

**VILLAGE OF EAST HAMPTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
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**Mayor Richard T. Lawler:** Welcome to the East Hampton Village Board Meeting, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Before we get started, let me just do a roll call to make sure we have everyone here. I see all of our board members: Tiger Graham, Deputy Mayor Borsack, Trustee Brown, June is here, Beth – Village Attorney, Hugh King I see. Chief Tracey – are you here?

**M. Tracey:** Yes, I'm here.

**R. Lawler:** David Collins, DPW, are you here?

**D. Collins:** Yes sir, I'm here.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., who else did I forget? Billy Hajek, are you here?

**B. Hajek:** Yes, I'm here.

**R. Lawler:** Ken Collum, are you here?

**B. Borsack:** No, he's not on.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., is he going to be on? Becky – do you know?

**R. Hansen:** I don't think so.

**R. Lawler:** Alright, and we have Laguardia Group here, ready to go?

**Ian Hanbach & Thackston Crandall:** Here, we're ready.

**R. Lawler:** Alright. Let's get started with the pledge of Allegiance please.

**All:** I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**R. Lawler:** Just a reminder, if anybody cellphone please turn them off. Alright, Mr. King, are you ready?

**H. King:** I am. Thank you Mr. Mayor. A you know, we've been talking about the 1916 polio scare in the Town of East Hampton. Everybody out in LTV Land, I'm talking about 1916, not today. There was a Health Officer in our town in 1916, Dr. Edwards. There was a Health Board in 1916. Okay. Here's what the Town Board decides to do in 1916. It was hereby ordered that no circus could operate within the Town of East Hampton without a permit from the Town Board of Health. It's ordered that all travelling peddlers are forbidden to come into the Town for the disposing of fruits or goods without a license or permit from the Health Board. It's further ordered that no rail cars with manure can be received or delivered into Town and at any station. It is also ordered that all organ grinders or other travelling musicians are forbidden to operate any musical instruments in the Town. It is also ordered that the Health Officer Dr. David Edwards be authorized to secure a location and provide the necessary accommodations for the temporary relief of patients are affected with the contagious disease. So, you can see in 1916 they were taking some extreme measures. The only other thing I want to say is I met with Landscape Details, who are going to do the gardens at Home Sweet Home and since this is maintenance we're assuming that is permissible. So they will be starting to work on the gardens at Home Sweet Home and this will make Trustee Graham happy – they all have electric leaf blowers.

**R. Lawler:** Very good. I'm glad to hear that. Thank you.

**H. King:** Thank you and have a good meeting.

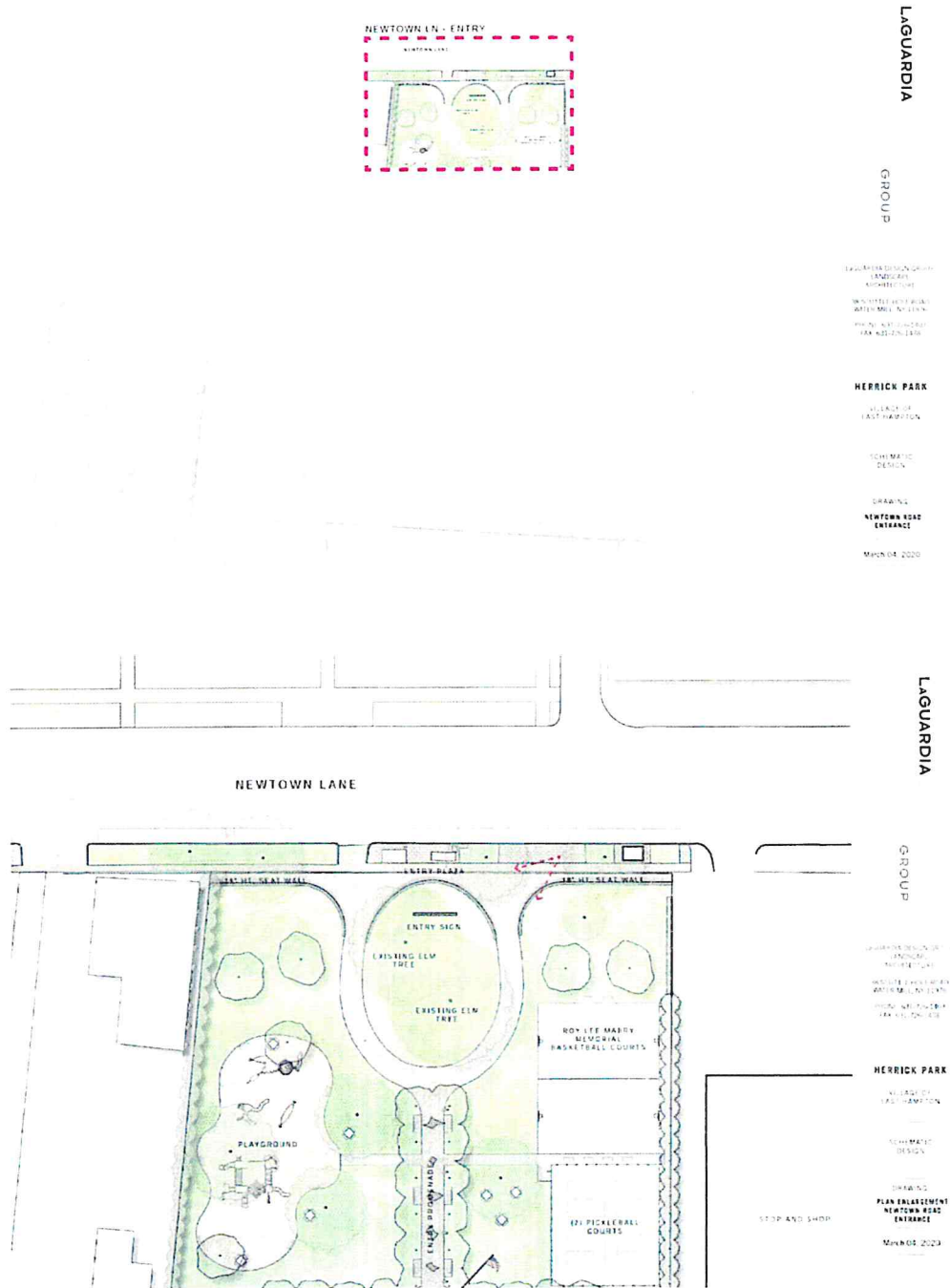
**R. Lawler:** You too. Thank you. O.K. First of all. Let me apologize for the change in time, we had a little bit of a mix-up and there was a conflict, so obviously we changed our time for three o'clock. I hope everyone got the message and everybody that want s to tune-in is tuned-in. As we go through discussions, just to let you know, it'll be on the screen, but you'll have the ability to call in when the time is right, and the number is 351-888-6331. First on the discussion is the Herrick Park Design Plan Presentation by the Laguardia Group.

**HERRICK PARK DESIGN PLAN PRESENTATION – LAGUARDIA GROUP  
IAN HANBACH AND THACKSTON CRANDALL OF THE LAGUARDIA GROUP**

**I. Hanbach:** Zack, could you bring up that screen? Good. Everyone in the audience, Mr. Mayor, Board, hope everyone's doing well and safe. Id like to start by acknowledging what a difficult time this is, but also how communities have come together for one another during crisis and if nothing else I will come away from today's presentation with how heartening it has been to see how communities have come together and celebrate we were able to overcome the struggle. As you recall from our initial presentation, our team has completed an extensive existing conditions inventory analysis in the park. We think we can use that analysis to develop an initial concept design. The culmination of that design was a public presentation that was made to the community at the East Hampton Middle School back in December. Both during and following that

presentation we received a lot of great constructive feedback and you'll see a lot of that has been folded into this new iteration. In addition to reviewing the plan changes, our talented team has put together beautiful 3D views of key areas within the park and as we walk you through the proposal design we're going to be able to show you how all those spaces are going to look and feel. I do ask that we hold off all questions to the end of the presentation, so we can certainly circle back to any slides or views that anyone wants to review in more detail.

