Executive Session be closed.

3 No action has been taken.

4 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: May I have a
5 second?

6 Lou, are you on?

7 COUNCILWOMAN HAND: Councilman Hand,
8 second.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Lou didn't get
10 back on.

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Tom Hand is on.
12 Tom, do you second the motion?

13 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Yes, sir.

14 COUNCILWOMAN HAND: I second that
15 motion.

16 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: All in favor,
17 please signify by saying, "Aye."

18 ALL: "Aye."

19 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Those opposed,
20 "Nay."

21 (No verbal response.)

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: The "Ayes" have
23 it.

24 (TIME NOTED: 12:46 P.M.)

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TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OYSTER BAY
ACTION CALENDAR
June 16, 2020
12:47 p.m.

JOSEPH SALADINO
SUPERVISOR

RICHARD LaMARCA
TOWN CLERK

P R E S E N T:

SUPERVISOR JOSEPH S. SALADINO
COUNCILWOMAN MICHELE M. JOHNSON
COUNCILMAN LOUIS B. IMBROTO
COUNCILMAN THOMAS P. HAND
COUNCILMAN STEVE L. LABRIOLA
COUNCILWOMAN LAURA L. MAIER
COUNCILWOMAN VICKI WALSH

A L S O P R E S E N T:

RICHARD LaMARCA, TOWN CLERK
JEFFREY P. PRAVATO, RECEIVER OF TAXES

Minutes of the meeting
taken by:

HOLLY DALOIA OSTEEN
Reporter/Notary Public

1 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Could you just
2 take attendance again so everyone knows at home who
3 is here?

4 MR. LaMARCA: Supervisor Saladino?

5 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Present.

6 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Johnson?

7 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Present.

8 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Imbroto?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 MR. LaMARCA: He's not on yet.

11 Councilman Hand?

12 COUNCILWOMAN HAND: Present.

13 Councilman Hand is present.

14 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Labriola?

15 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: Present.

16 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Maier?

17 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Present.

18 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Walsh?

19 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: Present.

20 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Would you please

21 -- thank you, everyone.

22 Would you please continue with the
23 regular Action Calendar?

24 MR. LaMARCA: Yes. We have some
25 Resolutions that have been added to the calendar.

1 So, I'm going to ask for a motion to
2 suspend the rules add Resolution Nos. 316 through
3 318-2020.

4 On the motion.

5 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: So moved.

6 MR. LaMARCA: Motion made by
7 Councilwoman Johnson.

8 May I have a second?

9 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: Second.

10 MR. LaMARCA: Seconded by Councilman
11 Labriola.

12 On the vote:

13 Supervisor Saladino?

14 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: "Aye."

15 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Johnson?

16 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: "Aye."

17 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Hand?

18 Councilman Hand?

19 COUNCILMAN HAND: Hello.

20 MR. LaMARCA: Is that Lou, Councilman
21 Imbroto? Hello?

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: So Councilman
23 Hand was on the online when you took a second phone
24 call.

25 COUNCILMAN HAND: Councilman Hand is

1 on. I tried to dial into Lou. Lou is on the call,
2 but he's having some telephonic issues.

3 MR. LaMARCA: Let's continue with the
4 vote.

5 Councilman Hand, this is to add
6 Resolutions 316 to 318-2020.

7 COUNCILMAN HAND: "Aye."

8 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Labriola?

9 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: "Aye."

10 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Maier?

11 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: "Aye."

12 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Walsh?

13 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: "Aye."

14 MR. LaMARCA: Motion to suspend the
15 rules and add Resolutions 316 through 318-2020
16 passes with six "Ayes."

17 We have a couple of walk-ons. We have
18 two --

19 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: I just want to
20 announce myself.

21 Councilman Imbroto has rejoined the
22 call. I don't know what happened. I must have
23 gotten disconnected.

24 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you,
25 Councilman.

1 MR. LaMARCA: We are about to bring up
2 two walk-on Resolutions. I'll tell you what they
3 are before we ask for a motion to add them.

4 The first Resolution is 319 authorizing
5 the acceptance of a donation of three beach passes
6 from Supervisor Saladino to be awarded to the
7 winners of the American Spirit Contest.

