

**VILLAGE OF EAST HAMPTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING HELD ON
SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 MEETING, AT 11:00 A.M.**

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Present: Jerry Larsen, Mayor
Chris Minardi, Deputy Mayor
Arthur Graham, Trustee
Rosemary Brown, Trustee
Sandra Melendez, Trustee
Marcos Baladrón, Administrator
Vincent Messina, Village Attorney
David Collins, Superintendent of Public Works
Billy Hajek, Planner
Michael Tracey, Police Chief
Ken Collum, Code Enforcement Officer
Tom Preiato, Building Inspector
H. King, Historic Site Manager
Pio Lombardo, of Lombardo Associates, Inc.
Jody Gambino, LTV Moderator
June Lester, Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant

Mayor Larsen: Good morning everybody. Today is September 17th. It's 11 a.m. and welcome to East Hampton Village Board meeting. If we could all stand for a pledge and then we'll get into our meeting.

Code Enforcement Officer Collum: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Mayor Larsen: Thank you, Kenny.

Code Enforcement Officer Collum: You're welcome.

Election Anniversary

Mayor Larsen: All right, so I've got a few announcements. We're back on Zoom obviously, so let's see, today is congratulations to Sandra and Chris. It's our one-year anniversary in office. Congratulations, we've been getting a lot of things done. Really proud of all of our accomplishments so congratulations to you both.

Veterans Day Parade

Mayor Larsen: We're going to start a new tradition in East Hampton Village. It will be the second Saturday of November, we are going to have a Veterans Day Parade. Chief Turza, can you talk a little bit about that? Is Chief on?

LTV Moderator Gambino: I do not see him.

Mayor Larsen: So the veterans always, since I've been here, the veterans always celebrated with a small parade from basically London Jewelers to the Windmill on Veterans Day so we reached out to the veterans and asked if they would like to hold a larger parade on the Saturday after Veterans Day which would be the second Saturday of November each year, so that will start that tradition this year so we're looking forward to that, to honor all of the men and women who have served so bravely our country so we're really looking forward to that.

Centennial Celebration

Mayor Larsen: The centennial, next weekend we'll start our Centennial Celebration Weekend, starting on the 24th with, that will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Village Hall, we're going to bury the time capsule and have a blessing from all of the...

Historic Site Manager King: Religious leaders.

Mayor Larsen: The churches and synagogues in East Hampton Village so it's going to be a really nice event. That's at 11 o'clock on Friday, then at two o'clock on Friday, we're going to have our favorite Village Historian doing historical discussions in Herrick Park. Right, Hugh? You're in for that?

Historic Site Manager King: Yeah, there'll be other people there too.

Mayor Larsen: Yeah, and then Friday night at seven p.m. will be our big Gala at Maidstone. Tickets are still available if anybody wants to buy any so that starts at seven p.m. It's casino themed and obviously back in the 20s, prohibition was in effect so it should be a great time. Also, that night we're doing our annual fireworks at Main Beach which were postponed for the hurricane scare that we had. So, that's going to be, it's going to be a great, a great night no matter where you spend it in our Village. At the fireworks at Main Beach we still have Nancy Atlas playing and Josh Brussell's band will be playing so whichever venue you go to, it should be a great night. Then on Saturday, we have a children's fair in Herrick Park, all day long, which is free so make sure you come out to that. Bring your children. Also, on Saturday, starting at 11 o'clock we have a Centennial Parade. Is Turza on yet, Chief Turza? He's been organizing that parade and it's going to be a pretty big parade. I was hoping he would be here to talk about it. Also, Saturday at two p.m., we'll have a music festival in Herrick Park. We have five scheduled bands to play all day long. Sunday, at 11 o'clock, we have the classic car show. We'll have about 100 beautiful, restored and original, old cars in Herrick Park so make sure you come out to that. It's all free and then wrapping it up on Sunday afternoon in Herrick Park, we're going to have the Maidstone versus Bonacker's softball game. So that is a lot of work that this Centennial Committee has put into it and our Village Administrator so I want to thank, thank everyone for that. Sandra, I think you headed up the committee and did a great job so really, really proud of that and we're looking forward to that weekend.

Trustee Melendez: Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: All right, next up we have a presentation by my favorite Village Historian.

Presentation by Village Historian Hugh R. King

Historic Site Manager King: What about Chief Tracey?

Mayor Larsen: No, we're going to have you go first.

Historic Site Manager King: Okay, all right, what I was going to do today, because when you resume meetings where you have all those people sitting up at the front, that's going to happen when we go back to in person?

Mayor Larsen: Yes.

Historic Site Manager King: Okay, then I think we should have the East Hampton Village Quiz Bowl, where we'll have two teams up there. There'll be Team Larsen and everybody to the right of Mayor Larsen will be on his team. Then we'll have Team Minardi and everybody to the left of Deputy Mayor Minardi will be on his team and then I'll ask each team a question about East Hampton Village history. We can do that at the next, we can do that all through next year too because it, even though we're only celebrating our 100th anniversary this year, we can still talk about it next year.

Mayor Larsen: That will be a lot of fun, Hugh, and are there assigned seats or can I move people around to prepare for this?

Trustee Brown: Put Kenny Collum on my team, please.

Historic Site Manager King: Yeah, and that's up to you to fight about with the rest of the Board but the questions will be locked in a lock box in Chief Tracey's office, okay?

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Historic Site Manager King: And then any disputes about the questions or the answers will go to binding arbitration, and Village Attorney Vincent Messina will be the sole arbiter of whether the question is correct and whether the answer is correct, okay?

Village Attorney Messina: Oh, you don't want to give me that kind of power, Mr. King.

Historic Site Manager King: And then Mrs. Lester will keep score, okay? So, if there is a tie, however, Mayor Larsen's team wins. Okay, now.

Mayor Larsen: Perfect.

Historic Site Manager King: We can't do that, so what we're going to do in the meantime is have Stump the Village Board, each week as we do these virtuals, I will ask some questions of the Village Board and I'll see if you can answer them okay? And that's how we'll do that, and we'll do a couple today and then I'll get off. Okay, Village Board, here's your first question. Anybody can answer. What was the first name of Main Street? What was it called before it was Main Street? Nobody knows? Okay, the answer is Town Street. That's why we have Newtown Street. Okay, all right, next question. What minister lived in the present Village Hall?

Trustee Brown: Lyman Beecher.

Historic Site Manager King: Right, okay. Name the deli and grocery store on Gingerbread Lane that had this nickname. It was opposite the Dime Bank and the old Laundry Restaurant.

Mayor Larsen: G and T.

Trustee Brown: Chicken House.

Trustee Graham: Chicken House.

Historic Site Manager King: The Chicken House, yes okay and can you name three roads named after ministers in the Village?

Mayor Larsen: James Lane.

Historic Site Manager King: James Lane.

Mayor Larsen: Buell, Huntting Lane.

Historic Site Manager King: And Buell Lane, correct.

Mayor Larsen: Buell Lane.

Historic Site Manager King: That's how we're going to do that, okay?

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Historic Site Manager King: Next time we'll do the same thing. All right, I'm done, I'm over, I'm going to stay but I'm over, all right.

Mayor Larsen: Hey Hugh, remember that show Hollywood Squares? I feel like that's what we are playing here.

Historic Site Manager King: Okay, Hollywood Square, okay.

Deputy Clerk June Lester: You'll need buzzers.

Mayor Larsen: All right, Hugh, don't go anywhere Hugh because...

Historic Site Manager King: No, I'm not.

Mayor Larsen: We have a couple of surprises for you.

Historic Site Manager King: Oh?

Mayor Larsen: I wasn't kidding when I said you were my favorite historian, so if you, can you answer this question, Hugh?

Mayor Larsen: What famous person used this line? "If you don't know where you've been, you might not know where you're going."

Historic Site Manager King: Yeah, I used to say that a lot.

Mayor Larsen: That is you, Hugh, very good.

Historic Site Manager King: Oh okay.

Mayor Larsen: All right, we have a really special proclamation for you, Hugh.

Historic Site Manager King: Oh.

Mayor Larsen: And June, could you read that?

Deputy Clerk June Lester: Sure. September 17th, 2021, proclamation and recognition of Hugh R. King. Whereas the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Hampton would like to recognize Hugh R. King for his dedication to keeping local history alive and whereas, as a teacher at Springs School for over 30 years, an actor in community theater at Guild Hall, the author of a local paper's History column, the Town Crier for East Hampton since 1987 and the Village historian since 2002, Hugh has, with a teacher's insistence for accuracy and an actor's sense of the dramatic, captivated all who have been fortunate enough to be present for any of his dialogues, and whereas, as Village Historic Site Manager since 1999, Hugh has been the Manager, Keeper and Curator of the Home Sweet Home Museum and the Village Windmills. With his levity, keen sense of humor and knowledge of history, Mr. King has engrossed all who have attended any of his talks, candlelit graveyard tours and walking historic tours. Now therefore I, Jerry Larsen, Mayor of the Village of East Hampton, on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the residents of the Incorporated Village of East Hampton, as a token of our admiration and deepest gratitude to Hugh R. King, hereby name the walkway by the Odd Fellows Hall at 28 Newtown Lane, Hugh King Alley. "If you don't know where you've been, you may not know where you're going." Hugh R. King.

Historic Site Manager King: Oh.

Mayor Larsen: Very nice. The sign is already up Hugh, so Jody, can you put it on the screen for us?

Historic Site Manager King: Oh, my goodness.

LTV Moderator Gambino: Can you guys see that? (yes)

Mayor Larsen: So it's the walkway that goes from Newtown Lane to the Schenck parking lot right, runs right alongside of Odd Fellows Hall. Perfect for you, Hugh.

Historic Site Manager King: Well you know, isn't that so interesting because I think at Odd Fellows Hall, they may have had, they may have voted there to incorporate the Village.

Mayor Larsen: Right.

Historic Site Manager King: I don't know but I know they voted there to buy Home Sweet Home at Odd Fellows Hall. Oh, oh, that's so nice. Ah, thank you.

Mayor Larsen: And to top it all off, you have to come out to our Centennial Parade on Saturday, Hugh is our Grand Marshall so it's going to be a great, a great day for everybody so join us for that. Congratulations Hugh and thank you for everything that you do.

Historic Site Manager King: Well, thank you very much, thank you.

Trustee Graham: Congratulations.

Mayor Larsen: Congratulations.

