VILLAGE OF GREENPORT.
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK: STATE OF NEW YORK

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WORK SESSION

Third Street Firehouse
Greenport, New York
August 20th, 2020
7:00 p.m.

BEFORE:

GEORGE HUBBARD, JR. - MAYOR
JACK MARTILOTTA - DEPUTY MAYOR
PETER CLARKE - TRUSTEE
MARY BESS PHILLIPS - TRUSTEE
JULIA ROBINS - TRUSTEE (Absent)
JOSEPH PROKOP - VILLAGE ATTORNEY
SYLVIA PIRILLO - VILLAGE CLERK
PAUL PALLAS - VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
ROBERT BRANDT - VILLAGE TREASURER
(The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.)

MR. HUBBARD: Call the meeting to order with the pledge of the flag.

ALL: 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.

MR. HUBBARD: Thank you. Okay, just so everybody knows, we all have masks on. Just try to speak loud when you're talking. We're doing the social distancing. Just stand up where you're at and speak loud so we can all here you, that would be appreciated, and everybody at home can here it also. We'll start with the fire department. Chief Manwaring, do you want to come up to the front? You can take the chair in the front where you're closer.
CHIEF MANWARING: I think we did this one -- we discussed last night. He went out to Greenport to reject that.

MR. HUBBARD: Right. The village itself never rejected all bids on that. So we can reject all bids at our meeting next week.

CHIEF MANWARING: Accept the application for memberships for (inaudible). She was a member and she resigned a year or so ago, but now she wants to get back in. And then a Gary Stone for the -- he opted out of his membership and he wants to take that back.

The main thing to talk about is that (inaudible) the land pump went out for emergency generator repair and while he was out, I -- service department. Saw the generator and determined that it's not repairable. And not -- wasn't repairable with the amount of parts and told us to
restructure it and send it to Ohio to see if this is something he can get rebuilt. Only reason I'm mentioning that we're doing this is because each spring is broken, they found a pump for -- the cab pump wasn't working, the lights wasn't working. The reason why I'm mentioning this is because the bill is going to be somewhere around $25,000.

MR. HUBBARD: Got it.

CHIEF MANWARING: But that was -- I just wanted to make sure that was mentioned. I know Rob had talked about it. All right. The other thing is lately we've been going to a lot of automatic alarms and when we get there, the BIB and the business owners are telling their employees to shut it off because the fire department isn't going to come. The alarm systems are being turned off. We had one place that they actually opened the box to turn it off, take a
screwdriver to remove -- So when we're getting there, they're just like oh, we took care of it. They can't go that way you because I can't take their word for it. You ask me to come in and check it, and then if I walk away and four hours later there's a fire, all hell breaks out. So, in the meantime, we discussed -- I'd like to give Greg a portable -- call county and ask county about giving them a -- like, I guess, (inaudible) and the building.

MR. HUBBARD: Paul would like to say something.

MR. PALLAS: Chief, it will be okay if you and I can have a conversation offline, I would appreciate it.

CHIEF MANWARING: OKAY. I think that's it.

MR. HUBBARD: Any questions for the CHIEF?

MS. PIRILLO: Do you have the
applications that you referenced?

CHIEF MANWARING: The applications?

MS. PIRILLO: Yeah.

CHIEF MANWARING: Jim has them in the office because we had some last night. He didn't walk it over here today?

MS. PIRILLO: Not that I know of, no.

MR. HUBBARD: Just get it so she has the names and everything else. All the spellings and correct names and everything.

CHIEF MANWARING: That's it for me then.

MR. HUBBARD: All right. Thank you very much.

Okay, the Village Administrator Report?

MR. PALLAS: First items are the ferry rerouting project. I had sent to the board of the engineer's alternative designs for the
alternatives that he was proposing. They recommended one specific one for it -- one specific design that he believed the DOT would be in favor of. Essentially, took care of some of the comments from the DOT and some of the comments from other entities. The entrance would come of the Wickham's Street. Three quarters of the way up Wickham's Street. Loop around basically where the loop is now, and expand the to five -- six lanes of Q area. We did subsequently have a meeting with a few of the --and I met with a few residents at the site. They had provided an additional -- an official potential design for consideration. We -- I had sent that to the engineering firm. They reviewed it and had a number of concerns within it. The crux of the issue is the design coming -- having the Q enter from Fourth Street. They feel, as they
felt initially, that's not a preferred method because of the implications of backups, and crossing traffic, and all of these kinds of things. I had sent that out to the village board as well, with the engineers comments that I had received, so that's where that project is. As I had indicated to the board, the DOT is looking for updates from our engineer and this is a major piece of what they're asking for and need some, you know, decision essentially on what they're going to send to the DOT. So that's all I really have on that at the moment.

