

**VILLAGE OF EAST HAMPTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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PRESENT: Gerard Larsen, Mayor
Christopher Minardi, Deputy Mayor
Arthur Graham, Trustee
Rosemary Brown, Trustee
Sandra Melendez, Trustee
Marcos Baladrón, Administrator
Elizabeth Baldwin, Attorney
Hugh King, Historic Site Manager
Michael Tracey, Police Chief
Anthony Long, Police Captain
Robin Shahani, Village Resident
Mara Dias, Surfrider Foundation
Billy Hajek, Planner
Gerard Turza, Fire Chief
David Collins, Superintendent of Public Works
Robert Hefner, Director of Historic Services
Kenneth Collum, Code Enforcement Officer
Jody Gambino, LTV Moderator
Jason Nower, LTV Moderator
June Lester, Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant

Mayor Larsen: Good morning everyone. I am Jerry Larsen, Mayor of East Hampton Village, and I welcome everyone to the East Hampton Village Board Meeting, December 3, 2020. Before we start, if we could stand for a pledge of alliance.

All recited: 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.

Moment of Silence for Robert Bo Lawler

Mayor Larsen: Thank you if you could stay standing for a moment of silence please. One of our longtime members of the Fire Department passed away last night and I would like a moment of silence for Robert, and we all knew him as Bo, Lawler. Thank you everybody. So, Bo was a terrific guy and I knew him most of my adult life. I actually started working for him when I was a brand new, actually I was still a Traffic Control Officer, and I started driving a taxi for Lawler's Taxi, long time ago. He is going to be missed and I wish the best to his family and our thoughts and prayers are with them. Gerry, are you on? Gerry Turza, Fire Chief. I was hoping he could say a few words about Bo. I know Bo did serve 40 years with the Fire Department, that is a really outstanding achievement and, again, I cannot say enough nice things about Bo and his family. He is going to be sorely missed. If anybody would like to say anything feel free.

Mr. Gambino: Mayor, we have a caller on the line.

Mayor Larsen: We are not really ready for public comment.

Mr. Gambino: Okay.

Food Pantry

Mayor Larsen: I would like to give a couple of updates before we get into our meeting. The first one is that I would like to thank Sandra Melendez for spearheading the Thanksgiving coordination with the Food Pantries. My wife Lisa and Marcos' wife Jenny spearheaded this with Sandra and they made over 500 pies for the two food pantries in East Hampton, it was an outstanding achievement and we thank you guys for doing that. It really showed what I have been talking about for a long time and I wanted to bring our family, the Village family, together and this really illustrated what I have been talking about because this was a coordination with the PBA, the Fire Department, the Ambulance, the DPW and everybody who works for the Village, including our Board, and we all came together and we were able to do this as a team to provide these desserts for the food pantry. So, again, I think it was a job well done and it is what I have been talking about, a friendly government, helpful government, and I want to see this keep going. So, thanks Sandra and everybody who was involved, I appreciate it.

Trustee Melendez: It was our pleasure. We had a lot of fun doing it.

Christmas/Holiday Lights

Mayor Larsen: I will just give you a quick update on the Christmas lights. DPW is doing a great job, again, Sandra spearheaded that and has changed, you will see a lot of changes, most of them are white lights this year, she wanted to make it an elegant Christmas atmosphere and so we are moving forward with that. Some people think we got a late start but it is really not true, historically we have always had the Christmas or holiday lights ready for our Santa Parade which is historically the first weekend of December so we are right on track for our lights to come on. However, I think, moving forward, and I talked to Dave about this, that we should move the lighting to Thanksgiving weekend, I think it would really bring more life to our Village so we were talking about doing that starting next year.

Town Pond Dredging Program

Mayor Larsen: On another good note, we are starting our dredging program of Town Pond. Just so the public is aware, we were kind of delayed for some DEC regulations but now we are back on track and the really good news is that Marcos has been working with the Town and it looks like we may be receiving a full payment of the dredging project through CPF money. So, we are working on that and that would be terrific news because that is a \$868,000 project. CPF gave us, granted us, \$191,000 for the original project but now we just went back to them and it looks like we may get the whole thing covered. So that is really great news. The Pond is way overdue for the dredging and that is a really positive news.

COVID-19 Update

Mayor Larsen: I wanted to do a quick COVID update. As everyone knows, the numbers are rising and here in East Hampton Village we are trying to do our best to control these numbers. As you know Hampton Bays and Riverhead have been declared yellow zones under the Governor's COVID regulations which is a shut down of certain businesses and when you get to an orange zone, it is really bad for business. Restaurants cannot do any type of indoor dining, things like that so we really have to do our part, we have to stay diligent. I have met with the Police Department with Chief Tracey and we have handed out flyers to all the stores to remind them to require people to wear masks when they are inside. We started this initiative on black Friday, and I am going to let the Chief give an update and we have also given the tools to the Police Department to enforce the regulations, the Governor's regulations, so that people are mandated to wear their masks when they are within six feet of other people. So that is really important because we want to keep our businesses open, we want to keep our residents safe, and our visitors safe. So Chief Tracey could you give a quick update on how many people we have stopped for violating the COVID regulations and what we have done to enforce the regulations. Okay, so, I know on black Friday we stopped 59 people on Main Street and Newtown and we informed them that they were in violation of the COVID rules, we offered them masks if they did not have any, and everyone was compliant. I think we are somewhere up around 70 encounters now and the numbers keep going up. So, we are doing our part and it takes everyone's cooperation and you have to remember these social gatherings is where a lot of this is occurring according to the State so we need to be diligent and stay focused on this so we do not wind up with another Statewide shutdown. Chief, do you have any updates?

Chief Tracey: Yes, can you hear me Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Larsen: I can hear you, cannot see you but we can hear you.

Chief Tracey: Basically, what we did is with the update to the emergency order which you put in effect as you said just after black Friday, I directed the men to use a particular section of the law which was modified, it was actually modified in July, and what we had, beginning in March, there was a lot of confusion I will say and there were different strategies regarding COVID in terms of enforcement. Not a lot of actual writing of the violations as most of you know by reading Newsday and most of the operations by P.D. and Fire and when we were going into places regarding crowding and crowds, has been warnings and have been very successful in terms of getting people to comply, but in July, a new section of the Public Health Law was modified to specifically address face coverings. It is Section 66 of the Public Health Law and there are four sections in particular that we pointed out to the men that we expect now will be utilized. So, one of them has to do with proximity to others without a face mask, basically the separation. And several of the others deal with commercial establishments and events. So if you were a host of an event, for example, and you are facilitating that event and you are not asking people to comply with this Section, you were, in fact, in violation and it is very simple for us to write that section now and clarification on these Sections was given to the men and it was made clear to our personnel that any failure to comply with a reminder, so to speak, will result in a summons, and then if there is a continuance of a failure to comply, we are not just going to write the summons and let the hazardous condition remain, we are going to remove the hazardous condition which, although we do not want to do it, we would much rather get compliance and we are giving out masks when we have to but if there is an arrest warranted, they will make that arrest. So, everybody has been fantastic I must say. We had a couple of yard sales that we ran into and we worked to keep them under control and safe, however, we have made a recommendation to the Village that we not approve yard sales for the time being until it is deemed to be safe but overall, we have had no problems. Our farm operation there in the Reutershan lot, they have been fantastic, they have been measuring the amount of people coming in and out, everybody had masks, we have been there every week and we are very happy with the way it is proceeding so I would say we are getting 99 percent cooperation from those that we encounter on the street and when we point it out to the 1 percent

that are not pulling their masks up or down, they are complying as well. So, I think we are in good shape and our community is doing its share.

Mayor Larsen: That is great, thanks Chief. Dave, can you just come on and tell us about leaf pick-up.

Leaf Pick-Up

Mr. Collins: Yes, good morning, looks like I have lost my video but you can hear me okay?

Mayor Larsen: Yes, you are good.

Mr. Collins: Okay, the leaf pick-up program is going to conclude on the 11th of this month and we will start final pick-ups in the neighborhoods. We are going to start on the west side of the Village this year and move east, and once the street has been cleaned, no further collections will be made on that street. So, any leaves deposited on the street, after the street has been cleaned by our crew, it is going to be the responsibility of the homeowner to remove them. As always, we ask the homeowners and contractors not to place sticks or branches in the piles and this year we have added ornamental grasses to the list as well as the grasses choke the leaf machines up pretty quickly. So that is pretty much it. If anybody has any questions about the leaf program, they can contact us here at DPW at 631-324-0641.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks Dave.

Public Comment

Mayor Larsen: All right so now we are going to do a little, we are going to go to public comment, and I have to apologize at the last meeting we never even offered a public comment, that was my mistake, so you said you had one caller Jody?

Mr. Gambino: Yes, we have one caller on the line.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, we are ready.

Mr. Gambino: Caller, are you on the line?

Mayor Larsen: Okay we will give it a minute or so and we will see if anyone else calls in. We will also do public comment at the end so we can always pick them up at the end. Just give it a minute and then we will go to our presentations and you are going to be the first up Hugh.

Mr. King: I am also going to stick around for the centennial year, honoring past Mayors and Village streets.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, that would be great. I think we need some clarification on addresses with that so...

Mr. King: I thought you did that.

Mayor Larsen: I think we have a couple of conflicts.

Mr. King: All right. Give them to me and we will give them to Lydia.

Mayor Larsen: I think Dave cleared one up already. He was saying that he checked with his Dad and think it was Dr. Russell, we have him as a house on Main Street but according to Bruce he was on Newtown.

Mr. King: No, Dr. Russell, according to his granddaughter lived at 76 Pantigo near where Barney Clark lived on the way to the Funeral Parlor on the right-hand side.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Mr. King: That is what she told Lydia.

Mayor Larsen: All right, so we will go through those in a minute. Any callers, Jody?

Mr. Gambino: No, there are currently no callers on the line.

Mayor Larsen: Let us go Hugh, you are the first up.

Hugh King

H King: Okay, does anybody have any questions for me from the last time? Trustee Graham?

Trustee Graham: I had a question for you Hugh. I have seen on many old maps that Dunemere Lane did not go all the way down to the bridge. Do you know when Dunemere Lane was extended and what the circumstances were for that happening?