Historic Site Manager King: Wow, wow.

Mayor Larsen: All right so now we go to the Chief of Police.

Village Police Command Van

Police Chief Tracey: Mayor, I have a few things that I have had put on the agenda for today and I know the last meeting ran a little late so I appreciate the time. First thing I have for you is the East Hampton Village Police command van, communications van, which I was presenting to the Board as part of our financial report, what we're looking to do over the next couple of years and it's to replace our 1985, basically Frito-Law van that you heard a lot about earlier in the year. It's a communication's vehicle and it was basically built from the ground up by some of our personnel, some retired officers, David Griffiths and some of the dispatch personnel and they did a heck of a job and it's a fully functional unit. The problem is, it is getting old and it's outlived its usefulness. We had it out very recently as a communications van out in Montauk during the quasi-hurricane that just passed and it's a very valuable piece of infrastructure and I'm going to have JP Foster, who was on the truck committee building it, just step in for a second and explain a little bit more.

PSD Foster: Good morning, how are you guys? I just wanted to add to it, I think you guys all know but for the public's information, we dispatch five fire departments, five EMS agencies, two police departments and it's rather busy and the van was commissioned by us in dispatch back in I believe it was 2008, right around that time, and it's time for a new van. We have with the radio system that we purchased, there's a radio system that's designated for the van, has not been installed yet and it's further down in the project. We did purchase it along with the major purchase of the radio system overall and it would be real nice to put it in a new van instead of putting it in our old van if it's possible, and if you just look at what the capabilities are of it and what the usefulness that it serves, it's done us very well for what we have and, and you know, the joke of the Wise potato chip or Frito Lay van is what it was but it's been very functional. It does many things that a lot of the departments around us do not have and we're pretty proud of it. We would like to you know, see if we could, in the future sort of get something on the horizon for something new.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks, I think it's important for a couple of reasons. One, is that we contract with all these outside agencies and we charge a fee for all these fire departments to use us as their dispatch because they have other choices.

PSD Foster: Absolutely. My first phone call was from the Chief of Montauk when the storm was bearing down, "Hey are you sending the van?" I'm like "Well, yes, I am now." You know, I mean, they're the most likely to use it or need it because of the radio structure and we do charge a fee and it would be nice to be able to keep our commitment the best that we can. You can have 99 backups, need 100 but at the same time, this is something that is really important and we do use and roll it out on occasion, you'll see it out there.

Mayor Larsen: Great.

PSD Foster: Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks. Back to you Chief.

Parking Report

Police Chief Tracey: Little tight fit going around that corner, you may have noticed. No other questions on that, I was just going to move along to a report on parking. What I wanted to do is start this report backwards. In other words, we're all looking at what took place in the last six months with the new parking program. We removed the ticket machine which everyone knew for many, many years and basically, we replaced that with a mobile parking system and we went into it with a lot of unknowns. It was a difficult transition, let's just put it that way, with technological issues. We changed vendors during the course of the installation and so forth and so on. I don't want to beat a dead horse because we all were here but I wanted to just talk real quickly about the period of time between April and September 8th, year to year, apples to apples comparison so, I'm going to throw in there 2019 but I will explain that in a second. So, if you take a look at 2019, the Village issued 10,497 tickets for parking but of those, 5,485 were for that violation where the tickets were upside down or the ticket is not visible so, when we removed the ticket machines, that violation, that summons so to speak, disappeared. So that ticket machine has gone and with that so are those violations which totaled about 50 percent of the total parking tickets we issued so with that said, when we compare 2020 and 2021, the summers, in 2020, the traffic control staff and patrol issued 3,440 summonses and that's subtracting 3,273 for the upside-down tickets. This year they issued 3,369 as of September 8th so two numbers, the issuance was similar. One thing that was not similar is I cut the parking traffic control officer staff by half and in doing that,

we saved \$88,598 in personnel costs while simultaneously bringing in that system, so I think that's significant, I think it speaks well of the officers that we did have, and I think the program is working. We're still ironing out kinks but I think it's going to be a very successful program. And when you take in, as of I think two weeks ago, when I did the numbers, there was approximately \$80,000 taken as revenue because of the third hour purchasing ability from ParkMobile so that seems to be working and we think that, the fact that we actually left the parking, two hours free, I think that ended up being the correct decision. I know there was a lot that went into it but the two hours free I think is very well received. When you go to most resort areas in the northeast, you will not find that so I think that sets us aside, sets us apart. Going by the fiscal year, August 1st to July 31st, 2020, the revenue stream for parking was \$695,452 and then compare that to 2021, \$568,351, you have a 19 percent drop but again the COVID shutdown of the courts was significant in the fact that there were no penalties added to tickets. There were no notifications sent from the court to persons that got summonses notifying them that, you know, pay their fine and so forth and so on, however, the additional monies that came in to equal the \$568,000 was an amnesty program that was done at the request of the Mayor and Judge Rana and the court system approved that amnesty program so FBS, a vendor who handles all our ticket processing, our fines, our collection, FBS works with the court and FBS works with the Town and they're fantastic in what they do, they advise us on all of this, and they really made a very difficult year a little better for us in a fiscal sense not to speak lightly of the emotional and trauma that families have gone through over the past year. Any questions that you have on that, on the ticket issuance or revenue so far? (no)

Handicap Parking Enforcement

Police Chief Tracey: Okay, if I could I'm just going to add in real quickly, we implemented a handicap enforcement push through our crew officers in the Village and what we are trying to do is to see if we can match what we had done in the past and had officers specifically looking for people that were taking advantage of handicapped permits, not just the spots. So, we had officers sit on certain areas watching for not just the violation of no handicap summons, and we had 42 of those, but in fact people using other's handicap stickers and so we confiscated in August eight handicapped parking permits from people that were getting tickets as they could not establish that the handicapped permit was their own so they were actually using somebody else's. I think that's significant. I think in a previous year when we did it, the numbers were a bit higher but I think the men did a good job with it. There were two officers assigned to it, specifically for this purpose. We provided those officers went for information in how to determine ownership of the handicapped permits so that made it a little easier for them and I think it was a job well done. I think we're going to try it again and I think it will be successful.

Constables

Police Chief Tracey: Moving along, I know that you all have in front of you a prospective code change or code addition, constable code, if everyone has seen that or is looking at that, this idea, this came basically from COVID in a way. I mean by that is we've had great difficulty getting part-time police officers and agencies that are trying to get full-time police officers also were having a lot of problem with this but there has been no police academy in the past year and a half and there's been no part-time police academy so one of the things that we looked at, it's kind of a hybrid, in between our traffic officers and our full-time officers, we have the part-time police officers but you don't have any part-time police officers if you don't have a Suffolk County Police Academy. A way to look at that, a way to solve that with no academy is to create constables which are basically in between our police officers and special police officers and our traffic officers. The constables would in theory enforce very similar violations such as parking, they would enforce code enforcement on the beach, fires, different violations, again, we'd be able to do a lot of things with them and we'd be able to hire them on our own terms, part-time is initially what we're looking at, they would not do anything in terms of filling in for a full-time police officer. It's written very carefully so that their duties are specifically outlined and they work within those guidelines, but it would be a great help to us if we were able to get those positions, I'm not sure, we haven't had a chance to look at candidates or pooling or anything like that but it was, you know it's been proposed and you know I just think it's got a great advantage to us, so that we're not beholden to the police academy.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, that's terrific. The Chief and I, when I was Chief, the Chief and I talked, Mike and I talked about this years ago and we never moved it forward but now that I'm Mayor, we are going to move it forward and it just makes sense especially, like Mike said, in the time we're in right now it's really hard to get part-time police officers. I'm sure everybody read in the paper recently how the Town of East Hampton is struggling to hire police officers so this is a way for us to get police officers and not have to go through the Suffolk County Police Academy. These officers would be retired police officers from wherever and they would be, have to go through a refresher course with the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department and then we could hire them. There are a couple of other agencies who are already doing this. Westhampton Dunes is one, the Village of Westhampton Dunes, and the Suffolk County Park Police are doing that so we would model our program after theirs and just need this to get approved through civil service once our law is passed so I think it will really benefit our Village a lot. Does anybody have any questions?

Trustee Graham: Mayor, I have a question. Would these constables be outside the PBA or would they be part of the PBA?

Mayor Larsen: They would be outside of the PBA. They would be exactly what our part-time police officers are. Exact same duties, they're not part of the PBA, they would work 20 hours in the off season, they could work full-time during the full season. They have complete police powers while they're working, they would be armed, they could drive police cars, they can stop people for traffic infractions. Same exact powers as our part-time police officers.

Trustee Graham: And to the public they would be regular old cops?

Mayor Larsen: Correct. Nobody would know the difference.

Trustee Graham: I don't mind to disparage cops by calling them regular old but...

Mayor Larsen: I know what you meant, nobody took that as any type of negative I don't think. So, I think it would be a way for us to get manpower. We just went through this summer, we only had one part-time police officer that we shared with the town so, we usually have a staff of around four so this would tremendously help us for next summer.

Trustee Brown: Mayor, if we were able to get part-time officers would that be our preference? Or is this just to supplement so we'll try to have four, you know part-time officers and two constables or how would that work?

Mayor Larsen: Well, like the Chief was saying, it's really hard to get part-time police officers right now. You have to, first you have to find somebody who'd be interested, then they'd have to go through the training for no compensation from October until May and there's not a lot of people willing to do that so it's harder and harder to get that but to answer your question, if we had a good candidate that wanted to go to the academy and we could put him in, then absolutely we would send that person. I'm all about trying to create local jobs and that goes a long way for that and we've done very well with that. I started out as a part-timer. The Chief started out as a part-timer, your husband started out as a part-timer so, that's always been our system and I've always called it like the farm team. You get a really good look at them and then when they score high enough on the test, you can hire them off the Suffolk County Police list, so I hope that answered it. If we had a candidate yes, we would send them.

Trustee Brown: And so, you're thinking two constables?

Mayor Larsen: Well, it would depend on, these are not full-time positions so we could hire six constables and then, or any number, and then when they're available, they're available, if they're not available, they're not available, so it's almost like, it would be similar to our paramedic program. If you think about it like that, you are trying to fill a schedule and you have a roster of some number and then you just go down the roster and try to get, if you had three shifts open that week, you'd try to get three people to fill it. It's not a full-time position, there's no benefits to it or anything like that.

