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FEBRUARY 24, 2025 – 11:00A.M.
REGULAR MEETING
EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING,
1 CEDAR STREET,
EAST HAMPTON, NY 11937

Those Present Were:

Jerry Larsen, Mayor
Chris Minardi, Deputy Mayor
Sandra Melendez, Esq., Trustee
Carrie Doyle, Trustee
Marcos Baladrón, Village Administrator
Lorraine McKay, Executive Assistant
Gabrielle McKay, Deputy Village Clerk
Billy Hajek, Village Planner
Frank Sluter, Satty, Levine & Ciacco
Edward Carey, Good Energy
Peter Rickenbach, Paralegal for Ackerman, Pachman, Brown, Goldstein, & Margolin, LLP
Gloria Frazee, Village Resident

Via Zoom:

Lisa Perillo, Esq., Village Attorney

Those Who Were Absent:

Sarah Amaden, Trustee

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Hi. Good morning, everyone. Today is February 24th, 2025, 11 a.m.. Thank you for all attending the East Hampton Village Board meeting. If we could stand for a pledge.

Board and Audience in Unison: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Thanks, everybody. So, we have a couple of presentations today. Uh, Doctor Gobler, who is our first presentation called this morning. Unfortunately, his dad is ill, and he had to be with him. So, he will not be attending today, so we'll reschedule that for another meeting. Uh, next up is our auditors. If you could, uh, come on up now, just before you start.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Uh, can we do a roll call? I always forget this part. All right. Lorraine.

Lorraine McKay: Okay. Uh, Mayor Jerry Larsen.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Here.

Lorraine McKay: Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Here.

Lorraine McKay: Trustee Sandra Melendez.
Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Here.
Lorraine McKay: Trustee Carrie Doyle.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Here.

Lorraine McKay: Trustee Sarah Amaden has an excused absence. Administrator Marcos Baladrón.

Marcos Baladrón: Here.

Lorraine McKay: Village Attorney Lisa Perillo is attending virtually.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Thank you.

<u>PRESENTATION – FRANK SLUTER</u> <u>SATTY, LEVINE, & CIACCO</u>

Frank Sluter: Good morning, everyone. Thank you. Um, I am disappointed that Hugh is not here. I have been coming here for many years, and I've always looked forward, but I heard you were going to take over today.

Marcos Baladrón: I was, I was scheduled. Dominique was giving me something to read today because I don't know if she wanted to read it, but. Do you want to read anything today, Dominique? No I don't. **Mayor Jerry Larsen:** Oh, come on up, Dominique. Give us a history lesson.

Frank Sluter: So, if you see Hugh though, please tell him I said hello.

Marcos Baladrón: I forgot, I forgot to bring him some.

Frank Sluter: It's funny. It's just traditional. Ever since I've been coming to report, he's always spoken. It's just...

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Well, the important thing you have to remember, he always ends with what he's told you may or may not be true, so.

Frank Sluter: And no one can prove it otherwise. So, thank you. Um. Well, we're here. We successfully completed your audit. Um, just recently we prepared our... We performed our audit in accordance with generally accepted audit standards and governmental audit standards. I'm pleased to say that once again, you have received an unmodified opinion, which means that during the scope of our audit, we did not become aware of any material modifications that had to be made to the financial statements. In fact, we didn't propose any journal entries this year at all. So, that's a testament to how the accounting is done here. Um, audit readiness. The staff was closed, the books timely and accurately. That's why we had no adjustments. Um, cooperation was great. When we come in and do an audit, we are a little disruptive because we're...we require a lot of information and that's, you know, can be a little cumbersome and then the staff still has to complete their normal duties. So, it's been very, very nice to work with them and it just makes life a lot easier for both sides. So, I want to thank the staff for helping us on that, should be very proud though. No journal entries. So, that's really nice. Um, I'd like to go over a few budgetary highlights. Um, total revenues came in at 31.2 million, which actually exceeded the original budget amounts by almost \$3 million. Uh, the most notable increase of income came from licenses and permits, almost \$2 million this year, and it seems to have been a history over the last couple of years where license permits have been coming in, uh, quite, quite a bit higher. So, that's very nice.

From an expenditure standpoint, uh, you had \$30.5 million of, uh, expenditures, which was actually under budget by almost \$1 million. Uh, most areas contributed to that surplus or reduction. Um, big chunk of it was from the employee benefit section. Uh, it had to do with LOSAP this year. So that's awesome. Um, from a capital standpoint, you spent about \$7.9 million in new capital, a new fixed assets, Emergency equipment, things like that, came in at 2.1 million. The project was almost 2 million, and I think the Dominy was almost 2 million. So those are the three items that really made up that large part of that, of those capital expenditures in the current year, which is the use of the funds, which is great. Uh, from a debt service standpoint, there was no new bond issues in the current year. We did pay off almost \$460,000 of outstanding bond payments in the current year, leaving roughly 8.2 million, which will be paid off between now and, I believe, 2037. So, it should have no major impact on cash flow at all for that. Uh, from a balance sheet standpoint, you ended the year with, on the fund financial statements with \$23 million of assets, of which, um, 11 million was in cash or, um, was in cash, and the remaining items were just across the board.

You only had \$1 million in liabilities, which left a surplus or a fund balance of 22 million. Naturally, some of that is restricted for the employee benefits and the LOSAP, but you ended the year with about \$11 million of unassigned balances, which can be used for future use, um, of the Village and I think annually you've been using part of that to help supplement the budgets going prospectively. Um, the... At the... There are certain items that are not reported on the fund financials. Those are more accrual items. Um, you guys ended the year with some obligations, uh, health insurance, which are not allowed to prefund. Um, but you have to do an annual calculation that ended the year with a potential liability of almost 24 million, which will be paid out over the life expectancy of all the employees. Um, that's a calculation that's done annually by the actuaries. Um, and that's really the basic highlights. Um, there were no, uh, most like to say that there was no significant deficiencies in internal controls at all. Um, the controls seem to be working very well based on our audit and testing. So that's a great job as always.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Great. Thanks. And thanks to, uh, Dominique and her staff and Marcos guys really keep tight reins on the department heads and thank the department heads for all their hard work keeping the budget down except the Police Department. But you can't put a price on safety.

PRESENTATION – EDWARD CAREY GOOD ENERGY

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right, uh, next up, Ed Carey. I met Ed, uh, recently at a NYCOM, um, convention up in Albany, and, uh, he's got a great product, and we brought him out here to see if the Village is interested in participating. Welcome.

Edward Carey: And thank you very much, Mayor, Trustees. General Public, uh, it's always good to follow up after the audit is done, because I'm going to talk a sort of about a product that actually is you have to think of it more of a like a financial institution type product. Um, it's good to give a little brief history of myself, my company, and then I'm going to jump right into it. Now, again, my name is Edward Carey. Uh, I've been coming out to the, uh, the East End my entire life. Uh, my family is out in Shelter

Island. Um, I grew up in the city, but in the last six years, I've made that my home base, and I'm raising my... I'm not raising my wife, but my wife is there, and we're raising our son in Shelter Island. And, um, I work for a company, uh, you know, with that, like, my career is basically, uh, went to Syracuse University, went and worked for my family. They had an energy company, uh, you know, my grandfather, my dad. Really. They were all energy guys. So, I sort of followed in that footstep and went with that as well as a career. And for in that time period, I went and worked for my family said that. And then I worked for the city of New York in purchasing, doing Energy. So, I worked in the Giuliani Administration for two years and the Bloomberg administration for four years and then when I joined Amerada Hess, the big Hess gas station, I was with them for a while and then I helped start a company called Good Energy and I've been at this one company for 19 years, and we chase basically large real estate. So, if it's Jones Lang LaSalle, Vornado, you know, like real estate, uh, we have five offices. We're in Boston, headquarters in New York City, Peoria, Illinois, Dallas, Texas, and London, England. And the primary part of the company is the government. We probably cover over, I would guess probably between 3 and 4000 municipalities across the country. So, we're very strong in, you know, just new Jersey alone. We probably cover over 400 Muni's there. So, if it's Newark, uh, Atlantic City, Trenton and all the other different suburbs of that Short Hills, we cover all those "munis" in Illinois, we have another probably 500. So, Muni's in there, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, so on and so on and so on. And we have a very strong office in Texas as well. Uh, but part of that is, uh, in New York state, uh, we got involved with NyCom, which is the New York Conference of, of Mayors, of which the Village of East Hampton is a member of. And, uh, and then they have the Association of Towns, which is, uh, you know, there's 530 Mayors in the state of New York and 900 and I think 28 supervisors in the state.