Mr. King: The only thing I know that is in the Town records, in 1905 I believe that is when they put that bridge over Dunemere Lane because they put one down in Springs over Accabonac I think at the same time. So that is all I know, that is when they extended it, it could have been then but I am not sure. That is all I know about that.

Trustee Graham: Okay, thank you.

Trustee Brown: Hugh, I had a question for you. What is the oldest historic building in the business district on Main Street?

Mr. King: Oh, in the business district on Main Street, the oldest historic building, well let us see, you have the Beecher House, Eileen Fisher used to be the Odd Fellows Hall, that was built in 1899, the Middle School, the middle part of the Middle School was actually built in 1924. Do you know what the tallest building was in the Village for a while? Albie Cavagnaro's building.

Trustee Brown: The tower.

Mr. King: Big Al Cabbage's building with those apartments, that was the tallest building in the Village at one time. What else, Herrick Park is not a building. The theater was built in '26. Well, I do not know.

Trustee Brown: Well, to be continued.

Mr. King: Yes, well the Village Hall may be the oldest.

Trustee Brown: The Beecher House.

Mr. King: Anybody else?

Trustee Melendez: Yes, I have a question about the holidays. So, I was wondering where was the first Santa parade and how did it get started?

Mr. King: When was the first Santa parade? I have no idea but you know who might know is Ed from London Jewelers because he has been the Chairperson of the parade for quite a while. I can find this out but I have to do some research so I will do some research and then I will email you the answer.

Trustee Melendez: Great, thank you.

Mr. King: That is it, now I have questions for next time and I will be out of here. Trustee Brown, your question, when did we begin the idea of having Christmas lights on the tree, where did that come from anyway? Chief Larsen, Mayor Larsen.

Mayor Larsen: Ready.

Mr. King: Who began drawing this image of Santa Claus that we have today. It was a famous artist who just started doing that. I will email Trustee Minardi his. Trustee Graham, where did we get the idea of sending Christmas cards out, this idea of sending cards out at Christmas. And then Trustee Melendez, if you could, illuminate us on some of the traditions from your culture at Christmas that we may not be aware of or that we should be aware of, how about that?

Trustee Melendez: Yes, happy to do that.

Mr. King: So, I will get you your answer when I can and one more thing, then I am gone, you know you are going to talk about the bioswale, there were three buildings back there behind the Methodist Church at one time. The Hook school house was back there, the Town house was back there, and the Town jail was back there at one time and of course they are all gone. Okay, that is it Mr. Mayor, I am out of here?

Mayor Larsen: Thanks Hugh.

Trustee Minardi: Hugh King, I am on the call, I will take my question, it took me awhile to get on.

Mr. King: Oh, Trustee Minardi, your question is where did we get the idea of having Christmas trees, where did this idea of having a Christmas tree come from?

Trustee Minardi: Okay.

Mayor Larsen: All right, so, before we go to the next presentation, Jody, you have somebody?

Mr. Gambino: Yes, we do.

Mayor Larsen: Let him through.

Public Comment

Mr. Shahani: Mayor Larsen thanks for taking the call. I am a resident of the Village and I was wondering what you and the other Board Members, Trustees, thought about the barge that was parked for a few days off the Wainscott beach? And also, I was wondering if you and others had an opinion about the people of Wainscott looking at Incorporating as a Village would it matter to us as a Village, next to them, would we work with them, how would that work, and, again, thanks for your time and I would love to hear from each of the Board Members, the Trustees.

Ms. Baldwin: You need to state your name for the record, the caller's name?

Mr. Shahani: Yes, it is Robin Shahani of Pondview Lane.

Mayor Larsen: Anyone want to go first?

Trustee Graham: Sure, I will make a comment on that barge. I was surprised to see it, I did not know they were starting survey on the project and frankly I am not a fan of the wind power project and I was dismayed to see it. And as far as Wainscott incorporating, I do not think that has any impact on our Village at all.

Mr. Shahani: It is certainly quite a sight, the barge, from the beach. Any other thoughts would be welcome.

Mayor Larsen: Anyone else?

Trustee Melendez: I would just say for incorporation of Wainscott, does not affect us but if they ever need any help or are just trying to be there if they get incorporated and work with another Village that would be fine for us, the same way other Villages help us and working with other Villages so we will be happy to help.

Mayor Larsen: I would agree with what Sandra is saying, I mean we are working very well with, not that we do not work well with the Town, but I am saying we work very well with Sag Harbor and we are working with Southampton Village on our parking program. I can certainly see why a Village would want to incorporate, I think Villages are probably the simplest form of government, I think you are the closest to the people, so I can definitely see why and if that comes about, I think they have a long road ahead of them but if that comes about, they would be right next to us, we would have no issues at all working closely with them. There is always shared services that can be done and I am sure that we would work very well with whomever, like I said, it has a long road to go yet but we are definitely open to working with anyone. Anyone else?

Trustee Brown: I would just agree with everything that has been said, I think that the incorporation is very preliminary at this time but of course we would work well with anyone else. And you bring up a good point about the shared services, Mayor, that would be an opportunity for us.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks, I hope we have answered your question.

Mr. Shahani: Yes, thank you for your time, really appreciate it.

Mayor Larsen: No problem, anybody else on the line Jody? Or can we go back to our presentations?

Mr. Gambino: You guys can go back to the presentations, there is nobody on the line.

Mayor Larsen: All right, great.

LVIS Methodist Bioswale Project

Mayor Larsen: All right so next up is very exciting we have the LVIS with their bioswale project. Some of us have already seen it but I wanted to bring it to the Work Session so everyone could see what is happening and the public can see what is happening so please go right ahead.

Ms. Dias: This is Mara Dias, I am going to share my screen and hope that it works, putting on a presentation, Jody, does that look all good there?

Mr. Gambino: Looks good.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, looks good.

Ms. Dias: Thank you for the time on the agenda, I really appreciate it. My name is Mara Dias, I am actually with the Surfrider Foundation but we have been working very closely with LVIS over the last few years, both on

the bioswale project there at the Village Green as well as this new project we are planning for the Methodist Lane site which I just learned today has a lot of history so thank you for that. We actually work with a lot of partners on this project, Surfrider, we have been working with Piazza Horticultural, LVIS of course, Suffolk County Soil and Water, the Garden Club, and Mahoney Farm. It really has been a real collaborative community project that we are all pretty proud of. Just to introduce Surfrider a little bit, we are a national and even international non-profit grass roots organization. We are really dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of our ocean waves and beaches. We have a network of volunteer chapters across the country in coastal states. We have about 85 chapters now I believe and over 100 student clubs. There happens to be one in the East Hampton Middle School here in East Hampton. On the east end, the eastern Long Island chapter covers the area from Montauk Point to Moriches Inlet. We are working on programs and outreach events and campaigns to protect clean water and healthy beaches. And specifically, we want the water clean, our take on it is we want to make sure it is safe for us all to enjoy that water and to be able to recreate and play on the beach and in the water. One of the programs we run, so we know where the water is clean and where there are some problems that need to be addressed is our Bluewater Task Force Water Quality Monitoring Program. We are out there testing our ocean and bay beaches and other surface waters for Enterococcus bacteria. This is an indicator that there is fecal pollution or human or animal waste in the water and when this is in the water, there could also be pathogens that cause people to be sick. This is the same type of bacteria that the Suffolk County Department of Health tests for in their seasonal beach monitoring program but generally they are only out there during the peak summer season where we are out year-round for most of the year testing on a weekly basis to provide more information to everybody on where it is safe to swim and where there are problems. All of our data is posted on the website here, we also send out email alerts every time we go out and test. My email will be at the end of this presentation if anybody is interested in signing up for that you can just shoot me an email following. These are all the sites. We have I think it is almost 60 sites now that we are testing, like I said, it is weekly during the summer and about monthly December, January, February when it is colder out. We work with the Concerned Citizens of Montauk to test the sites further east in Montauk and parts of the North Shore of East Hampton and we work with Peconic Baykeeper to cover the sites further west. Generally, what we are finding, this map shows some older data from probably a month ago when I first put this presentation together but generally what we find is our ocean beaches are generally clean, our open bay beaches are generally clean, but in the more enclosed harbors and water areas that do not have this much open exchange, the coastal ponds, we certainly see some higher levels of bacteria especially after it rains. These are the sites that we are testing in the Hook Pond watershed in East Hampton Village. We have one site closer further south in the watershed right there by Main Beach, we have off of Dunemere Lane, we were testing at the duck pond (Nature Trail) not surprisingly it often was polluted, there is definitely a lot of animal waste going into the water there. We just started testing the water as it comes up at the south drain and we test it before it goes under the ground at Methodist Lane by the swale and as well testing Town Pond in the Village bioswale. What is our data showing us? This is all the results from all the samples we have collected. The red line shows the health standard that the County uses to issue swim advisories or close beaches it is at a count of 104. So, anything above that red line exceeds the health standard and is officially unsafe for recreational exposure and anything below is cleaner. So basically, this is showing us that two-thirds of the samples that we collect at that Methodist Lane swale do exceed that high bacteria standard. We were surprised when we first started testing the Fithian Lane drain that nearly every sample we pulled there exceeds that standard. We were surprised to see the difference so I am not 100 percent sure what is happening there but this is all interesting information that we are collecting before this project goes in so we hope to see some improvements. These are the end points that we have had at Hook Pond almost 80 percent of the samples do exceed that high bacteria level and further south, like I said, the water definitely is cleaner there. Where is all this pollution coming from? It is stormwater and road runoff, it is septic systems and cesspools especially that leach out when the ground gets saturated when it rains, fertilizers and chemicals that are washing off of people's lawns with irrigation or rain and then waterfowl that are hanging out in the ponds. This is adding pathogens to the water that can make us sick but it is also adding a lot of nutrients. Obviously, we have all been experiencing these harmful algae blooms more and more frequently over the last, this past decade which has been really unfortunate and taking away a lot of that recreation that we cherish so much and that a lot of our local business and community is based on. So, this is what we are really aiming for with this project. We want to see less of these signs around town. If we swing over to the Village Green bioswale, this is how the site looked back in 2016. At the time the Village was re-grading to better manage the flow of water and road runoff that was coming onto the site, and at the time, Stephen Mahoney with our local chapter as well as Tony Piazza from Piazza Horticultural put their minds together and said rather than just re-planting this with more grass, why do we not put a project here that is really going to have an impact on absorbing this runoff and helping to clean the water before it moves down our watershed. So, when they reached out to LVIS and they were very supportive of the project and so they planned this beautiful bioswale project which is basically just landscaping with native plants that are able to really absorb that runoff and filter out the water as it percolates through the ground. Some people call these rain gardens, at Surfrider we like to call them ocean friendly gardens because of our love for the ocean and the beaches, it is also a program that we are running nationally our sustainable landscaping and education program to really help make the connection for people that what they do in their own yards and our public greens really affects water quality locally where we like to play in the water. The project really mimics the natural contours of that property. Tony designed this beautiful project that really, in my mind, I like to describe it as a stream of beautiful native plants there that have added a lot of beauty to the Village, I love looking at it seasonally to see what is in bloom but it is really also functioned really well to help absorb the water that lands on the site and it is also providing a lot of great habitat for local pollinators. One of the reasons why these native plants work so well at absorbing water and filtering out pollution is because of what they look like under the ground. These are the beautiful root systems