Village Attorney Messina: Mayor, I think what you're saying is that it's, no matter how many people, it's within the specific budgetary appropriation right?

Mayor Larsen: Yeah.

Village Attorney Messina: So that's all that really matters is the amount of money?

Mayor Larsen: True.

Trustee Graham: So, the rate of compensation, Mayor, would be effectively equivalent to the part-time officers that we have?

Mayor Larsen: Yeah, I mean we haven't discussed the salary yet but yes, somewhere in that range I would say.

Trustee Graham: Right, so it's really not a substantial increase in budget because we're replacing the part-times that we can't hire with the constables.

Mayor Larsen: Correct. Yes Chief?

Race Lane Parking

Police Chief Tracey: The other items I had, Race Lane, I have a proposal for a modification in the code in regards to parking. What these changes would do is, it would extend the no parking zone from Railroad Avenue to the edge of the parking lot which is just behind Sam's. Just, it's also behind the aluminum building which houses the Deli and the seafood shop there, so extending the no parking, past that building just to the edge of Sam's parking lot. Right now, that is needed because we have a line of sight problem when people are trying to pull out of that parking lot. That parking lot is a fair size for, you know, a small business area. It would also create a 30-minute zone for the businesses that run along that road down towards the restaurant. And it would create that 30-minute zone from 9 AM to 6 PM, which is the operation hours for those businesses. And at 6 PM, the parking would be relaxed so that the folks using that restaurant could park to visit the restaurant. The two sections of the code that that affects are 267-4 parking prohibited which is the one that would be alongside the businesses. And then, the second section would be parking limited. And that would put in the 30-minute zone. So, this, you may have seen this proposal before, but we hadn't been able to move it to the agenda for just some communications issues, but I'd like to have this section added and I think the people in the area that use not only the restaurant, but those businesses, I think they would greatly benefit from this.

Mayor Larsen: Terrific. Anybody have any questions?

Trustee Graham: So Chief, there would be, it would be no parking from Railroad Avenue down to the driveway that goes into behind Sam's?

Police Chief Tracey: Exactly and the difference between the regulation there now and this one, you can park a vehicle out on Race Lane alongside the building that houses the delicatessen, so forth, and effectively blocking anyone from getting out of that other driveway and parking area, because they can't see when they look up towards the train tracks. So, this would extend that parking, no parking zone, approximately another 15 feet and allow people to get out of that driveway, the one section, the second section.

Trustee Graham: So it's like two or three spaces?

Police Chief Tracey: Yes, about that, two at the max.

Trustee Graham: Okay.

Police Chief Tracey: And we've had temporary signage up there for quite a while, you know, just to make it work until such time as this gets passed, if it gets passed.

Trustee Brown: I'm in support of it.

Trustee Graham: Yes, I am as well.

Trustee Brown: The line of sight, and I think the turnover with the 30 minutes, I know we talked about this ages ago now. But, you know, for people to do the quick, you know, run an errand across the street to the deli or to the liquor store or wherever, yes, makes sense. It works in Reutershan really well too. The perimeter being 30 minutes so kind of the same concept there.

Overnight Parking

Police Chief Tracey: Any other questions on that one? Okay. I just want to jump into two things that I've been asked to look at. One regarding overnight parking. We had a lot of questions. We suspended the overnight parking regulation and we wanted to take a look at any effect or any complaints that we got or had gotten. So, what we did was we took August, figuring that's going to be the biggest month, mixing your local residents in with your visitors. And so, we broke it down literally by each street in the Village just to see where the largest parking on the street was, and we came up with Park Place, which is the Reutershan, Main Street, Pleasant Lane, which I think is exclusively residents parking in front of their houses, Sherrill Road, most of which is not in the Village, and Davids Lane, which again, I believe its exclusively residents. So, we did not have complaints on this, and Conklin Terrace, which definitely is residents parking in front of their houses. But we did not have problems or calls on people not being able to get down the road. So most of the roads can take the vehicles parked on the shoulder. The one that's probably the widest of all of these, which is Cooper Lane, again, plenty of room for everybody to get by. Obviously, some roads, Drew Lane for example, Jones Cove Road, King Street, we had no cars. So, these are broken down by percentages, but the percentages, and first when I looked at it, I was asking myself, jeez, why do we have it broken down by percentages? Because it shows the weight and the

relevance on each road, so. Overall, I didn't see issues related to this. I think it's not writing those summons I think benefits the residents of those, Village residents, whether they be year-round. So that's basically what I came up with during our heaviest months. Any questions on that one?

Trustee Brown: Chief, did you say that we suspended the overnight parking rule?

Police Chief Tracey: Yeah. We haven't enforced overnight parking since COVID. We did issue some warnings now and again, but we figured it was just, just after COVID, we stopped writing that one, and during the course of 2020, a lot of 2020 and some of 2021, there were times when we didn't enforce parking at all. I mean, obviously hydrants and safety issues, people parking in the road, we enforced, but we had some areas where we just thought it better to let people park where they could during the worst of the COVID when people were really, really staying home. So we never brought it back. We haven't brought it back yet. You know, it's entirely up to the Board but, you know, I think the onus for doing this, relaxing it, came from Village Hall initially. Obviously, we agree, because it does kind of put a burden on people having to walk or figure out a place to park, you know, going home.

Trustee Brown: I remember during, you know, in March of 2020, when people from the city especially, where there was exodus out here and there were so many multi-generational families living in one home, of course, that we used discretion. And at that time, I think through an executive order, we suspended that but I didn't realize we weren't doing that now. Do you think that most of the public, I mean, I think that it's posted, these signs, that there is no parking, overnight parking? I think that most people think that that law is on the books and that we are enforcing it, so, I don't know the specific numbers of the different streets, but I would imagine that if we were to allow overnight parking going forward, more people would take advantage of that provision and we would see more overnight parking on our residential streets which I have some concerns about just as far as safety. You mentioned emergency service responders and cars being able to get through some of our narrow residential streets, especially at night. Or, you know, a line of sight issue. I'm also concerned, that someone might park on one of the streets and just leave their car there for an extended period of time now. I could maybe want to go into the city and just park my car on one of the residential streets and come back a week later. Would that be allowed? If we were not to enforce the overnight parking anymore?

Police Chief Tracey: That would be a Board decision. I mean, you could always implement a time limit on those streets to avoid that. The other thing that we have under our control is, you know, a lot of the Village roads are unpaved, not unpaved, unlined i.e. by shoulder. Or even a line down the middle of the street. So if you have a relatively narrow road and you have no line down the middle of the street, we're still allowed to write a summons on that road if you are parked in front of your house and your road will not take two cars passing side by side, in other words, you got a car parked across from your house and now I can't get a truck down the street, both those people are going to get tickets. And that's in the law already. And so, if you obstruct the roadway, if you park in the roadway, if we determine that you're blocking the roadway, you can get a summons. And that's written because that's the day or time when nobody can get an ambulance down the street or a fire truck and we don't allow that. So that is something that we have to keep an eye on always. If you get contractors working on one side of the road and they have a lot of vehicles and then you get another group on the same job site and they park perfectly opposite their counterparts, they'll block the road. So that's something that we look at. We've had Code Enforcement assisting us, the Building Inspector assisting us. If we find a site where they're not using good common sense and they're obstructing the roadway, we'd take care of that right away. There are initially some things to discuss moving forward with that, but I don't think re-implementing it is a necessity. I don't see it as a problem. Some spots, we would have to do a little bit of an education campaign with it, kind of letting people know, but it's in the Board's hands.

Trustee Graham: Chief, I know you mentioned Cooper Lane as being a wide road.

Police Chief Tracey: Right.

Trustee Graham: And it is. But I can tell you that backing out of my driveway, the people in the house next door to me have been parking a SUV on the street all night, all summer. And I can tell you that it makes it difficult backing out of my driveway for line of sight. Okay? I mean, I realize this is just me, but I think that everyone is going to have line of sight problems backing out or even driving straight out into whatever road it is. I think that the, Cooper especially, and during the day, when you have the landscaping trailers parked, you know, you have cars coming down, Cooper's a wide road, people go fast, and they converge on a landscaping trailer, and if there's a car parked across the street, there is one travel lane between them. I mean, frankly, I think it has worked very well for the, you know, 30 plus years that I've lived on Cooper Lane to have no overnight parking. And I don't really see any real demand from anyone that I know, I realize that people are going to smaller and smaller driveways at their houses to accommodate more for living space, if you will, but I don't think that's something we need to encourage. Frankly, I think that the ban on overnight parking has worked quite well for quite a long time. I don't see any reason to change it.

Police Chief Tracey: Oh, again, you know, that's a Board discussion and a Board decision. You know, I'm just speaking from what I've found. But one thing you mentioned, we might want to note, if you take a look at the State Road Route 27, a couple of years ago we had an issue with a homeowner there. The state had repaved the road and they did not put several no parking signs out, and those parking signs were up by Guild Hall. In a couple of the houses up there, those folks couldn't get out of their driveway to make a right or a left because the signs were not put back in. So, within a certain distance of a roadway intersection or a certain distance, for example, of a drive, the State had implemented no parking sites. Like small areas that were delineated on the roadway that you could not park for fear of blocking entry to the road. So, I don't know if that's feasible on some of our roads or not, but it's something perhaps our attorney could discuss if the Board wanted to do it. Something that could be looked at. If you've got a line of sight issue or hazard issue, you could in certain areas enact something that would address that. But again, that's for the Board. That's not for me.

Mayor Larsen: You're right.

Noise

Police Chief Tracey: Anything on that one? Okay, I have one more thing that I was asked to take a look at and this is on noise which I think is, I got some interesting results on our noise complaints. So, if you look at 2020, we had 70, I'm sorry, 112 noise complaints come in of a variety of noise complaints. Of those, 77 of them involved music and loud parties, and by that, I mean, you know, residential. We have almost none in commercial establishments. I think our commercial establishments are, they close, most of them, prior to the noise ordinance kicking in at 11 p.m. You can call in noise complaints during the day and if they exceed a certain level, we can write that as well. So, you know, 112, 77 out of 112 originated from noise or music coming from residences. And then this year, I was surprised, we had 100. Still very close. And with COVID, I didn't think these numbers were going to be even close. And of those 100, 71 were noise/music at most, you know, residential. I didn't think the numbers were going to be so close, but they were. So why that's close I don't know.

Mayor Larsen: That's interesting.