MR. HUBBARD: You want to request an extension on the timeframe on that?

MR. PALLAS: We did formally request an extension probably a month ago. We have not heard back from them. We have reached out to them to get a response. The process is a
little bit complicated because it's federal money that's built in through the state. So we're only allowed to question of the state and the local level. They have to request it of the federal government. My understanding is the federal government is still reviewing the request. The timeframe is running quite short. We continue to contact them almost every other day now, just to try to get an update because a lot of this becomes moot if we don't get the extension.

MS. PHILLIPS: And my understanding and impression from reading your information to us that you're looking for a resolution to be on the agenda for next week?

MR. PALLAS: I have tentatively put up an agenda item concurring with the engineer's recommendation they called an alternate four. I will post, if the board's pleasure, all
the alternates online tomorrow for
public viewing for that purpose.
Assuming that's the direction you all
want me to go in.

MS. PHILLIPS: But it's our
decision as to which drawings --
confirming the resolution that we're
all preferring alternative number
four, correct?

MR. PALLAS: Yes. That's the
essence of the resolution is to part
with the engineer's recommendation
that open four is the preferred by
the village board as well.

MS. PHILLIPS: Okay.

MR. PALLAS: The next item on
my agenda is fire fit regulations and
at last month's meeting, I was asked
to review this issue as it relates to
our code. Our code doesn't prohibit
fire pits, but prohibits open
burning. There's no definition of
open burning, but we did look at a
number of other municipal codes, and
some of them don't say anything about fire pits. Some exclusively prohibit them and others allow them with specific restrictions. And they do make a distinction between fire pits and open burning, what you can burn, those kinds of specifics are in my code. My opinion is our code is somewhat open to interpretation because of the open burning language that's in there. So I just wanted to bring this to the board's attention and see if there's any discussion or any direction you like to us take to either leave it alone or look into revising the code.

MR. HUBBARD: Anything from the board members? Myself, like I said at last month's meeting, you know, a fire pit that that's in a closed unit with a lid over the top to prevent fires with a guard -- everything else. I called the -- but it says no open burning. So if we want, we can
have the village attorney or village administrator craft a local law to change the code to allow self-contained -- of the fire pits or whatever. The ambiance of what they want to do, but still restrict the open burning of paper, rubbish, garbage, and other stuff like that.

MS. PHILLIPS: I can't agree more because many people are already doing exactly the open pit. Not open pits, but -- so I think we need to make the code clearer and a discontinuing as to which is which.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. So then we'll work on modifying that and get a proposal back to us and we'll review that.

MR. PALLAS: I'll work with the village attorney on drafting that.

MR. CLARKE: I'm concerned that it should be something particularly in areas of those that are so small. We have a neighbor that burns
regularly on weekends and it's very hard for me to relax until that huge amount of smoke and everything is finished at night. They have a very very small backyard I can't imagine it being wider than 20 by 20 or 30 by 30. And there's trees overhead, we're in the middle of a drought in the village. Some sort of method where we could explain that, unless you have a mesh screen or a chimney, or something to limit the emissions with sparks that happen with any natural fire. I had a client just tell me the other day that unbeknownst to them in the spring, the top floor of their house burned off. Not in the village, but in our area, because they were burning a fire in an approved fireplace in their home, and a spark came out and got attached to the roof and before they caught it, half of their top floor was gone and there was, of
course, water and smoke damage in the entire home. And this is not uncommon, as you know. In our recent evidence here we had a propane explosion and fire on Central Avenue where the house was destroyed and had to be rebuilt. Fortunately, no other homes on that block were destroyed, but it's something that I think is quite serious and warrants additional controls as people continue, George, as you say, to enjoy the ambiance of their backyard. I don't want to limit that, but I think it should be regulated as well as we could.

MR. PALLAS: Maybe I should have been more clear. The restrictions include distances to sidewalks.

MR. CLARKE: Right. Exactly.

MR. PALLAS: All of those things we would certainly be putting in.

MR. CLARKE: Availability of
water.

MR. PALLAS: We would mimic some of that with obviously some of our specific terms of this code.

MR. CLARKE: Thank you.