8 Resolution No. 320 is a Resolution
9 authorizing procurement of a contractor to complete
10 the emergency repairs at the Town Animal Shelter.

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Can you speak
12 louder? Can you repeat all that, please, Town
13 Clerk? Is your mic on?

14 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: They said they
15 can't hear you.

16 MR. LaMARCA: Two Resolutions are being
17 walked on. The first is 319-2020. That Resolution
18 authorizes the acceptance of a donation of three
19 beach passes from Supervisor Saladino to be awarded
20 to the winners of the American Spirit Contest.

21 Resolution 320-2020 is a Resolution
22 authorizing procurement of a contractor to the
23 complete emergency repairs at the Town Animal
24 Shelter.

25 May I please have a motion to resuspend

1 the rules and add the following walked-on
2 Resolutions 319 and 320-2020?

3 On the motion?

4 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: So moved.

5 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

6 MR. LaMARCA: Motion made by
7 Councilwoman Johnson.

8 Seconded by Councilman Imbroto.

9 On the vote:

10 Supervisor Saladino?

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Just to make more
12 clarity to this, the emergency repairs are
13 continuous of fixing the animal shelter.

14 The other motion -- the other
15 Resolution is to have an award in order to pick up
16 people's spirits and national pride and at a time
17 when everyone needs to be embraced, we are asking
18 residents -- we are, in essence, holding an
19 Independence Day Home Decorating Contest and the
20 winners of that, chosen by the public, will then
21 receive the free beach pass.

22 If they already have a beach pass for
23 this year, it will be for next year's beach pass.
24 If they don't have one for this year yet, it will
25 be for this year. This is a program that the

1 public will have a lot of fun with and like holiday
2 decorations, it certainly is in the spirit of
3 supporting our nation, supporting our emergency
4 responders, our healthcare heroes, all of that ties
5 into this. I think it's a very good program and,
6 therefore, I vote "Aye."

7 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Johnson?

8 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: "Aye."

9 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Imbroto?

10 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: "Aye."

11 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Hand?

12 COUNCILMAN HAND: "Aye."

13 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Labriola?

14 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: "Aye."

15 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Maier?

16 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: "Aye."

17 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Walsh?

18 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: "Aye."

19 MR. LaMARCA: Motion to resuspend the
20 rules and add walked-on Resolution No. 319 and
21 320-2020 passes with seven "Ayes."

22 Do you want to see if there are any
23 questions?

24 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Yes.

25 Are there any questions on any of our

1 Resolutions?

2 I do want to point out that a couple of
3 these Resolutions, what we are doing is engaging
4 with engineering firms who have an expertise in the
5 science of protecting the environment. We have the
6 mandate from one of the Resolutions in the case of
7 New York State mandate. In the case of say 315,
8 for instance, that is the United States
9 Environmental Protection Agency federal mandate
10 that requires that testing be done at the -- in
11 this case, the Syosset landfill. That's been going
12 on all along and that testing results be reported
13 to the EPA. This is one -- the one before that is
14 also a State mandate.

15 So many of these are mandates from
16 New York State, federal government on testing at
17 certain locations. We did the same thing at the
18 last board meeting for mandatory testing of the
19 Oyster Bay -- former Oyster Bay landfill in Old
20 Bethpage.

21 So, this is some of those items what
22 they're referring to. These are State mandates
23 that we fulfill and we bring in the expertise, the
24 scientists involved in specialized engineering
25 companies to help formulate these reports and to do

1 that testing.

2 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: I just want to
3 make a quick comment for 319.

4 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Yes.

5 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: First, I want to
6 thank you for your generous donation of the beach
7 passes. I think that's great.

8 A couple of us had talked about doing
9 something in the Summertime with the shutdown and
10 helping to lift people's spirits with people being
11 in their homes and now a lot of the fireworks
12 celebrations are being cancelled. You know, a lot
13 of kids need something to look forward to and I
14 think this is a really good opportunity not only to
15 celebrate our country and our history, but to help
16 light up our town in our colors red, white and
17 blue. This will be a lot of fun. So I encourage a
18 lot of residents to really take place in it. Take
19 part in it. If you can't decorate, definitely
20 vote. It's going to be fun.