that they have that are six, ten, twelve feet deep that really function to stabilize the sediment and the soil, absorb the water and really soak up a lot of the pollutants especially the nutrients that are in that road runoff. If you look in the red circle on the side of the screen, that is what the roots look like on the same scale for turf grass so that makes a pretty striking example of why our lawns really do not do so good at absorbing rain as they could. To go back a slide here, this is what our data has been looking like at this site. In the Town Pond about 33 percent of the samples we collect do exceed that high bacteria level. I actually was expecting this to be higher because of the waterfowl that are always there. I am not showing you the same graph for the data that gets collected when there is standing water on the bioswale. I will tell you that if there is water there, the bacterial levels are generally very high, however, what I think illustrates the success of this project even better is the fact that there is hardly standing water there anymore. If we go back to 2016, you know when I had those photos I was showing you first, from September through the end of the year we collected seven samples there basically we are testing every Monday and if there is water to be collected on this site on a Monday, we pull a sample and analyze it for bacteria. So, in 2016 there was water there on seven Mondays in just a couple of months. In 2017 we only captured two wet events on a Monday and in 2018 there were six, it was sort of a wet year as well but then the last couple of years it has been only a couple of times a year where there is actually water there so the good news is this native garden is really functioning well to absorb that runoff and get it into the ground before it is washing down to Town Pond and Hook Pond and causing more problems there. If we swing over to Methodist Lane there is another opportunity there it is a big green area there is a lot of lawn there that receives a lot of runoff that sort of sits when it is wet. It is also sitting right on top of the Hook Pond watershed which we know has issues with bacteria, has issues with too much nutrients, with dissolved oxygen and with these blue green algae blooms that really have been a nightmare for all of us here on the East End. So we have been working with those same partners that I mentioned earlier and Tony Piazza has designed a bigger, more beautiful project to put here that has, if you see the blue area that is a wetland area that we are going to put plants that are very similar to what you see over on the Village Green, next to that where you see the pink buds that is more of a pollinator garden area that we are planning, and then the bigger tan area is native meadow so removing some of the lawn, restoring a beautiful native meadow and then there is going to be 20 native trees that will be there as well, again, adding a lot of much needed native habitat to the area. So those are the different components of it and this is really going to help, like I said, absorb that runoff, it is going to decrease the energy inputs that is required for regular lawn maintenance, and like the other garden, will just be this beauty, this beautiful area for the community. We are also planning a lot of educational programming around this with our partners that we hope really is going to be impactful. These are just an example of some of the plants that we will be including in this wetland area and in the bioswale. We have been working with the Garden Club and the different partners on coming up with those native species that are going to do best in the habitat there and function well. So, we have been raising money through private donations to fund this project and we did receive a nice large grant from the Town CPF program so that we can finally move forward and install this project. A \$127,000 project includes the project planning, site preparation which we are hoping to start in the spring, plant material that we need and the installation. Piazza Horticultural is going to oversee with Tony Piazza and his group, they are going to oversee the installation of this project as well as two years of maintenance that will be covered with this funding. At the same time our Surfrider Chapters working to establish a volunteer club of sorts that is going to help with the long-term maintenance of these projects. There is a lot that volunteers can do to keep these gardens looking nice so that is sort of happening in parallel. We are going to continue to test with our Blue Water Task Force water quality monitoring program and like I said, we really want to develop some educational outreach programming around this. What we are working on now is ordering the plant materials, like I said training the volunteers as far as the educational programming goes, we are really hoping to do some really nice photo documentation of the project sort of before the project goes in when it looks like those images I showed as well as it is going in and the garden grows in so that we can really see the transformation of the site. We would also like to have sort of a short film that we can put together to really talk to the community about the benefits of these types of landscaping practices. We do some film showings at Surfrider, we are hoping these would also be useful for our partners. I do not know if I should stop for questions here, we have spoken to the Mayor about potentially a resolution from the Village, this is something that I think would be good to have especially with the funding coming from the Town, we would also like to talk about long-term, we are going to get this garden in the ground, we are going to have these volunteers ready to help with the maintenance but long-term we would love to have a conversation about how can we keep this garden, this bioswale looking good for the long-term and whether the different resources, each of the partners, LVIS, the Village can maybe bring toward helping us on that. I guess if there are questions, I could take them, I am not quite sure how we want to...

Mayor Larsen: Yes, if anyone has any questions, I am sold on this from the first time I saw the presentation, and I would love to move forward with it. The LVIS obviously has been a partner of the Village since we have been in existence so I think it is great, I think it is wonderful that you have taken the time and effort to even do this for us and I am 100 percent behind it.

Trustee Graham: I think this is a really worthwhile project. I think everyone in the Village has seen how successful and how attractive the one by Town Pond is and I think this is just a win, win.

Trustee Brown: I agree.

Trustee Minardi: I agree 100 percent. I think the Surfrider Foundation is an extraordinary group of people, they do a lot of great things around here and I support them 100 percent and I support this project as well. I cannot wait.

Trustee Brown: I would just echo what everyone has said that Town Pond has been such a successful program, it is aesthetically pleasing and most importantly it is environmentally effective by reducing the pollutants and so forth. And also, to commend your efforts with our youth, I know the Surfrider Program has a program at the Middle School, my son is involved in it, and they do a lot of good work and they are so proud of the work that they do for the beaches, cleaning up the beaches, and some of the recycling projects, and I believe they did, through the Surfrider Program, the oyster seeding project, which again, is another outstanding thing so I am also in full support.

Ms. Dias: Yes, the educational program, we want to get groups like that club at the Middle School out to, and we have in the past, bring them out to the bioswale, explain the different plants that are there and how it functions to protect water quality through the watershed and we want to look for different groups that we can talk to about these types of things as well. One question I would like to ask you all is, we want to do a short film, we are talking about a five minute or less that just documents this whole process, maybe includes our water testing a little bit so that we can really feature this project to other communities. Is there any special permission we need to get from you? We are not planning on showing up with a Hollywood film crew by any means, our treasurer has some equipment that he would like to use to just get some really good visuals of this project. Are there any objections or anything we need to know about doing that?

Mayor Larsen: No, we have canceled all filming permits and all yard sales and all estate sales due to the COVID regulations. So, the only thing I would ask is that you do not have more than 10 people gathered at the site, that is all.

Ms. Dias: That is perfect, thank you for mentioning that because we did do one training with some volunteers at the existing garden about a month ago and we were seven of us, that was it, we had our masks, we kept our distance and everything but let us say we come out of COVID soon and we are able to do larger events like are there permit requirements say if we want to show up with 30 volunteers and have a workday. Is there anything we need to do for that?

Mayor Larsen: Yes, there is a permit required from us for filming.

Ms. Dias: Well, I mean for a workday, we are going to go trim plants, we are going to...

Mayor Larsen: Oh, no, nothing like that, no.

Ms. Dias: That is fine, okay. And right now, so long as we are under 10, we are good.

Mayor Larsen: Yes. Well thank you so much. I think I would like to just recommend we put it on for our next meeting for a resolution from the Board and then you will have the green light from us.

Trustee Minardi: I second that idea.

Mayor Larsen: All right great, so Marcos, if you could just put that on for us for the next meeting.

Ms. Dias: Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks so much for coming.

Captain Anthony Long – Paid Parking Zones and Times

Mayor Larsen: All right, next up is Captain Long

Captain Long: Good morning Mr. Mayor, Members of the Board. I am just going to pull up a screen here to share, hopefully everyone can see, can you see the screen Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Larsen: All good.

Captain Long: Good morning. The Chief and I have been working with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Village Administrator coordinating some proposals for integration with Park Mobile which is as we discussed at last meeting our paid parking app for the Village. Proposed areas that have been discussed for paid parking, which please keep in mind it is in addition, we are not changing the free parking so street parking currently has one-hour free parking. That will remain the same, we are not changing that. What we are proposing is the ability to pay for additional parking up to a maximum of 4 hours is what we are proposing. So, street parking, the one-hour zones on Main Street, Newtown, Pantigo, Lumber Lane and Gingerbread Lane extension, the parking lots, again, two hours are free and then the additional ability to pay for another two hours in the Reutershan, Schenck Parking Lot, the Chase, Osborne, and North Main lots. Long term commuter parking which is going to be the Lumber Lane lots, one and two, and the Railroad Avenue seven-day parking area we can talk about the