MR. PALLAS: Additional items that were not on my list and I apologize I didn't have a chance to put them on. During the recent tropical storm, we -- that feeds our central pump station for the waste water treatment plant failed to start. We do test it regularly. It turned out that it was the voltage regulator section of the generator. The generator is quite dated and we are unable to get it repaired. There are no parts for it at all, so we have, under emergency, brought in a temporary generator that we are renting. The rent is not cheap. We had, as part of the central pump station upgrade was, there was a new generator was contemplated. What we
are planning to do, and I believe as a resolution, we've prepared for the agenda to advance that portion of the central pump station project for a new generator to go in advance of the rest of the project. So I just wanted to let the board know about that, that's going on.

On the last discussion item I have on another major project -- we had at last -- either last month's or the -- I believe it was last month's, maybe two months ago. About the generator here at the firehouse, about it's age. I feel bad that I was not aware that there were issues with the generator here. I took a look at it and -- service for the building, interior electrical service. I spoke with the -- working with the governor's office storm recovery, and as part of the addition of solar panels and battery backup for this building, they are going to
allow us to -- or they're going to fund, rather, the upgrade of that generator and the electrical service. So there should be no cost to the village to perform that operation and it will be a completely integrated system with the electric solar panels, the battery back up, and the generator as a single back up system, if you will, for this building. I was very happy to get that information from them. That being the only issue with it is there may be you -- as you know, we're funding the design cost. The engineer will be providing for -- me I don't have it yet and I apologize, but it will be in time for next month, for the design portion of adding the generator to be included as a change order for this portion of it. I will have that for next month's meeting as well.

MR. HUBBARD: If you could just
send an e-mail to the chiefs and the wardens, let them know that. I know the chief is already gone now, but let them know that we're -- you know, that you went and got that included. That's a big plus for the village and the fire department and, you know, with everything that goes on here that's included in that project. So good work on that. Thank you for going that route for it.

MR. PALLAS: Absolutely.

MS. PHILLIPS: Can we backtrack with something on the fire alarm issues since you're discussing the fire department? Is that an issue that the code needs to be reviewed and we need to put penalties in or...

MR. PALLAS: I don't know about (inaudible), but -- well, there's two different things. So the repeat alarms is in the code and the dollar amount probably should be revisited. But with -- they're not talking about
a repeat. They're actually talking where they -- the owners disable and that's a state violation. Joe, am I correct on that?

MR. PROKOP: Yes.

MR. PALLAS: So we have -- I don't know if have issued citations. I'm not certain of that, I have to check. But we certainly have, at the very least, homeowners that we have to inform, you know, don't ever do that again because they have been doing that.

MS. PHILLIPS: That's something that I think all the businesses need to be aware of. Perhaps that's something we should reach out and e-mail the state board president and business board to communicate to their membership that this is not such a situation to continue that practice. And that it's their responsibility for upgrading their systems, not us. I think that's
important and an important issue for safety for all of us. Not just the issue of alarms.

MR. PROKOP: If I'm not mistaken, I think the code is for -- requires a payment to the town rather than the village. That's another thing that we need to change now that we have that. We can change that to the payment goes through the village.

MR. PALLAS: Thank you. I will work on it.

MR. HUBBARD: Right. The state fire code will write those tickets to them when they go and observe that?

MR. PROKOP: Yes.

MR. HUBBARD: So there's 3 or 4 places that are doing the concerts and it bothers the guests when the alarm goes off. And it's recommended to them to move their sensors away from the shower in the one -- they really need to do that. But it's better than writing them violations
with the state fire code for turning
off the alarm themselves. I'm pretty
sure that will stop them pretty
quick.

MR. PROKOP: Right. The other
thing they mentioned is that in some
places they've gone to the extent
that they've disabled an installed
system or things like that to avoid
them it go off. So we have -- Frank
is aware of all of that.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. PROKOP: I'll work with
Paul and we'll change the code to
have the money come back to the
village instead of the town.

MR. HUBBARD: Let's tighten up
the enforcement on that. If he's
working and a lot of them are during
the day, having him go down there
when he did, the alarm -- and if it's
disabled, they turned it off
themselves, then have him write up
it.
MR. PALLAS: Absolutely.

Anything else with regards to reports?

Going to the road department first. Just a couple of highlight items. Some of the tasks the road department has worked on they did work on the blocking off the Front Street during the -- when we closed it off for 4th of July weekend. They did a lot of work on the street signage related to Covid signs and detour signs and the lights. All this, again, associated with the Covid work that we've been doing.