They came together and they created NYMEA, which is the New York Municipal Energy Program, which I run. And so, I report to those associations of which they report to the thousand plus elected officials of what we cover. Um, so part of that is, you know, we have a very large footprint in the state of New York. We have, you know, "munis" up in the Buffalo area, Syracuse, Plattsburgh, White Plains, and then downstate and part of that is when we go after deregulation, if it's natural gas, electricity or demand response, whatever these energy products that we're going after, uh, we've done very successfully at Long Island is always we've run a very large natural gas program and we had both counties, both, uh, Nassau and Suffolk County came together and created the Long Island Purchasing Council and we had about 97 political subdivisions join into that natural gas cooperative. That cooperation alone probably lasted, uh, I'd say 5 to 7 years. And it created about 35 to \$40 million in savings throughout Long Island in the last year and a half. You know, we're still pursuing natural gas. Electricity is now becoming the first time in Long Island. So, it was always you just couldn't do it. Um, the reason being is because PSEG had a black box that they wouldn't reveal. We couldn't get access to it. We successfully sued them, went to the Public Service Commission.

They opened up their pricing structure. And now we're doing business online or bringing in electricity. Um, what this is, is basically right now, uh, you know, probably 95% of private businesses do this. Uh, governments all around Long Island are doing this right now. East Hampton does not have an energy budget. You have an electricity sort of sort of guess between 5 and 10% when you paid this year. Because the reason being is you're on an index rate, goes up and down, up and down. As an auditor, you would know that's dangerous. People don't like that. Like, um, you like, have a budget going forward. What are we going to pay right now? You don't know. Like, you sort of guess it's coming. Um, but then certain events have happened in the last couple of years. Ukraine happened. Gas went up to ten bucks and energy prices got to \$0.27 out here. Now the market has calmed down everything else. And we're you know, I always tell people when, you know, natural gas is the primary feedstock that creates electricity. And the only sort of to get a price on electricity is like what the natural gas market. So they go hand in hand to each other right now. And I tell people if gas is under \$3, that's a gift. And like right now, because of the cold weather, there is brutal winter that we were coming out of.

Gas has spiked. So, we're in like the 475, 450 range that's going to come back down. We know with spring and stuff like that. But the whole thing is like, how much is it going to come down right now you're reading all throughout the newspapers is energy is becoming so more and more important every day just because of the electrification of everything cell phones, cars, this homes are now going completely electric. Heating is going electric. So, the demand for electricity is going that way. And most importantly, AI is coming online, and we have no clue on how to predict this. The economy is the AI economy is going this way and generation is here. There's a gap there that we have no clue how it's going to be filled. None. Um, you know, we are decommissioning some of the, uh, coal and fuel oil things, which is a good thing. Uh, and we're trying to keep up with the AI demand to build an AI station takes two years to build a generation station that takes me 5 to 7 years. So, I'm not going to be able to keep up with that demand. So, we're predicting that energy is going to be going north, not south. I going forward with this type of program. I went on to the LIPA, um, PSEG website and I went back five years. Uh, excuse me to 2001.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Excuse me.

Edward Carey: The average price.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I'm sorry. Could you explain what AI station is?

Edward Carey: The AI issue.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: State. Whatever. Yeah, the AI station. Is that what you said?

Edward Carey: To build an AI terminal, a data center? It takes two years.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: What is that?

Edward Carey: AI... It's basically data centers. Data centers are consuming more electricity in the United States than we ever anticipated. Uh, they just, uh, Microsoft just bought a three-mile island in in Pennsylvania. The one that melted in the 70s. They now built that because they're building 11 AI terminals and that those three nuclear power plants are going to just power just those data centers, because they know that the utility is not reliable anymore. They can't keep up with that demand. It's literally sucking out all the energy out of the out of the United States. And it's going to cost. It's going to be a supply and demand. You know, the supply is not going to be there. Demand is going to go through the roof. That's, you know, so going backwards with LIPA and PSEG in, um, you average in 21 the average price was about ten. 22 we had Ukraine. So, it spiked. You were in that \$0.13 12, eight to be exact. Uh 23 was uh ten 10.29. Uh 24 was 11.04. And then because of this, uh, you know, sort of brutal last couple of months so far, uh, the prices in 25 are at 12 for 12.03. So, we put the I put this out to bid already. And we're coming back to with prices for you guys, uh, at around nine, eight, ten flat. So you're a penny cheaper than the utility. So that's what we're seeing. And we're saying this is a, you know, to go at this a very slowly, you know, because this is the first time.

So, we're recommending that the Village start off with a not 100% fix. I have a sort of a strategy for the Township of what they should do. And, um, you know, if we go forward, I would recommend 50% hedge and then keep that 50% until May. Then in June when heating demand. Excuse me. Air conditioning demand comes on. We put it up to 75 to August and then September when it cools down again, you put it at 50. And then in December, January and February of next year, we lock it up at 85%. And the more and more you get comfortable, the more you're going to be. You're going to be locking in these prices. But I wanted to come here and say, just take this slowly. Uh, all of my information is on the LIPAPower.org website, which I've put in my presentation. And, uh, you know, what we're basically doing here is we're trying to flatten out any, like, spikes in the market, like any, like, like hiccups or any, like, you know, if you can avoid a spike, you want to do that, obviously, because the Village wants to save money. How would we be able to do this is you know, LIPA had the electrical lines that basically went one way. It was, uh, Long Island was an importer of energy. Come down, go through New York City and take a left and go out to Montauk.

And, uh, and in that there were different substations would pick up the power. And in that, that thing, there's a there's a company called Calpine Energy. Calpine energy is the is the third largest energy company in the United States. Uh, they were just purchased by Constellation. So now they're number one. So their market capital is probably over \$100 billion company. Um. They're massive. They're building. But they have five generation stations on Long Island, so they're local. They're all throughout Bethpage. Stony Brook has a large generation station. Uh, they're off the grid. Um, JFK airport, if you're, you know, flying to there and using the Calpine has a massive generation station there. JFK airport is completely off the grid reasoning about that. It's also considered a military base. So, Air Force One lands there, and they have always have a couple of F-15s sitting around in there. You don't see them, but they're there. And, uh, so they are completely off the grid. They're producing too much energy. So, we get to get that excess energy that comes into the grid. And they also can run the lines, the PSEG lines both ways, where the other companies cannot, uh, they can import and export power. So they're coming in. We've already put this out to bid and we had NRG bid on this. They said they're not interested. Constellation said they're not interested. The retail branch. And then Calpine said, yes, we can do this, and we can do it cheaper.

Um, I'm trying to think of. So those were the Long Island generation assets. Uh, and then I have in my presentation you can see pictures of the of Stony Brook and JFK. And what LIPA cannot do is it's illegal. You're on an index rate and they keep you on it the way, uh, when you look at your utility bill, there are three components on that utility bill the transportation, the distribution and the supply portion. I am only talking here today about supply. The transportation, the distribution. That's a monopoly. PSEG owns that. They own all the wires. They own all, you know, everything underneath the telephone poles. That's their ownership. What you have title over is the power that's inside that line. I try to compare it to what people say, what is a utility? I said, they're mailmen. You know, they pick up a and they pick up B if you went to Florida and accidentally you forgot your computer, you would call up that restaurant and say, I want my computer back. They would put that in a brown box, and they would ship it back to you. That's called UPS. UPS does not own your computer. You own that computer and it's identical to what a PSEG is. They pick up and they deliver. And you have an opportunity here to take a local energy company. Calpine. Um, when I say local, their assets are local, but they're based in San Diego and Houston, and, um, you can go forward and say no, that you have 50% of your power is, is locked in its people.

I mean, fuel oil is still common around here. And, you know, the fuel oil guy comes around and says, uh, you know, lock up in in August. You know, you get a price, and you can...you don't have to pay. It doesn't fluctuate at all. Um, during the wintertime, sometimes you win sometimes, but this energy we're so undercutting, uh, PSEG rates right now. Even if it does go, uh, you know, the other 50% is going. There's a tremendous amount of headroom there. I mean, a penny is a big number in, uh, in the energy world. And that's where we came in and we said we saw these massive discounts. And then being

like, this is my backyard. We've already approved the Town of Hempstead is moving in. I mean, they're like, uh, 875,000 people. Their muni... They've moved to Brookhaven. We're doing all of their gas. We have Lynbrook. We have, um, a couple of different, um, board of editors that are all moving. Uh, um, Southampton has they're moving forward on this, um, Westhampton. I met with them yesterday. Uh, the Mayor there. They want to move with this. And, you know, today, being here, I would like for you guys to go forward on this. Um, I don't know what else to say.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: No, I think.

Edward Carey: That, yeah, I mean, I know I'm coming out with, like, a lot of information.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I think you explained it very well.

Edward Carey: So, um, This is nothing new. This is. You're not reinventing the wheel here. A lot of, uh, you know, being up in the air at night, coming up on Albany, uh, with the Mayor. Uh, you know, there was probably, I guess, maybe 150, 200 people there. More than half of that room were my customers. Um, and we have large, uh, Muni's in there again, saying, you know, White Plains, you know, parts of Syracuse, parts of Buffalo. Uh, Albany. We do their gas. Um, and then I'll, you know, I'm not going to go through a whole list of different townships, but we cover.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: What's the next step. Is it you're going to get the real pricing?