handicap parking spots, I know the Village has had some questions from the public regarding that and how we are going to treat them. They are currently three hours, free parking, and that is going to remain. We are proposing an additional one hour of paid parking for a total of four hours in those spots also. And then we have the beach parking lots. I do not know, I am going to try to zoom in here a little bit so we can see, Jill at the highway did this great map for me, I want to thank her for that, it is hard with mapping when you put it on the computer screen so we did not label anything but essentially this is Newtown Lane and then this is Main Street and then we have North Main Street here and Pantigo Road here and our parking lots. As we move through the discussion, I keep coming back to this screen but essentially the Railroad parking, the seven days up here along the Railroad tracks, the two parking lots up at the Long Term up by the John Marshall and Eleanor Whitmore School, we have our Osborne Lane parking lot up by the Middle School, we have our Schenck Parking Lot up off of Newtown and North Main. Of course, the Reutershan Parking Lot in blue, the Chase Parking Lot over by Chase Bank and Village Hall, and then our Main Street one-hour parking and the Newtown Lane one-hour parking. Those are the areas we are talking about and I will go through each area and just the ideas that we had for each particular area. The first area will be the street parking, current rules are one-hour, free parking, and that is the maximum you can park there from 8 am to 7 pm. We are proposing that the one hour remains free and that you are able to pay for an additional second hour, third hour, and fourth hour, a maximum of four hours, and we would increase the enforcement time to 12 midnight. Currently we stop at 7 pm, the thought is we would increase that to 12 am and we also discussed increasing the time zone on Main Street down to 114 Buell Lane by the Library. The second area, the two-hour parking lots, currently we have two-hour free parking for a maximum which is actually now, due to the Mayor's order three hours, but barring that, it is a two-hour maximum in these parking lots and it runs from 8 am to 6 pm and in the North Main Lot it is a little different, it runs until 9 pm. We are proposing the two hours remain free and you can pay for a third or fourth hour for a maximum of four hours total and increase the enforcement time again to 12 midnight so it would run from 8 am to 12 am. And then our Long-Term commuter parking, the 24-hour lot, which is the lot nearest Herrick Park, will remain free for under 24 hours, the 14-day lot which is nearest the YMCA, that has 24-hour free parking and then it is paid beyond that up to 14 days. The current regulations allow Village resident beach sticker holders to park there for free up to a maximum of 14 days and Town residents that purchase a permit can park there for an annual fee and everyone else pays per day. That is the current rule in that lot. And then the Railroad Avenue seven-day parking is currently free along the tracks there up by Fresno. What we are proposing for these zones are the 24-hour lot will remain free and will not allow any additional time. This lot is mainly used by the employees and persons staying longer in the Village than the two-hour maximum. So, we wanted to keep that the same. The 14 day would remain paid over 23 hours up to a 14-day maximum but we would transition from using the machine that is currently in that parking lot to the Park Mobile app. The Railroad Avenue seven-day parking will be paid parking only. It is important to note that there is a section of parking along the local businesses that are 30 minutes, that is going to remain there under the proposal and will remain free. It is just the parking spaces that are further to the west that are seven day that we will start charging for. Handicap parking three hours free, that remains as it is now, you will be able to pay for a fourth hour and again we would increase the enforcement time to 12 midnight so it will run from 8 am to 12 am for a maximum of four hours. And then the beach parking lots, so currently we have beach sticker parking during the summer from 9 am to 5 pm and we have, I believe Main Beach and Two Mile, we have a limited number of day passes that we sell at each of those beaches during certain times. What we are proposing here is beach stickers will remain the same 9 am to 5 pm, those limited number of day passes will be available via the app, the Park Mobile app, at those two beaches pursuant to the current laws, I know there are some restrictions on holidays and whatnot where they are not sold so that will all remain in effect and what we are proposing that is new is from 5 pm to 9 am paid parking by the hour unless you have a Village Beach permit. So, if you go up at 5 o'clock and you do not have a beach permit, you would be able to park there by paying through the Park Mobile app. That is it Mr. Mayor, I know I went through it kind of quick.

Mayor Larsen: Well done, very nicely done.

Captain Long: Thank you. Do you want me to keep the screen up or I can pull the map up or do you want me to close it?

Mayor Larsen: What is next on your presentation, is that it?

Captain Long: That is it, I went through it pretty quick. I figured we would have some discussion and answer any questions if any of the Board Members had questions.

Mayor Larsen: So maybe you can leave the screen up in case somebody wants you to go back to a certain screen to explain something. Anybody have questions?

Trustee Graham: Yes, I have a couple of questions here. I think, I am not so sure it is a good idea to make the street parking available for up to four hours. I think that the merchants in the Village would prefer that those spaces turn over more. I mean we could make it available to extend past an hour after 5 o'clock so people could park there and go to dinner or go to a movie but I think that during the day, the merchants would probably prefer those spots turn over more because someone is going to park there and the car is going to be in front of the Hardware Store for four hours and that is a spot that somebody cannot dip into and run into the Hardware Store. That is one comment. In the two-hour parking lots, I think it would be a nice perk for Village residents if Village residents who have a beach sticker on their car could get their third hour in that lot free.

The question in the long-term commuter parking, the 14 day would that remain free to Village residents with a beach sticker?

Captain Long: Yes sir.

Trustee Graham: Those are pretty much my comments.

Mayor Larsen: I like Tiger's idea, go back to the two-hour, I like that idea Tiger with the Village resident sticker that you get the third hour for free as well.

Trustee Graham: Yes, because the auto chalk license plate reader system would know that those license plates have a beach sticker associated with them so that would be pretty easy to do I believe.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, I like that. Does everybody like that?

Trustee Brown: Definitely.

Trustee Melendez: Yes.

Trustee Brown: I think it would be nice for the Village residents.

Mayor Larsen: Did you write that down?

Captain Long: Yes, sir, I have it, it is easy to implement, we can certainly do that with auto chalk.

Mayor Larsen: What do we think about Tiger's other comment about the one hour? Tiger thinks we should only allow I guess one hour until after maybe 5 so basically, I guess what Tiger is saying is once the stores that front those streets are closed, then we can allow for longer parking say to go to a movie or a dinner or something like that.

Trustee Graham: Right.

Trustee Brown: That would be a good idea. I think some of those businesses rely on that turnover, the hardware store, Scoop, the coffee shops, the book store. If those parking spots are tied up, there will not be that turnover that will let people do a quick errand and leave. So, it is a worthwhile consideration and we will see what the merchants and so forth think as well during our public hearing.

Mayor Larsen: I like it too the only thing I bring up is that you may stop there to, think you are going to do a short errand and then you get tied up doing something else and then when you return instead of being able to pay a fee for that second hour, you are stuck with an \$80 parking ticket.

Trustee Melendez: I would like to say maybe just the parking spots that are, can you put the map again, there were some other spots that were one hour that were not in front of stores, maybe the parking spots that are actually in front of the hardware or Scoop or those types of stores to get a maximum of two hours, the first one free, the next one pay, but then the other parking spots like further away, they can have, you can do the four hours.

Captain Long: So essentially right in the core maybe, the core business district right along the businesses we would not allow that to four hours but in this area a little further up possibly or down here on Pantigo or North Main Street.

Trustee Melendez: Well, we need to make the revenue, that is where we are focusing in but we do not want the Village also residents be bothered by not being able to park for a long time so I would say helping the business but also helping the residents, it is just...[inaudible]...in the core only and then the farther you go, the longer you can stay.

Trustee Brown: I kind of agree with you at that point, we certainly do not want the unintended consequence of this to have an adverse impact on some of our businesses so I think that is something to consider. It is a good idea to maybe have a maximum of two hours for those street parking that is in front of, on Pantigo, in front of Citarella, in the front of the book store, Starbucks, Golden Pear and so forth with a maximum of up to two hours but the four hours really tie up a parking spot for a while and that could have an adverse impact on some of the businesses, and I know all of us here are looking to try to help the businesses.

Mayor Larsen: Just remember, we have not gotten into this yet, but the third hour is going to be some reasonable amount of money and then the fourth hour is going to be a larger amount of money to try to encourage the turnover of the parking spot. So, I mean if you really need to stay, you could pay, but it is probably not something you are going to want to pay. I like the idea, I think we should do that, in the business core, on the street, let us do, if everybody is in agreement, let us do the two-hour maximum, you can pay for the second hour. I think it is still more friendly than getting an \$80 parking ticket if you happen to run late. And then as you get away from the core, like Sandra and Rose were saying, we could go longer.

A. Longer: Mr. Mayor, this area here, further down 27 Pantigo, down toward CVS, this is all two-hour here also so on this side of the street.

Trustee Brown: And, Mayor, what are we thinking for a fee, the first hour as you said that you are paying for will be one fee and then the second hour will be a little bit more to encourage you not to park three hours.

Mayor Larsen: We met with Sag Harbor and we are trying to keep our fees somewhat in line with each other, however, they are not offering any, or very limited free time is what they are thinking so when you park, you are going to start paying pretty much immediately so if they were thinking maybe \$5 an hour and we are giving away two free hours, let us say in the lot, and then we would charge \$10 for the third hour and then \$20 for the fourth hour. So again, we are trying to encourage the turnover and we also have to be aware that we do not want to make it too cheap because then you are going to allow employee parking there and that really defeats the whole purpose because if employees can fill up the lot and pay some \$2 an hour, it is really not going to help business at all. So those are my thoughts.

Trustee Graham: One of the things I think, Mr. Mayor, about extending the enforcement time until midnight is that you are going to get people coming into the movies, I think that is going to be a pretty big revenue item because if people come in and go to a 4 o'clock movie, they can park at 4 and then enforcement expires at 6 so they do not have to pay any money. Taking the enforcement out later is going to make that more expensive.

Ms. Baldwin: May I make one comment. The Chase Bank lot, we have an agreement with Chase regarding the hours, so if we want to change it right now, the agreement says one hour for Chase so if we want to change that, we will have to address that with Chase as well just so the Board is aware.

Trustee Minardi: I had a comment just on the street parking and I agree with what Tiger said and Jerry as well, the one thing that I would just like to try and address is people parking not in the core but on the outskirts more toward Mary's Marvelous or you get away from the Village just a little bit, to discourage people from being able to park for 4 hours on the street, even if they can pay, because stores like Wittendale's and Mary's and all these other stores is going to have someone camped out there for 4 hours and I do not know how people are going to like that either. Making the money is great but there are a lot of people that live, there are residences in these areas where there is a car parked in front of your house for 4 hours or it could even be an employee. A lot of employees in the Village end up parking on Pleasant Lane and they park more toward that area of the Village and there are little loopholes in there as well so I think we should just keep it all as consistent as we can so that people do not find areas to park in that cheat, for argument's sake.

Mayor Larsen: I think a \$30 hit for 4 hours is going to be a pretty good, well actually it is going to be more than that, Chris, because it would be, they only get one hour for free so the second hour is going to be \$10, the third hour is going to be \$10, the fourth hour is going to be \$20, it is going to cost them \$40 bucks to park for 4 hours and if they leave it for the fifth hour, they are going to get an \$80 ticket on top of that. I do not know, I think that is a pretty good...

Trustee Minardi: I just want the street parking to be somewhat consistent whether it be everywhere or different from, call it the outskirts, however you want to call it, a little bit farther away from the Village. The other thing is, yes, you are right, I mean, I agree the cost is going to discourage people from parking there but again I do not want someone parking on the outskirts and then going to be beach for 4 hours and maybe they got to go to the beach for 4 hours for \$80, I do not know.