Some of the normal work, some of the highlights are to get that ready. The end of Fourth Street we painted some parking stalls and no parking areas, delineated the area where folks can park and not park. Put up no parking signs where there shouldn't be parking just to make it clear where people can park there and
they can and can't park there.

They did put together --

installed a new -- garbage cans that
we purchased as part of the project
of the tables in Mitchell Park and
the project was really attractive and
they make a dig difference, we're
very happy to see that. It became a
little labor intensive. It seems
each slack had to be bolted on. A
little bit of a project, but they got
it done, so happy about that.

Moving on to the sewer
department. The only highlight I
have is one that talks about a flow
meter saturation and flow meter
(inaudible.) We are in the process
of installs flow meters at all pump
stations that are close to the water.
That is all part of the work being
done. I just wanted to point that
out to everybody.

We are purchasing software that
will gather that date on two-minute
basis and help tremendously in
getting data out.

Moving onto the electric
department. Unit number six, we did
complete the test. They're working
this week and next to do the next two
units. We also have the rings sent
out for that unit. They have them
back today. I think -- we'll reach
out again tomorrow to make sure that
that worked out well. Did some
upgrades on the lighting in the east
pier. Did some cleaning of the
fueling basin for the generators. We
did have a circuit imbalance out in
Amaganset. It affected a number of
customers. We did a lot of work, a
lot of -- we shifted some load around
to balance it out a little better to
stop some of the fuses had blown on
that.

The building department
continued to do enforcement on the
phase reopening. There was a lot of
time spent on that by the village.

Moving on to rec center. And the parks and recreation. Skate park repairs were done. A significant number of repairs were done in the skate parks. They're in good shape now, as much as can be in this state. We do have -- as I reported, we do have life guards now. We have three on a rotating basis and we're very happy to be able to get that. We're seeing an uptick in marina reservations, thankfully. It was a little rough at first, but it seems to be picking up now. We're happy about that.

That's all I have. Any questions?

MR. HUBBARD: Any questions for Paul? Okay. Thank you.

Okay. Village treasurer report.

MR. BRANDT: Good evening everyone. As Mr. Pallas just mentioned,
we have the rental on the generator for the sewer department. I have a budget amendment to fund that. Funding is $18,000 and it covers five months. But if you see me back here in six months asking for more, then it is what it is.

I do want to report that the auditors were here for July 29th and July 30th field work for the report. The draft has been completed, we signed off on that. You should see the final version of that up next week, ready to be sent up to the powers that be.

Utility billing. Statistic reports were done, July, that's the one calculated and mailed, since this -- has gone out and has been done.

New developments. Six re-certifications and nine (inaudible) performed in August. It's pretty significant, considering
the state of the Covid influence on that.

Significant collections. Property tax collected, I'm reporting here one million 68. That includes sewer and water levy. I want to point that that the balance outstanding right now is only $117,000 and that includes -- the bulk of that is the sewer and water levy, so that's a pretty significant collection on our part for that. Significant payments; we had several bond payments go out this past month totaling $3,771,556. I gave the union breakdown here. Covers the refunding we did in 2012, the road improvements we did in 2017, and the acquisition of the Sixth Street building in 2018. And that's essentially all I have. Does anyone have any questions for me?

MR. HUBBARD: No questions?

Okay. Thank you. Village clerk
MR. PALLAS: I have one, I neglected to mention. I think I was asked again at the last meeting to check on the status of the permits. I did confirm that you have all the necessary permits in place. The window for the (inaudible) is October 1st, and closes December 31st. I have been in discussions with both state and harbor marina, and the developer, 123 Sterling, who has permitted to fund the bridge. That's -- I wanted to report that little bit of positive news.

MR. CLARKE: Thank you.

MS. PIRILLO: Thank you. Good evening everyone. I do not have any resolutions this month, surprisingly. I do have some -- to my report. First, the agreements and contracts to let everyone know there was a contract modification made to the
bulk head feasibility project form,
and that was solely executed
recently, on the 18th of August.

Under executive orders, we have
an extension to the declaration of
the state of emergency that expires
now on the 14th of September and that
was noticed in the paper as well.

Under financials, the village
received -- a payment of
approximately $7,600 and we were
notified that that was from Hurricane
Sandy, which was in 2012. So that
was the last of -- we think, is the
last of the monies that were owed
from Hurricane Sandy.