Edward Carey: Yeah. I have like a again, it's just, you know, it's crazy. Like with PSEG we do a lot of business in New Jersey, and I get information there. By law I have to get it back in seven days. PSEG New York, it takes three weeks to a month. It's, it's crazy how slow they are. Uh, so I've already submitted the information, and so I'm just waiting back from that, but I can sort of guess, uh, on what? Uh, I'm assuming you're sort of the size of Southampton. I'm sort of guessing. And, um, Southampton, we have about an eight between 18 and \$22,000 a year savings per year. So. And I'm going at that conservatively, I think the number is going to be better, um, because I know where electricity is going. So I put a conservative number in there. Um, but you know, typical contracts, these are short exposures or, you know, between 12 and 36 month contracts. Uh, these are not ten year contracts. Um, you know, and again, you're only doing 50%. Um, so the process is basically, um, you know, once my numbers do come back, uh, you first you pass a resolution to say we want to go forward with this. Um, that does not bound you to a contract. It says you're going to go forward with this once we get the contract and everything. And if the numbers do come, come good. You know, and I do have a proper savings which I feel confident on uh move forward. Uh, it's pretty simple. Um, you know, it's, uh, I'm trying to think of other ways to think about this. Um, you know, you're basically it's a, you know, a financial decision. It's also an insurance decision. Um, you know, you're right now you're 100% exposed. It's like driving a car without insurance. So we're recommending, you know, take a look at the electric, then maybe at one point, take a look at the natural gas.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Sounds good. So we'll, um. Anybody have any questions?

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I have a bunch of questions that just because I'm just wrapping my head around this now. So Calpine is a, for lack of better words, a smaller energy company that's got five plants on Long Island, and they produce power just like PSEG and like the normal customer, like me, I can't choose, I just have PSEG. But you're telling me that this company produces power and is looking to sell it, and East Hampton Village can work into some type of agreement through you to get that power through them or partially through them, just for the power aspect of your bill, not the other parts that you explained. And it's cheaper and easier to budget for.

Edward Carey: When you move to East Hampton, you know, whenever that was, uh, and you moved into your home and your first thing you have to do is you have to turn the power. So you call up PSEG and you say, hey, I just moved in. I just... Hey, did you have a choice with that? You... Didn't you? They were PSEG. That's it. Now you have a choice. You can go PSEG, or you can go Calpine. And you're not leaving PSEG at all. PSEG owns all the infrastructure. That's all their equipment. So a telephone pole goes down, which we just experienced. Uh, you know, you're not calling Calpine, you're calling PSEG. It's their equipment. So, you know, the guy who changes the wire, the telephone, he has no idea that or she they don't know if you're on deregulated power or not. Um, you know, you're not leaving PSEG like it's still your... the power is coming from a everyone out there. If it's PSEG and Central Hudson, whatever the utility might be, they're all buying wholesale power. It's called the ISO, the New York ISO, that's called the grid. And the grid is the clearinghouse. It's a that's where it all coming from. And then you have these investor owned utilities, if it's Con Ed, PSEG, whatever they're going into, uh, that, that, that, that basically swimming pool and, and getting their cup of water, it's uh, so Calpine is a wholesale generator and also a retail supplier. So they're producing, you know, the electrons that's going into the New York ISO and they're coming back here to East Hampton at a fixed rate. PSEG is not allowed to do that. They can only charge you for the transportation and the distribution. They're not allowed to charge you for the supply. That's a pass through wherever the price of energy goes. They don't care because it's a 100% pass through. So if it goes down to, you know, pennies, whatever, great. If it goes up into the, you know, \$10, whatever it might go up to, they don't care either. It's just a pass through. So what you're doing here is you're saying you have a choice. You can say, I can stay on a dangerous index and it's a pass through. Or you can go to the largest energy company, a generation company in the United States. Calpine. Um. Calpine is supplying PSEG their power because they have generation assets. PSEG does not. I mean, they might have some type of investment in there, but a majority of the power is Calpine has the largest natural gas generation, uh, Constellation's has probably 50 or 75 nuke plants. And then, you know, part of the grid system is also we have to buy renewable too. So it's coming. 15% of the power that comes into New York must come from a hydro, solar, wind, whatever it might be and those are sort of the rules the FERC makes up for the different grids. But you're going to be getting, um, a fixed cost with PSEG. You do not.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: But does the decision have to be the whole Village? Does it or can it be house like, could I right now get Calpine and the Mayor or not have it?

Edward Carey: Uh, this is a this is they call it a commercial industrial account. So for individual homes, the answer is no. Um, Calpine is a because they're going out here. They're one of these type of companies. They go whale hunting. Um, they, they the average home is between 1000 and 3000ft². Um, they have no interest in that. Um, they now have interests in Town of Hempstead. I mean, uh, you know, with, um, you know, uh, Brookhaven. They have interest in that and then we said, if we do these deals, we want to bring in the other different, uh, you know, munis and they said, okay, you know, we're good with that. Um, they're also interested in bringing in all the different Board of Education's, too. That's their goal is to come here and, uh, you know, not compete with PSEG at all. Uh, they're just going after the supply portion. Um, so to answer your question, is, is allowed for a residential at one point, I mean, I know the, the township was looking at a community choice aggregation years ago. Um, that sort of fizzled out that product. It's still around, but not as strong as it is upstate. But, um, you know, but to answer your question, as a resident, no, I mean, you could I don't know who would do these little deals like that. They wouldn't do it.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right. So why don't we follow through with the estimate and the contract? And then once we get that, if it is a savings, I mean, it seems like a no brainer to me.

Edward Carey: But yeah, our goal is to basically put you in a, in a large pool with the other. I mean, hopefully we're trying to time it with you guys who would go in with, with Babylon or something like that. Um, that that's sort of our goal.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right. So let's just follow up and then we can do the resolution and the contract all at the same time. Does that sound good?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Yes. Thank you.

Edward Carey: Any questions?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I mean, you're not allowed to ask questions.

Marcos Baladrón: You can provide us with a bit of an analysis as to the other customers. You have in a sense, because I think to answer Trustee Doyle's questions, that this is really for the Village of East Hampton. Right. Getting our account to help us.

Edward Carey: Yeah. The contract would be for the for the for the township. Excuse me? For the Village only. Right. I mean, it's not you're not, you're not responsible for. You know, if I do put you in a large pool, but you're not responsible for. It's only whatever you consume. That's your responsibility.

Marcos Baladrón: You can give us some basic analysis of how you've helped other municipalities our size. I'm sure that's.

Edward Carey: I can't hear you that well.

Marcos Baladrón: If you can provide us with some analysis as to how you helped other municipalities. The same- that'd be great. That's all.

Edward Carey: Yep. Not a problem.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Thank you.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah, it's just our municipality. Yeah. All our buildings and. Great. Thanks Ed.

Edward Carey: Thanks a lot for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right. Um, is there anybody here for public comment? Oh, yes. Come on up. And if you want to leave, now's a good time. Come on.

Gloria Frazee: Good morning. I'm also disappointed about Hugh King. Gosh darn it.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Say that again.

Gloria Frazee: I'm also disappointed that Hugh isn't here. Gloria Frazee, Village of East Hampton. If I yelled really loudly, you could hear me from Sherrill Road. Um, I'm here to talk about Earth Hour, which is a global, one hour long movement to help with our environment from 8:30 to 9:30. Millions and millions of people turn off their excess outdoor lighting. Why is Earth Hour important? It encourages people to turn off non-essential lights to demonstrate that they support the environment. It raises awareness about environmental issues and how humans participate in the care of our environment. And it's a small change, but it can have a really big impact. What are the impacts of light pollution? It affects human health. Artificial light disrupts sleep cycles, increases risks for obesity, depression, diabetes, and even certain cancers. It impacts our ecosystems. A lot of wildlife behaviors are dependent on the light, so it impacts migration, reproduction and feeding. And it affects pollinators and a lot of the other wildlife that we depend on in our ecosystem. Um, energy waste. We just had that presentation about how much energy costs. Let's cut down the amount of energy that we're using. Um, if there's unnecessary lighting around in our town, it not only adds to the light pollution obscuring stars, it increases our use of energy. How can people do this at home? Turn off unnecessary lighting. Um, outdoor lighting. There's often lighting up. Um. It's great. Even if you have porch lighting that's on for safety, put it in a motion detector or shield it so it's not shining into your bedroom windows like my neighbor's porch light does. Not a lot of fun. What can we do in East Hampton Village? We could turn off landmark lights, encourage businesses to participate by dimming their lights, addressing some of their unshielded lights. There are a number of stores on Newtown and Main where you're driving along, and you get this blinding light shining at you, where it really wants to be, going down onto the sidewalk as opposed to glaring in driver's eyes. Um, and it also helps East Hampton Village demonstrate its commitment to the environment. It's a really simple action. Anyone can do it. It's one hour, and once we take this one step, people become more aware of how, as individuals and a Village, we can really help to preserve the most beautiful Village in the United States.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: What's the date?