21 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: It could be just
22 decorating the house with American flags.

23 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Yes, absolutely.

24 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: There are so many
25 ways to use creativity. We think it's a great

1 idea, and to your point of looking forward to
2 things, we just announced drive-in concerts. One
3 of them is a Salute to America where the Town of
4 Oyster Bay, as our Board members, our elected
5 officials know but we want the public to know that
6 our Salute to America, we will be continuing
7 fireworks this July. It's not on the 4th but it's
8 close to that date. So, we will be continuing when
9 all of these other firework shows have been
10 cancelled. The Town of Oyster Bay, we will have
11 fireworks and our residents, we're looking forward
12 to having residents come out for that concert and
13 for the fireworks show that follows.

14 (Inaudible.)

15 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: We heard you, but
16 did everyone else hear your comments? Okay.
17 Great.

18 Any other questions?

19 May we now call for the vote?

20 MR. LaMARCA: Motion to adopt
21 Resolutions No. P-11-20 through 320-2020.

22 **PERSONNEL RESOLUTION NO. P-11-20;**

23 Resolution pertaining to personnel of various
24 departments within the Town of Oyster Bay.

25 **TRANSFER OF FUNDS RESOLUTION NO.**

1 **TF-10-20**; Resolution pertaining to transfer of
2 funds within various departments' accounts for the
3 Year 2020.

4 **RESOLUTION NO. 298-2020**; Resolution
5 authorizing issuance of a refund to LI2Day for a
6 facility use fee, since the event has been
7 cancelled due to COVID-19. (M.D. 5/26/20 #4).

8 **RESOLUTION NO. 299-2020**; Resolution
9 authorizing issuance of a refund to K. Manzi for
10 the Spring Ice Hockey Program, since the program
11 has been cancelled for the 2020 Spring season due
12 to COVID-19. Account No. PKS A 0001 02001 510 0000.
13 (M.D. 5/26/20 #5).

14 **RESOLUTION NO. 300-2020**; Resolution
15 authorizing issuance of a refund to C. Dakin for
16 his Tappen Marina summer boat slip deposit. Account
17 No. PKS A 0001 02025 526 0000. (M.D. 5/26/20 #6).

18 **RESOLUTION NO. 301-2020**; Resolution
19 authorizing payment of membership dues in the
20 Building Inspectors Association of Nassau County
21 (BIANCO) for the period May 1, 2020 through
22 April 30, 2021. Account No. IGA CD 8668 48250 732
23 CD18. (M.D. 5/26/20 #9).

24 **RESOLUTION NO. 302-2020**; Resolution
25 authorizing payment of membership dues in the

1 New York State Association of Tax Receivers and
2 Collectors for the year 2020. Account No. ROT A
3 1330 47900 000 0000. (M.D. 5/26/20 #10).

4 **RESOLUTION NO. 303-2020;** Resolution
5 authorizing payment of membership dues in the
6 Building Inspectors Association of Nassau County
7 (BIANCO) for the period May 1, 2020 through
8 April 30, 2021. Account No. PAD B 3620 44140 000
9 0000. (M.D. 5/26/20 #11).

10 **RESOLUTION NO. 304-2020;** Resolution
11 authorizing issuance of a refund to P. Cullen for a
12 Tappen Marina Summer Deposit. Account No. PKS A
13 0001 02025 526 0000. (M.D. 6/2/20 #5).

14 **RESOLUTION NO. 305-2020;** Resolution
15 authorizing issuance of a refund to D. Resnick for
16 the Spring Ice Hockey League. Account No. PKS A 001
17 02001 510 0000. (M.D. 6/2/20 #6).

18 **RESOLUTION NO. 306-2020;** Resolution
19 authorizing issuance of a refund to Sea Cliff Fire
20 Department for a facility usage fee, cancelled due
21 to COVID-19. Account No. PKS A 0001 02410 000 0000.
22 (M.D. 6/2/20 #7).