MR. BRANDT: Just for clarity,
so that is the state's ten percent
share of what we put in for. With
the hold up was -- of course
(inaudible). State so that's why it
took a long amount much time.

MS. PIRILLO: Thank you.

The surplus water machine. We
did not receive any bid offers, nor
did we for the forklift.

Just to piggyback for a moment
onto what Paul was talking about
regarding utilities. We also will be
having a little bit of extra help
from the electrical department
tomorrow with two banners received.
We -- Robert and I have been working
extensively with the -- and we have
two overhead banners that we've
discussed for a little bit that are
Covid related. Those were received
today and those will be installed
tomorrow.

It's a little bit in advance,
but we have been asked regarding the
impossible dream, which is a boat
that has received some press lately
and that allows for those that
otherwise would not be able to sail
or go boating to experience boating.
We have been asked to discuss that if
the boat were to come to Mitchell
Park next season. Not this season, next season. If the board would contemplate re-docking it. So I just wanted to bring that to your attention. You can wait a few months obviously, but they are applying for a 501C3.

Paul and I have been working together with Margot Rosito regarding the after-school program. Now that we know there will be school and there will also be an after school, okay? Paul and I have read through the reopening plan for our local school. We have an appointment set up with the new superintendent for next week, and we do intend to run the after school program. We are confirming now the rules and regulations at play. But, of course, we would be taking temperatures prior to entrance into the building. We are restricting the number of students to probably 15. We're
checking into that as well. Right now, there are 15 children maximum allowed in a classroom, but we think we're going to go under that. Since we already have had many inquires from parents about the after-school program, we thought that it would be most equitable if we run a lottery. As a matter of fact, possibly two lotteries. One for the beginning half year of the program and a second one for second half of the program.

So...

MR. CLARKE: What's the direct attendance in the program?

MR. PALLAS: It has varied over the years by a lot. My memory is that it was as high as 60. In recent years it has gone down a little bit. But I suspect, my suspicion, our suspicions this year is that that's likely to go up significantly. Which is why Sylvia came up with the idea of this lottery and doing it twice a
year, which, I think, is -- makes a lot of sense. It gives people -- you get a lot of folks in the first round who would figure out -- include (inaudible), but the second round planning. This way our people would have an opportunity to participate. So they're not dealing with daycare full year. At least we're helping them with half of the year. Do as much as we can to assist folks.

MS. PIRILLO: Protocols would be in place, the wearing of masks. The additional deep cleaning of the facility, which has already been cleaned, but we're going to deep clean it again. The number of staff members. We will have mask breaks. And we also have suggestions probably have staggered pickup times. So that's so we don't have a number of people gathering outside of the building.

We wanted to bring all of this
to your attention, some of this is very open-ended. We also, of course, will have more information after we meet with the superintendent on Wednesday.

MS. PHILLIPS: Can I ask you a question? Is Margot meeting with the superintendent or the two of you meeting with the superintendent?

MR. PALLAS: We are. Just of the two of us at that moment.

MS. PHILLIPS: Don't you think Margot should be involved in it as she happens to be running the project?

MR. PALLAS: This is more of just to get an understanding of what the school is actually doing. This is not a meeting to get into the weeds. This is more to completely understand what their scheduling is. Margot has been included -- we haven't discussed it without her. The three of us had these discussions
and this is really just to gather some specifics. We're not -- there is -- we feel, from them, we need additional discussions. Certainly we would hand it off to her to get into the some of the weeds that dwell on transportation and such.

MS. PHILLIPS: I'll be quite honest, Mayor, Margot is -- that is her department. I do know that at times when we have had the issue -- not the issue. But we've had programs up in the school at the gym, there were discussions and Margot was coming up from the backside trying to catch up. I really think she needs to be including in the beginning, as she's going to be running the program. My personal opinion. It's up to -- you know. I just feel she needs to be included in the discussion as she's the one that's responsible for the overall program.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.
MR. PALLAS: Take that under advisement.

MS. PIRILLO: So we wanted to let everyone know that that's in play.

MR. CLARKE: Is there any opportunity for us to find additional space in the staffing to try and fill what we think the need actually is for this year? Just knowing that there are economic challenges for people who have children of school age, and knowing many of them are working families. Knowing that we have additional families that might be staying in our school district full-time. Is there any way to look at this and think -- I don't know if it's a funding issue. I mean, I'm assuming that with less kids going into the program -- well, I'm not sure. I know enough to have an a good surmisal here. So it's just a question. But is something that's
possible?