The first area we are going to look at is the Newtown Lane Entry Plaza. Some of the feedback that we received for this area was to introduce seating around the playground in the court areas to reduce the visual impact of the courts from Newtown Lane without compromising safety and security of course. To create a stronger connection to the Middle School crosswalk and to reduce the number of pickleball courts – there were previously three, now those are down to two. We also provided ADA compliant access to all the play areas and courts, not just in this area but throughout the park. You'll see in the first 3D view how we were able to create a sense of arrival into the park. We introduced a sign underneath the canopy of those existing stately elms and we struck a balance, really, between the hardscapes, the paving and the greenery and plantings, creating a space for classes to gather or members to sit on the wall.



Next area that we looked at was our extension of the entry plaza, the entry promenade, which is really a space that links various nodes of the park together. The play area – the courts – that main plaza and ends on a flag on promontory that overlooks the ball fields. The main change in this area, as you will see, is that the football is now oriented on access with that L.A. down the promenade – this rotated football field is now regulation size for high school play. Which will allow the school to play a portion of home games in the park, which we are very excited about. You can see, we've got a couple of views of the L.A., but this is really about a procession. You move through the L.A., through the seating, by the courts, by the play areas out to that flag and then that flag really serves as a physical and civic center to the park. You can see in the next view how it commands a view out over that promontory to the ball field. The key aspects of the design were the walking paths, in addition to being an integral part of the circulation network through the park, we also mentioned in the presentation we see them as an opportunity to create chance encounters – happen upon a rugby game or a tennis match and be able to have a conversation about it with members of the community.



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You can see how in the next view, which is looking back from the tennis courts out to that field that these open field areas can only serve a multitude of uses. Space where you could see someone fly a kite, have a game of football, have a game of tag or you could just sit on a blanket as the group in the foreground is and do nothing at all.



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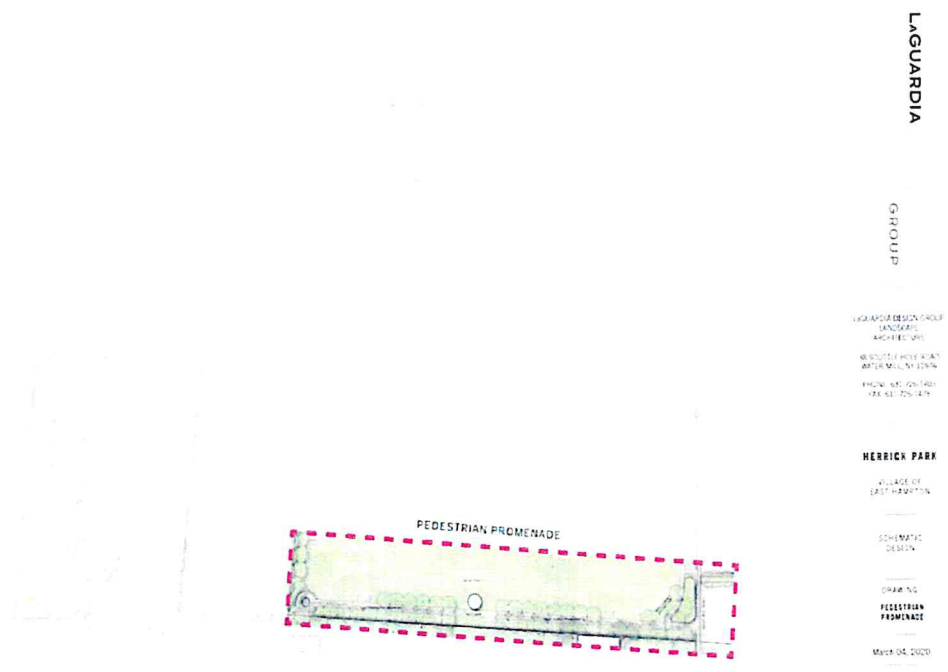
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Last area we will look at is the southern promenade and drop-off to the Reutershan Parking Lot. Some may view the drop-off as a sort of unceremonious component of the park plan, but as a parent I can appreciate how important that function is. In addition to acting as an entry corridor to that south promenade, which is going to link Main Street to the long-term parking lot, it also acts as a hub for parents and coaches to drop their children off and drop off equipment before the game and then out to the ball fields.



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In this next view, we developed a raised planter seating wall here as well. Another sign that marks the entrance to the park and that promenade and this area can serve as a spot again to sit and look out over the park underneath the shade trees. You can sit on the inside edge of that planter wall and take in a basketball game again, sitting in the shade, or somebody could sit on those sitting walls and wait to be picked-up by their parents. It's also a connector that leads over to the privy and the tennis court, so it becomes a very important circulation hub back to Main Street.



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Last thing that we really started to look at was the phasing plan. There's obviously a focus elsewhere in the Village right now, but there's going to be a time where we have to think about timing and logistics and obviously funding for this park. This schematic plan represents just an initial approach to how the park plan could be implemented. It may be that there are more phases than this and maybe that we stage it differently, but the idea is to potentially develop the ball fields in phase 1. Mobilization to develop the entry corridor is its own mobilization so that uses on the ballfield can stay intact during the season for the school, maybe for an opening the entry plaza could get moved to phase 1, I mean those are discussions that we're going to have to have.



We would just like to say how much we've enjoyed this design process. Our initial meetings with board members, engaging with the key staff in the Village – Dave and his team, amongst others and then recently the community dialogue following our presentation – being very clear to us how excited everyone is about the prospect of achieving the park's potential and really creating a jewel in the center of the Village. We appreciate the opportunity to work with the Village to try to achieve that goal, and we're excited about what the future holds for this park.

So with that, we'll open it up to comments – if anybody would like to see another view we can certainly go back and discuss those in more detail.

**R. Brown:** I've just got..

**R. Lawler:** You have questions, go ahead.

**R. Brown:** I just want to say Thank you for putting the presentation on today, virtually. It was scheduled for sometime in March, obviously things took a turn that we didn't see coming really and I appreciate all the effort in putting it together and what we have is an extraordinary plan and we can discuss further today about how we're going to handle it. I also wanted to just thank the committee that also worked with Laguardia – we have John McGuirk from the V.P.S., the L.V.I.S., we have Oliva Brooks and Anne Thomas, and the Garden Club, Beverly Kazickas, and we have Sara Minardi from the East Hampton School to represent the East Hampton School District to represent as well as Molly Mamay as High School Senior who also gave her input along the way. And of course as well as just mentioned the village department heads – Chief Tracey, Dave Collins, Billy Hajek and everyone else involved. We really appreciate all of the input because everyone is a stakeholder here and they all had a different view and opinion and brought something to the table. What we have today is really a compilation of all of that, so Thank you to everyone for working on this project together.

**R. Lawler:** Anyone else?

**A. Graham:** I'd just like to say that Laguardia was so easy to work with, you know, we would say what about this, how can we do that or how about this. I mean, the whole thing was so professionally handled. The committee, I think was at large, very satisfied with the plan that came in. I think this plan is wonderful and again, we may have to tweak it a little bit – I'm not exactly sure how but we did hear from a resident who lives on the corner of the park, and she is a little concerned about the noise from the playground and I told her that we had some plans we were working on that might mitigate and that we would work with her, but we're not there yet. You see where that house is – yes – that's the one right there. She is looking forward to working with us on this noise mitigation project. I don't know which of the many different ways we can go, but, I don't know – either of you guys have much experience with sound-proof fencing and things like that?

**I. Hanbach:** Sure, that would be a start. Looking at a sound attenuating fence (inaudible) vinyl or something like that and we work with sound engineers on those types of details, this may call for that again. Certainly vegetation would help, so I think it may be a number of things that work in concert to achieve that goal. As you noted, we're always open to coming up with solutions. This plan is not fait accompli. We fully expect that its going to continue to be refined and evolve and it's public feedback that will drive those kinds of changes.

**R. Brown:** Also keep in mind, we've tried to consider all the residents that surround the park and really tried to locate some of the noise-makers such as the tennis courts and the pickleball courts and the basketball courts towards the more central commercial districts, you know, adjacent to Stop & Shop there. It is a consideration of ours.

**B. Borsack:** It looks to me that these plans – the playground equipment is a little more, not as spread out as it was originally, it's a little bit further from her house. Is that true?