Police Chief Tracey: But we did not get, maybe one from an event, I think it was Buell Lane, special event, but very similar both years. Anybody have anything on that to add?

Trustee Graham: What about 2019? Totally pre-COVID.

Police Chief Tracey: I can get that for you later. I don't have it in front of me. Fortunately, Sue Byrd was able to put this together for me and break it down. But I will email that to you after the meeting.

Trustee Graham: Thanks, Chief.

Police Chief Tracey: And I'll break it down the same way.

Trustee Brown: And would you email the overnight parking data that you have, please?

Police Chief Tracey: Sure. I'll have that typed up and sent over. I'll send that to everybody as well.

Trustee Brown: I appreciate it. Thanks, Chief.

Police Chief Tracey: That's all I have.

Mayor Larsen: That was pretty good. Thank you.

Police Chief Tracey: No boat. No boat. I have canceled the request for a boat.

Mayor Larsen: You can use, you could share, Chief Turza's boat.

Village Attorney Messina: I have a kayak if you want, Chief.

Pio Lombardi & Dr. Gobler – Wastewater Management Plan

Mayor Larsen: All right. So as everyone knows, or the Board knows, and let the public know, I guess two years ago or so the Board hired Nelson Pope to do a feasibility study or a study on installing a centralized sewer system. And the Board received those at a public session. I don't know awhile back now. And then we asked them to look for some additional sites and really haven't been panning out with any sites within the Village, but we haven't really gone anywhere and it's been a year now since I've been in office. And we haven't really made much progress with the centralized sewer system. So, I turned to a friend, Pio Lombardo here and his company, who is very knowledgeable of East Hampton, and Pio, could you just give a little background about yourself and your company?

Pio Lombardo: Sure. Thank you, Mayor. My name's Pio Lombardo. I'm a professional engineer registered in the State of New York and President of Lombardo Associates. We are environmental engineers. We work all over the country for the last 50 years and have an engineer record for over 300 million dollars of projects. And our specialty is working for unsewered communities to deal with their challenges especially when conventional solutions are inappropriate, inadequate for their application. Back in 2013, we were retained by the town to prepare a town-wide comprehensive wastewater management plan. All of those documents where we did a lot by lot analysis of over 20,000 properties within the town, which obviously included the Village. And all those reports are available on the Town of East Hampton's website. We examined the Village, noted that obviously the high density of the commercial establishments in particular was a point of need. And it didn't get into the details to help the Village in part because the Village at that time didn't want to get into those issues. Subsequent to that, we were retained by the Village, I think it was 2016 in which we prepared the Hook Pond water quality restoration project in which Trustee Graham was on the committee that, good morning, Tiger, is who, and a bunch of other folks that worked with us very closely, it was a very productive exercise and addressed, it was a three-part report. Those are all available on the Village's website, on the recommendations there. The key observation that was made, excuse me, I should say one aspect that was a follow-on to that was to examine the amount of sediment that's accumulated in Hook Pond, and in which Dr. Gobler and folks from Stony Brook provided field work and did the actual measurements. The measurements, frankly, were startling, to the point that I went out and personally verified that the estimates were indeed accurate. And what it indicated is that the pond's going to fill up in the not too distant future. That we were, we had the benefit of sediment data that had been collected I think it was 20 or 40 years ago and we just extrapolated from that and surveyed the number of benchmarks, and the cause of this is, is because the pond, it basically is dammed. It's a creek that's been dammed up. And so, what's happening is sediment is coming into the pond, algae's growing in, and it's not escaping, so it's settling out. And as many folks know, the pond's not very deep. So we quantified that. And as well as we prepared a water quality data collection program that should be followed to better understand what's happening in the pond. My understanding is the Village retained the USGS to actually perform that work a few years ago. And then, subsequent to those projects, the Village retained us to examine Egypt Lane and North Main Street, because that area drains into the pond. And the concern was, and we documented, that their high groundwater is prevalent throughout that area. And it's most likely that the septic systems in those areas are not functioning. And there's likely bacterial and phosphorous contributions that are getting into Hook Pond. As part of that work, we prepared a very conceptual wastewater engineering plan, identified the site that the Village owns on North Main Street as a potential location, and even submitted what the Village, an application for a grant from the State to put in a, I'm going to call it, a mini sewer system for that area. Unfortunately, that was not funded back then. And then the other project that we were involved in for the Village was we did the scientific and engineering work with the Town Pond sediment concern. This was all from the context of what's causing the problems at Hook Pond. And obviously one of them being Egypt Lane, off Main Street, draining into it and bringing in phosphorous is the issue of concern in fresh waters, not nitrogen as much. You have to control phosphorous. And then, actually Town Pond drains into Hook Pond. So that was the reason that was examined. And clearly, as I believe many people know, Town Pond was virtually filled with sediment as well. I think the water level depth was only a foot back then. The work we did for the Village was we collected samples of the sediment in accordance with the proper protocols of DEC and had the sediment analyzed to determine how it could be either reused or, if it was disposed of, was it contaminated such that, for instance, if it was heavily contaminated, for instance like Lake Agawam's sediment is heavily contaminated, is that it would have to be disposed of off-island, which obviously would drive the cost up significantly. The end result of our work was the beneficial use permit that was issued by DEC that allows the Village to take that sediment that was removed and use it beneficially for, let me call it, road shoulder top dressing. The Village, subsequent to that work, as you all know, had gone forward and hired a contractor and actually had the sediment removed, but we were involved in the initial stages that defined what needed to be done and got the permit from DEC. So that's the, that's our history with the town. We've been working in the town, frankly, and the Village since that time for a number of individual property owners, just helping them deal with septic system upgrades for IA technologies, as you know, the grants exist for those. That's really a small part of what we do. And so that's the summary, if you will, of who we are and what we've done with the Village. So, should I, Mayor, should I go forward?

Mayor Larsen: Let me just say a couple of things before you move into your report. Before I reached out to Pio, we were able to secure, the Village was able to secure a \$117,000 grant, I believe.

Village Administrator Baladrón: That's correct.

Mayor Larsen: Right in that neighborhood. And we can use that to move this sewer system to the next step. So, this is a very common, we have our first report from our first engineer, and this is, my understanding, this is something called a, a peer review. So, I've asked Pio to do that. It's a peer review report, so he'll look at all their data. He'll confirm that they're correct or incorrect. He will also identify other locations that we can place the septic system. One of the biggest differences between the two companies that I've been hearing is, Pio believes that we can put this sewer plan under a parking lot, such as the long-term parking lot, so it can be placed underground, and the other company is telling me that it can't be done. So, what I wanted to do is take some of this grant money, I've asked Pio to provide the Board with a contract or a proposal, and we can go through that with him now. And then, I'd like to hire him to complete that work. And my understanding is that work will be completed by December. And then we can put, assuming everything goes the way we want it to, we can put a committee together and we can start really moving to the next step, which is called a map and plan. So, Pio, I'll let you go from there.

Pio Lombardo: Yes, that is well stated, Mayor. And just for context, we have put these systems under parking lots in other parts of the country, including Malibu, California. So, it's not a technical problem. In terms of regulatory approval, I should have mentioned that we have done quite a bit of work for Montauk and the business districts there, and we made a similar recommendation in that area. To that point, we had meetings with DEC and the County Health Department to get, let me say, their concurrence about this approach, and we received no objections to it. The County, so we have, this is not, let me call it, speculation on our part, that we have run this to ground, and that is part of what we are proposing. So, with that, if I may share the screen, what I'd like to do then is share with you the proposal that we have. There we go. Okay? So, can you all see this?

Mayor Larsen: Yes.

Pio Lombardo: Okay. Let me shrink it up a little bit. Okay. What we're proposing to do is, it consists of four tasks, the first task, can you see my cursor?

Mayor Larsen: Yes.

Pio Lombardo: So, the first task is to basically review the existing plan and relevant data that's been collected. We don't want to reinvent the wheel. We already have, you know, on a very preliminary basis, examined the information that has, that the Village has been provided with. We've, and June has been very helpful, and I've had conversations with Billy Hajek on these issues. So, we want to basically review that information. And we see some gaps that I have identified to the Village, that needs to be filled in so that it's a complete data set. And then we want to pull out of the work that we did for the town, in which we looked at every lot, and integrate that information with the information that's been gathered by your previous engineering efforts, to come up with, okay, we would prepare a report here that basically presents the findings and identifies any issues that need to be addressed so that we can very confidently say, yes, we have our arms around everything. We know what, has been done and what we need to do. We're going to do our best to fill in any blanks that exist. And I don't see any, I don't see any let me call barriers for that to be accomplished. We're going to take advantage of all the work that's been done, especially identification of sites. All of this work is very critical and important that would be a component of a map and plan. So, anything we're doing really is a building blocks, if you will, for your ultimate goal. And the next task would be the what we call identification and evaluated of alternative approaches. Our observation is that, that there's, a number of approaches were not examined. And both from a collection system and from a treatment and a disposal system we'll be amending this once we get into the details, but it appears to us that the proposal that has been examined was to put the sewer in the street and to tell everybody to connect to it. Doing that results in significant road restoration costs. It also results in significant on property costs because all of those properties, well not all, typically, those properties have their waste water systems in the back. They're not in the front. So, those properties would have to replumb their waste lines and it's not an insignificant cost. We would examine an alternative that would not have that approach that basically would run the sewer lines in the back of the properties so that road cost would be significantly avoided. We've done that in hamlets in New York State where similar issues, and frankly, we did it in the Hudson Valley where rock was a significant concern. We don't anticipate that being a difficulty. We would then be looking at treatment plant locations. And as the Mayor said, one of them, we'll look at the parking areas. And frankly, we identify that in the, town-wide comprehensive plan, about the numerous, parking areas that exist in the Village and those, obviously in our opinion, are good candidates, and then for disposal or preferably reused, one of the options that we'll examine

is really to reuse that water for landscape irrigation. And the technique that we would be examining is using what's referred to as drip irrigation. So, the water, or the pipes basically, this is all versus spray irrigation, all of the water is, discharged below grade. So, there's no spray concerns and the benefit there is that there's additional treatment, in neutral removal that occurs because the water then is in the root zone of the landscape and therefore, gets consumed. It'll also save irrigation costs for those properties. And naturally, there's as you all know, there's a number of parks and ballfields in the Village that are good candidates for that. A very important component of the project is to identify the environmental benefits of this, because clearly that's a requirement associated with CPF funding and this area is all within the Hook Pond watershed so we will be looking at that and, again, the objective there is to demonstrate environmental improvement to make sure these efforts would be qualified for CPF funding. In our observation, that is through the Village, a significant source of funding for the project. The third task then would be once we, you know, sort of have our conceptual plan or draft engineering plan assembled, is to meet with DEC and the County Health Department to get their concurrence on what we're proposing. the project, depending on our recent experience, this would fall heavily under DEC's jurisdiction, and again, we are very familiar with this. We've done these kinds of projects in New York State and, what we're proposing, or suggesting is a solution where there may be other that we generate, we've done before in New York State. And then finally, there would be a recommended wastewater management plan, that really summarizes what was done in the previous task and then prepares a succinct recommended plan that would be submitted to the Trustees, you know, to the Board, Mayor, and the Trustees. And it would address the issues we just talked about, what are the water quality issues, the service area that we're talking about, the wastewater collection system, pipe and routes, and the treatment system, the type and location, disposal, et cetera, along with very importantly, what budgets it's going to be for capital costs and what anticipated user charges would be under various funding scenarios, whether it's 25%, 50 or 75% funding, what is the likely user charges, because obviously, at the end of the day, it's always going to be about money. You know, what's it cost? And then we would submit a Gantt chart associated with that, that would address the next steps on preparation of the map and plan and the ultimate objective here, or ultimate next major step, would be an actual, I'm going to call it wastewater district formation and its implementation. Now, what I would like to do to that point is share with you a graphic that I assembled that illustrates what we've just talked about. Can you all see that?