MS. PIRILLO: Right now one of our discussions with Margot was about staffing. And we -- she, we, do have enough staffing in place right now to handle the program the way we think it might work, but we're not sure. Okay, that's number one. Number two, because of the lack of children that we had take in the building, we may have to raise the price a little bit, but we'll get that when we come to it. Right now it's extremely inexpensive, but that also is in play. In terms of additional space, yes, agreed, but at least we have additional staffing. Because with additional staffing, staff has to be trained on what to do and how to do it properly. We already two out of three staff members that don't know what to do. So we have those kinds of challenges, but your point is well taken.
MR. CLARKE: Anything I could
do to obviously help in any way.
It's just a thought in terms of
expecting to see a higher number this
year and more important to parents
than ever, is there anything we can
could do.

MR. PALLAS: We certainly can
look in that. In addition to some of
the challenges, we also have the
protocols in place that require
extensive cleaning and all of those
things. So it's -- it becomes -- it
starts to add another facility with
it, you know, as we said. We would
have dual care and we're doing --
there can't be like an annex and
people traveling back and forth from
one to the other. Which is one of
the reasons we don't have day camp
because of the challenges of the
time. Kids around too. We would be
somewhat constrained by staffing and
just the shear logistics of managing
that process.

MS. PIRILLO: Lastly, we were approached by a production company for the use of a docks in Mitchell Park in middle October during the week for the production of a limited series on a major streaming network. And the production itself would be one day. There would be one day for a set up and one day for breakdown, if you will. The number of vehicles is voluminous. There would be 4 or 5 tractor trailers with equipment, three food service vehicles, and approximately another five tractor trailers that are campers. 30 personal vehicles. Okay? I already suggested to the representative that Morris Lane is an appropriate staging area other than anywhere else in the village. This would take place -- the actual filming would take place on a weekday. I'm trying to have at least two out of the of the three
days be a weekday for the least impact possible, but it does not require the use of staff of ours. There are no streets to be closed. It's just the use of the dock in Mitchell Park, Morris Lane, and some of the area in the park. I'm going to reconvene with the representative on Monday or Tuesday. We have a meeting tonight they have a meeting tomorrow. And we need to speak with Rich and John in the marina to find out that kind of bookings we have. Find out the impact of that.

MR. CLARKE: What was the date?

MS. PIRILLO: Don't know that.

It's mid-October right now. Early October to mid-October. So it would be at least one weekday in early October. Okay? And all those factors are obviously going to be calculated into the charge that we would be giving to the production company. But Paul and I wanted to
bring that to your attention. It literally just happened today.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Keep us informed as it moves along. This way everybody on the board knows what's going on so we can inform the bid and everything else, and there's no surprises. Everybody knows something is happening because we had that in the past.

MS. PIRILLO: Yes, sir. Will do.

MS. PHILLIPS: Sorry. Trustee Roberts just sent me a text and she said that the live feed has stopped working.

MR. HUBBARD: Well defer that to Jay in the back.

Thank you. Village attorney report.

MR. PROKOP: Good evening. Thank you. So I have -- if anybody has questions about my report, please interrupt me or ask me. As you want.
I have a couple other things that I want to bring to the attention of the board. The Suffolk County -- after this storm, Suffolk County emergency services contacted all the municipalities in the county and asked for a list of the expenses that they had regarding the storm or arising from the storm. I circulated any mail to the village and I was looking -- trying to get some expenses together in case the storm is declared to be an room that's FEMA qualified. And then the -- there could be a claim put in for some of the expenses. I guess the generator that I heard about tonight is one of the things probably that we could add to the list and then whatever the overtime was for the crew. But, anyway, I'm in touch with that agency and the county, and get that list together.

There has been some movement on
the Covid -- I'm sorry, the opioid case. Cases that the village is in, opioid. And, as you know, last year, we started -- the village joined approximately 100 other municipalities in a group that commenced litigation against the -- all of the opioid distributors in the country. And there's several cases now going on that the village is involved in that includes a case in the Northern District of Ohio, which I think is the primary case, and then there's two other cases in New York.

There's been a number of recent conferences with the attorneys that are handling this and all -- for all the municipalities and the municipalities themselves. There was I conference two weeks ago that I participated in with Paul Pallas, and then there was a conference last week that was attorneys only. But it -- I'm sure that the litigation is going
to go on for a while, but there seems to be some activity, which is promising.