Gloria Frazee: March 22nd, 2025. 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Gabby, maybe we can put something on our website.

Gabrielle McKay: Yeah.

Gloria Frazee: That would be great. Thank you.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Thanks for doing that.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Is there another public comment? Step right up.

Peter Rickenbach: With the Public Hearing for introductory laws with that, I-

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Oh, you can comment after the law.

Peter Rickenbach: That's what I was.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah. All right. Um, before we get into the public hearings, I wanted to just make an announcement from our Highway Department. They're having a public meeting, with reference to the MS4 municipal stormwater, and that will be held on Wednesday, March 5th at 10 a.m. in this room. So, we've got that out there.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right, so here we go. Let's get into the public hearings.

PUBLIC HEARING – INTRO#4-2025

Lorraine McKay: Introductory 4-2025, a proposed local law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 278. Zoning §278-7. Fees, Procedure and other submission requirements. Changes to the notice, provision requiring applicants to provide notice.

INTRODUCTORY NO. 4-2025 LOCAL LAW NO. ____ - 2025

A Local Law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 278. Zoning, §278-7 Board of Appeals; variances; special permits; fees

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of East Hampton as follows:

SECTION I. Chapter 278 of the Code of the Village of East Hampton is hereby amended as follows (bold and underlined material is to be added; struck-thru material is to be deleted):

CHAPTER 278. ZONING

§ 278-7. Board of Appeals; variances; special permits; fees.

- <u>A.</u> Board continued. The Board of Appeals created by the Board of Trustees, adopted on May 19, 1925, and in continuous existence since that time, is hereby continued.
- (1) The Village Board of Trustees, at any time after the effective date hereof, may appoint to the Zoning Board of Appeals two alternate members.
- (2) Role of alternate members. Alternate members shall, if appointed, serve in place of any member of the Zoning Board of Appeals who is absent or unable to attend a public hearing of the Zoning Board of Appeals. In the event that one of the alternate members does serve in place of a Board member, said alternate Board member shall serve in place of that Board member for the duration of the application (i.e., from the initial hearing of the concerned application to the ultimate decision and any rehearing thereof), and said alternate Board member shall ultimately cast one vote in connection with that application.
- (3) Terms of members. The current members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and their terms of office shall continue as heretofore established. In addition, if, after the effective date of this chapter, the Village Board of Trustees shall at any time appoint the two alternate members authorized hereunder, one shall serve for a term of two years, and one shall serve for a term of three years. Upon expiration of the terms of all present members and the terms of the two additional members authorized to be appointed hereby, all terms shall be of five years' duration.
- (4) Other. The method of appointment, terms of office and tenure of members shall be as prescribed by § 7-712 of the Village Law, unless and until this section shall have been amended pursuant to the authority of the Village Board of Trustees under the Municipal Home Rule Law.
- (5) Each Board member and alternate Board member shall be permitted two unexcused absences per year of their appointment (each of said two absences to be approved by the Chairperson of the Board) from public hearings of the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- B. Jurisdiction. The Board of Appeals shall have jurisdiction to hear and decide the following:
- (1) Appeals. Applications brought by aggrieved persons from interpretations of provisions of this chapter made by the Building Inspector or from other determinations made by him.
- (2) Interpretations. Applications brought directly to the Board of Appeals by any local agency for interpretations of provisions of this chapter.
- (3) Variances. Applications brought by persons for variances from the strict application of provisions of this chapter or of Chapter 163 of this Code.
- (4) Special permits. Applications brought by persons for special permits.
- C. Variances.
- (1) Use variances. "Use variances" shall mean the authorization of the Board of Appeals for the use of land for a purpose which is otherwise not allowed or is prohibited by this chapter, including but not limited to the conversion of a nonconforming use to a use other than one which is more conforming.
- (a) No use variance shall be granted by the Board of Appeals without a showing by the applicant that applicable zoning regulations and restrictions have caused unnecessary hardship. In order to prove such unnecessary hardship the applicant shall demonstrate to the Board of Appeals that, for each and every permitted use under the zoning regulations for the particular district where the property is located:
 - [1] The applicant cannot realize a reasonable return, provided that lack of return is substantial as demonstrated by competent financial evidence.
 - [2] The alleged hardship relating to the property in question is unique and does not apply to a substantial portion of the district or neighborhood.
 - [3] The requested use variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood.

- [4] The alleged hardship has not been self-created.

 (b) The Board of Appeals, in the granting of use variances, shall grant the minimum variance that it shall deem necessary and adequate to address the unnecessary hardship proved by the applicant and at the same time preserve and protect the character of the neighborhood and the health, safety and welfare of the community.

 (2) Area variances. "Area variances" shall mean the authorization by the Board of Appeals for the use of land which is not allowed by the dimensional or physical requirements of this chapter.

 (a) In making its determination, the Board of Appeals shall take into consideration the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community by such grant. In making such determination the Board of Appeals shall also consider:
 - [1] Whether an undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties will be created by the grant of the area variance.
 - [2] Whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by some method, feasible for the applicant to pursue, other than an area variance.
 - [3] Whether the requested area variance is substantial.
 - [4] Whether the proposed variance will have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood or district.
 - [5] Whether the alleged difficulty was self-created, which consideration shall be relevant to the decision of the Board of Appeals, but shall not necessarily preclude the granting of an area variance.
- (b) The Board of Appeals, in the granting of area variances, shall grant the minimum variance that it shall deem necessary and adequate and at the same time preserve and protect the character of the neighborhood and the health, safety and welfare of the community.
 - (c) Additional requirements for variances to § $\underline{278-6C}$ and \underline{D} shall be as follows:
 - [1] In addition to the criteria set forth above, the Board of Appeals, before granting a variance from the parking requirements in the business districts, shall also make an affirmative finding that the applicant has demonstrated practical difficulty, and that significant economic injury would result from a denial thereof.
 - [2] Every decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals which grants a variance from the parking space requirements of § 278-6C and \underline{D} for off-street parking shall clearly set forth the nature and extent of the reduction by specifying the number of spaces required to be provided pursuant to said section and the number of spaces required to be provided by the Zoning Board of Appeals, with the difference constituting the number of spaces for which the variance is granted.
 - [3] Every determination granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals which varies the requirements of § $\underline{278-6C}$ and \underline{D} for off-street parking, except for variances from § $\underline{278-}$ <u>6C</u> and <u>D</u> granted specifically to allow for the construction of new affordable housing or the conversion of an existing building or a portion of an existing building into an affordable housing unit or units, shall be made subject to a condition requiring the payment to the Village of East Hampton of a sum of \$10,000, or such other amount as the Board of Trustees may hereafter affix by resolution, for each space or part of a space for which a variance is granted, which sum shall constitute a trust fund to be used by the Board of Trustees exclusively for public off-street parking purposes, including the acquisition and improvement of land for such purposes. "Affordable housing," for purposes of this subsection, shall mean housing for which a maximum monthly rental (excluding utilities) does not exceed 120% of the fair-market rent for existing housing promulgated for the Nassau-Suffolk primary metropolitan statistical area and published annually in the Federal Register by the Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Variances granted from § 278- $\underline{6C}$ and \underline{D} to allow the establishment of such affordable housing shall be exempt from payment of the fee otherwise required under this provision, but shall be subject to a condition that restrictions are recorded in the County Clerk's office to ensure the continued use of the premises as affordable housing.
 - [4] There is hereby continued a Village of East Hampton Public Off-Street Parking Trust Fund, to be used by the Board of Trustees exclusively for public off-street parking purposes, including the acquisition and improvement of land for such purposes.
- (d) Additional provisions related to applications for the extension, expansion or alteration of a nonconforming use or the buildings or structures related to a nonconforming use.
 - [1] Applications for the extension or alteration of nonconforming uses and buildings and structures related to such uses and the erection of new buildings and structures on any lots used for nonconforming uses shall comply with the procedures and standards for area variance applications. All such applications, except those related to lots used solely for residential purposes, shall not be deemed complete, and therefore ready for a public hearing, until the Design Review Board has concluded its preliminary review pursuant to Chapter 121 of the Code.

[2] With respect to a lot improved with a single-family residence which is deemed a nonconforming use solely because the lot is also improved with no more than one other building that might otherwise be characterized as an accessory building if it did not contain cooking and/or sleeping facilities, no variance relief shall be required for the proposed extension or alteration of the principal single-family residence, as long as the single-family residence and the proposed expansion conform with all dimensional requirements. This exemption also applies to the construction of new accessory buildings and structures on such a lot, as long as they are permitted in the district and conform to all dimensional requirements. This exemption does not apply to any structures on a lot improved with more than one single-family residence, each of which may be occupied lawfully by separate, independent families, nor does it apply to the extension, expansion or alteration of a building containing sleeping or cooking facilities other than the principal one-family residence on the lot.