Mayor Larsen: Yes.

Mr. Lombardo: Okay. Good. So, what we just talked about was this box, of this, peer review in which we would go through this drill. We would then generate this preliminary plan, and by the way, a wastewater district in the Village, the service area is the entire Village. So, when the plan will be to naturally deal with where the area should be sewered, but it'll also address what should be done in the remaining parts of the Village. And it may be under one, let me call it, end of the spectrum is to just continue with septic system upgrades, as is being done now. I'm going to call it, again for lack of a better word, aggressive or more intense efforts than may be desired. Those are things that we would determine with the Village during this study process. Okay. We actually would interact with the Mayor and the Trustees to review what we're doing, obviously getting your approvals on any plans, and during that process, we would look forward to working with the Village Attorney because the next steps are going to be, are going to require a lot of legal work, and there's a lot of different options, if you will. We have experience with them, but at the end of the day, the Village is going to need its Attorney to provide advice on district formation in the nuances of, you know, doing it one way versus another way. There are a few different options available to the Village. This is the task we talked about with reviewing with the regulatory funding agencies, whatever gets generated here, and then the end of this would be, a public presentation to the Trustees on here's the recommended plan and we're recommending that the Village proceed with the next steps. So, this, if you will, section, roman numeral one, is what would be performed during this as a result of this proposal. Should you authorize it, that would be the end result of it. The next steps for your reference information, is to create the district. The Trustees then authorize the preparation of the map and plan. A healthy part of that work is done in this front-end work. So, this activity, a significant component of it is public information in meetings and education and then refinements to the plans that are developed in roman numeral one. Once that's completed, the Trustees then adopt the plan. When I say these, these are resolutions that would be prepared by the Village Attorney that the Trustees then, presumably would, authorize and adopt. Once the Trustees adopt the resolution to call for the, let's call it a sewer district for lack of a better way, I prefer to use wastewater management district, but then there's public hearings that are held and once the formal adoption occurs, then there's either the Village calls for a referendum or they just wait 30 days, because any adoption is subject to permissive referendum. In order words, during a 30-day period after the adoption by the Village, the voters can petition requiring a referendum, and there's rules associated with that. The Village decides, the Mayor, the Trustees decide on which route to take, assuming all of that is positive, the district gets formed. Then it's a legal, governmental, it's a governmental entity, and the next step is the bonding authorization then is provided for the district to implement the plan. Let's say, the map and plan's going to be X million dollars, so the district would need to be authorized to bond for that funding because, in many cases, grants done on a reimbursement basis, so just for

cash flow purposes. And naturally the bonding authorization, includes the, the backing, the full faith and credit of the Village that the bonds will be repaid. Once that's completed, and frankly, that can all be done within six months. We've done it faster, we can do it down to, I think four is probably the minimum just because of the required public hearing notices, et cetera. and then once that's completed, the district is formed and then the third step in the whole process is preparation of construction, plans, and specifications, and final permitting. The plans and specs need to be approved by DEC and then those plans and specifications are issued for public bidding and installation. And then shortly thereafter, the system becomes operational. Lombardo Associates as the engineer, our services go all the way through all of those, and we typically for clients even provide, operational oversight to make sure that, the systems are operating. At the end of the day, we become an extension of the Village staff, if you will, and that's, let me say, normal in this business, and we play, we have, you know, performed that role for many municipalities over the years. So, in summary, the immediate issue on the peer review, creates a, I'm going to call it an implementable plan, that you get sign off from the regulators on. The next step is the serious efforts of getting the district formed and then obviously implemented. So, the proposal in front of you is really to authorize us to do this roman numeral one work that is described in the actual proposal document. So, with that, I'll, be happy to respond to any questions or comments from the Mayor, the Trustees, or anyone else that the Mayor thinks he would like me to respond to. Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: Great. Any questions anyone?

Trustee Graham: Yes. Mr. Mayor, I have a question. First, I've known Pio for five or six years, we worked together on the Hook Pond Water Quality Study. I consider Pio to be a friend and, he is also, in my opinion, extraordinarily competent in this field. However, I do wonder, are we now going to take the, prior work that was done at not insubstantial cost and is that gone under the bus? Are we, are we hiring Pio to take over from Nelson Pope?

Mr. Lombardo: Well, if I may respond to that, Mayor.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, go ahead.

Mr. Lombardo: In my opinion, Trustee, we become your engineer of record by this effort, we're authorized to be your engineer, and we're what we're going to be doing, we don't want to reinvent the wheel. We're not interested in, frankly, redoing anything. What we're really going to do is build on what's been done and more importantly, let me say, threading the needle because right now you don't have a plan that's implementable, right? So our responsibility is to create a, a plan that can be implemented. So, again, we're effectively, you're authorizing us to be your engineer record, which is very, is, that's a significant term, and responsibility, on our part. and then, the goal here is to create a plan that is implementable. And we've identified and, in our opinion, we believe that we can create that and at a, in very importantly at a significantly lower cost that has been estimated for the concepts that, that, proffered so far.

Trustee Graham: Okay. So, Pio, what is your estimated cost for the project?

Mr. Lombardo: The cost for our proposed efforts, in the proposal there is the 42,464, okay? Now that'll get the Village a plan that, again, in, in our opinion will be implementable. Now, if you're asking what's the estimated cost of the project that's done, I mean, that's, you know, at the end of the day, we're going to tell you that after we're finished with the work. Our experience though and if you just take the numbers that you were given by others, is that our experience says when you put the sewer in the middle of the road, it's not unusual to double the cost because of the road. The projects, and this is very common in this business, the projects turn from a sewer project to a road restoration project.

Trustee Graham: Are you contemplating sewerage more than the commercial core of the Village?

Mr. Lombardo: Well, in our opinion, it should be. Our observation, again, these are initial observations. You know, we'll be able to answer this much fully after we get our arms around it; however, there was no inclusion of North Main Street. That's, in our opinion, the data strongly says, no, no, no, no, there's high groundwater there. There're serious contamination problems there. Now, Egypt Lane is another example, has very high groundwater problems there. Those septic systems, especially on the, what was it, the west side of Egypt Lane, they are under water. I mean, you know, with all due respect, that's a public health hazard. You know they're not removing bacteria, like they're supposed to, okay? Those are failed systems. That's a definite...

Trustee Graham: They're effectively, all those septic systems are effectively sitting in the groundwater.

Mr. Lombardo: Exactly.

Trustee Graham: We understand that. In many ways, it would, from the, some of the estimates that I've seen, it would be more cost efficient for the Village to supply each one of those houses with an IA system than it would be to sewer them.

Mr. Lombardo: Well, the only thing you going to be careful about...

Trustee Graham: Is density.

Mr. Lombardo: Well, you know, on the one hand, if it's technically accurate to do that, we're more than happy to support that, recommendation. And what I know of let me call it that southern Egypt Lane and again, the west side of it, because the east side of it has a higher elevation, first of all, there's no room on those properties. It's reasonably small. Secondly, they're in the groundwater. So, you would have to create what we call a mounded system. You're going to have to bring in fill. Oh, my God. You're now going to talk about something that's ugly and you're going to talk about something that's really expensive. Now, you're talking well over 40, I've seen it go up to over \$50,000 a property. And, don't be surprised if those property owners are going to say, no way, because it'll interfere with the use of the property, okay, because you now have to raise it, don't be surprised if you are going to have to raise it four feet. All of a sudden, you have to have this mound.

Trustee Graham: I was under the impression, Pio, that the IA systems are not as dependent on, that you could discharge IA systems, pretty much right into the groundwater.

Mr. Lombardo: No. First of all, that would be a violation of code. More importantly from a scientific public health perspective, the IA systems work and they do a good job. Their focus is really on nitrogen removal. Their focus is not on pathogen removal, okay. To achieve pathogen removal, one would, the rule in the industry is you have to have a minimum of two feet of what's called unsaturated soil. In other words, you have to be two feet above the highest groundwater and the normal rule is four feet, okay. Suffolk County code allows three feet, okay. So, anything less than two, no. No, you're not getting the bacterial purification. Now, one could potentially add a disinfectant technique. Those are not reliable, though, on individual systems. So, to your question or your comment there, oh, you could discharge, no. That's not allowed.

Trustee Graham: You couldn't do that with UV treatment?

Mr. Lombardo: You technically, UV, and we've done UV even on small flows, unfortunately, it's not reliable. You get into maintenance issues and it's not going to be approved, by the way. At the end of the day, it's not going to be approved, whether it's even technically viable. I don't think it's reliable. It's not going to be approved because you cannot guarantee that it's going to protect public health. Whatever the ground level elevations are is what it is, but our cursory review of Egypt Lane when we were doing the Hook Pond study said that that western area has high groundwater problem.

Trustee Graham: I mean, we did discuss all of that back in 2016.

Mr. Lombardo: That's correct.

Trustee Brown: I had a question. So, just going back to Tiger's original question, phase one, is 42,000, correct?