Mayor Larsen: Well, the nice part about it is like we have been saying about everything we do, we can change it if it is not working especially since it is an app, we can change it pretty quickly.

Trustee Minardi: I really like the fact that Sag Harbor and maybe even Southampton are leaning toward this platform as well which would be easier for residents and of the towns and the villages surrounding us that they only have to use one and they will be used to it as well so I really like this choice.

Mayor Larsen: It is also a popular app in the city.

Trustee Minardi: The other thing that I really like is the daily beach passes takes a little bit of the stress off of the administration at Village Hall and also at the beach office to not have to do that. People can use the app and it relieves some work on Village employees as well with those daily parking passes.

Trustee Brown: And the beach, the charge for parking at the beach in the evening, is there any way that we can offer Town residents perhaps that they would have either free parking in the evening or some kind of different fee than say visitors. Right now, everyone can park at the beach after 6 I believe whether you have a Village beach sticker or not but now we intend to charge until midnight. That was just a thought that I had as well.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, we thought about that too and I would say if they have a Village beach permit obviously then they would be not required to pay but again, we are going to try to keep the bathrooms open later which is going to cost extra money to keep them clean, we want to keep the beach attendants on later so that we

have no garbage on the beaches, and I think all that costs money and if we are charging some reasonable amount, I think it is fair.

Trustee Brown: So it will not be like \$10 per hour or \$20 per hour.

Mayor Larsen: I am sorry, Rose, but we have not even gotten there what I had in my mind was a \$5 an hour type fee.

Trustee Brown: Something different than the downtown.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, absolutely, yes.

Trustee Minardi: I have a question for Anthony is that is there any way to keep people from actually driving on the beach and parking their cars? Because again...

Captain Long: No.

Trustee Minardi: I am serious, if you have a four-wheel drive, why would you pay to park, they are just going to pull their car right onto the sand.

Captain Long: The Chief and I just had that discussion yesterday because I suspect people with four-wheel drives will be able to do that after six.

Trustee Minardi: And is there a way for, and again I know it might have conflict with the Trustees, but is there a way to not have cars park right on the entrance, is there any way we can divert that if it is a problem?

Captain Long: I think you could address that with the Trustees and come up with some legislation. Currently you cannot block the accesses so if somebody pulled right on and parked, that would be illegal currently but I think you can certainly make it where if you work with them to come up with some sort of legislation prohibiting people from parking right at the head of the beach possibly, but you would have to do that in coordination with the Trustees I believe.

Ms. Baldwin: Like outside of lifeguarded areas or something like that.

Trustee Graham: And Mr. Mayor was there ever any thought given to the Osborne Lane lot where we could perhaps sell monthly passes to people who work in the Village core?

Mayor Larsen: I know Rose had brought that up a while ago and I thought that was a pretty good idea but we have not really explored it any further so if you have ideas with it.

Trustee Brown: My original idea, Jerry, was, there are 21 spaces there as you know and it is so underutilized, you and I have had this conversation before, we both agree on that, even if we were just to sell yearly passes to anyone who would be interested in having a parking space and knowing that it is centrally located, we could try something like that. I do not think we are able to restrict it to a certain group of people, you cannot just say for businesses in the district, I think Beth had weighed in on that for us but certainly for \$1,000 a year, three dollars and change a day, or 500, we could talk about it, but then people know they have a spot in the Village that is centrally located and that would also free up spots in the other lots where they might be parking like Schenck or Reutershan and that would help us as well. Where merchants sometimes park there and they do a shuffle and stay in the lots all day if they had a designated parking spot at Osborne, then that would free up those spaces as well so it would really have a benefit in many ways and it is not used at all.

Mayor Larsen: I think it is a great idea, we just have to see how we would advertise it, I guess we could put something in the...

Trustee Brown: You know I talked to Dave Collins and I think he has ordered some signs. I think that some people are unaware that there is parking there that is available to them.

Chief Tracey: If I could just interrupt one second. I think it is a great idea as well. One thing I would caution and we learned this basically from the railroad parking area, should someone be able to, for lack of a better term, purchase the rights to a spot and it is for a commercial, a business in that area, we would want to limit that to business hour operation because what we had with the 7 seven-day railroad parking area, we had businesses that were located out of town that were basically storing their vehicles in those spots. So, the last thing we would want would be someone that has those spots but is not even a working business within the district. So, we would not want to usurp the people in that area and have businesses from utilizing those spots by accidentally selling a spot to folks that really do not need them.

Mayor Larsen: That is a good point. Maybe we could limit it to 72-hour parking. Because what happened, what Chief is talking about, is we had CVS basically parking huge trucks in our long-term lot and it was basically a pod, it was just storage that they could not fit at their store so they were using the parking spots and they

were just moving the truck every 24 hours. I think we would want to definitely avoid that especially since it is pretty close to a residential neighborhood too.

Trustee Brown: Maybe no commercial plates? Is that something we can legislate?

Captain Long: That is already in effect in those parking lots so you could a restriction on permit purchasers saying keep in mind this law is in effect, do not purchase it if you are a commercial vehicle and you want to park there.

Mayor Larsen: The same with taxis, we would not want to see 20 taxis parked in there.

Trustee Brown: It might actually be a benefit to some of those businesses that are there because I know that they often are looking for parking for their employees as well. They might actually be interested in the parking.

Chief Tracey: And as long as it does not allow overnight parking because as we know there is nothing open in the business district overnight except for the police department.

Trustee Brown: Well thank you to Captain Long this was a great presentation and the power point, appreciate it.

Captain Long: No problem, glad I could help.

Fred Verity – Repairs: 101 Main Street / Main Beach / Sea Spray Cottages

101 Main Street

Mayor Larsen: If there no other questions, we will move on to our buildings and facilities manager, Fred Verity, he is going to talk, and just for the public's knowledge, I just want to go over 101 Main Street is a building that is owned by the Village, it is leased for a very minimal amount to the Historical Society for their use but it is the Village's responsibility to maintain this building. The second location is obviously Main Beach, that is our Main Beach pavilion, again, that is our building and it is our job to maintain it, and then we have the Sea Spray Cottages. Now the Sea Spay Cottages, if you go back in time, were part of the Sea Spray Inn, the Sea Spray Inn burned down in the 70's and then the Village acquired those cottages which we rent for a substantial amount of money every year. So, all of these buildings have been evaluated and Fred has a report for us so go ahead, Fred.

Mr. Verity: Good morning, first of all I want to start with 101 Osborne Jackson house which is currently housing four employees from the Historical Society and they are basically, they have been in there for quite a few years, the building is in need of much needed infrastructure repairs. That is what I am presenting today to the Board to go out to bid the first phase of the project and we would like to be able to move ahead at least with the first phase. The second and third phase we can do maybe in the next year. That is basically it, it is an infrastructure problem that we have inside. We have had Drew Bennett our engineer review this and we also have had a local builder Ronald Webb Builders actually came and looked at the job as well and gave us some insight as to what is going on there. We have a temporary shoring that is inside the building which is where we need to do the repairs so we basically have to go in and do those repairs which would take some time, probably about 30 days or more and we need to get this addressed because this building is getting older and it is in need of much needed repair. Over the years the past administrations obviously did not allocate a lot of funds to this building but we now need to address this in a much larger fashion. I am asking for quite a bit of money that is going to be needed to do the job so I am asking to do it in phases. Obviously the most important phase is the first one and that will give us some time to go out to bid for the second and third phases as well which will shore up the building, make sure the building is structurally sound and also do some outside work as well to the front porch of the building and start working on some of the aesthetics of the building. So that is what I am asking for now. We need to work on this fairly soon because we do not want to have any other issues get worse in that building. So that is where we stand with that. We have an RFP out that we have gotten from Ronald Webb Builders who has, like I said, worked very well with us and gave us some really good insight as to what is going on there along with the DPW and Drew Bennett our engineer as well. So we need to move along with this project. I would like to at least do the first phase this year and put this on immediately onto the Board which I believe it is on the Board today to be voted on to go out to bid. And then the other two phases we can do in the next year's budget. So that is where we stand with that infrastructure issue of that building.

Mayor Larsen: Fred, I have a question. I just want to, the information we are getting back is that this is going to be a substantial amount of money for the entire, all three phases or four phases.

Mr. Verity: That is correct. We are looking at a sum of almost \$300,000. I cannot tell until we actually go out to bid, it could be more, it could be less but we are looking at right now, based on an RFP, we are looking at the first phase between \$80,000 and \$100,000 but that is what we are, we are looking at a substantial amount of money, almost \$300,000 for the whole project.

Mayor Larsen: Fred, going back in time, I have talked to Maria Vann, she has been there only a few years but say over the last ten years how much work has been done on this building?

Mr. Verity: Well, we have not done a lot of work to this building. We did a structural job back in the 90's that I know of. I came on board with the Village in 1994 so we did do a new oil burner system in there, a gas burner system for heat, we have done some cosmetic work, we have done work on the roof but we have not really done a lot of structural work to this facility. It is an old building with old, it does not have much of a foundation, has old pond rock under there, it needs a lot of attention and like I said over the years, there was not very much money budgeted for this project like a lot of buildings that we have throughout the Village and we are now seeing, as they are getting up in age, we are seeing a lot more bigger projects that we are up against, that we are facing.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, as I look at the budget, and we were not involved in this budget that we are currently in, but for maintenance for that building there is only \$5,000 for the entire year of budgeting.

Mr. Verity: Yes, I am not too sure how they were budgeting that building, how they were coming up with that, I was not involved in the budget end of that facility I cannot speak for past administrations but like I said, it has been, it has been out there and it has been looked at and addressed over the years the Department of Public Works has also requested work to be done there so I am not pointing fingers but I basically can say what is in front of me right now and what needs to be addressed. That is what I want to emphasize here. We do not want the building to fall apart and then become such a problem that it is a real problem then so at this point we have to move and unfortunately you are going to be looking at a lot of money to get this project up and going.

Mayor Larsen: Just to give everybody here a background of what happened and how this even came about, I was actually in the building visiting Maria, the Executive Director there, and she showed me the fireplace in the back room where the moulding had separated from the fireplace and it really looked a little dangerous to say the least so that is when we got Drew Bennett involved and that is when the extra bracing went up and according to Drew the building is safe now that we have the bracing up but she certainly cannot operate the Historical Society...