[3] No variance shall be granted to permit the introduction of any outdoor use, including outdoor dining, to a preexisting nonconforming commercial use in a residential district, or to permit the expansion or extension of any such outdoor use, and any variance granted to permit the reconstruction or alteration of any such lawfully existing outdoor use shall not exceed 100% of the lawfully preexisting area of such outdoor use.

D. Special permits.

- (1) The Board of Appeals, as lead agency pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, upon application after due notice and public hearing, may issue special permits for the following uses which are allowed by special permit only. Any such application for a special permit shall not be deemed complete, and therefore ready for a public hearing, until the Design Review Board has concluded its preliminary review pursuant to Chapter 121 of the East Hampton Village Code. A special permit shall be required for:
- (a) The conversion of an existing nonconforming use and the buildings or structures related to such use into a use more conforming, except that the conversion of an existing nonconforming use to a multiple-dwelling use, including but not limited to condominium or cooperative units, shall not be considered more conforming.
- (b) The construction, extension, conversion or alteration of public, private, institutional and charitable uses, including schools, public libraries, museums, churches, parish houses and Sunday school buildings, the buildings of membership clubs devoted to outdoor sports and social and recreational buildings and premises and soldiers' or sailors' memorial buildings, except those for which a chief activity is one customarily carried on as a gainful business, and public or charitable buildings not of a correctional nature.
- (2) Before issuing a special permit, the Board of Appeals must find that the proposed use will not:
 - (a) Prevent the orderly and reasonable use of adjacent properties or of properties in adjacent use districts.
- (b) Prevent the orderly and reasonable use of permitted or legally established uses in the district wherein the proposed use is to be located or of permitted or legally established uses in adjacent use districts.
- (c) Adversely affect the safety, health, welfare, comfort, convenience or order of the Village and will be in harmony with the general purposes of this Code and the Village's Comprehensive Plan.
- (3) Before issuing a special permit, the Board of Appeals shall give consideration to:

 (a) The character of the existing and probable development of uses of the district and the suitability of the proposed use within that district.
 - (b) The desire to conserve property values and to encourage the most appropriate uses of land.
- (c) The effect that the proposed use may have upon vehicular traffic congestion on public streets or highways.
- (d) Whether the proposed use or materials incident thereto or produced thereby may give off obnoxious gases, odors, smoke or soot.
- (e) Whether the proposed use will cause disturbing emissions of electrical discharges, dust, light, vibration or noise.
- (f) Whether the operations in pursuance of the proposed use will cause undue interference with the orderly enjoyment by the public of parking or of recreational facilities, if existing or if proposed by the Village or by another competent governmental agency.
- (g) The necessity for bituminous-surfaced space for purposes of off-street parking of vehicles incidental to the proposed use and whether such space is reasonably adequate and appropriate and can be furnished by the owner of the plot sought to be used within or adjacent to the plot wherein the proposed use shall be made.
- (h) Whether a hazard to life, limb or property because of fire, flood, erosion or panic may be created by reason of or as a result of the proposed use or by the structures to be used therefor or by the inaccessibility of the property or structures thereon for the convenient entry and operation of fire and other emergency apparatus or by the undue concentration or assemblage of persons upon said plot.
- (i) Whether the proposed use or the structure to be used therefor will cause an overcrowding of the land or undue concentration of the population.
- (j) Whether the plot area is sufficient, appropriate and adequate for the proposed use and the reasonably anticipated operation and expansion thereof.
- (k) Whether the proposed use to be operated is unreasonably near to a church, school, theater, recreational area or any other place of public assembly.
- (4) In granting special permits, the Board of Appeals shall impose such conditions and safeguards as it may deem appropriate in preserving and protecting the spirit and objectives of this Code.
- (5) All special permits granted pursuant to this section shall be conditioned upon review by the Design Review Board in conformance with Chapter 121 of the East Hampton Village Code.
- E. Fees, **Procedure** and other submission requirements.
- (1) All applications or appeals to the Board of Appeals shall be accompanied by a fee payable to the Incorporated Village of East Hampton, in an amount which shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board of Trustees.

- (a) All appeals and applications made to the Board of Appeals shall be in writing and submitted on the form required by the Board. Each application shall fully set forth the relief requested and shall refer to the specific provisions of this chapter implicated.
- (b) Each application shall be accompanied by a (list) (radius map) prepared by the applicant. The (list)(radius map) shall include all properties located within a two-hundred-foot radius of the premises which is the subject of the application.
- (c)
- (d) The Board shall fix a time and place for a public hearing thereon and shall provide for the giving of notice at least 10 days prior to the date thereof, as follows:
 - a. By publishing a notice in the official newspaper.
 - b. If the land involved in the application is located within 500 feet of the boundary of any other municipality, notice of the public hearing shall also be mailed by the applicant to the Municipal Clerk of each municipality, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and proof of such mailing, including the mailing receipts, shall be filed by the applicant with the Village Clerk in advance of the public hearing.
 - c. The applicant shall prepare and shall provide notice via certified mail, return receipt requested, to each property located within a two-hundred-foot radius of the subject property. After the applicant has provided the required notice, applicant shall submit and provide an affidavit of notification and proof of such mailing, including the mailing receipts, to the Village Clerk in advance of the public hearing thereon.
- (2) A stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP), where required pursuant to Chapter <u>248</u>, shall be required for approval of a coastal erosion management permit. The SWPPP shall meet the performance and design criteria and standards of Chapter <u>248</u>, and the coastal erosion hazard area permit shall be consistent with the provisions of Chapter <u>248</u> of the Code.
- <u>F.</u> Administration of applications. The following Boards shall administer the following applications of this Code:
- (1) Design Review Board:
 - (a) Chapter 121, Design and Site Plan Review.
 - (b) Chapter 176, Preservation of Historic Areas.
 - (c) Chapter 278, Zoning.
 - [1] Sign permits.
 - [2] Uses in Limited Office District.
 - [3] Site plan review of special permit applications for nonresidential uses in residential districts.
- (2) Planning Board:
 - (a) Chapter 42, Planning Board.
 - (b) Chapter 252, Subdivision of Land.
- (3) Zoning Board of Appeals:
 - (a) Chapter 101, Coastal Erosion Hazard Areas.
 - (b) Chapter 124, Preservation of Dunes.
 - (c) Chapter 160, Flood Damage Prevention.
- (d) Chapter 163, Freshwater Wetlands. If an application is being administered by another agency and requires a permit pursuant to Chapter 163, that other agency shall have the responsibility of issuing the freshwater wetlands permit.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

If any section or subsection, paragraph, clause, phrase or provision of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Dated: February 13, 2025

By Order of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES Inc. Village of East Hampton GABRIELLE MCKAY Deputy Village Clerk Mayor Jerry Larsen: Okay. Any comments from the public? We did receive Lenny's letter.

Peter Rickenbach: Yeah, I was just going to if we filed the letter, um, he had offered if we could, if we wanted to read it to the public.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: That's fine. That's great.

Peter Rickenbach: Um, so, yeah, this is this letter that was submitted on behalf of Leonard Ackerman, uh, last week. Um, "Dear Mayor and Board of Trustees, we understand that the Village intends to enact a law that when a property owner seeks a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals, the burden of notifying the neighbors by mail will be shifted to the applicant. We have some suggestions to make that we ask you to consider in terms of providing adequate notice of pending ZBA applications, especially given the high percentage of second homeowners in the Village. Mail notice of an upcoming public hearing typically arrives just before the hearing date. Given the lead time between setting a hearing date and the actual date of the hearing and the typical delivery times for the certified mail, since mail notice goes to the address that the neighboring property owners have supplied for their tax mail since mail notice goes to the address. For the tax bills, there's often a further delay before they receive actual notice. As a result, there is often inadequate time for an interested neighbor to review the plans for the proposed project, discuss any issues with the applicant, and hire a representative if needed to attend the hearing. The result is last-minute objections, angst and possible delays for the applicant, and more work for the ZBA members who may have to extend the hearing beyond its original date.

On the other hand, were you to require notice to be sent more in advance of the hearing date, The result would be to delay hearings beyond the date they would otherwise occur. We believe that a workable solution to these issues is to add a feature to the Village website that will list the street address of any variance application when it is filed together with a 1- or 2-line summary of the application, and to scan and post the filings when they are received, rather than waiting until a public hearing date is set. The ability to review the website to see if any nearby property is listed, together with the ability to go to the Village's parcel information portion of its website and inspect, Inspect whatever has been filed to date by the applicant would give neighbors early and useful access to variance applications that might affect them, and encourage dialogue with the applicant at a time when it is most useful. Since the application documents are eventually scanned and posted for every application under existing Village procedures, we believe the additional burden on the Village staff would be minimal and more than offset by the time and expense savings the Village will enjoy from shifting the burden of mail notification to the applicants." Thank you.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Thank you. Bill, do you want to address the Board about that letter? Like is this problematic for our staff? And is there a way that since they're doing the mailings, is there a way we could give them I don't know, like they want to? It sounds to me that they want to post as the stuff comes in. They want it posted on the web on our website, let's say. Yeah.