Mr. Lombardo: Yes.

Trustee Brown: And for the second, which is the sewer district formation and, the last, which is the design, construction operation, what are those fees estimated at?

Mr. Lombardo: Well, you know, the only thing that I can give you, let me call it a sense of, for the sewer district formation, frankly, the engineering aspects of that is relatively, well I have to be careful. I don't know what those numbers are is the short answer because there's a lot that depends on what's being proposed. In the preparation of the map and plan, most of the engineering work, let me call it the heavy engineering work, is done in phase one, okay. Where the costs accumulate, in this process is frankly a lot of soft. For instance, there's a lot of work and time associated with public information meetings, et cetera. and an aspect of this is SEQRA. SEQRA needs to be performed. Now, we expect they'll be a Negative Declaration, but that drill, that process needs to be performed. Based upon experience, let me just say that if I were to look at the grant that you have of 117, I could say, well, could the rest of this be done within that timeframe, within that budget? And I would say, it's going to very strong chance. Now, and remember, another component of the sewer district is attorney fees. I don't think those should be astronomical, but that's another component of it. So that's the work that gets done during that second phase.

Trustee Brown: And will you be looking at other sites, other than the long-term parking lot or is that...

Mr. Lombardo: Oh, yes. We're going to look at a clean sheet of paper. And we may, I'm not dismissing that we'll look at some of those sites and say, no, no, no, that is doable.

Trustee Brown: Okay.

Mr. Lombardo: Yes. I mean, we're not going to throw them all out the window and just say, oh, no. If we can, let me say, make silk out of a sow's ear, we will try.

Mayor Larsen: I do want to add though the one site that was looked at on North Main Street. We had the Village attorney look into the deed on that and it's not able to be used, correct, Vincent?

Village Attorney Messina: Sorry, I had to unmute myself. Yes, that is correct. We took a look at the, there was some restrictive covenants on that which prohibited it from being used.

Mayor Larsen: Right.

Trustee Brown: There other areas that were identified within the Village that are Village owned and some that we would need to acquire possibly. So, I was just wondering if we were set on the long-term lot that's kind of a new...

Mr. Lombardo: No.

Mayor Larsen: No, we're not set on anything, but we were at the end of the road with Nelson Pope because they couldn't find anything in the Village, any proposed sites.

Trustee Brown: Talking about the long-term lot, is that the area that's, the parking lot or is it the area that's closer to the daycare center? I know the Village kind of owns a little bit of land over there.

Mayor Larsen: Oh. My thought was the parking lot, the paved portion, but, you know, Pio's company will look at everything again. That's the idea of this. Mayor Larsen: And I think we're kind of at the end, to answer Tiger's question, we're at the end of the road with Nelson Pope because they do not feel it can be done under a parking lot. So, there was no more discussions with them on this.

Trustee Brown: Why did they think it couldn't be, why that wasn't a viable option? Do you remember?

Mayor Larsen: They're saying that the Health Department won't approve it.

Trustee Melendez: I feel like all those questions are going to be answered with this plan that we're trying to get. So as soon as we get Pio working on it, then we're get all our answers.

Mayor Larsen: Right, and at the same time, we have Dr. Gobler from Stony Brook University, I believe that's where he's from, who has done tremendous amount of on the Friends of Georgica Pond and we're going to also recommend that we hire him to also prepare a study for us that will pre- which will show that creating this sewer system will tremendously help Hook Pond. So that's the other part of this at the same time. And, Pio knows, can speak about that, too.

Mr. Lombardo: Right. We've worked with Dr. Gobler, you know, again, on Hook Pond and, you know, I think it, it's a good aspect to have a third party, opinion that speaks to this issue and obviously, Dr. Gobler is respected in that regard. So, again, you know, Trustee Brown, the key thing, and the other Trustee mentioned is we're going in with our eyes open. Our goal is, our motivation is to come up with a solution. And we're driven to make that happen. And with all humility, we're known for being creative. So, we like that.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, and I...

Mr. Lombardo: We like being creative.

Mayor Larsen: I've talked to Billy Hajek who will work and manage this whole thing and work right alongside, Pio. So, I think with that combination we should be in really good shape. And, like I said earlier, hopefully this work can be done in the next few months and then December we can actually form a committee and have all the costs in front of us and then really have a roadmap to finish this.

Mr. Lombardo: I will share with you, Trustee Brown, that we have identified a couple, at least one very significant, positive, aspect here that has not been identified that I don't want to disclose it until we get further on, but we've seen some nice, let me say, we can make some lemonade out of a situation. There're some nice opportunities there that lends itself to the way the Village operates. And I'll be happy to talk about that once we get started.

Mayor Larsen: Great.

Trustee Graham: Yes. I have a couple of final questions. The first is that we are. in proceeding with this, we would be dismissing Nelson Pope and hiring, and replacing them with Lombardo Associates. Is that correct, Mayor?

Mayor Larsen: No. We don't have a contract any longer with Nelson Pope. Their work is completed. So, we would have to either go with a new firm or come up with a new plan with Nelson Pope. So, their work is done.

Trustee Graham: Okay, and secondly, and this is probably more for Pio. What kind of system are you looking at in terms of size?

Mr. Lombardo: Size?

Trustee Graham: Yes. I mean, a, a 50,000 gallon? A 100,000 gallon?

Mr. Lombardo: I mean, I don't know Trustee Tiger. I don't know that answer yet. I have some, you know, at the end of the day, we're going to be driven by the data. I reviewed some of it and I have some concerns about what was stated in it. I wouldn't be surprised that it's over 30, as an example. I wouldn't be surprised at all. So then it becomes a question of, you know, where's the surface area? What's the extent of the surface area?

Trustee Graham: Right. That's what determines the flows. I get it.

Mr. Lombardo: Yes. It's which properties are in and which properties are out. And what I noticed on the other study is, there was no user charges that were developed. That's not, that wasn't done at all.

Trustee Graham: Yes. I don't think they knew what the cost was going to be. So how can you determine the user charge?

Mr. Lombardo: Excuse me, Tiger, they have projections of cost for the four phases. They had phase 1, 1A, 1B, they had flow. There's a table on their April 16th presentation that had costs associated with that. I remember John Donovan, I watched the video of it that basically said that without significant funding, it's not affordable. He didn't say those exact words, you may remember, it's \$3,300 a user, if you will, was thrown out. Our goal is to obviously identify a system that's implementable, and then obviously what's the least cost option, and then maximize the amount of grants. Those are the ingredients for success that's what we'll be driven to find, and we think that it's, you know, we're optimistic.

Trustee Graham: Well, let's see where we go.

Mr. Lombardo: Yes, exactly.

Mayor Larsen: All right, thanks Pio.

Mr. Lombardo: Thank you all, appreciate it and look forward to being of service again.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks very much.

Mr. Lombardo: All right so are we done, Mayor?

Mayor Larsen: Yes, we're all set. Thank you.

Mr. Lombardo: All right, I'll sign off then.

Public Comment

Mayor Larsen: All right, thanks a lot. All right, next up is public comment. Is anybody on the line?

LTV Moderator Gambino: There is nobody on the line right now.

Agenda

Mayor Larsen: All right. So now we'll move into the agenda. Chris, are you with us?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Yes, I'm here, thanks.

Mayor Larsen: It's all right. How are we doing out there?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Doing all right, but I've been on the call the whole time.

Mayor Larsen: All right, great. We're going into the agenda. So, all right, here we go. June?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Okay, approve claim vouchers for the month of September.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve warrants as listed; General Fund #5, #8 and #9, Trust Fund #4, LOSAP#6 and 7, and Capital Fund #10.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve departmental reports.

Trustee Brown: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Adopt Resolution #59 of 2021, approving the East Hampton Village Public Safety Dispatcher Association Side Letter Agreement to include Juneteenth as a paid holiday.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Number six has been tabled. Adopt Resolution #61 of 2021 to appoint Chris Minardi as a second Village representative on the YMCA East Hampton RECenter Board of Managers, upon the Board of Managers acceptance.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Trustee Graham: Who is the other, representative on that Board?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Larrilee Jemiola.

Trustee Graham: Thank you.

Deputy Clerk Lester: You're welcome. Adopt Resolution #62 of 2021 approving the 4% increase in Police Officer Meghan Harris's base salary, as per the PBA contract for college credits, effective October 1, 2021.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Accept the resignation of part time EMT Thomas Flight, effective retroactively to May 31, 2021.

Trustee Brown: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Employ 2021 lifeguards listed to fill vacancies, effective immediately, as per Jamie Tulp's September 3rd email.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Trustee Graham: And this is going to keep beaches open through October, Mayor?

Village Administrator Baladron: No, Tiger, it's just up until the 30th. I think the 30th is the last payroll for them.

Trustee Graham: Okay.

Mayor Larsen: September 30th.

Trustee Brown: And which beaches are going to be guarded on the weekends going forward through the 30th?

Village Administrator Baladron: We're going to try Georgica, obviously Main Beach, but we're going to try Georgica and Two Mile if we can, Rose. And then, but we're going to focus on Main Beach if we can.

Deputy Mayor Minardi: And Marcos, I'll jump in here. As many as possible is the answer Trustee Brown, depending upon how many guards we can get. So the objective is to open them all, but if we can't, it'll start at Main Beach and then go outward.

Mayor Larsen: Terrific. June?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Number 11, accept the \$15,105.15 proposal received from South Fork Asphalt for road improvement work at various locations, as per David Collins' August 17th memo.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried. Hey June?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Yes?

Mayor Larsen: Did we actually do a motion for number 10?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Yes, we did.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Oh wait, no we did not. Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: That's what I thought. Can we go back to number 10? And I'll make the motion.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Thank you.