Mr. Verity: No, not at present time. We have that whole, that whole floor is actually is all just piled up, all her contents are in piles all over the building. So that is why I said I gave you a timeframe of how we are going to do this project. If we can do the project as soon as we can, in the first phase, we can do at least the first phase and she would probably be inconvenienced for four to six weeks where we can get her at least back into the building operating and then we can start the second and third phase which would be obviously we can do that at a later time and obviously budget the monies for that as well.

Main Beach

Mayor Larsen: Okay, that is great Fred. Now we are going to move on to Main Beach and this is a little unbelievable to me. I was up at Main Beach with Fred and Marcos the other day and we were going through the building and apparently what you have to do when you go in this building is you have to make a lot of noise to make sure the raccoons are not in the same room with you. It is just unbelievable but I wanted you to hear it right from Fred, so go ahead Fred.

Mr. Verity: Okay, well let me explain it, it is a facility that is at the beach and it does not have a foundation and there are places where animals can get in and get out and it is basically closed down for the season and this is when it really happens the most is in the wintertime. Raccoons do tend to get in there and other critters. We have feral cats that are up there that we have chased out. The other day I was not sure if it was a raccoon or a feral cat but they are up there and we have to periodically chase them around and get them out of there and we can get that addressed I think fairly simply. One of the problems we have up there is we have feral cat colony that has been up there for many, many years and they seem to have, the people that are feeding these animals up there, are doing a great job of taking care of the cats up there but they have now seemed to have strayed over to our buildings and put food underneath the buildings. What happens is when you start feeding for one animal you might have more than one type of animal there. So that is what, first we should do right away is stop that and make that a policy that they cannot do that on our property. That would be the first thing we should do. Basically, you just go and shore up where they are accessing, raccoons and feral cats in the building and plus down under the building there is a lot of equipment that is still down there, plumbing and access, very hazardous for anybody who has to climb down there or crawl down there for that matter and plus you are obviously going through all this other stuff that is down there. So, I have witnessed it there, I just witnessed it the other day and we have now put a lock on the one access point for people not to get under there. Hopefully they will get the hint and maybe we can put some signage down there that says no trespassing. So that is one of the big problems there with that.

Mayor Larsen: Well I am really worried about the raccoons though because...

Mr. Verity: Yes, you do not want to mess with one.

Mayor Larsen: Not only that getting up into the building there, without a doubt they are going to cause damage, they are going to leave behind things that are, you know, not healthy.

Mr. Verity: I agree.

Mayor Larsen: But why has not...

Mr. Verity: Well like I said we can fix that very simply by blocking them off and stopping the food from going down there. That is really all I can say about that. We are working on the gas main under that building as well to get that replaced so that will be coming up to the Board very shortly.

Mayor Larsen: So, without the, according to Fred, without that new gas main, we cannot open the Chowder Bowl.

Mr. Verity: No, you cannot. The system has been shut down by, we had a leak there back in June and we repaired it, we repaired one leak but we found several other leaks under the building so at that point, due to COVID, we shut the whole system down and that is when we found out from National Grid that by their recommendations that we really go and look at this whole system being replaced. It has not been replaced in quite a few years, it has been replaced before, but I am talking about at least ten years and with the salt and the elements down there, it just eats the plumbing up.

Mayor Larsen: Did you shut the gas down to the building in June?

Mr. Verity: That is correct.

Mayor Larsen: So that means we had no hot water for the showers?

Mr. Verity: We were not allowed, we were not using the showers in the bathrooms. The only thing that was open in the bathrooms was supposed to be just the public bathrooms, men's and ladies' bathrooms, the showers were not utilized. If somebody was using it, they were getting a cold shower.

Mayor Larsen: Well, it is still bad; how do you wash your hands with no hot water in the middle of a COVID crisis.

Mr. Verity: I agree but like I said based on the circumstances and we are working on an RFP for that project as well so that will be forwarded to you guys very soon.

Trustee Minardi: How long is it going to take to fix the gas, Fred?

Mr. Verity: Not long, you are talking about a week, less than a week to probably do all the plumbing and dig out, they have to do a digging underneath the building but it is not a big project. We are talking two hot water heaters and we are talking a couple of gas stoves in the Chowder Bowl but it is not a big project.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Mr. Verity: It is probably going to take longer to get National Grid to hook us up and approve everything and that paperwork more than it will to actually do the physical labor but I should have an RFP for you guys very shortly, probably within the next two days.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, let us go onto the next mess.

Sea Spray Cottages

Mr. Verity: Well Sea Spray Cottages and Georgica I would like to defer over to David Collins, he knows a lot more about it, I have only been really coming into this and seeing what is going on over there in the last two months so if David can pick this up, that would be great.

Mr. Collins: Yes, thank you Fred. So DPW has pretty much handled the handyman repairs along with the beach crew handyman who does it during the summer. We take care of minor repairs at Sea Spray; we have a budget for the 12 units of \$25,000 and we are significantly beyond minor repair in some places there. They had started a roof replacement program a number of years ago before I came on, it got stopped for some reason so I believe only one or two units were re-roofed and the remainder of the units need roofs, we have chimney issues, we are trying to figure out whether we can abandon the chimneys or we have to rebuild the chimneys because it is in a historical district so we may have to keep the chimneys in place depending upon what the historical preservation rules are so you are looking at that type of thing. We are dealing with the same issues there that we deal with at the Pavilion. It is a harsh environment, salt environment, and constantly getting beaten by wind and rain and salt spray so it takes a toll on exterior sidings, the trim, the soffits, everything needs paint, we have a lot of rot issues because of the moisture in the area, decks, we are constantly chasing deck boards there. We have replaced deck boards for a number of years, we are probably getting at the point where we have to look at the structural integrity of the decks. You have two back porches

that have structural issues at units 1 and 2 and probably the biggest issue is unit 14, the foundation there is, I am not sure whether it is on locust posts or on concrete piers, but that building is pretty much almost in the soil. There is a very, very small area for the guys to get under to do plumbing repairs and it has been recommended that that has a foundation done. And of course, we are in a coastal zone there so to do a foundation on a building like that, I am really not sure what we run into with requirements for putting foundations in. It could be quite an extensive job to meet DEC and coastal engineering requirements. Typical issues there that we are finding with everything. We have just kind of been patching stuff together for a number of years and we are just getting to the point now where things are catching up to us and we need to address some of the major issues.

Mayor Larsen: All right. Lots of good news. Hey Fred, do you have any other, I know we did not have...

Mr. Verity: No, can I hold on the EMS building and do another presentation because that is quite large and I do not have it altogether.

Mayor Larsen: No, that is fine. I know you have been trying to get hurricane windows for the last ten years.

Mr. Verity: Yes, that is part of it but okay. I do not want to bore everybody to death. So mainly we are just looking at the 101 Osborne Jackson house and then probably the next Board Meeting we will be asking about the gas onset for the Main Beach Pavilion. So we will take care of the critter issues at Main Beach.

Mayor Larsen: Fred, I spoke to, well you told me that this has been years, I do not know why it has not been addressed.

Mr. Verity: Like I said, they have always been pretty good, the people that take care of those animals, they have always been over away from the Village owned property but I believe what they do is when things quiet down at the Beach, that is when they start moving over and obviously the animals want to move over.

Mayor Larsen: I am worried about the raccoons getting into the building.

Mr. Verity: Like I said, we can take care of that, we will deal with that.

Mayor Larsen: Marcos, just gave me an update, I spoke to him earlier, he spoke to Dell Collum who is going to go down there shortly.

Mr. Verity: I can meet with him, that is not a problem and we can make sure somebody is monitoring this and making sure it does not, but like I said, if you bring food, they will come that is why we need to nip the food issue right now.

Mayor Larsen: Okay. Thanks Fred.

Mr. Verity: All right, thank you.

Chief Tracey and Brian Lester – Legislative Changes

Mayor Larsen: Next up was Chief Tracey and Brian Lester but we are going to table that. We had some questions about that so we are going to table that whole discussion for today.

101 Main Street / Main Beach / Sea Spray Cottages

Trustee Minardi: Can I chime in for one second.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, go ahead Chris.

Trustee Minardi: With these structures whether it be the historical house, Main Beach, Sea Spray or Georgica building we really need to put together a long-term plan whether it be a maintenance plan or some type of road maps so that us and future administrations do not get blind sighted by some of these major upgrades because these are big deals. This is not just regular maintenance and having to piece together issues with emergency repair and have DPW go down there and fix things is really not the right way to go about this. Each one of these structures that the Village owns needs a plan. I would rather budget a little bit more money each year than come back and someone needing 300, 400, \$500,000 to fix something just does not make any sense to me. I just cannot believe that there is not a normal procedure for the cottages especially and Main Beach to say hey every two years we need to do this, or every couple of years we need to redo that. We have to talk about it and put together some type of road map to make sure that these assets that the Village owns are covered and they are being maintained properly. It is upsetting because then you get stuck with a big bill.

Mayor Larsen: That is the problem we have been finding with everything in the Village that it has not been maintained and that is part of the whole issue. I was talking to Bistran about Town Pond and if we had been maintaining Town Pond with hand rakes each year, we probably would not be looking at a dredging right now. So, it all comes back to a plan, it all comes back to a yearly maintenance and it just has not been done, and

Fred can attest to that so we need to definitely get on the right page here and start coming up with a whole plan. The problem is we are just facing so many problems all at once, we will get it done, but it is just going to take a little work on all our part.

Trustee Graham: I agree with Chris about setting up a capital plan road map and how to deal with this especially with all the structures at the beach that get sandblasted every time the wind blows. We have to keep on top of this.

Mayor Larsen: These are our bread and butter. The beaches, the Sea Spray Cottages, these things all make us a lot of money and just to let it fall apart it is just discouraging. I do not want to waste any more time on this.