Billy Hajek: So good morning, Mayor, Billy Hajek. Excuse me for the Village. Um, I did receive a copy of Len's letter. Um, so the short answer is yes. I mean, it's possible to do that. Uh, the idea here was to, um, shift the burden, though, to the to the applicant of noticing it wasn't to create additional procedures for Village staff. So, while technically it's possible, um, it's something I don't know of any other municipality that does this, you know, has sort of a running tally for pending applications. Um, you know, available to the public. I mean, if the objective is to reduce potential opposition from a neighbor, you know, an applicant is free to contact their neighbors before they submit an application or when they're designing it to get their feedback. I mean, it this would require somebody to be just randomly reviewing the Village's website to see if there's a list of an application that's in their neighborhood that that might affect them. I think the chances are pretty low that somebody would do that. I'm not saying it wouldn't happen. I'm sure maybe other, you know, nearby attorneys would be looking at it, but I just I don't you know, it's a decision for the Board to make. But you know, so I just don't think it's.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Well, I have you up there. So basically, the procedure is somebody files for a building permit. The Building Department rejects the building permits because they need to get a variance.

Billy Hajek: Correct.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, then they file an application with all with everything right their surveys.

Billy Hajek: Surveys blueprints.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Application. They submit it to the Village and then it goes to you. Right?

Billy Hajek: Yeah, Gabby review. It's processed logged in. So, and then it's referred to Tom.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I'm sure it's.

Billy Hajek: Yeah myself.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: The review process probably is different based on the scope of the job. Right.

Billy Hajek: Yeah. Well, every application is different. I review it for completeness and to ensure that the Board, the Zoning Board, ensure that the application has all the information the Zoning Board would need to make an informed determination.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, on average, what is the time, If somebody submitted it today, that you would have the opportunity to review it and then give it to Gabby to post.

Billy Hajek: It's about I would say it's I mean, I review applications within about a month or, you know, three weeks to a month. It's usually scheduled for hearing and the hearing is held about two months from submission. And then you'd have an if it's the Board doesn't have any questions and they close the record, it's the decisions rendered at the next meeting. So roughly it's about a three-month process.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, it's a three-month process.

Billy Hajek: Roughly it could go quicker. It takes longer. It's average but most take longer.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So right now, it's taking three months from start to a granting of a variance.

Billy Hajek: Yeah.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, we posted once you review it and it goes to Village Hall to get posted in the paper that we do a 14-day post prior to the hearing.

Billy Hajek: It varies but it's about 14 days. Yeah.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Okay. So, does Lenny's office want us to extend that period or is this an alternative?

Billy Hajek: I think I think the letter was to not extend it because that could drag out the time.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Well, that's what I'm thinking. It's already three months and that's if there's no issues, if there's an issue that the ZBA reviews it and says, oh no, you need to come back next month. And then that month, if it's approved, then it's the following month that you get approval. So, it's really the complaint I hear from residents is why does it take so long to get a variance?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: The complaint I hear, though, is that I had no idea this was happening. And now I have this horrible thing next to me that I'm living with for the rest of my life. I mean, 87% of our Village is second homeowners. When I've told you, when I look up the star online, you're not reading these notices and the star website. So, if it does go Lenny Ackerman's my lawyer and it's going to him, and then he has to turn it around. It's a very small window where all of a sudden, my neighbor is getting something that I can't, I'm living in Florida or wherever else, but I don't get there.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I don't agree the solution would be to put it on our website, because what are the odds that somebody is going to be checking the website if they're not checking the Star um, legal ads, you know? So, but if we extend the time period that we post now, we're going to be three months, probably for what's already three months. We're going to be probably at another.

Billy Hajek: It depends. I mean, it depends on the schedule and what's complete and what's not. Some you know, we have an application coming up that was just submitted. And it just turns out that it was, you know, other items were incomplete. So, it got scheduled, but on average it's three months.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I just don't know how we can make it for-

Marcos Baladrón: Billy Sorry. For three months, those agendas are posted on the Village website, correct?

Billy Hajek: When the agenda is scheduled, it's posted to the website. Yeah.

Marcos Baladrón: So those the in a sense the neighbors are aware then for three months with the agenda posted.

Billy Hajek: Well not three months in advance.

Marcos Baladrón: No, no, not in advance during the time frame that it's being scheduled, discussed and voted on. Also, have you heard of another municipality? Because I've never heard of summarizing an application for.

Billy Hajek: I think only in like the hearing notice. You know, that's... I...

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Just don't know what the drawback for somebody would be to go to our website. That's if you don't know. Right. We haven't... You haven't received it in the mail yet because of whatever the delay, what would make you go to our website and check?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: You'd have to know that the house next door to you generally was sold.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Right but you could do it in a store, too. You could go to legal ads. What if what if we.

Billy Hajek: Even a transfer doesn't always correlate to a Zoning Board application. I mean, I think it's really, uh, shot in the dark to be looking at the Village's website and, and see, wait and see if there's an application submitted for a neighbor.

Lisa Perillo Esq.: I agree with Billy.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Um if I could come in, I think it's not so much it's not so much the time of the Zoning Board application takes in general because, um, with my experience, Carrie to, is that we're talking about the time it takes for it to get noticed in the neighbors to know about it. Not so much the time it takes for it to happen, because some applications take over a year. That's not so much the neighbor didn't have the time to review the application. Right now, I think we're talking about if an application comes to the Village and it's the burden that is set on the applicant that that applicant now has to get plan specs. God knows, whatever. Some of the files are gigantic to each neighbor. You could have 5 or 6 neighbors. And that's a lot of work. And it is on the applicant to do that. However, the Village was doing it. Um, but if it was, let's just say on the website, then the applicant was like, oh my God, I just got a letter from my attorney or from God knows whatever. There's a Village variance application; I can click on the Village website. All the paperwork is there. It doesn't have to get sent back and forth, because if I submit a Zoning Board application and then I have to send the information to some address in Colorado because let's face it, the address is on our tax roll all over the place. Then that paperwork sits there, and that attorney has to send it to God knows, wherever that could. The applications have happened already versus that a quick phone call, or an email could say, Hey Billy, guess what? There's a Zoning Board application and all the paperwork is on the website so that that attorney or that applicant doesn't have to wait for the mail or doesn't have to wait for checking the Star. I don't know, but I think that the you know.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: We can't get around the legal mailing.

Billy Hajek: That's what gets mailed to the neighbor is just the public hearing notice.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: If that neighbor wants the file-.

Lisa Perillo Esq.: That's online.

Billy Hajek: That is online.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: It's always online.

Billy Hajek: Yeah.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: So, it's there already?

Billy Hajek: Once it's scheduled for hearing, the complete package is scanned and put on...put online-.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: So that it's online already?

Lisa Perillo Esq.: Yes.

Billy Hajek: But that's once it's scheduled. Yeah.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Once it's scheduled.

Billy Hajek: Yeah. Otherwise it would be, you know, we get sometimes we receive multiple surveys, multiple plans, you know, putting all of that, you know, continuously putting that on the website is, you know, it's better to-.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Wait till it's complete.

Billy Hajek: Yeah. When it's complete and it's all the information.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Like, say, could you does it happen that you put it up there and then the ZBA hearing is in ten days?

Billy Hajek: Uh, I mean, it. Yeah.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: You might have just ten days to, to review it. It may get to Town and, you know, make a statement and it can be very brief. Just once it's scheduled and it goes up there, it can be a very brief period that you have to respond to it. And then you have some colossal things.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: How do we fix that? The only way would be to extend the notice.

Billy Hajek: The only way it would be. Yeah, to extend the notice period. Instead of doing ten days.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: You delay.

Billy Hajek: 14 days or 20 days.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: The variance, you know, before the ZBA.

Billy Hajek: Just so you'd be clear, the Village law is five days.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Generally, I will say this, that the people who are building and needing variances are people who are new people to our Village who are not living here, they're buying a house, they're moving in, and we currently represent the people who are living here already.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah, but I mean, most people want to get in by summer. So, you know, depending on when they buy the house, you know, and the scope of the work, I don't know. I mean, what would be the answer to extend the posting, but for how long? We already do 14 days. I mean, what do you do?

Billy Hajek: Well, we're proposing ten. So, we're proposing ten. So, the law, the proposed local law, the obligation to the applicant would be ten days. So, it's just ten, you know, ten days. So, they could... That's their only obligation is to make sure that the it gets to the post office. And they have the certified receipt stamped ten days prior to the hearing. So you could make it 14 days or 20 days or, you know, you can make it five days and still be in compliance with Village law.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Right. But to Carrie's point, you know, we're trying to get it. Make sure everybody has a fair shot at the hearing,

Billy Hajek: I understand. I just don't know if, you know, putting it on a website is going to, you know, just when it's.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I don't think that's going to help any.