Mayor Larsen: No problem.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Accept the \$44,100 proposal received from Rosemar Contracting for road improvements on Further Lane as per David Collins' September 6th memo.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Number 13, accept Devon Mansir Jr. as a new member of the Fire Department Hose Co. #3, and that's as per Chief Turza's September 14th memo.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve the reassignment of two Traffic Control Officers to Seasonal Traffic Control Specialists, Jessica Gualpa at \$17 per hour and Devon G. Mansir at \$16.50 per hour, to work during the winter months for recall assignments, effective retroactively to September 3rd as per Chief Michael Tracey's September 3rd memo.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve listed Traffic Control Officers and Specialist, Seasonal Police Officers, Paramedics and Critical Care EMTs to work during the winter months for recall assignments at a maximum of 20 hours per week as listed in Chief Tracey's September 3rd memos.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve list of special events for winter months that require Traffic Control Officers as per Chief Tracey's September 3rd memo.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Employ Robert J. Capozzola as a per diem paramedic at the hourly rate of \$28, effective immediately, and that's as per Chief Tracey's September 8th memo.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve Change Order number one on the Town Pond Dredging Project in the amount of \$19,920.65, please refer to Billy Hajek's August 25th memo with attachments.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.
Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Appoint Shahab Karmely as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire July 2026.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Second that.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve Lombardo Associates Incorporated \$42,000 proposal for wastewater management plan.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve Dr. Christopher Gobler's \$25,000 maximum proposal to perform an environmental sewer system study.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: That should be \$25,000 just for the notes. All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve Lee Bertrand's Photography & Fine Arts LLC as a consultant at \$40 per hour.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Notice for a public hearing to be held on October 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Emergency Services Building, 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton, New York or via video conferencing if necessary for Introductory # 24-2021, a proposed code amendment to Chapter 278 regarding cellars.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Okay, hearing is scheduled.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Notice for public hearing to be held on October 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Emergency Services Building, 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton, New York or via video conferencing if necessary for Introductory # 25-2021, a proposed code amendment to Chapter 278 regarding window wells.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Great, hearing is scheduled.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Notice for public hearing to be held on October 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Emergency Services Building, 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton, New York or via video conferencing if necessary for Introductory # 26-2021, a proposed code amendment to Chapter 219 police to add Article II, Constables.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Notice for public hearing to be held on October 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Emergency Services Building, 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton, New York or via video conferencing if necessary for Introductory # 27-2021, a proposed code amendment to add Chapter 225 Property Maintenance and Nuisance Abatement.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Notice to bidders for design of the reconstruction of the Herrick Park Bathrooms, with the bid opening to be held on October 26, 2021.

Mr. Graham: So moved.

Trustee Brown: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Adopt Resolution # 63-2021 to accept and acknowledge the gift of a replica model of Village Hall from Ray Harden and Ben Krupinski Builder LLC with an approximate value between \$28,000 and \$30,000.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried. We thank Ray and we thank Jim McMullin for designing this beautiful house that everybody can see during our parade on the 25th of this month. Thank you very much.

Trustee Brown: And to Mims Painting who donated the paint for replica as well.

Mayor Larsen: Thanks Rose, I forgot that.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Accept the \$97,255.44 bid received from ESI Environmental Services Inc. to provide various street drain cleaning services, as per the September 14th bid specifications, and please refer to Dave Collins' September 14th memo.

Trustee Brown: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Reject September 14th bids and re-notice to bidders for the Crack Sealing, Seal Coating and Infrared Patchwork, with a bid opening to be held at Village Hall, 86 Main Street, East Hampton, New York on October 15, 2021 at 2:00 PM.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve status changes for the following Fire Department members as per Chief Turza's September 14th memo; Michael DeLalio, Co. #5 to Inactive Exempt, effective September 3, 2021; Matthew MacPherson to Captain of Co. #5, effective September 2, 2021, and Stephen Turza to Lieutenant of Co. #5 effective September 2, 2021.

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried. Is there anything else June?

Deputy Clerk Lester: Yes, one addendum.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Deputy Clerk Lester: Approve 2021 to 2022 insurance policies at a total due of \$420,747.91, the total policies come to an increase of \$13,305.78 over last year's.

Trustee Melendez: So moved.

Trustee Graham: Second.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Deputy Clerk Lester: That's it.

Purchase Orders for Fire Apparatus

Trustee Graham: Okay, Mayor, I would like to propose an additional addendum authorizing you as Mayor to sign the purchase orders for the fire apparatus. If we don't sign these purchase orders by the 30th of this month, the cost for the equipment as proposed would probably go up by about \$100,000. It's going to be a year before we have to actually write a check for it, but I think that we need to make sure that you are authorized to sign these purchase orders, in advance of the price increase. So, I'd like to make that proposal.

Mayor Larsen: Marcos, do you need that done now?

Village Administrator Baladron: I agree wholeheartedly.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Village Administrator Baladron: I mean it's not going to be dramatic as a price increase from what I heard, but...

Trustee Graham: It's about \$100,000 Marcos.

Village Administrator Baladron: Well, I heard 42, I mean it's fine, I agree with Tiger completely.

Trustee Graham: Two to three percent.

Mayor Larsen: All right, do you want to make the motion?

Trustee Graham: I make the motion.

Trustee Brown: I'll second it.

Mayor Larsen: All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: Passed and carried.

Trustee Graham: Thank you Mayor.

Mayor Larsen: Thank you. All right so that.

Work Sessions

Trustee Brown: I have just a question really Mayor, about the Work Sessions going forward. and I'm not sure if we are having them or not, and I just wanted to clarify that. I mean I think that they're really important as far as keeping the public informed and for us to deliberate publicly about some of the things that we'd like to potentially change. Today for example we had three or four possible changes to the code, noticing public hearings, and we haven't publicly debated or discussed the basements and so forth that you're talking about publicly. And I think that the Work Session really is intended to do that and have that discussion.

Mayor Larsen: Well, we could've discussed it today. You had this on the agenda. You could've brought up any of your concerns.

Trustee Brown: Typically, the under discussion, it would have what public hearing we're talking about next month.

Mayor Larsen: Well, we're going to discuss it at the public hearing. That's the reason for the public hearing.

Trustee Brown: So then I hope...

Mayor Larsen: Then I would say moving forward if there's something that we need to have a presentation on or something like that, we'll certainly schedule the Work Session. Currently, you know, there's nothing really, there's not really too much pressing on our agendas. So just to have a meeting doesn't really seem necessary when we can accomplish it at the once a month meeting right now. If it gets busier, certainly we can go back to Work Sessions.

Trustee Graham: Yes, I mean my comment would be frankly that we have not discussed any of these things as a Board you know, the basements, the window wells, et cetera, I don't think I have a problem with any of it as, from what I've read, but I think that we should have the ability to discuss it. You know, the open meetings law when it was originally passed was set up so that people could watch their governing bodies making the sausage, as they say. We ought to do that.

Mayor Larsen: Well, we can certainly do that at the...

Trustee Melendez: Public hearing.

Mayor Larsen: ...at the public hearing.

Trustee Graham: Yes, and I assume that we're not going to be voting on it the same day as the public hearing?

Mayor Larsen: Well, we'll see. That's going to depend on the issue. If we follow all of our legal obligations and then we have a public hearing, and there's no one to speak against it, why would we keep it for another 30 days? It doesn't make sense. Some of the...

Trustee Graham: Well because...

Mayor Larsen: Tiger, this is...

Trustee Graham: People not be viewing the meeting in person Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Larsen: Tiger, this has been done this way for 40 years.

Trustee Graham: And you criticized it when Paul Rickenbach did it.

Mayor Larsen: That's not true. Find the video for that I think what we need to do is if there's something that there's a lot of controversy on, and people are bringing substantial, we've done this at other public hearings where we have a public hearing and someone brings a great idea to the table, and we change the law, all of us. We all agree, like that's a great idea, we didn't think of that, but for people just to, half the time we have public hearings no one even, so how long do you want to keep it open?

Trustee Graham: I want to keep it open one meeting.

Mayor Larsen: It doesn't but then somebody might say to you, "Tiger, I didn't know about that. Maybe we should keep it two more meetings." So, I don't want to slow down government works very slow as it is. So, if there's very simple things we're changing, just to have a policy to keep it open for two months is ridiculous. Like a lot of these law changes we're making are not, are not controversial. There's no one going to even be opposed to some of these things, so just to keep it open on a routine basis, ridiculous. All it's going to do is slow down the process, slow down the process. You have to trust the process. This is the process, so let's just go forward and we'll see how it works. If it becomes too bogged down or we're not able to get our business done, then we can go back to what we were doing. But I see no reason for it right now. This was a terrific meeting.

Trustee Brown: No, it was a good meeting, I'm not saying it wasn't, but for people to get the information out, sometimes it takes you know, a little bit of time. And you know, if we have a public hearing on the same day that we are then going to vote on that public hearing item as a resolution, it doesn't really give people much time. And you're right, you know to your point, like sometimes you get really good ideas and you want to change it. And if people aren't able to you know, know about it first, then we're missing that opportunity.

Mayor Larsen: But I have to go further on this now, because you're saying that we have a public hearing at a meeting, and then we close the public hearing, and you don't want to vote on it. Is that what you're saying?

Trustee Brown: Well, I'm saying if we are going to bring an issue about for the first time as a public hearing, right, instead of having it as a discussion item at the meeting prior then people aren't really aware of what we're talking about. When someone reads you know a resolution that just is such and such regarding window wells, they have no idea what that means Mayor. So, if we don't have the discussion to preempt that, you know, that doesn't mean anything to them until they hear it at the next meeting, at that meeting. That's all I'm saying. And it was a surprise that you know we canceled the Work Sessions. I do not know if it is possible to change that by resolution or not, because I thought we had that as part of our organizational meeting when we meet Thursday of every month.

Mayor Larsen: How about the Village Attorney's take on this?

Trustee Brown: Yes.

Mayor Larsen: Village attorney, that's your cue.

Trustee Graham: He's trying to find his mute button, but actually, Mayor, if we do discuss it at a Work Session-
Village Attorney Messina: Sorry, Mayor.

Trustee Graham: ... then we could vote on it at the next regular meeting.

Trustee Brown: And that's the protocol.

Mayor Larsen: But the public hearing would still be open, so it goes against your argument. You're still going to have a public hearing. What if, and then you're going to close the hearing, and you're going to vote on it. So-

Trustee Brown: But my point is that at least...

Mayor Larsen: So, we're going to have two months of no one commenting on our law, and you just want to routinely drag out for three months, passing laws. I'm not doing that.

Trustee Brown: I agree with you that government sometimes works so slowly and it's frustrating.

Mayor Larsen: Not my government, Rose.

Trustee Brown: I'm not saying that I would slow it down. I'm just saying if you discuss something at a Work Session and then you can at that Work Session, say let's put it to a public hearing for the next meeting. That's only a matter of two weeks that we're talking about, I don't want to delay anything three months either.

Mayor Larsen: That's what we, that's what we, that's what we just did.

Trustee Brown: No, we have never discussed basements or the...