**R. Brown:** Correct.

**B. Borsack:** Has she seen this most recent plan at all?

**A. Graham:** I think she's probably seeing it right now Barb. She's, pardon me – Deputy Mayor. I think she was going to be watching this presentation and she was going to try to call in. So, you know, but again, anyone – you know we'll work with anyone to get the right place on these plans.

**B. Borsack:** I certainly think that the playground equipment should be better than the pickleball court and the basketball court because for the most part children, at least, you know, are gone by six or seven o'clock at night. Where basketball players can be there much later, especially in the summer. So, I think we need to work with her, but it seems like that's a better option to have the playground equipment on that side for that reason. So you know, we have to see what we can do to try to make her happy.

**A. Graham:** Her name is Amy Schulman.

**B. Borsack:** I got her e-mail, she also said something about a drive-thru and I was confused about what she means by a drive-thru.

**A. Graham:** Yeah, I didn't quite understand that either.

**B. Borsack:** Does she think that that's a road? It's not a road, just a walking path.

**A. Graham:** I think maybe she's thinking about the current driveway to the T.C.O. shed. The T.C.O. shed is going to be gone from that location.

**B. Borsack:** Yeah, I thought maybe she thought the walking path that goes so close to her corner of the property. Maybe she thought that was a drive-thru, but it really isn't – just a walking path. I don't think that should be particularly noisy – I mean, I understand street noise because I have a lot of street noise where I live and I hear people walking by – you can hear their conversations in the summer – so I totally get that that when you live so close to a commercial area that's unfortunately, part of it. Especially with people on their cellphones I have to say is worse how it used to be – single people walking or talking like they're, you know, having a conversation with someone right next to them. But I would love to see us work with her and try to make a plan that she's O.K. with.

**R. Lawler:** Right, O.K. I seem to recall something there's now a gate along Muchmore and there was a concern about pedestrians getting access to Muchmore thru that gate, or is that not the case?

**A. Graham:** It wasn't a gate Mayor. It was people squeezing between two different pieces of fence, back by her garage, and obviously, we'll fix that if it's ours, if it's not our fence we might fix it too. I don't know. We need to work with this resident to allay her concerns, and I think we all feel the need to do that.

**R. Brown:** Exactly.

**R. Lawler:** I also heard that the softball field has been eliminated or that's still on the project – I know it's still here.

**B. Borsack:** Still there, right?

**R. Brown:** I know it's still here, until we hear otherwise. I think it's best to keep it in the position that it's in as everyone knows – the school district utilizes the park for their gym classes, for recess and then their after school activities and the seventh and eighth grade sports. What the Mayor is referring to, there was some discussion that the district may be installing their own softball field and may not need the one in Herrick Park, but I think that we should plan for it at this point, unless we hear something definitive otherwise from them.

**B. Borsack:** That could change things that if they don't want the softball field that could change things.

**A. Graham:** Right. If they don't want the softball field that might be a place we could then relocate the pickleball and basketball courts down to that area which could then leave the playground back kind of where it is.

**B. Borsack:** Exactly.

**A. Graham:** And then have the area by Mrs. Schulman's house just as passive recreation.

**B. Borsack:** Right. Exactly what I was thinking if we can eliminate that, but let's not eliminate it yet.

**A. Graham:** Not yet.

**B. Borsack:** I just want to say I think Laguardia did a beautiful job. I think it's a beautiful plan and I'm excited about it. It's sad that this has been such a tough year financially. I'm not sure when we're going to be able to get this started, but I'm looking forward to it. I think it's going to be great when it's done.

**R. Lawler:** I think it's wonderful and I love hearing that fact that Laguardia was so easy to work with and You've done a fantastic job. Absolutely looks beautiful. I love it. It's great.

**A. Graham:** There is one thing I would like to talk about briefly here while on the subject of Herrick Park. Those tennis courts are in absolutely horrible physical shape. I think that they are almost unplayable – some of the cracks in the concrete around the base of the tennis court are almost an inch wide. If the ball lands on that you're going to get a funny bounce. If somebody's sneaker trips on it we may get somebody hurt and I think we need to figure out are we just going to close those courts? Are we going to demolish these? I don't really know how much use they get in the summertime.

**R. Brown:** I think that if, I think the tennis courts people would use them more often if they were in better shape. I agree with you that the condition of the m is concerning, but I would be reluctant to taking them out. I do know a lot of families, a lot of kids utilize them, I know the district utilizes them for their sports and so forth so I think that they do and I think once you know that the park needs some attention and I think that once, you know, it gets renovated it will be utilized more. I think that we all see it as having the potential to be the hub and the gem of the Village as we just talked about and not just for sporting activities, but possibly other things as well – a real gathering place. You know, there's the walking loop through the park now which I think is a great idea that LaGuardia came up with. We have the structured things of course – the playing fields and the courts, but I think it could also, you know, change in a way once it's renovated into a real gathering place for the whole community, and I'm really excited about what we have here as well.

**A. Graham:** But I think we ought to have somebody look at those courts and tell us if they think it's a liability for us for this summer.

**R. Lawler:** I would agree with that, sure. We can do that.

**R. Brown:** They are in poor condition and definitely need attention.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., anybody else with any comments before I open it up to the public? O.K., if anybody else out there has a comment that you want to call in, again, the number is 351-888-6331.

**J. Nower/LTV:** We currently have one caller on the line.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., Hello?

**A. Schulman:** Hi! This is Amy.

**R. Lawler:** Hi Amy. How are you?

**A. Schulman:** I figured out how to call. Thank you for bringing up my concerns. First of all, I think it's great that the park is going to be renovated or re-done. I think that part is great. I don't have any issue with that, but seriously, the placement of the playground will be right on top of my house and I'm a little nervous, so I'm sorry if my voice sounds shaky. I'm not good at public speaking even if it's over the phone. It's not that I'm trying to criticize the plan, at all, it's just not practical to put it there because of the residential house. Whether it's children's voices or pickleball – it doesn't matter – anything you put there is going to be way too close to a residential property. Because for fifteen years I've had this house there's been nothing there, that sort of makes a precedent for me as the happy homeowner. I sell real estate in New York City and as soon as I see a playground right outside an apartment window on top of the school roof I know that lowers the value of that apartment. It's just too noisy during the day – it may not be as bad as you think, but as the sun does stay out until nine o'clock in the summer and they stay out there all day. I mean, I live here – I know. I'm here in the house now and I just know what it's like so I just think it's too close. I would hope that you could find another location for it. I don't know the purpose of the park between Muchmore and Pleasant Lane. I see that there's an amphitheater there and I'm not sure how that's going to affect those people, but the rest of that park is empty. Why not have a playground there?

**B. Borsack:** Well, the property that was purchased with Community Preservation Funds can only be used for passive recreation.

**A. Schulman:** I had a feeling it was something like that. O.K., so, I'm not going to ask too many other questions about the theater and I can't see this plan really well cause I can't enlarge it on the T.V. screen here on the computer screen. I'm going to have to look a bit later. But you'll have to come over, come over, put your masks on, come over – one of you stand on the other side of the trees and the others stand inside and we will have a normal conversation right through my trees and fence because you can. Trees don't muffle sound, trees just hide my bedroom window from anyone on the playground seeing me in a , without my clothes on, you know. I used to be able to make eye contact with people – that's how close it is, and this will make it more. I hate to be a stick-in-the-mud. I really do hate to be that one person and I really appreciate you responding to me, you have no idea how grateful I was to get your e-mail back. I have to thank Becky for that.

**A. Graham:** Amy, this is Tiger Graham, talking, Amy. I will be happy to come over, I think Rose and I will both be happy to come over with our masks and we have blown up plans we can show you and we can talk about different mitigation strategies we will certainly test with you before we do anything. I think that, as we mentioned before, that if we are not going to have the softball field we may move the pickleball and baseball down to the area by the Reutershan Lot, which would free up the existing playground space for the new playground space and maybe that area over by your house becomes just passive recreation. I don't really know how we're going to do this yet.