23 **RESOLUTION NO. 307-2020;** Resolution
24 authorizing issuance of refunds to the participants
25 of the InHouse Spring Hockey League, due to

1 COVID-19. Account No. PKS A 0001 02001 510 0000.
2 (M.D. 6/2/20 #8).

3 **RESOLUTION NO. 308-2020;** Resolution
4 authorizing issuance of a refund to Hytech Solar,
5 Incorporated for a Building Permit for solar panels
6 which was processed but not under the Town of
7 Oyster Bay's jurisdiction; Account No. PAD B 0001
8 02555 000 0000. (M.D. 6/2/20 #18).

9 **RESOLUTION NO. 309-2020;** Resolution
10 pertaining to Increase in Authorization for
11 Contract No. DPW15-124, Installation of Permanent
12 Generators at Critical Facilities in Massapequa and
13 Massapequa Park, relative to engineering fees.
14 Account No. IGA H 1997 20000 000 1303 001. (M.D.
15 6/2/20 #19).

16 **RESOLUTION NO. 310-2020;** Resolution
17 pertaining to Contract No. PWC20-20, On-Call
18 Technical Assistance Relative to Tank Management in
19 connection with the C.V.M. Truck Wash. Account No.
20 DPW H 1997 20000 000 2010 001. (M.D. 6/2/20 #20).

21 **RESOLUTION NO. 311-2020;** Resolution
22 authorizing award of Construction Contract No.
23 H20-204, Concrete Replacement at Various Locations
24 throughout the Town of Oyster Bay. Account No. HWY
25 H5197 20000 000 1903 008. (M.D. 6/2/20 #21).

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 312-2020;** Resolution
2 authorizing payment of a recertification fee for
3 commercial pesticide application, effective
4 June 21, 2020 through June 20, 2023; Account No.
5 HWY DB 5110 44900 000 0000. (M.D. 6/2/20 #25).

6 **RESOLUTION NO. 313-2020;** Resolution
7 pertaining to Contract No. DPW91-560A, Continuation
8 of Engineering Services relative to Syosset
9 Landfill Remediation. Account No. HWY H 5197 20000
10 000 2003 008. (M.D. 6/2/20 #26).

11 **RESOLUTION NO. 314-2020;** Resolution to
12 further amend Resolution No. 786-2013 to provide an
13 additional amount to satisfy one outstanding
14 invoice. Account No. OTA A 1420 44110 000 0000.
15 (M.D. 6/2/20 #27).

16 **RESOLUTION NO. 315-2020;** Resolution
17 authorizing an Agreement for Lead Paint Testing
18 Services, commencing June 1, 2020 through May 31,
19 2021, and for the Supervisor and/or his designee to
20 execute said Agreement; Account No. IGA CD 8668
21 48250 731 CD19. (M.D. 6/2/20 #17 and 6/9/20 #20).

22 **RESOLUTION NO. 316-2020;** Resolution
23 directing the Town Clerk to publish a Notice of
24 Hearing on a proposed local law entitled: "A Local
25 Law to Authorize a Local Retirement Incentive

1 Program for the Eligible Employees of the Town of
2 Oyster Bay". Hearing date: July 14, 2020. (M.D.
3 6/9/20 #18).

4 **RESOLUTION NO. 317-2020;** Resolution
5 authorizing assistance to School Districts and
6 other not-for-profit institutions within the Town
7 of Oyster Bay to conduct graduation and similar
8 ceremonies by providing equipment and waiving any
9 equipment use fees. (M.D. 6/9/20 #21).

10 **RESOLUTION NO. 318-2020;** Resolution
11 authorizing the Town to sign contracts and for the
12 Supervisor or his designee be authorized to execute
13 said contracts for Drive-in Concerts and Movies at
14 various locations and to authorize the Commissioner
15 of the Department of Community and Youth Services
16 and/or her designee to make changes, as necessary,
17 to the date, time and location of said events as
18 physical distancing regulations permit. Account No.
19 CYS A 7020 47660 000 0000. (M.D. 6/9/20 #22).

20 **RESOLUTION NO. 319-2020;** Resolution
21 authorizing the acceptance of a donation of three
22 beach passes from Supervisor Saladino to be awarded
23 to the winners of the American Spirit Contest.

24 **RESOLUTION NO. 320-2020;** Resolution
25 authorizing procurement of a contractor to complete

1 the emergency repairs at the Town Animal Shelter.

2 On the motion?

3 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: "Aye" -- I'm
4 sorry.