Billy Hajek: I don't know if that's going to really yield.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I don't see how that would help the notice on the website.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: It's already on the website.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: The notice is where we need to figure out. So why don't we, um, keep it open obviously. Yeah. Let's think about it.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Also, it may be here from the public.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Sorry. I wanted to say something.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: I mean, I don't think any law office is going to want to extend the notice, period.

Gloria Frazee: One thing to do when you post it on the website might be to put something like EH ZBA, and then the name of the road and what I would do. I live on Sherrill Road, I would do a Google automatic notification that if something shows up with that chain on there, I would get an email from Google.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Smart. Like Google alert?

Gloria Frazee: Yeah.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: That's a good point.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: We already put it on the website though. How do we list it? Is there a way to do

the road or?

Billy Hajek: I don't know, I'd have to. I'm not sure.

Lisa Perillo Esq.: If it's by property address and by name of the applicant on the website. So if you get your notice that there's an application, you can go to the website and you can look it up by the, by the identifier that's on the notice. So, the notice is a formula that identifies the location the applicant. And it also has the tax map number.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Okay.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: So, my question is right now we send it out. The Village sends out the notice. And we make the applicant send it out. Let's just assume it gets sent out on the same exact day as the Village sends it out. So, what's the difference?

Lisa Perillo Esq.: No difference.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: The difference is what? Carrie, it's nothing to do with this law. It's she's hearing that, you know, people don't know that there's a hearing. We're trying to figure out if there's a way to make people more aware.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: No, no, I understand that. But I'm saying is that, like, with our new code change of changing it? What if we didn't change it? It's still the same problem.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: It is still the same.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: It still goes out at the same time.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: That's what I'm saying. It has nothing to do with the law. It has to do with just the process.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Lenny's Letter.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Right.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: It's the process.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: So it seems like the only way to fix that is to extend the time, right?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So let's think about it.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Yeah.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: I like the Google alert. I think that's kind of smart. If there was like a set thing so you could subscribe to when your street something's coming, then you just get that email.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: No, it's not your street. It's a certain distance away from your house. Correct?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Right.

Billy Hajek: Yeah. It's a radius. 200 foot radius.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: So usually it's a couple houses.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: You could do a few streets.

Marcos Baladrón: 300.

Billy Hajek: 300. I thought it was... I thought the law was...

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, let's keep it open.

Marcos Baladrón: Amending that.

Billy Hajek: Oh, you changed it?

Marcos Baladrón: Thinking about it.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Let's see if we get some feedback and we'll go from there. Okay. Does that sound

good?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Yeah.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Because it's one of these things where you can't. Whatever we do, it's going to

cause another problem. And what I'm thinking.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Okay.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So let's keep it open. Okay. Let's keep thinking. Bill.

Billy Hajek: Okay. Thank you.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Thank you.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Thank you. Anybody else want to be heard on this hearing? All right. We're going

to keep it open.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Next hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING – INTRO#5-2025

Lorraine McKay: Introductory 5-2025, a proposed local law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 77. Beaches. Article II. Main Beach Pavilion, Parking Lots, Lockers and Facilities.

INTRODUCTORY NO. 5-2025 LOCAL LAW NO. ____ - 2025

A Local Law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 77. Beaches. Article II. Main Beach Pavilion, Parking Lots, Lockers and Facilities. §77-15.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of East Hampton as follows:

SECTION I. Chapter 77 of the Code of the Village of East Hampton is hereby amended as follows (bold and underlined material is to be added; struck through material is to be deleted):

Chapter 77. Beaches
Article II. Main Beach Pavilion, <u>Parking Lots, Lockers and Facilities</u>

- § 77-15. Regulations governing use of main beach pavilion; main beach parking lots and main beach lockers and facilities; penalties for offenses.
- A. The Board of Trustees of the Village of East Hampton may, by resolution, adopt such rules and regulations governing the use of the general facilities associated with the Main Beach Pavilion, <u>parking lots, lockers and facilities</u> as it shall deem necessary.
- B. All such rules and regulations shall be posted at the Main Beach Pavilion.
- B. All such rules and regulations shall be posted at the Main Beach Pavilion.
- C. Any violation of the posted rules and regulations shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$250 or by imprisonment for up to 15 days, or both.
- D. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to revoke any permit or pass issued under this Chapter and under Chapter 267 concerning beach parking lots, facilities and lockers, to limit the number of permits and passes issued and to institute and impose new or revised rules and regulations concerning the use of same. Failure to obey any of the Codes, rules and regulations applicable to the main beach pavilion, parking lots, lockers or facilities shall be grounds for revocation of the permit and notice of such revocation shall be given to the holder of such permit by mailing a copy to the owner of the permit at the address indicated in the application.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

If any section or subsection, paragraph, clause, phrase or provision of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Dated: January 31, 2025

By Order of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES Inc. Village of East Hampton GABRIELLE MCKAY Deputy Village Clerk

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Anyone like to be heard? All right. Can I get a-

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Make a motion to close the hearing?

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Hearing is closed.

PUBLIC HEARING – INTRO#6-2025

Lorraine McKay: Introductory number six of 2025. A proposed local law amending Village of East Hampton Code chapter 267 Vehicles and Traffic. Article one General Regulations Section 267 six parking prohibited and designated locations during certain hours.

INTRODUCTORY NO. 6-2025 LOCAL LAW NO. ____ - 2025

A Local Law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 267. Vehicles and Traffic. Article I. General Regulations §267-6 Parking prohibited in designated locations during certain hours.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of East Hampton as follows:

SECTION I. Chapter 267 of the Code of the Village of East Hampton is hereby amended as follows (bold and underlined material is to be added; struck through material is to be deleted):

CHAPTER 267. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE I. GENERAL REGULATIONS

§ 267-6. Parking prohibited in designated locations during certain hours.

A-1. The parking of vehicles in any of the following locations is hereby prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

- (1) West End Road, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (2) Lily Pond Lane, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)
- (3) Ocean Avenue, on both sides, from the Main Beach to its intersection with Pudding Hill Lane. (Reserved)
 - (4) Right-of-way to Hook Pond from Ocean Avenue, on both sides.
 - (5) Further Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
 - (6) Highway Behind the Pond, on both sides, for its entire length.
 - (7) Cross Highway, on both sides, from Further Lane to the Village line.
 - (8) Old Beach Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (9) Dunemere Lane, on both sides, from the division line between the Residential B Zone and the Residential A Zone, thence east for the remainder of its length.
 - (10) Middle Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (11) Egypt Lane, on both sides, from its intersection with Huntting Lane and thence south for the remainder of its length.
 - (12) Terbell Lane, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)
 - (13) Pudding Hill Lane, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)
 - (14) Crossways, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved) (15) Lee Avenue, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)
 - (16) Cottage Avenue, on both sides, between Lily Pond Lane and Lee Avenue. (Reserved)
 - (17) Hedges Lane, on both sides, between Lily Pond Lane and Lee Avenue.
- (18) Apaquogue Road, on both sides, from its southerly beginning point and thence along its length until its intersection with Georgica Road.
 - (19) Jones Road, on both sides, for its entire length.
 - (20) Hither Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
 - (21) Amy's Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.

(22) (Reserved)

(23) Drew Lane, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)

(24) Nichols Lane, on both sides, for its entire length. (Reserved)

(25) Georgica Road, on both sides, from its intersection with Apaquogue Road and thence running northerly until its intersection with Montauk Highway (Woods Lane).

(26) On both sides of LaForrest Lane between Georgica Road on the north and Apaquogue Road on the south.

A.-2 The parking of vehicles in any of the following locations is hereby prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.

(1) Lily Pond Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.

- (2) Ocean Avenue, on both sides, from the Main Beach to its intersection with Pudding Hill Lane.
- (3) Terbell Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (4) Pudding Hill Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (5) Crossways, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (6) Lee Avenue, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (7) Cottage Avenue, on both sides, between Lily Pond Lane and Lee Avenue.
- (8) Drew Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.
- (9) Nichols Lane, on both sides, for its entire length.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

If any section or subsection, paragraph, clause, phrase or provision of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Dated: February 13, 2025

By Order of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Inc. Village of East Hampton
GABRIELLE MCKAY
Deputy Village Clerk

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Anyone like to be heard?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: I'm just getting some questions on this. So, is this for parking?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah. So, as you know, we do the music on Tuesday nights in the summer. And we've received complaints from the neighbors that the sides of the roads are being ripped up, torn up after these events. We also do we have a big um, volleyball tournament that the beach does. We have a similar issue there. We do the annual fireworks. We have a similar issue there. Um, and then the beach tournament that the lifeguards do. We have similar issue there. So, it's three or 4 or 5 events a year that are causing the side roads. Lily Pond Lane and Ocean and Terbell to all have damage caused. So, what we've done, the parking is already prohibited on those streets between whatever it is eight and five or something like that, but it ends at five. So what we did is we extended it till 10 p.m., and what that will allow the police to do during these events, direct parking where it won't damage the lawn. So, they'll have the cars parked in one direction on one side of the street with all the tires on the pavement, so that we're not causing damage to its technically our property, Village property, but the homeowners take care of those properties, and they do look beautiful and manicured.