**A. Schulman:** That sounds interesting, the part about possibly not having the field. Maybe I was trying to call and hung up a few times cause I didn't know if –

**A. Graham:** I can just guarantee you that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Rose and I will work with you tirelessly to solve the problem.

**A. Schulman:** Wow.

**B. Borsack:** Yeah, we certainly want you to be happy, so I think Trustees Graham and Brown are on the committee – it would be great if you could speak with them and work with them a little bit and see what can work out. I'd like to see you work something out. There is some change in the playground equipment that maybe you haven't been able to see yet that might make a difference with sound attenuation maybe that is what we need to do, but we won't know about the playing field yet so we have to hold off on that.

**A. Schulman:** I put rubber padding between my house and the U.P.S. Store building where the T.R.X. studio is – it doesn't work, you know – I know for a fact that stud doesn't really work. You would have to build a thirty foot wall and I don't think you want to do that.

**A. Graham:** Yeah. I think we want to talk to some sound engineers. I mean, LaGuardia Associates has some experience in this and they can talk to some people and they can say what they think and you know we are not making any decisions today and I will tell you.

**A. Schulman:** I like that.



**A. Graham:** We are all committed to letting you enjoy your house, you know, I mean we don't want anyone disturbed at their homes whether it's music or whatever.

**A. Schulman:** As it currently is, and where those kids are next to Stop & Shop, it is pleasant, because from a distance I can hear their cute little voices – you know, but they're across the field and it's often times the parents that I hear yelling to each other – do you get this – do you pick up that, you know. Whatever they're doing and it's the people walking on the path that just literally stand there right behind my house – not knowing that that is a house – and they just talk, smoke cigarettes, talk on their cellphones in a peculiar way it's not a normal speaking voice on the phone and it is really bizarrely disturbing when you're sitting there just relaxing and then all of a sudden someone is talking through your fence and trees and that's why I know that the playground would be exactly the same because the parents, cause it's kids crying, because of swings squeaking, and you know, everything. I just have the experience and it's unfortunate that the park is closed right now, or else I'd be able to tape it for you and you would hear for yourselves, but it is and it's nice.

**R. Lawler:** If we were able to move the playground down to where the softball field is proposed.

**A. Schulman:** that would be great.

**R. Brown:** I think the challenge really was to fit so many things, you know, since it's utilized in so many different ways on one property. From the baseball field to the soccer field to the tennis courts and then also, there was a desire to do pickleball courts based on demand and interest, and the basketball courts. The playground equipment, at one time, used to be where we are proposing it actually in this plan, many years ago. I remember that, I'm sure many of you do as well and we understand that living next to a park in the commercial district, you know, there's some noises and so forth and we will try to mitigate that the best way we can. As I said earlier, you know, when we were planning for this we tried to put the typical noise-makers, such as the courts and so forth, you know, more towards the internal part of the park, next to Stop & Shop, but if, you know, we get some free real estate in the , you know, and not have to do the softball field if the district isn't interested than maybe we can switch something out, but I'd also think that even if the district might not want the softball field there it might be a need for, an interest by the community to have it. Again, you know, we're looking

**A. Schulman:** Can I ask –

**R. Brown:** Yes, I'm sorry

**A. Schulman:** May I ask why the softball field is there in the first place? Does anyone use it?

**R. Brown:** Yes. The district utilizes it right now for their seventh and eighth grade softball games and they have a lease with the Village to utilize the park, so they're a key player in this design as well.

**A. Schulman:** That makes sense.

**A. Graham:** O.K. Rose and I will reach out to you and set up a time when we can come over and talk about this in person and then when we speak with you we will then report back to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor so we can all be on the same page.

**A. Schulman:** Sure.

**R. Brown:** Yes.

**A. Schulman:** I do appreciate it. Thank you and everyone who's listening or about to listen, Thank you.

**R. Lawler:** And thank you for calling and telling us your observations on it. Appreciate it. O.K., anybody else would like to call in? 351-888-6331. We'll give it a few minutes.

**J. Nower/LTV:** We currently don't have anyone on the line, but the lines are open.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., we'll give them a few minutes, nobody's calling yet, but we'll wait a few minutes.

**A. Graham:** Amy said she had a bit of a hard time dialing in, so maybe other people are having the same issue.

**R. Lawler:** O.K.

**J. Nower/LTV:** If there's any technical problems dialing in they can text CALL ME to the number below and that will re-route them into the call system.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., Jason should I announce that?

**R. Hansen:** It's on the screen.

**R. Lawler:** Because I can't see it from my side.

**J. Nower/LTV:** Secondary option.

**B. Borsack:** Well, I think it looks great, I'm very excited about the future of the park.

**A. Graham:** It's too bad it got this way, I mean it wasn't at the top of everybody's mind, but we're fixing it now.

**R. Lawler:** Well, I think the most important thing is we need to take a serious look at the courts that are there now and then if we can't patch them for a reasonable amount of money close them down until we're ready to start construction on the new ones, but we can look at that. Again, we're waiting for callers who would like to speak out about the Herrick Park renovations. O.K., if you're not calling in you can also communicate to us by e-mail, just go on our website – all of our e-mails, the Board's e-mails, are on there. Thank you very much to the LaGuardia Group, I think you did a great job, and it's terrific – looks great and this is just the first step in getting the community the information that they need about the park and we will wait to see what comments we have further and at the appropriate time we will move forward with a R.F.P. if that be the case, so again Thank you very much to the LaGuardia Group.

**B. Borsack:** And Thank you to Trustees Brown and Graham for all their work too, it's been really great process and the final design is beautiful.

**A. Graham:** It was a very instructive process and Chris, Thackston and Ian – Thank you very much.

**T. Crandall:** Thank you. We enjoyed working with all of you too, we're going to miss you.

**R. Brown:** The whole working committee – it's been very rewarding and I'm really happy with the final product that we have, you know, will amend in some ways I'm sure, but we're off to a good start.

**T. Crandall:** Good to see all of you.

### **81 OCEAN AVENUE WETLAND RESTORATION**

**R. Lawler:** Next up for discussion is 81 Ocean Avenue Wetland Restoration. If you remember, we bought that property with C.P.F. funds not too long ago and I think Billy Hajek, are you here? Can you give us a presentation?

**B. Hajek:** Yes, sure. I believe Becky provided you with a memorandum outlined discussion of a meeting that occurred between Town staff that works on C.P.F. acquisitions and Village staff. I put together a brief summary of the properties existing conditions, some photographs, some aerials to help you understand what's going on there, and outlined a few suggestions for what I think would be a good plan to restore the native habitat and habitat value on the property. I'll just summarize the items that I thought were suggested actions. There's quite a bit on non-native and invasive, so removal of the non-native and invasive is of the utmost importance, specifically along the shoreline and adjacent to the shoreline in order to improve the environmental conditions on the property. There could be a cutting program to remove the phragmites, that's typically the easiest method, the most cost effective method is cutting. You know, a cutting regime. There is a couple of slopes and berm areas near the Village parking lot, the Main Beach Parking Lot, which could be feathered a little bit to create a better slope and natural drainage into the pond. We could re-establish a buffer along the shoreline by removing a lot of the non-native material. There's a huge selection of native plants that are deer tolerant that would be well-suited for that area. I think it would be great example for demonstrating to homeowners how a buffer could be re-established without detracting from views. You know that's a big problem when the Zoning Board is seeking to re-establish a buffer to a wetland – most people are concerned about losing a view and this could be an opportunity to show how that could be accomplished and used as an educational tool. Of the remaining portions of the property, I think it would be right for doing some type of meadow or native grassland habitat. There's not many natives in the interior portion of the property buy the photos. It's mostly lawn and bare soil, a lot of the grass hasn't even grown from the removal of the residence and removal of other non-natives would improve habitat value, specifically the row of evergreens along Ocean Road I think would be a great idea to incorporate into the plan. I think maybe you can have paths and maybe a bench or two would be nice and that's essentially it – a brief summary – if you have any questions I'll try to answer them.

**R. Lawler:** I have a couple. I just want to make people aware – did we also discuss trying to have someone move the trees, and that was not feasible? Was that correct? Do I remember that correctly?