Mayor Larsen: You could've. You could've discussed anything, just like we're doing now. You could've discussed anything you wanted to. I'm not going to beat this to death. Vinnie could you chime in on this?

Village Attorney Messina: Sure, in terms of the legal requirements, look, all you need to do is authorize to advertise, hold the public hearing, and you're certainly able to vote immediately at the conclusion of the public hearing. Now obviously if issues are raised or if there's anything that further information is needed, you can adjourn the public hearing to a later date and keep it open. Or you can close it and reserve decision if, you know, everybody wants to think about it a little more, but those are the Board's options, but as a matter of law, there's absolutely nothing that requires anything more than advertisement, authorization to advertise for the public hearing, the advertisement of the public hearing, and then the holding of the public hearing in accordance with the advertisement. That's it.

Mayor Larsen: Great. Okay. Anything else before I close?

Trustee Brown: Yes, go ahead.

Mayor Larsen: Are we good?

Trustee Brown: Yes.

Mayor Larsen: Okay.

Village Administrator Baladron: I apologize Mr. Mayor, I think the newspaper kind of misconstrued what we put out there. We're not ending the Work Sessions. The Work Sessions, they haven't ended. We put out a memo in early June that simply said that all resolutions, little by little over the years, they started sneaking onto the Work Session, which then became a special meeting, and then we were doing resolutions and approving them during the Work Session, which was, not even Larry Cantwell, didn't do that. So, what I'd like to do is, and which we're doing now, is we're putting all the resolutions onto the Board meeting so then at the end of the day, the Work Session really is just that, it's just a Work Session if needed. It's just not by default. It's not something that you know we, you know, we're just scheduling our calendars, let's have a Work Session. I think a Work Session is needed when it's needed, and the Board can determine that. That's all.

Mayor Larsen: Right. All right. So, we're going to go, after this meeting closes, we have an Executive Session to discuss Police Department personnel. So, I think you're going to recuse yourself from that right, Rose.

Trustee Brown: I'm recusing myself, yes, while you're talking about the contract, of course.

Mayor Larsen: Yes, so I'll see the rest of you in the Work Session, I mean in the Executive Session. Can I get a motion to close this?

Centennial Celebration Reminder

Trustee Melendez: Before we close, before we close I just wanted to remind everybody about Centennial. This is our last chance to let people know, next weekend, come on and join us celebrating the hundred years. So moved now.

Collegiate Tournament at the Maidstone Club

Trustee Graham: Oh, and actually Mr. Mayor before we do close, I wanted to let everyone know that at the Maidstone Club on the, I believe the 3rd and the 4th, or maybe the 4th and the 5th, whichever the Monday, Tuesday are, there is going to be a collegiate tournament with Yale, Princeton, Georgetown, Cal, there are going to be many teams from colleges having a competition at the Maidstone Club and the Club would like to, would love to invite the Village to come and spectate at the golf course and watch these great young college golfers play.

Mayor Larsen: That sounds great. All right, can I get a motion?

Trustee Graham: So moved.

Trustee Melendez: Second.

Mayor Larsen: Okay. All in favor?

Deputy Mayor Minardi: Aye. Trustee Melendez: Aye. Trustee Graham: Aye. Trustee Brown: Aye.

Mayor Larsen: The meeting is closed, I'll see you in Executive Session, and if for any reason I have to come back, I'll come back and notify the press. Thanks.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

BUILDING DEPARTMENT/CODE ENFORCEMENT

To: Mayor Larsen and The Village Board of Trustees

From: Tom Preiato, Building Inspector

CC: Marcos Baladron, Village Administrator

Chief Tracey, EHVPD

Lieutenant Erickson, EHVPD

Date: September 2, 2021

Re: Monthly Report for August 2021

Building Permits Issued (incl. 4 additional work):	10
Demolition Permits:	1
Limited Work Permits:	0
SWPPP (Storm Water Prevention)	2
Outdoor Dining Permits	0
Signs:	2
Yard Sales:	2
Inspections Performed:	81
Certificate of Occupancies/ Compliance:	1
Updated Certificate of Occupancies:	9
Notice of Violations:	7
Stop Work Orders:	2

SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2021 MEETING

SUMMER DAILY ROUTINE:

- Trash collection and policing of public areas and road shoulders
- Sidewalks blown Thursdays weather permitting
- Street sweeping
- Privy
- Saturday & Sunday trashing

SHADE TREES:

- Tree bag watering
- Watering 9 new trees planted by L.VIS

BUSINESS DISTRICT:

- Tree enclosures in progress part time Masons (West side Main St completed)
- Sidewalk planters / hanging planters watering and care
- Weeding
- Repair crosswalk signs

ROAD SURFACE:

- Pot Hole Patrol
- Darby Ln shim patch completed (contractor)

MISCELLANEOUS:


- Mowing road shoulders
- Beach sand for lifeguards Thursday mornings
- Set up Lifeguard tournament
- Set up Volleyball tournament
- Move new life guard tower
- Replace repair signage
- Set up Artist Writers
- Ball field maintenance
- Pruning Village Hall & Lamb House
- Nature Trail pruning
- Town pond pump repair in progress

Road Opening Permits issued prior month: 17 104YTD
 Denied prior month: 0

Solid waste collected in prior month: *Town Sanitation report for May incomplete YTD totals not accurate.

Trash	76.03 tons (Wednesday's are based on average daily totals)	YTD	438.71 Tons *
Brush / Wood	17.8 tons (does not include disposal at private facilities)	YTD	401.54 Tons*
Other Debris	5.31 tons	YTD	34.37 Tons*

Fuel Used in July: DPW Gas 963.32 Diesel 823.99


 David Collins Superintendent

TO: EAST HAMPTON VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 FROM: MICHAEL J. TRACEY, CHIEF OF POLICE
 SUBJECT: DISPATCH ACTIVITY REPORT

DISPATCH ACTIVITY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021

133 Calls Dispatched for East Hampton Fire Department
 East Hampton Village - 52
 Water District - 38
 NW Protection District - 44
 Mutual Aid - 2

147 Calls Dispatched for East Hampton Ambulance Association
 East Hampton Village - 40
 Water District - 67
 NW Protection District - 32
 Mutual Aid - 8

118 Calls Dispatched for East Hampton First Responder
 East Hampton Village - 35
 Water District - 54
 NW Protection District - 28
 Mutual Aid - 1

1,369 Calls Dispatched for East Hampton Village Police Department
 1,237 Calls Dispatched for East Hampton Town Police Department
 476 Calls Dispatched for Sag Harbor Village Police Department
 51 Calls Dispatched for Amagansett Fire Department
 90 Calls Dispatched for Amagansett Ambulance
 38 Calls Dispatched for Montauk Fire Department
 118 Calls Dispatched for Montauk Ambulance
 71 Calls Dispatched for Sag Harbor Fire Department
 101 Calls Dispatched for Sag Harbor Ambulance
 40 Calls Dispatched for Springs Fire Department
 63 Calls Dispatched for Springs Ambulance
 0 Calls Dispatched for Town Haz-Mat Team
 2 Calls Dispatched for Ocean Rescue Team
 21 Miscellaneous FD Events *
 East Hampton - 12
 Amagansett - 4
 Montauk - 2
 Sag Harbor - 2
 Springs - 1

34 Miscellaneous EMS Events *
 East Hampton - 4
 Amagansett - 14
 Montauk - 9
 Sag Harbor - 3
 Springs - 4

** 911 Calls Received
 ** 7-Digit Telephone Calls Received / Placed
 131 Walk-In Complaints / Information

*Miscellaneous Events: Units in and out of service,
 General Fire/EMS Info, Alarms cancelled before
 dispatched, Test Calls

** Unable to provided totals at this time.

PERSONNEL:

Overtime:

Shift Coverage (Codes 653-672): 39.25 Eight-Hour Shift/s

Training Hours (Code 615-616): 0 Eight-Hour Shift/s

Time Off:

Holidays, Personal, Union Days, Vacation, Sick Time, Compensatory Time (Codes 624-651):

88.2 Eight-Hour Shift/s

Respectfully submitted,
 MICHAEL J. TRACEY
 Chief of Police

TO: EAST HAMPTON VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 FROM: MICHAEL J. TRACEY, CHIEF OF POLICE
 SUBJECT: POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

UNIFORM DIVISION ACTIVITY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021

(Codes 030 - 693)

31 Aided Cases
 64 Alarms Answered by the Patrols
 6 Arrests Made by the Department
 ([1] Driving While Intoxicated and/or Impaired Arrests Included in Above Total)
 18 Assists to Disabled Motorists
 Beach Patrol - 72 hour
 Building Check - 65 hours
 2 Child Safety Seat Inspections
 Door Checks - 63 hours
 9 Doors Found Open by the Patrols
 2 Escorts
 0 Fingerprinting
 Foot Patrol - 172 hours
 59 Motor Vehicle Accidents
 245 Traffic Summonses Issued
 (58 Speeding Summonses Issued)
 2 Village Code Summonses Issued
 (2 Animal on Beach Summonses Issued)
 (0 Sign Summonses Issued)
 875 Village Parking Summonses Issued

DETECTIVE ACTIVITY:

<u>Complaints Investigated</u>	Active Cases:	11
	Closed Cases:	8
<u>Paperwork for Court</u>	Arrest Warrant:	1
	Bench Warrant:	0
	Criminal Summons:	0
	Seal Orders:	1
	Supporting Deposition Requests:	0

GASOLINE CONSUMPTION - POLICE VEHICLES

August Gasoline Report not received at time report was submitted

PERSONNEL

Overtime:

Non-Grant - Arrests, Cases, Shift Coverage <i>(Codes 161 - 181):</i>	15.25 Eight-Hour Shifts
Non-Grant - Foot Patrol, Street Crime, Other <i>(Codes 188 - 190):</i>	1.5 Eight-Hour Shifts
Grants - STOP-DWI, Speed, Seatbelt <i>(Codes 185 - 187):</i>	0 Eight-Hour Shifts


Time Off:

Holidays, Personal, PBA Days, Vacation, Injured on Duty, Sick Time, DE Days, Compensatory Time, XDO, Funeral Days <i>(Codes 202 - 401):</i>	73 Eight-Hour Shifts
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Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL J. TRACEY
 Chief of Police

(APPROVED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES DECEMBER 17, 2021)


PAMELA J. BENNETT, VILLAGE CLERK


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