5 On the motion? Looking for a motion.

6 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: So moved, sorry.
7 So moved.

8 MR. LaMARCA: Motion made by
9 Councilwoman Johnson.

10 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

11 MR. LaMARCA: Seconded by Councilman
12 Imbroto.

13 On the vote:

14 Supervisor Saladino?

15 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: "Aye."

16 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Johnson?

17 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: "Aye."

18 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Imbroto?

19 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: "Aye."

20 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Hand?

21 COUNCILMAN HAND: "Aye."

22 MR. LaMARCA: Councilman Labriola?

23 COUNCILMAN LABRIOLA: "Aye."

24 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Maier?

25 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: "Aye."

1 MR. LaMARCA: Councilwoman Walsh?

2 COUNCILWOMAN WALSH: "Aye."

3 MR. LaMARCA: Motion to adopt
4 Resolution Nos. P-11-2020 through 320-2020 passes
5 with seven "Ayes" calendar is complete supervisor.

6 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you.

7 At this time, I'd like to ask for a
8 motion to close our board meeting.

9 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I
10 make a motion to close the Board meeting.

11 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: May we have a
12 second?

13 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Second.

14 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Lou Imbroto, did
15 I hear you second that motion?

16 COUNCILMAN IMBROTO: Yes.

17 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you,
18 Councilman.

19 All in favor, please signify by saying,
20 "Aye."

21 ALL: "Aye."

22 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Those opposed,
23 please signify by saying, "Nay."

24 (No verbal response.)

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: The "Ayes" have

1 it.

2 I'd like to thank the Board and thank
3 you the staff who has consistently worked
4 diligently to put this together.

5 MR. LaMARCA: Before we proceed, we did
6 have some correspondence from one resident in
7 Massapequa that I'd just like to distribute to the
8 Board, if I may.

9 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Sure.

10 MR. LaMARCA: It is from Robert Ripp of
11 Massapequa. Who is notifying us of some tree
12 trimming that's necessary down by where he lives.
13 He feels that may be hazardous.

14 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: I know that
15 Highway has -- Town of Oyster Bay Highway Division
16 has already been contacted and they will be there
17 Thursday.

18 Thank you.

19 Councilwoman?

20 COUNCILWOMAN JOHNSON: Supervisor, I
21 was getting word that people weren't able to hear
22 Councilwoman Maier comments about the flag -- about
23 the red, white and blue contest.

24 I don't know if you just want to say --

25 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Why don't you

1 repeat that again, Councilwoman?

2 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Can you hear me
3 now? No?

4 Supervisor, it's scheduled for
5 June 18th, which is Thursday.

6 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: June 18th on
7 Thursday. So, we can expect our Highway Division
8 will be out in Nassau Shores to reduce the hazard
9 there and clean up those tree branches and so
10 forth.

11 Happy to do that.

12 Thank you.

13 Councilwoman, you made some comments
14 earlier about our Red, White and Blue program.

15 Would you like to restate that?

16 COUNCILWOMAN MAIER: Sure.

17 Can you hear me? Is my mic on? Okay.

18 So we had talked -- a few of us talked
19 about a month or so ago talking about what to do in
20 the Summer. We've been cooped up for months. Our
21 kids need an outlet. A lot of the fireworks
22 celebrations being cancelled. We wanted something
23 to look forward to and we thought that it would be
24 very fitting to do something around the 4th of July
25 and that's how it kind came out the America Spirit

1 Contest, lighting up our homes, you know, in our
2 colors, red, white, blue. Whether it's showing up
3 the lights or flags. So we encourage all residents
4 to, if you can't decorate, to definitely go out and
5 vote. Drive around the town. I'm sure a lot of
6 folks are going to participate. I want to thank
7 for your generous donation of the beach passes
8 which will be given to three winners that will be
9 selected by the public.

10 SUPERVISOR SALADINO: Thank you.

11 It's a very important program. We
12 encourage people to be a part of it, whether
13 they're decorating their homes or judging of their
14 homes and sending in their vote to the Town on
15 whose got the best home in terms of these
16 decorations.

17 Thank you very much, Councilwoman.

18 (TIME NOTED: 1:00 P.M.)
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