**B. Hajek:** When the Town took control of the property, when they purchased it, prior to purchasing the property the owner – the seller at the time was obligated to present it to the Town in a vacant state and as part of that they were trying to sell some of the non-native vegetation that exists on the property. I don't know how much of it was actually removed and sold – that I don't know. I'm not sure, but I think there was an effort by the prior owner to actually ball and burlap, you know, some of the material and get it out of there. I don't know how successful that was.

**R. Lawler:** O.K. It seemed to me that was mentioned about having the trees removed rather than cutting them down at the time it was not feasible, if I recall correctly, because they were so closely planted together.

**A. Graham:** Ricky, Mayor – the owner did try to sell them, nobody wanted to pay for them. Some plants on the property were balled and removed, not very many. I think as far as those evergreens go, I think that we should – it will cost us money to take them down, and we obviously have to put that out to bid, but if we were to put it out to bid with landscapers who might have use of that screen because if those trees were take out then put back in another location in the same order the bare spots between the trees would still be bare spots between the trees and somebody could get a very mature screening for the cost of moving it. I have no idea what that would be, but perhaps we could then when we go to put it out for bid to have the trees removed if a landscaper could sell them to a homeowner who wants a screen that would obviously make that bid less. So, I don't know if there are any legal aspects to that but again, somebody might get something they want and we get rid of something we don't want. Because I think we all definitely want that area to be open.

**B. Borsack:** Yeah, the sooner the better. I think that we have to remove them. I think the Village has to take charge of removing them. Otherwise we're going to wait too long for the Town to do it. So, I would propose that we do that. I don't know about the bidding process can include that about moving them. I think – I don't know – I think we just have to put it out to bid to have them removed, whatever the landscaper does with them I think is up to them. I like the idea of, you know, obviously restoring the vegetation to native vegetation, also having an area maybe where we can have benches. My one concern is, Billy this is a question for you – you know, I always notice when I drive down Bluff Road, that, you know, years ago we had beautiful benches there that looked out over the dunes and the ocean and now all the growth has happened and now they're looking at nothing but overgrowth. I don't want that to happen here. I would like to maintain the view of the pond, because that's one of the reasons we wanted to get this – so we could open up the view of the pond. So, I want to make sure whatever we plant there is not going to become a wall that obscures the view of the pond. I don't know enough about the plant material that you're talking about – that's true – but that would be my one concern. I don't want that to become a wall of overgrowth that we put benches there, and then in ten years nobody can see the water anyway. You know what I'm saying?

**B. Hajek:** Yeah, I hear you.

**R. Brown:** I assume it would be maintained in some way.

**B. Hajek:** If it were a grassland or meadow habitat it would have to be managed in a particular way to keep woody vegetation down.

**R. Brown:** I really like the idea of a meadow in the middle, and maybe a mowed part surrounding it that we could have benches and so forth in, you know, I also am anxious to remove the evergreens so that we can have the open vistas and I guess it's our decision about whether we want to do it now and the Village pay for it, or possibly incorporating it into the restoration and it going thru the C.P.F. restoration and so forth. I did ask Dave Collins if D.P.W. was to do the removal of those evergreens alongside Ocean Avenue, you know, a ballpark figure of about how much it would cost and the labor involved. I don't know Dave – do you want to speak to that? Also, with those evergreens it is true that we were told that they are so tightly planted that there are many bare spots that it would have to be replanted in that exact order and, you know, the labor and so forth involved it might just not be worthwhile for someone.

**B. Borsack:** I think it would be an expensive proposition and I'm not sure anybody's going to want to spend that kind of money – I know it's a beautiful screening.

**A. Graham:** The other question I had, Bill, how deep a buffer would it be? a 25 foot? 50 ft? 75 ft? 150 ft buffer? What is the thought process on that?

**B. Hajek:** The actual, it's like a small embankment along the shoreline, so the area that supports like hydrophytic wetland vegetation is pretty narrow – it's a pretty narrow band – it's not that deep, but adjacent to that area where you would have hydrophytic or wetland vegetation I think it would be appropriate to have a 30 or 40 foot naturalized buffer. I think that would be reasonable.

**A. Graham:** And that would filter?

**B. Hajek:** Yes.

**R. Lawler:** Billy, when you talk about natural grasses and everything would that be something that's mowed on a regular basis, or at least part of it?

**B. Hajek:** Depends on – not on any regular basis, potentially either annually or bi-annually.

**R. Lawler:** Would at it least have an area for paths if we want to put benches in there?

**B. Hajek:** Yes, you could have area of paths that would actually have to be maintained on a regular basis, but any type of meadow, like if you think of the fields on Cove Hollow Road, you know, some of those fields are mowed yearly or by an every two year basis.

**D. Collins:** Your Honor, I did actually envision possibly a wildflower meadow with some grass paths through it. It reduces mowing, noise pollution from mowing operations – it's a beautiful thing. It takes probably about four years to establish, but I think once we have it established it would be beautiful. It would have sheep grass inter-mixed with it to stabilize the land there. We do need some extensive re-grading as Billy indicated in spots and as far as the evergreen scree, it's there – it's my opinion that it would be extremely hard for a contractor to dig that because the plants were – it was kind of that was put in originally as an instant screen and the plants were planted way closer together than is normally recommended. So at this point in time to try to dig those plants and transplant them I think a contractor would probably shy away from it.

**B. Borsack:** David, are you thinking about the meadow that's on, is it Middle Lane? There's a wildflower meadow – that kind of thing?

**D. Collins:** Yes, that's near Amy's, I believe, the big open lot, and that's not really maintained. I'd kind of like to see something a little fuller, you know. It would be a lot of work to get the wildflowers to grow correctly – we'd probably need a little consulting from one of the wildflower providers. I have found a deer resistant mix that has sparked my interest a little bit. I've been looking at the field on the corner of Amy's and Pantigo also as a possible location to do that, and this greatly help us cause it reduce the areas we have to mow and maintain.

**B. Borsack:** And its beautiful when the flowers are in bloom I have to say.

**D. Collins:** Yes. But it's a challenge to get them established mainly because of weed control and that's the initial challenge for the first year or two years. Really try to get it established it without weeds taking over and after that once the plants come in they'll shade out the weeds and it should go fine.

**A. Graham:** Would that require irrigation, David?

**D. Collins:** No.

**A. Graham:** O.K., Good.

**B. Borsack:** That meadow is beautiful and I make a point to drive by it a lot just to look at it cause it's so pretty, so that would be nice.

**R. Brown:** Something like that, it would be beautiful, more than that, it would be nice natural habitat for birds and butterflies and everything else. So, circling back to the evergreens – I think we need to make a decision about whether we want to be responsible for that removal, or are we going to wait.

**B. Borsack:** I think we need to be responsible, so we need to take them out.

**R. Lawler:** Do we have any idea how much this is going to cost?

**R. Brown:** I spoke about this earlier and do you want to speak regarding that issue?

**D. Collins:** Sure. It's work we could do. It would probably take us about three days. We just cut them off at the base and feed them into the chipper. Disposal of the chips is no cost to the Village. The stumps on the other hand, we're going to be looking at forty dollars a cubic yard, would probably be looking at twenty to forty cubic yards in that aspect, based on how big the stumps are when they come out. I'm really not sure. I haven't dug one of those plants at this point to see how much of a stump we're actually going to get out of there.

**B. Borsack:** We could put benches on them. I'm just kidding.

**R. Lawler:** Let me ask you this – Becky or Billy – do you know- could we take the trees out ourselves and do the rest of the project with C.P.F. money from the Town? Is that possible?

**R. Hansen:** You can.

**R. Brown:** How long, if we were to wait to incorporate the whole thing would you expect that would take, for, you know – all the other approvals and so forth, for the project to be approved?

**R. Hansen:** In the memo that we gave to the Board the D.E.C. permit alone could take six to eight weeks, tacking on time to actually develop a plan as well.

**B. Hajek:** It has to go out to bid, whoever responds has to get engaged by the Town, then they have to prepare the plan and then that plan is used or we could try to submit to the D.E.C. simultaneously. I personally believe the D.E.C. won't act on it until they actually have a plan to approve, so it could take some time. A couple of months, at least.