Trustee Brown: I think we are all in agreement that a comprehensive maintenance plan and improvement plan too in some instances for the repairs is we need a road map to go ahead and to do it in a fiscally, manageable way will be our challenge. We spoke earlier about paid parking, that is one of the ways that I think we are hoping to garner some revenue to pay for some of these improvements whether it is wastewater treatment system or other things, we are lucky that we have a capital reserve fund and some cash on hand to make improvements when something that is unforeseen comes up. This is the first time I am hearing about 101 Main Street and the repairs that are needed and we certainly want to make sure that is a safe building for the Historical Society and do what we need to do, and in the other instances too, I am sure at Main Beach, the rodent problem, the raccoon problem will be addressed and I was not aware there was no hot water at Main Beach to be honest because of the main so that is something we want to, for sure, get done.

Trustee Minardi: Rose, I was taking cold showers all summer.

Trustee Brown: Well we were not supposed to be in the pavilion so as people who visit the beach so I was unaware.

Centennial Year - Honoring Past Mayors at Village Street

Mayor Larsen: So let us go on to discussion. I had a proposal that I am trying to put forward to honor the past Mayors of the Village of East Hampton for the last 100 years so there are 11 past Mayors that I would like to honor by honorarily naming the street that they resided on while they presided over the Village. And I would like to start in reverse order when we do this and I would like the first presentation to take place in January and we would be honoring Paul Rickenbach by renaming or additionally naming Maidstone Avenue and it would just be a sign, I am sure you have all seen these, they do them in the City, they do them in other communities, and basically it is just an ornamental sign that goes below the street sign and it would have the dates of service and his name, and I think it would be a really nice tribute especially during our centennial to do something like this for all the past Mayors and it would also help people learn about the history of our Village. So, in your packet was provided a list of the 11 Mayors that we would be doing and I would like to do one each month starting in January with Paul and then working down the list back to our first Mayor, or President as Hugh said, Jonathan Baker. So anybody have any thoughts or comments?

Trustee Graham: I think it is a great idea Mayor. The only question I had when the signs go up, do they go up just for that one month or do they go up and stay up throughout the year.

Mayor Larsen: No, I was thinking we would leave them up permanently, forever.

Trustee Graham: Okay.

Trustee Minardi: I like the idea. I think it is very nice.

Trustee Brown: I agree, it is a nice tribute to the past Mayors.

Mayor Larsen: All right, thanks, so we will put it on...

Trustee Brown: There will be the name of the street and then underneath that will be the name of the Mayor that had resided on that street?

Mayor Larsen: We kind of had one mocked up so it would be, you have the green street sign, it would say Maidstone Avenue, then below that somehow Dave is going to come up with an ornamental looking sign, maybe it is brown with gold writing or something like that, it would say Hon, for honorable, Paul F. Rickenbach Jr. and then his dates as Mayor and with his dates of service.

Mr. King: I just want you to know, there is a street named after Judson Bannister but it is on the way out of the Village and it just says Judson Lane and that is really not that great so I think you should do another one with the name Judson Bannister on it where he lived, okay?

Mayor Larsen: Yes.

Mr. King: That is all I wanted to say.

Mayor Larsen: No, I agree. And then Hugh, you would be a big part of this obviously because I would like you to be at the dedication and give the history of the street, of the Mayor of the Village and obviously the family would be there, I think it would be a really nice tribute.

Mr. King: Great idea, I am in so let me know when.

Ms. Baldwin: Can I just make one comment too. Just so everybody is clear and you alluded to it but it is not going to change people's addresses, everybody is still going to live on the street that they are on, this is just a supplement tribute, so nobody's address is going to change.

Mr. King: Everybody gets their mail at the post office, don't they in the Village?

Mayor Larsen: Correct. Beth is correct, we are not changing the street name at all.

Mr. King: No, you don't want to. Great idea, thank you.

Paid Parking Zones and Times

Mayor Larsen: Thanks Hugh. The paid parking zones and times, I think we have gone over this already, right, we are pretty much along the same page. Yes?

Trustee Graham: Yes.

Trustee Minardi: Yes.

Trustee Melendez: Yes.

Crosswalk at Library and Guild Hall

Mayor Larsen: I have gotten several requests, one from the Library, one from Guild Hall, and one from Maria Vann about installing a crosswalk from the Library to Guild Hall. I know we have talked about this, or the previous Boards have talked about this, and have not attempted to get it done. I wanted to poll the Board and see if we could request it from the State and see if we can get it done because it is a very popular area when we are not in COVID and it would be nice to have some sort of safety walk across the street. I am certainly not in favor of a traffic light or anything like that there but I would like to see some sort of pedestrian walk across the road. Maria Vann also said they do a lot of walking tours and there is no safe way to cross the street. I know that we have school tours that show up there and they, lots of times the Police Department will have to put a Police Officer up there to get the school kids across so I think we might not want to change that but this would be a good supplement, I think. Anybody object?

Trustee Graham: I think it is a great idea. If we can find a way to have it done safely, I think it would be well used.

Mayor Larsen: I am going to ask the Chief to make the request to the State and then they will do their investigation, they will tell us if they can do it or not, since it is a State highway, we have to go through the State of New York.

Trustee Brown: It has been brought up several times. I had thought we had approached the State before about it but certainly I would be all for a crosswalk in that vicinity. I have noticed that there are people measuring in that area, doing some surveying and so forth. Do you know what that pertains to, it just occurred to me?

Mayor Larsen: I do not other than maybe the traffic circle they have been talking about.

Chief Tracey: Rose, if I could, just real quick, what I did, last year or a little more than a year ago, I met with the Regional Director with the prior Board and we talked about that intersection and one of the things that the State was working on and I believe they have been in contact with Drew Bennett, they are working on totally re-engineering that intersection or looking for ways to suggest re-engineering that intersection. One of the things as the Mayor alluded to was a possibility of a traffic circle. We have no idea whether that would be feasible, whether it would work, how safe it would be. What I did do yesterday is I called the government relations office at DOT and there is a young employee there that I occasionally speak with and I let them know a letter may be coming which now that the Board has given the okay, I will be sending that letter today, but I let them know that while they are studying this intersection, we may be asking for a crosswalk in the area but as I think as most of you can imagine a crosswalk there, we are certainly going to need their expertise as to whether it is going to be able to be done safely, whether it is advisable, or whether they are just going to flat out deny it. So it has a lot of issues attached to it. It is a hazardous place to cross the road. When we do man it, on occasion such as for high volume times such as the Film Festival, we light up the street and as you know we use light towers and anything short of a light tower or a high voltage light over the roadway on both James Lane Extension and right over a crosswalk should it go in front of that Library, it would have to be lit up very

heavily without a doubt. So that would have to be a component of any plan. It has to be like daylight for that to occur and safely, no shadows, no darkness but at any rate, it is for them to decide I would venture to say but we will get it studied and we will get the word out today.

Food Trucks at Village Beaches

Mayor Larsen: Yes, good. Thanks Mike. Food trucks at the beaches. Who wants to tackle that? Chris?

Trustee Minardi: I go first? Honestly Main Beach is not part of the discussion because of the concession and the Chowder Bowl. I do not know what anyone else thinks about off season but I do not think a food truck would want to do it because there would not be a lot of business but I am in favor of something at Georgica and Two Mile. I know there is a demand for it and how we allow it or what everyone else thinks about it I am eager to find out but I am in favor of some type of vendor with water or food, beverages, something for the beach goers because I do know that they want it and I have witnessed a couple of times an ice cream truck up at one of those beaches and it was well received so I am open to see what everyone else thinks but I am in favor of it as long as it was done right and was able to be managed correctly. The residents are very protective of Georgica Beach and Two Mile and they want to make sure that it is quiet, they want to make sure it is a family beach, and you know you have to keep them in consideration but I do think that these beaches have bathrooms, these beaches are very popular, and I think allowing a little bit of service there is a good idea. I am interested in seeing what everyone else thinks.

Trustee Graham: I think it is something we should seriously consider and I think that the public will let us know when we have a hearing on it.

Trustee Melendez: I agree. As long as it is regulated and we let the public give us their input, I think we should go for it.

Mayor Larsen: What about you, Rose?

Trustee Brown: Yes, I am open to it as well.

Mayor Larsen: Why do we not put it on, create a law Beth, and let us put it on for...

Ms. Baldwin: I do not think you need a law, the way the Town does it, people do an RFP, they have to submit to get the road ends and they do a license with the vender...

Mayor Larsen: How would we go about then, I would like to have a public, so no public hearing would be necessary then, is what you are saying?

Ms. Baldwin: No. You could schedule something like this that you are going to discuss it, that you want public comment before the Board moves forward with it.

Mayor Larsen: I think we should get public comment, I totally agree. People have different perceptions of food trucks and we want to make sure that we are doing this the right way. I would suggest that if we are going to do this that we start with a pilot program, we just do one beach this summer and my suggestion would be Two Mile Hollow because it is a huge beach and we just start slowly and see what the reaction is. That is just my thought.

Trustee Melendez: I have a question. Does not the Code ban any selling of food in the streets? So I think we should be amending the Code in order to allow this?

Ms. Baldwin: I think we can look at, let us do public comment first and then see where we go from there. We do not want to change the Code to then find out that the public does not want to do it.

Trustee Brown: Agreed.

Trustee Melendez: That works.

Trustee Minardi: I agree as well and I do not know what the Town charges for their licensing, Beth, do you know what the Town charges for the licenses at their beaches?

Ms. Baldwin: I do not know the specific numbers but I know the people, I think it is a good amount of money. I do not know the specific numbers but I think people put in bids for the spots. I think they are highly desirable. Obviously, the Town has a lot more, they do them not only at the beach ends and in parking lots, if you go to Montauk, you can see them, there is one in the IGA beach parking lot there, basically at all the beaches, bay beaches as well. I know Sammy's is down at the one at Gosman's beach there. They are popular.

Mayor Larsen: So how do we get public input on this if we are not going to have a public hearing? How do we advertise...

Ms. Baldwin: You can put something in the paper saying the Board is looking for public comment on this proposal to have food trucks or whatever you want to call them at, we are going to start out with one beach and what does the public think. We are looking to find out your opinions that this is something that the residents are interested in.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, so we will move forward on that, if everyone is in agreement so we will try move forward and get some public input and hopefully we will be successful. I mean I certainly do not want...

Ms. Baldwin: The Board is going to have a discussion on whatever your meeting date, pick your meeting date, this is the day we are going have the discussion, please either submit in writing, send emails, or appear to discuss this matter.