With regard to the genesis case, we -- after a series of demands we were able to get the genesis project file. And basically it's four boxes of documents and plans, so that was a big step forward in that case. We are -- our engineer will be reviewing them and then the settlement meeting that I talked about last month will occur, hopefully in the next -- I don't want to say next few weeks, but we will be able to have that meeting.

The Southhold court has reopened and is hearing cases again in person. With the village having a fairly extensive calendar in July and will be having our second court date next week, some of the cases that are involved are cases that happened during the Covid crisis and caused
New York a handful of cases, and the rest are the normal cases that we enforcement cases and parking cases that were prosecuted. I want to mention to you prior to the Covid emergency at the end of last year, the beginning of this year, there was a controversy in New York State about the change in the bail law, right? So there was a change in New York State in the bail law where some offenses became non-bailable. And as part of that, there was also an adoption of new discovery guidelines and requirements. Discovery being the documents that you have to provide to defendants that you're prosecuting. And the documents that we have to now provide to defendants was expanded. So we basically now have to give defendants virtually our entire file and -- but the -- also, the time of that disclosure was advanced. So basically now the first
time there will be a defendant in
court, we're required to produce all
of the documents that we have and
other things that are going to be
related to prosecution. So this is a
burden on Greg Morris and myself. We
have been working with this. One of
the ones which I've done just as an
example, probably was about 300
pages, maybe 350 pages in just one
case. The amount of the paperwork
and photographs and everything that
we had to hand over. So this is
something that we're dealing with
now.

    In the middle of the Covid
crisis, one of the things that
happens statewide is the building
code changed. The -- what we call
the 2020 code came out and there
was -- there have been a number of
amendments that -- there's now
training going on to cover for
building officials and code
enforcement officials throughout the state. And I'm working with Greg Morris on those changes to extent the that I'm familiar with them. I know he's very familiar with them having gone through the training. And I think that it probably applies to a number of -- the changes probably apply in a number of situations in the village and -- but it is a new set. There are some actually fairly extensive changes that we will be dealing with.

And other than to say that I will need the board's time in some kind of executive session soon, whether it's tonight, or ten minutes, or soon, you know, by next week maybe. But I do need to make you aware of a few things and to maybe ask for an answer to one of questions. It probably would be ten minutes, depending on when you would like to do them.
MR. HUBBARD: We'll see how this evening goes. Next week.

MR. PROKOP: I'm compelled to do them. It's in your interest.

MS. PHILLIPS: Joe, I have one question going back to the state changes. Is there some way that the board can kind of get -- you said there was a lock that would be a better resolution. Is there a sway to give us some idea of what those will be?

MR. PROKOP: I'll see if I can put together a summary.

MS. PHILLIPS: I think it would he helpful for all of us to understand that so that we have re-enforcement -- or we have someone asking why something all of a sudden changes and we have an idea.

MR. PROKOP: Yes. Okay, I know one of the things that's changed that effects a number of communities along the water is there has been a change,
a long time dispute, and now another change over what comprises a storm. What's called a story above grade or a level. And that's used in determining how many stories a house or building is. So that's one of the amendments that came out. So to the extent that that ever becomes an issue in the village or in one of the water front or near water houses as raised, that's when that particular change comes into play. But that's an example of one of the things --

MS. PHILLIPS: That's similar to what the current code that we have is 35 feet. Is that going to effect that?

MR. PROKOP: So it's -- the height limit in the village is still 35 feet. But within -- what is within that 35 feet. Whether it's 3 stories or 4 stories, there's been a change in that definition in New York State.
MS. PHILLIPS: (Inaudible).

MR. PROKOP: Yes, as an example.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Anything else for the village attorney?

MR. PROKOP: Thank you.

MR. HUBBARD: All right. Thank you, Joe.

Next we have the board discussions. Proposal law 2020 amended chapter 88 noise. We had two public hearings on that. We had closed the public hearing, so really, we just need a discussion from the board if the bored wants any changes on it. Any discussion?

MS. PHILLIPS: I'll start the discussion that in reviewing the code an reading some of the letters that we have been receiving recently for, one thing that did come to mind to me is that when we're getting down to the fines of those who are dealing with the music aspect of it or the
noise violations, I called the village attorney and asked him if we should be putting in there another enforcement tool of after X number of violations, that we report them to the state authority. He suggested that perhaps instead of -- he's never seen it in other codes, and I think that I still agree with that. That we should pass more policy that would guide the enforcement department that after 2 or 3, whatever is talked about, violations, that it's an automatic issue. Report them to the state labor authority since the state labor authority seems to have -- these days and it's very important to all of the restaurants and that seems to catch that their attention a little bit quicker than the fines do at times. So that's one of the things I wanted to talk about.