**R. Hansen:** And the Town is responsible for this portion – putting the plan out, not the Village.

**R. Lawler:** The question is how much will you know then, about the only thing we can do without a D.E.C. permit is take the evergreens out, is that it?

**B. Hajek:** You could remove non-native vegetation, you can remove the hedge – the evergreens. You can establish plantings. That's activity that does not require a D.E.C. permit. But removal of plants along the shoreline or grading of the shoreline – that's all subject to D.E.C. review.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., so is it possible we could do the evergreens and do some plantings and do the rest with the C.P.F. funds with the Town doing it, or is it just not that much difference in money, or we don't even know that yet. That's my question. Billy, do you have any ideas?

**B. Hajek:** I would say any plantings – I think that is part of the restoration, if you're proposing to put plants in, I would say that's part of the restoration and should be included in the R.F.P.

**B. Borsack:** I think all we can really do is take down the evergreens and the rest has to be part of the plan and the Town is responsible for that, right?

**R. Lawler:** The Town would be responsible for the plan, right? If we did the evergreens we could do either – we could do the rest of the improvements ourselves or let the Town do it with C.P.F. money, is that the case?

**B. Borsack:** I think the Town should do it.

**R. Hansen:** The agreement that the Town and Village recently executed has a provision in it that the Town will be financially responsible for the wetlands restoration plan.

**R. Lawler:** O.K.

**B. Borsack:** So what can we do is go ahead and take down the evergreens, then we have to present the plan to the Town and the Town will act on that when they get their D.E.C. permit or whatever and then the Town's responsible for everything else.

**R. Lawler:** That's good for me. I don't know how everybody else feels.

**A. Graham:** I've got a question. The plot itself looks pretty scruffy right now, alright, and I'm not so sure taking down the evergreens - which I think we all want to do, but I think taking (ringing phone) shut that thing off sorry guys, it may just look worse.

**R. Lawler:** I'll grant you that.

**A. Graham:** So, I think maybe what we should do is, we should all, individually and social distancing, go over there – walk the property on the other side of the evergreens and look at it and see if that's the vista we want for the summer.

**R. Lawler:** No, no it's not. I've been there, I can tell you it's not the vista I want – it doesn't look good at all.

**R. Brown:** I think we're all anxious to remove the evergreens, but it might be best in this instance, to wait so that as you're talking about the whole property can be dealt with in one swoop, and secondly, there's no financial output for the Village, you know, if we can wait the Town take s care of the restoration. They can operate the removal of the evergreens and if I'm hearing from Billy, that it can be eight to ten weeks possibly, you know maybe that might be the best avenue considering the big picture as well. I know we can do it in house, but you know that will still be one of our crews tied up for a whole week and about fifteen hundred dollars worth or removal brush and so forth – the stumps.

**R. Lawler:** Then it's piece meal and what's left doesn't look very good – I can vouch for that. I walked the property already several times. I would rather do it all at once.

**B. Borsack:** O.K. I understand that. I haven't been on the property since all the buildings came down, so if you think that's the best way to go, I'm just tired of hearing from people when are you going to –

**R. Brown:** I agree.

**R. Lawler:** I agree.

**R. Brown:** I would love to be able to remove that, but we've waited this long, so if there's the opportunity to incorporate the whole project with C.P.F. monies and just do it in one swoop in it's entirety that might be the best move at this point.

**R. Lawler:** I think we also have a fiscal responsibility to the/our constituents – our taxpayers. So this might take a couple more weeks.

**A. Graham:** We don't want an eyesore.

**B. Borsack:** No.

**R. Brown:** You have a good point.

**D. Collins:** Your Honor, back to your original question. When you started out about the trees remaining, the deciduous trees remaining – there are a couple trees that we could probably have a contractor move for us, I have a couple spots we could use some trees.

**R. Brown:** Is there a Beech Tree, maybe, there?

**D. Collins:** Yes, there is a Weeping Beech, I believe there's Red Maple also – that's fairly sized – I'm not sure if we'd be able to move that or not but I believe there's one or two other specimen trees we might be able to earmark for another location.

**A. Graham:** I'm pretty sure David, that the Red Maple was one of trees that the owner had sold and they were in the process of digging it out when the they hit a gas line and that stopped. I think there's two trees on the property that are supposed to remain.

**D. Collins:** Yes, there are, but one is out on the right-of-way, it's a memorial tree, the other is the large Cryptomeria right in the center of the property.

**A. Graham:** Right. That was Betty Richard's tree.

**D. Collins:** Yes.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., so are we decided – we'll let the Town take care of it with C.P.F. money?

**B. Borsack:** Yes.

**A. Graham:** That's my vote.

**R. Brown:** I agree.

**R. Lawler:** Alright, so that's what we'll do. Next on the agenda is the tentative budget, Becky?

**2020 – 2021 TENTATIVE BUDGET**

**R. Hansen:** Sure. The Board of Trustees has been given a copy of the 2020 – 2021 tentative budget. The budget has a spending increase of just about two percent, which translates into \$454,000. The total proposed budget under the new fiscal year is to be \$23,411,000, so again, another slight increase as outlined in my memo to the Board. Given the uncertainty with the COVID Pandemic, this is a very difficult budget to put together, and it presently does not include any large or major capital improvements which would be any Public Works projects or type of major equipment upgrades. As you all can imagine, Villages have a unique situation in that they have very limited options for raising revenue from non-property tax sources. There are very few fees, permits, licenses that a village issues where the village can go back and ask these applicants for more money. So, the proposal right now does propose to pierce the tax cap. It would increase the property tax levy from the current fiscal year to the new fiscal year by three percent and the amount that you are being proposed to ask to go over the tax cap is just over \$50,000. SO, in the grand scheme of things the amount you are piercing the cap over is a very small amount compared to, you know, and as the Village has done recently and in other years when they've pierced the cap. The current fiscal year does not pierce the property tax cap. So, again, there are some notable increases in the budget, obviously contractual items whether salaries, health benefits, but the largest proposed increases right now are the Village's contributions to the retirement system through the E.R.S. which is the normal retirement and the police retirement system. That increase for both those systems is close to \$140,000, so that is a rather large amount expected. In addition, along with retirement and increased payments for Medicare reimbursements for retirees from village employment. The Dispatch Union has a contract expiring on July 31<sup>st</sup> and we hope to begin negotiations shortly to have that settled prior to the end of the fiscal year. One of the notable funding increases – there is \$70,000 included in the budget under the police department for the new parking enforcement technology system that you recently put out to bid and we'll be looking to accept, but again, there are some decreases in bond payments that the Village currently has and also a proposed decrease in health insurance. We are getting early indications that the insurance rates may be lower than anticipated. So, if there are any other questions. The Board knows too, that myself and my department have been closely monitoring the current fiscal year for any potential impact, especially on the revenue side, as of today the Village only has about \$1,100,000 uncollected revenue and a majority of that is due to the Village either through statutory means or from an agreement or a lease with another municipality to receive those funds. I do not anticipate any major uncollected revenues for the current fiscal year, which is a good thing. The Village has already collected the majority of its revenues. You're up to date. Again, the revenue side of the proposed budget is extremely conservative, and I would also remind the Board that too, a budget is a spending guideline and certainly, as conditions change – whether they improve or they don't improve, throughout the course of the fiscal year the Board does have the capability to amend its budget. So, if during the course of the fiscal year revenues are on par or exceeding budget expectations and you wish to re-visit and possibly the addition of some type of capital expenditure you certainly could amend the budget to reflect that.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., Thank you. Any questions, anybody?

**B. Borsack:** I think we all recognize the need for a conservative budget this year because of the uncertainty of what's going on right now, so I thank you very much for your work, I think you did a great job in putting this budget together and having to really change in mid-stream as we found out what was going on in March you were already in the budget process, so I appreciate your work on it. I think it is a nice conservative budget and hopefully as things go on during the year, you know, we'll find out that we have revenue that we're not budgeting for now and we'll be able to do some other projects that we can't budget for at the moment.

**A. Graham:** I had a question. I just got this budget vey recently and I haven't really had the opportunity to go through it deeply, but I noticed for example, on building permits we're \$50,000 less than last years' budget revenue estimate and if that came back that could be where the hit on the pierce of the cap is?