Trustee Brown: You have such a good point that people are very protective of their beaches and have very strong opinions about the beaches so I think it is really important that we put this forward as a discussion, as we have done with other things that do not require or that we are going to put to a public hearing but we want to develop the language in a way that garners public input first and I think we should walk before we run and just consider one beach with a food truck before we, it is always easier to add, it is more difficult to take away once you have started something.

Mayor Larsen: I agree 100 percent and none of us here are looking to do anything that the residents are not going to be happy with so I agree we take it slow, and, you know, this is all new for everybody so we should just, and again, no one here is looking to have one in our parking lots and our grocery stores, we are trying to make it a convenience for the people who are attending the beach. That is the bottom line.

Trustee Brown: It might be an amenity that people really, really want and have wanted for a while, we will hear from them, or not.

Mayor Larsen: Great. So, the next thing on the agenda were repairs at 101 and we kind of went over all that so I do not know if there is more needed on that, is everybody good? We are going to get the RFP and we are going to move forward.

Dumpster Fees

Mayor Larsen: Dumpster fees. I was meeting with Sag Harbor and going over some of their codes with them and they actually charge. So, if somebody is going to do maintenance or construction on one of their buildings and they are going to encumber one or two or three or five parking spots for a dumpster, they charge a \$50 a day fee for each parking spot that is encumbered. They found that it really helps to speed the project along because people do not want to be paying the fees to drag it on. Like for us, we do not charge anything, and the dumpsters may stay there for an extra length of time. It is just a thought and just looking for input.

Trustee Minardi: I like it, I mean if we are going to charge someone 30 or \$40 to park for four hours in a parking lot, I think the fee should be somewhat in line with that because, again, these dumpsters take up multiple spots and they are not, they are left there for too long possibly. So I would be in favor of that.

Trustee Graham: I think anything that creates an incentive to have these things gone because people will just leave them there if it does not cost them anything, they will leave them as long as they want. I think we can create an incentive for them to be removed as quickly as possible.

Mayor Larsen: Sounds like everybody is in agreement?

Trustee Melendez: Yes.

Mr. Collins: Mayor, I think also in that legislation I saw from Sag Harbor, they also have them encumbering the sidewalk and I think that would be an important thing to include, not only the parking space but the sidewalk so if somebody is going to do a façade improvement, they are going to set staging up on the sidewalk or get one of these mobile telehandlers that they park on the sidewalks that this would be a way to encourage them to get that project done and not take up sidewalk space that pushes the people out into the street to walk around the sidewalk. It puts the pedestrians in an unsafe position.

Trustee Graham: I agree.

Mayor Larsen: Beth, you will do something with that?

Chief Tracey: We spoke the other day also about the alleys as we had a complaint recently...

Mayor Larsen: That I asked Beth to put in a different section of law that we are creating. We are going to require, what we are going to bring forward and ask the Board to pass a law that is going to require store property owners to maintain their buildings, to maintain the sidewalks in front or adjacent to their buildings, clear the snow, things like that. So Sag Harbor again, we are looking at Sag Harbor because Sag Harbor already has this legislation and what we were thinking of doing was putting that, exactly what you were going to say,

Chief, into this legislation as well and this is a letter in today's Star and Christine Clark, who owns the Knitting Store in one of the alleys is very upset and I spoke to her on the phone that the neighboring building shut down the public alley and she could not get to her store and lost a day's sales out of there. So what we are going to do is put into this legislation even if it does not require a Building Permit, the Village must be notified when any substantial maintenance has to be done on a building so that we can evaluate the situation and if they are going to close a public portion of the sidewalk, that needs to be cleared through us and not just done and then we are trying to play catch-up. I asked Beth if she can incorporate that into that law but I think that is what you were going to say, right Chief? I did not mean to cut you off.

Chief Tracey: Exactly.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, beautiful. That is a different law.

SWPPP Fees

Mayor Larsen: Now we are going to this law, Beth brought this up at one of our staff meetings so I am going to let you talk about it, Beth.

Ms. Baldwin: This is the, they call them SWPPP fees which stands for Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan which is a requirement that the DEC requires for when you are doing more than an acre's worth of work on your property to make sure that stormwater is accounted for, basically so you are not sending stormwater onto all your neighbors and adjusting the topography in a way that creates problems whether it for be other waterbodies, for your neighbors, so it is an encompassing plan that is reviewed by our engineer who makes sure that it is a plan that will work and it gets signed off by the Village. Currently our fees for reviewing the plan, we charge an application fee of \$500 plus a review fee of .10 per square foot of area of the proposed site disturbed. As you can imagine, some of these fees can sometimes be large. In looking at other jurisdictions, it seems that most jurisdictions either have some sort of flat rate fee or they specifically bill the engineer for the time and then the applicant would pay that amount. In discussions with our Village Engineer we came to the conclusion that the flat rate fee would probably work better here and he has suggested that the flat rate fee of \$2,000 would encompass his time and everything that it would take to review these plans along with an application fee included in that and so that this way we would just be charging that flat rate fee. So this proposal would be to draft a new local law that would revise the application fee for this SWPPP. So that is why this is on the agenda.

Mayor Larsen: Just to highlight the issue, other jurisdictions, we would still be the highest fee out of all the other jurisdictions that surround us but the fee we were charging and like Beth had explained that you really have to be able to tie the fee to an actual work time and tie it to something other than just a fee. So, using a recent complainant about it, they were paying \$25,000 for this fee as opposed to what we are saying is \$2,000 because it is .10 per square foot or something like that for the review. I reached out to Drew and he said his fee would not change, he is going to be somewhere about \$1,000. So, to be charging a resident a crazy fee of \$25,000 for something that is costing us \$1,000 for the engineer and our administrative costs, I just thought was, and Beth actually pointed out that if somebody challenged us, we would probably be in hard shape to justify what we were charging. So that is why this all came about.

Trustee Graham: Makes sense to me.

Mayor Larsen: I am the last guy that wants to cut fees but if we cannot justify it, we have to be reasonable. All right, I think that concludes our work session meeting so now we are going to go into the regular meeting and if, June, you could read the resolutions.

Ms. Lester: Sure. Resolution number 1 – Notice for public hearing to be held on December 18, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. via video conference, Introductory #7-2020, to add a stop sign on Accabonac Road at the intersection with Collins Avenue.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Mayor Larsen: Second?

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 2 – Notice to bidders for the Osborne Jackson House/101 Main Street repair project Phase 1 with the bid opening to be held Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 3 – Notice to Bidders for recycling service with the bid opening to be held on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

Mayor Larsen: We have to, let me just explain this, this should have been in our discussion, we did not bring it up, we realize that we do not do any recycling in our Village so actually the cans that we have at Main Beach and all our beach heads that say recycle on them, actually go into one big pile, and then go to an incinerator. We are not doing any recycling at all, and I find that a little disturbing. So, we have reached, Sandra spearheaded this as well and reached out to some vendors and we can actually get recycled cans picked up twice a week and brought to an actual recycling center where they will sort the materials and then actually do recycling. So not only would we have recycled cans, we would actually be doing recycling. That is where this all came up from so, we would like to put out an RFP to see if we can get the best price possible for this service.

Trustee Graham: I will make that motion.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 4 – Adopt Resolution 72-2020 to authorize the transfer of the balance in the Chase Money Market account to NYCLASS (New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Security System) at a higher interest rate.

Mayor Larsen: I am just going to ask Marcos to comment on this before we pass.

Mr. Baladrón: The Board is just seeking a higher interest rate on that. Right now, we are getting .03 at our Chase Money Market account and by transferring it back, I think Larry Cantwell moved it years ago when the opposite was true, and now we are just simply moving it back but I think it is .09 right now as of this morning.

Mayor Larsen: All right, great. Motion?

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 5 – Authorize the Mayor to execute the Town of East Hampton Water Quality Improvement Project Funding Award in the amount of \$191,500.00 for the Town Pond Environmental Dredging Project.

Trustee Brown: So moved.

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 6 – Authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement with Park Mobile for the parking enforcement system.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Ms. Lester: Number 7 – Accept Daniel Munoz and Juliette Logie as new probationary members of the Ambulance Association.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried. I would like to welcome them aboard. Is that it, June?

Ms. Lester: That is it.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, I am going to open again for public comment. Jody, do we have anybody?

Mr. Gambino: Currently there are no callers on the line.

Mayor Larsen: Okay we will wait a couple of minutes or a minute, if nobody signs on then we are going to close the meeting and then we are going to go into another meeting.

Ms. Baldwin: Executive Session.

Mayor Larsen: I will do it when we are ready, I will make the announcement, do not worry, I am not going to mess it up.

Drive-In Movies

Trustee Melendez: While we wait, I just wanted to talk a little bit, this year we are not going to have the Santa Parade so, since COVID, we are not able to do the Santa Parade, so the Village and the East Hampton Chamber of Commerce were trying to get something set up for drive-in movies so I just want to let people know to check on the website for East Hampton Chamber so maybe we can get some dates and some information. Go and put your email there and you will get the dates and information when we are trying to do the movies.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, actually Sandra is working on getting these movies through the Chamber of Commerce, no cost to us and then we would issue a permit, all COVID compliant, and we would use Lot 2 at Main Beach to project the movie. So we are looking forward to that, hopefully that comes to be, but we will find out shortly I would assume, right?

Trustee Melendez: Yes.

Mayor Larsen: Great. Any callers Jody?

Mr. Nower: Mr. Mayor this is actually Jason Nower over here at LTV, I want to let you know there are no callers but soon we are going to have to re-set our system and get it ready for the Town Board meeting that is coming up soon if that is possible.

Mayor Larsen: We are wrapping up right now. I am just going to close the...

Mr. Nower: Thank you so much.

Mayor Larsen: I am going to ask for a motion to close.

Trustee Minardi: I make a motion to close the meeting.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Ms. Baldwin: Wait, to go into Executive Session.

Mayor Larsen: We are going to close this meeting and we are going to go into Executive Session. Should there be anything that we need to talk about after the Executive Session, we will notify the Press. Can I get a motion to close?

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Trustee Minardi: Aye. **Trustee Melendez:** Aye. **Trustee Brown:** Aye. **Trustee Graham:** Aye.

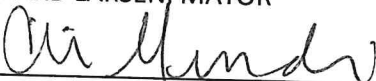
Mayor Larsen: Thank you, passed and carried. See you in Executive Session.

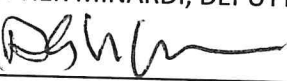
The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

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