And so, we don't want to be destroying our own property and really causing problems for our residents. So that was the plan. So, no resident will really have an issue with this. Most of the properties or all of the properties on Lily pond and the surrounding roads have their huge properties, and they have plenty of room for cars. So very few residents will park on the street if they are by chance having an event and they apply for an event permit, same as we always do. We waive the parking for the residents even during the day if they're having an event during the day, so it shouldn't affect any residents negatively. It should only be positive and when, you know, we have a small Police Department, so when we're having an event, you have 2 or 3 police in charge of directing the parking and they can't be everywhere. So, this will stop people from parking on Lee until we direct it to be parked on Lee, let's say until we fill up the Lily pond area.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: So, will utility vehicles be exempt?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Will what?

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Like, you know, like your plumber? Your landscaper?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: No, they're not exempt now.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Right? So, they can be ticketed according to this law?

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah, they can be ticketed now. I mean, the plumbers aren't coming after five.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: What about PSEG and cable? They have an easement to use that property. So technically, I don't think we can. We can't.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Yeah, but this isn't we're not changing anything we do now if a landscaper can't get in the driveway and he parks on the street, we don't ticket them now, especially unless they're blocking the entire road. I mean, we understand, you know, service has to be done.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: That's on the homeowner, too. Like, if the homeowner has their people wreck their ground, their grass, then like, right, that's them. But if we don't want it to wreck address for our events.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Some things might be redacted, but the original paperwork I saw had like Fithian and some other streets in there, not just by the Main beach.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: No, Fithian was never part of it. It was. It was all the roads that are in walking distance from Main Beach. So, you know, I think they're definitely not Fithian. I didn't see that one, but.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: I saw, like a list and some things were crossed. It was in the original packet we got.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Well, if it was, it shouldn't have been.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I like this. I think people get upset when their lawns get wrecked. It's expensive.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Exactly. You want to say something, Chief?

Jeffrey Erickson: The idea of this working with the Mayor and Marcos is to alleviate some of the issues. As the Mayor. Mayor put. And by eliminating parking. Right now, it's 10 to 5. By extending it to 10 a.m., as the Mayor said it, it'll give us control of the streets and reduce the complaints of people and the damaging. So, if people park in those areas without being directed, just like if you're having a party without a permit, you'll get ticketed if we're not aware of it. So it will give us better control. And it's a tool we're trying to alleviate for these events, for the homeowners with the complaints of their of the grass getting damaged. So, by doing that, the plan is to take one side of a street, whichever street it is, and it's only like Pudding Hill, Ocean Avenue, Terbell, Lee Crossways, Lily pond-

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Hedges, maybe.

Jeffrey Erickson: Hedges, just those cottage, those streets that are affected. So, we'll park at our direction. The vehicles on one side of the roadway with all four tires on the road on the asphalt portion, alleviating any complaints from homeowners damaging our property that they maintain. And then we'll leave the other side open. So it has a free flow for vehicular traffic, emergency vehicles. And it was kind of a solution to, again, to alleviate complaints from residents up in that Main beach area.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Are you going to alternate week by week which side they park on, or is it always going to be on the one?

Jeffrey Erickson: No, we're going to keep it for us for logistically and operational when they're coming down Ocean Avenue and it gets full at Main Beach. We shut it down at Ocean Avenue and Lily pond, and we start pushing traffic down Lily Pond first. Now that direction will be always that side of the street, which would be the north side of the street, because it also when the concerts end, it facilitates like the fireworks, they head to the West instead of turning around and having a bottleneck on Ocean Avenue. It helps they go that way and they can go up towards the light at the at the Exxon station. So they're already faced in the right direction. And then when they're coming in, it's easier for us to park. They don't have to turn around and start facing East. So it would be, in my opinion, would be the best to keep it on the same side of the street. And then when we go to a certain distance on Lily Pond, they make a call and then they'll shut down Lily Pond, and then we'll move it to say Lee. And when they get that gets full, then they move. You know, some of the events it gets, it gets pretty busy, but we move from closest to farthest away depending on traffic and volume.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Okay. That's reasonable. Thank you.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: So, anybody from the public? No?

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I'll make a motion to close the hearing.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Hearing is closed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All right, next up we're going to go into resolutions and motions.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #41-2025; Approve claim vouchers for the month of February.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Carrie Doyle: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #42-2025; Approve Warrants as listed:
#27 1/31/2025 GUARANTEES-JAN'25

#28 1/31/2025 GEN FUND #2- JAN'25 #29 2/24/2025 GEN FUND #1-FEB'25

#30 2/24/2025 GEN FUND-WARRANT-FEB'25

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Make a motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #43-2025; Approve departmental reports.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #44-2025; Approve \$250.00 registration fee for the Contractor Registry, as

per section 107-13, B1, effective retroactively to February 1st, 2025.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #45-2024; Approve the engagement of Perillo Hill LLP to provide legal services relating to the creation and establishment of a Village Justice Court for the Village of East Hampton (designated a "Special Project" and thus outside the scope of general Village Attorney services) for a flat fee of \$50,000 payable from the Assigned Unappropriated Fund Balance.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I make a motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #46-2025; Deem surplus and approve disposal by appropriate sale of the Fire Department equipment listed in Gerry Turza's February 11th, 2025 memo.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #47-2025; Approve agreement with Pet-Rhona Plinton for consultant services, at an hourly rate of \$30.00.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor.

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #48-2025; Approve Saskas Surveying Company, P.C. to provide consultant

surveying services.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #49-2025; Approve the \$14,208.28 quote to purchase six (6) On-Gun-Lasers for the Village ESU members from Industrial Strength Industries (per Feb. 13th, 2025 memo from Click Friday).

Chief Erickson).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #50-2025; Approve \$10,457.64 quote for the annual Traffic Cloud subscription with All Traffic Solutions (one-year contract period: March 23, 2025 - March 23, 2026) (per

Feb. 6th, 2025 memo from Chief Erickson).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #51-2025; Approve \$4,189.79 quote for the annual NetCloud Mobile Performance Plans (Essentials & Advanced) with PMC Wireless (One-year contract period: Feb. 5, 2025 -

Feb. 3, 2026) (per Feb. 10th, 2025 memo from Chief Erickson).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #52-2025; Approve promotion of Sergeant Steven Sheades to the rank of Lieutenant, at an annual salary of \$191,727.73 effective March 1, 2025 (FY2024-2025 Lieutenant salary per the EHVPBA CBA) (as per Feb. 6th, 2025 memo from Chief Erickson).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried. Congratulations to Steve. We're going to do a formal... Um, he was away on vacation, so in our March meeting, we'll do a formal, uh, promotion or standard formal promotion. Thanks, Chief.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #53-2025; Approve new Fire Department member Kate Kastrati (per Feb. 11th, 2025 memo from Chief Forrester).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried. Welcome aboard, Kate.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #54-2025; Approve \$2.00 hourly wage increase for part-time Paramedics

as listed, effective March 1st, 2025: (as per Feb. 11th, 2025 memo from G. Turza).

EMT-B's: from \$28/hour to \$30/hour EMT-P's from \$38/hour to \$40/hour

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried. This is, um. You know, you're trying to keep up with the surrounding agencies. Most of these, um, the part time people, it's basically a big pool of people that work in different agencies throughout the entire county. So, it's really difficult to get people to come out east when they can get the same money without traveling, working in Smithtown or Patchogue. So it's, you know, it's becoming a problem with traffic. And obviously we all know the issues, but so we're trying to keep up and so we can keep this staffed. So, we're... Gerry's doing a great job, but we need to help him a little bit.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #55-2025; Notice of public hearing to be held on March 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at the Emergency Services Building, 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton, 11937, for Introductory 7-2025, a proposed local law amending Village of East Hampton Code Chapter 62. Article II. Alarm Systems. §62-3 Registration Required, B(1)(2)(3).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Lorraine McKay: Resolution #56-2025; Approve request from Paul Anderson for extended paid sick

leave (per Feb. 3rd, 2025 memo from D. Collins).

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: Motion to accept.

Trustee Sandra Melendez, Esq.: Second. Mayor Jerry Larsen: All in favor?

Board in Unison: Aye.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Passed and carried.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Is that it? All right. So, we're going to ask for a motion to close. And we're going to go into an executive session.

Deputy Mayor Chris Minardi: I make a motion to close the hearing.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: Second.

Mayor Jerry Larsen: The meeting is closed and we're going to go into executive session.

VILLAGE OF EAST HAMPTON, NY DATE: <u>JUNE 27, 2025</u>
TIME: 10:02 AM