**R. Hansen:** It could be, yes. I mean, normally the Village gets the bulk of its' building department revenues off renewals, and if the moratorium on non-essential construction continues you may not realize some of those revenues on renewal in the building department.

**A. Graham:** I know we did extend them.

**R. Hansen:** The budget was fully completed Tuesday, we were also waiting for the tentative tax roll from the Town, which does not come out at least until May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**A. Graham:** I'll have more time to go through it, as you say, its tentative so anymore questions we have we'll certainly bring them forward.

**R. Hansen:** Absolutely.

**R. Brown:** Thank you to Becky. This whole situation with COVID is uncertain and I'm sure it made the budget process a little bit more challenging than usual. This is a fiscally conservative budget for us and I think that is a smart way to go going forward and hopefully, as you indicated, if things change we'll be able to amend the budget in some way to allow for some of the capital projects that we all know are important. Some of the essential services need equipment, I know D.P.W. has indicated a sweeper – that's been on their request for a couple of years now since I got on the Board. So, we certainly realize there's certain infrastructure and equipment that's needed, but at this point, you know, it's best to be conservative and we can change our course as things progress, hopefully for the better, so thank you again and yes, you know, I'll probably have some more questions going forward, but we'll discuss them. Thank you.

**A. Graham:** Actually, Becky – the fact that you did this all while you're quarantined with you husband and kids home – two thumbs up.

**R. Lawler:** And a cat.

**R. Hansen:** Two cats, yes. Thank you.

**R. Lawler:** O.K. If there's no other questions from the Board..., actually, because I forget to ask for comments when we did 81 Ocean Avenue you can phone in about that as well. We'll give it a few minutes if anybody would like to phone-in with questions.

**R. Lawler:** Anybody with any questions?

**J. Nower/LTV:** We currently don't have any callers.

**R. Lawler:** O.K. That's it. That concludes our discussions for this afternoon. Let's move on to our resolutions and motions. Rose, would you start please?

**R. Brown:** Sure. I make a motion to adopt Resolution #21-2020, hereby authorizing the purchase of tax liens (as set forth in Ch.256-25; Taxation; Village Tax Sales, L.L.#10-2017), amount not to exceed \$85,239.69 to be paid from the undesignated fund balance.

**B. Borsack:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**R. Hansen:** Mayor, I just want to mention on that resolution that the amount not to exceed to pay to purchase the tax liens, since the resolution we have received additional payments as of today the amount outstanding on the liens is down to \$59,708.37. The reason the resolution has the not to exceed amount and we just need to make sure that those payments clear, before we can count them, but just to give an update, that it is supposed to be less than what was in the resolution.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., Thank you very much.

**J. Nower/LTV:** We have one caller on the line.

**R. Brown:** Do you want me to continue?

**R. Lawler:** No, excuse me Trustee Brown, we have a caller.

**J. Larsen:** Hey, Good Afternoon everybody, it's Jerry Larsen on the phone. I have a few comments, but I'm certainly willing to wait until you finish your agenda. I got on a little bit late, so do you want me to wait or do I speak now?

**R. Lawler:** Is this just general comments?

**J. Larsen:** Yeah, I have some comments and questions I would like to ask about the COVID Crisis, not about the Herrick Park or any of that.

**R. Lawler:** Sure, could you just hang on until we finish our agenda?

**J. Larsen:** Yeah, go right ahead.

**R. Lawler:** O.K. Trustee Brown?

**R. Brown:** I make a motion to approve the installation of equipment at Georgica Beach to provide Wi-Fi at the cost of \$13,310.95.



**A. Graham:** Seconded.  
**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.  
**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**R. Brown:** I make a motion to approve the employment of 2020 Seasonal Beach Staff, effective May 15, 2020 as per list submitted by Beach Manager Jamie Tulp.

**A. Graham:** Seconded.  
**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.  
**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**2020 SEASONAL BEACH EMPLOYEES**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE/HR</u>
Albertini, Zeb	Lifeguard	\$17.50
Alcaro, Cristobal Whitmore	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.00
Amaden, Grace	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$18.50
Amaden, James P.	Beach Attendant	\$12.50
Amaden, James	Lifeguard PT	\$22.50
Barrera, Emily	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Barris, Mason	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Bertrand, Lee	Assistant Manager	\$29.50
Cashin, Dylan	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Camacho, Dylan	Lifeguard	\$20.50
Chapman, Aurora	Asst. Office Manager	\$16.50
Clark, John	Beach Maintenance	\$25.00
Cooper, Aiden	Lifeguard	\$17.00
Cooper, Jack	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Cooper, Nicholas	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Cooper, Thomas	Lifeguard PT	\$22.50
Corwin, Charlie	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Cunningham, Chloe	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Daly, Sean	Lifeguard PT	\$27.00
DePasquale, Eugene	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.50
DiRico, James	Beach Maintenance	\$25.50
Emptage, Lucy	Lifeguard	\$18.50
Engstrom, Greg	Beach Rake	\$22.50
Farber, Lisa	Beach Maintenance	\$29.50
Fleming, Catherine	Office, Substitute	\$16.50
Gretarsson, Armann	Beach Maintenance	\$29.50
Hadzikostas, Eve	Beach Attendant	\$12.50
Hallock, Ken	Beach Maintenance	\$27.00
Hallock, Ken, Jr.	Beach Maintenance	\$25.00
Hansen, Hunter	Lifeguard	\$17.50
Hartnett, Daniel	Lifeguard	\$19.00
Healy, Dalainia	Beach Attendant	\$12.50
Jones, Madison	Lifeguard	\$18.00
Jones, Reed	Lifeguard (*June test)	\$17.50
Kalbacher, Matt	Lifeguard LT	\$22.00
Kerin, Rose	Asst. Office Manager	\$30.50
Kneeland, Alyssa	Lifeguard	\$20.50
Kolonkowski, Chris	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.00
Lawler, Jayleen	Office Staff	\$20.50
Lillien, Julie	Lifeguard PT	\$20.00
Martinez, Alexis	Trash	\$25.00
McDonald, Alex	Lifeguard	\$20.50
McGovern, Donnelly	Truck	\$25.00
Miller, Darin	Trash	\$25.00
Minardi, Chris	Lifeguard PT	\$18.00

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**2020 SEASONAL BEACH EMPLOYEES (continued)**

Minardi, Nya	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Minardi, Sklar	Lifeguard	\$17.50
Mongan, Lily	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.00
O'Donnell, Diane	Beach Attendant	\$29.50
Peterson, Aubrey	Lifeguard	\$17.00
Pintado, Christopher	Beach Attendant	\$12.50
Plansker, Georgia	Beach Attendant/Lifeguard	\$13.00
Plansker, Olivia	Lifeguard	\$18.00
Rosenberg, Ethan	Lt. Lifeguard	\$20.00
Sarlo, Daniel	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Schlegel, William	Beach Attendant /Lifeguard	\$13.00
Schneider, Spencer	Lifeguard PT	\$21.00
Segelken, Morgan	Lifeguard	\$17.00
Sequeira, Natalie	Office Substitute	\$18.50
Shaw, Tyler	Lt. Lifeguard	\$20.00
Shaw, Cole	Lifeguard	\$17.50
Short, Julia	Lifeguard	\$18.50
Short, Lucy	Lifeguard	\$17.00
Sivera, Emma	Lifeguard	\$17.00
Smith, Drew	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.50
Soldo, Ava	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Stango, Michael	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$22.00
Stanis, Amanda	Office Staff/Parking Attendant	\$17.00
Strumpf, Casey	Beach Attendant	\$12.00
Tarbet, Luke	Beach Attendant	\$12.50
Tulp, Aubrey	Lifeguard PT	\$17.00
Vecchio, Michael	Lifeguard, Substitute	\$20.00
Weiss, Robert	Lifeguard	\$19.00
Weiss, Tia	Lifeguard	\$17.50
Wilson, Andrew	Lt. Lifeguard	\$20.00

**A. Graham:** I make a motion to approve the \$28,535 proposal received from Whitmores to remove 21 trees from Bannister Park, as per the April 27<sup>th</sup> memo from Department of Public Works Superintendent David Collins.

**B. Borsack:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**A. Graham:** I make a motion to adopt Resolution #22-2020 to approve Special Warrant #58 in the amount of \$447,799 for the purchase of two ambulances.

**B. Borsack:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**A. Graham:** I make a motion to notice for a public hearing to be held on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Emergency Services Building, or via video-conferencing if necessary, at which time all persons interested will be heard, for the 2020-2021 Budget. If the hearing is held via video conference and published by Local TV, Inc./Channel 20/22 LTV – public access, call-in will be available.

**R. Brown:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**B. Borsack:** I make a motion to extend the bid opening date for the bid for the lease of Sea Spray Cottage #8 to be held on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

**A. Graham:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**B. Borsack:** I make a motion to employ 2020 Seasonal Paramedics, Critical Care EMT's, Traffic Control Specials and Traffic Control Officers at listed in Chief Tracey's memos dated April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**A. Graham:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

<b>PARAMEDICS</b> <u>@\$28.00 hourly</u>	<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALISTS</b>	<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICERS</b>
Thomas Barbieri Michelle Feeley Nicole E. Crisci Stephen Montalto Livia Eyde Andrew Schultz Peter J. Fallon Bruce Zummo	<i>@ \$19.00 hourly:</i> Kenneth Schneider Alexandria Jones Bridget Stonemetz  <i>@ 17.50 hourly:</i> Jason Bono Daniel Bonacker	<i>@ \$17.00 hourly</i> Nicholas Lavalle  <i>@ \$16.50 hourly</i> Jessica Gualpa Micha Jones Aaron Arkinson Cooper Anderson
<b>CRITICAL CARE E.M.T.'S</b> <u>@ \$ 26.00 hourly</u> Brandon Ceckowski Thomas Flight Devin McGuinness Robert Rosen	<i>@ 17.00 hourly:</i> Sara Havens  <i>@ \$16.50 hourly:</i> Mario Casciotta Kristen Lorell Miranda Ules Jorge Aranzazu Madison Hummel Kevin Cardona Peter Rickenbach	<i>@ \$16.00 hourly:</i> Kailey DeMai

**B. Borsack:** I make a motion to employ 2020 Seasonal Police Officers Joseph Tringali at \$ 24.00 hourly, Matthew Griffiths and Michelle Miller at \$23.00 hourly, and Megan Harris, John Clark and Armann Gretarsson at \$22.00 hourly as listed in Chief Tracey's memos dated April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**A. Graham:** Seconded.

**R. Lawler:** All in favor? **B. Borsack:** Aye. **A. Graham:** Aye. **R. Brown:** Aye. **R. Lawler:** Aye.

**R. Lawler:** Opposed? None so carried.

**R. Lawler:** That concludes our resolutions. Jerry – thanks for waiting, did you have a comment?

**J. Larsen:** Yes. I have a couple comments and questions for the Board. Thanks for letting me speak. So my question, just let me explain who I am in case anybody doesn't know – I'm Jerry Larsen. I'm running for candidate for East Hampton Village Mayor and my running mates are Chris Minardi and Sandra Melendez and as you know, as the Board knows, we've been very active in our campaign supporting the business district, as well as the residents, but with this COVID Crisis and the Governor getting ready to open up, as you know, businesses are really struggling and particularly the restaurants. I am wondering if you as a Board would reconsider your stance on outside seating on public property and the reason I'm saying that is because when the Governor opens the businesses, especially the restaurants there's probably going to be a restrictions where there's going to be a capacity reduction within the restaurant, so in order to help the businesses survive the summer season, if we could allow them to set up tables on the public right-of-way outside the restaurant or along side the restaurant, whatever the case may be and also the retail food stores that you just approved with the seating inside. If we could allow them to have seating on the outside – Golden Pear, Sam's – I think it would go a long way to helping them re-coup some of the, obviously, some of the money they're going to lose during this. Has there been any conversation about this? Rick?

**R. Lawler:** We've been in discussion with business owners, restaurant owners and those discussions are being considered. It's not as easy as you described, there are various obstacles – the County Health Department, all sorts of possibilities, so that it doesn't obstruct pedestrians and that sort of thing. So, yes, we are in discussion.

**J. Larsen:** Its not going to effect flow rate, obviously, because you're just removing tables from the inside to the outside so the flow rate for septic is going to stay the same, so I can't imagine there's too many obstacles that could be in the way and I know you need a law, but maybe you could do an Executive Order to get it in place

before Memorial Day weekend and then you could pass the law to follow up because if the Governor obviously recalls his social distancing then things will stay – you know we still want to help the restaurants re-coup as much money as they can – they've taken quite a hit for the last few months everybody knows. So I just want to –

**R. Lawler:** We are all aware of that Jerry. We're doing what we can where we can. There are various legal questions that have to be answered. When the Governor gives us a change in his Executive Order and, again, we're looking at it.

**J. Larsen:** So you are considering the outdoor seating? Is that what you're saying?

**R. Lawler:** We're looking at various options to try to help our business community when the requirements are lifted.

**J. Larsen:** So, this is the time to step up, so we can get it done. So thank you for the time.

**B. Borsack:** We all agree.

**R. Lawler:** I think we all agree on that there's no disagreement here and we all – we've been stepping up, so the time is here and we stepped up, Okay.

**J. Larsen:** I know you all agree. That's what I'm saying. You're in a position to get it done, so let's get it done. Thanks a lot.

**R. Lawler:** Thank you Jerry, appreciate it.

**A. Graham:** And Jerry, I don't know if you're still on or not, in reality it's not just the restaurants we're looking to help, it's all the businesses, it's all the village residents, there are lot of people that are hurting and we need to get that money as soon as we can, and you know, its just, you know, it's not just the restaurants.

**J. Larsen:** Tiger, Tiger – I get that, but an immediate help for the restaurants is an answer. Clothing stores, yeah, we could help them too, and other retail establishments, but restaurants we have a way to help them right away that they can have almost full capacity of three-quarter occupancy instead of cutting back to whatever the Governor decides. It's going to be at least half in my opinion.

**B. Borsack:** It's all in discussion.

**R. Lawler:** I think we're on the same page here, we're just laboring this point.

**R. Brown:** We all agree Jerry thank you for calling in. We've been discussing how we can support the small businesses and the restaurants in the Village and in light of the COVID Pandemic we're also talking about possibly the outdoor seating and some allowance for that, as we all know the occupancy of these restaurants will be curtailed to possibly half, so it is in discussion amongst many other things that the Mayor has brought up before for the other businesses as well, so it is on our radar. We want all the businesses in the commercial district to know that we care about them and we understand that their model is very different to many across the country. You know they really depend on their revenue that they bring in from May, June July and August. Certainly this whole pandemic has really, really affected everyone and we recognize that and we will be looking at some of our zoning code and possibly amending that in response to that.

**J. Larsen:** I'm certainly glad they're on it. Thank you Rose.

**R. Lawler:** Thank you Jerry.

**J. Larsen:** Thank you everybody.

**R. Lawler:** Have a nice day.

**J. Larsen:** You too.

**R. Lawler:** Anybody else?

**J. Nower/LTV:** We currently have no other callers on the line.

**R. Lawler:** O.K., then we are going to adjourn and go into Executive Session regarding litigation and Union Negotiations. If we need to re-convene we'll notify the media.

**R. Lawler:** Do I have a motion to close?

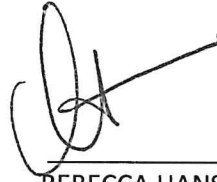
A. Graham: So moved.

R. Brown: Seconded.

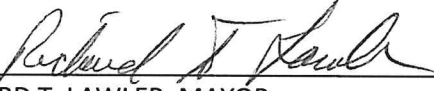
R. Lawler: We stand adjourned.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

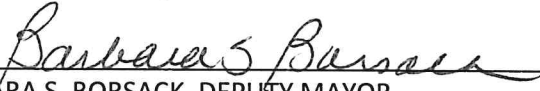
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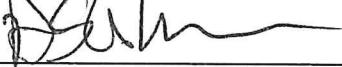
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