The other thing is some of the letters that were coming in dealing
with noise in the residential area, I think that there was a lot of confusion with people not reading the whole package of definitions. The one area that we were crossing out was dealing with the old fines with pedaling on the streets and shouting and selling whatever. But if you go further into the code, it is written under the -- if you get into the section of the definition that says unreasonable noise, that seems to cover a lot of the area of neighbors who, unfortunately, are disturbed by large party or it gets into where disturbing -- you're disturbing the person who is in the proximity of the noise to residential sleeping facilities. I think that people, kind of, didn't read the section clearly. I think they saw the other question being crossed out and was aiming it or think it was being aimed at children. I think neighbor to
neighbor disputes coming up at public hearings is not the wisest thing. I think neighbors should be settling their own disputes and I don't think the code should be telling neighbors how to behave. I think we're all part of the community and we should all be talking to each other. But I think we need to take a step back and actually remind people that there are other sections of this code that are meant to deal with the issues that they're bringing up. So that's one of the points.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Anybody else have any other discussion?

MR. MARITOLLA: I'd say -- I'd say it's an overwhelming amount of letters in support of, you know, how we got -- I mean.

MR. HUBBARD: Right.

MR. MARITOLLA: For what it's worth for me, I say we seem to have -- I like your idea, but I
think, you know, given the strong
support -- I would be moving forward.

MS. PHILLIPS: Well, I had some
questions about the decibel levels
and I think some people had questions
about the actual ending, whether it
was midnight or 11 o'clock. I know
that we received some letters just
recently from some people on Central
Avenue and I do know -- I just -- I
would like to see it move forward,
but I want to make sure that the
question is how are we going to
enforce this? A code can be
wonderful but -- and well written,
but how are we going to staff to
control this code to enforce it?
That, I think, is actually the
biggest question. Is how -- what
manpower are we going to police? Are
we going to be looking at revamping
the whole code department to deal
with this? Are we going to be-reaching out to the town of Southold
and say listen, we need your police officers to work with us at night when our code enforcement officers are off? Those are some of the things that are not actually in the written code part, but I think you need to have it in our minds of how we are going to do that, because it is going to be an expense. So those are some of my thoughts. I, personally, would rather table this for a month and have some really deep discussions as to how were going to pay to enforce this. That is one major point. We only have one person and he's already working more hours than he probably should be. That's my suggestion.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. CLARKE: The outcries since our meeting in July and I guess the number of letters that we received point to two things. One, the change in decibel level for evenings out at
commercial properties, allowing it to go up, and I'm not an expert on noise. I did go back in my records to check. And that seemed to have come from the very early meetings between the administrator and the bid president requesting that the noise decibel level be amended to 85 decibels.

MS. PHILLIPS: Yes.

MR. PALLAS: I apologize. I don't have it.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: 85 decibels and then 95 --

MR. HUBBARD: Excuse me. This is a board discussion, it's not up to the public at this time. You'll have your chance to speak afterwards.

MR. CLARKE: And the second was we have a resident come and as Mary mentioned, interpreted the striking of ADA -- I don't have the chapter, but it was an A under the noise pollution where we were taking it out
and as Mary said in the old code, it looked like it was a provision for preventing people from yelling or selling things on public streets. And what I perceived is that, based on that meeting in July, our residents think that we're taking away any recourse for residents to work with either the police or the code enforcement officer or the village when there is a neighborly situation that they cannot resolve on their own accord through neighborly means. Obviously you can't litigate and legislate every single issue that happens in a community, and many as our residents noted we live with small lots and densely populated. I do believe that unfortunately, our resident who came, was painted relatively cruelly in social media for her misunderstanding and her subsequent request to make sure that we don't leave residents with no
recourse if there's a situation in
the neighborhood that they cannot
resolve. And several letters we
received, though they are asking us
to make sure we don't do anything to
lessen the children playing,
certainly I agree with that. We're
not looking to legislate the sound of
children playing, and screaming, and
joy, and laughter, that goes along
with that. But I also have read
several letters where people are
questioning the idea of children
yelling and screaming for 8 and
12 hours without stop all day long.
And so within that, there's very wide
interpretation here and I think in
this latest letter that came in that
dropped off, was very interesting
that, you know, we all need to live
here together. And whereas I don't
begrudge any children the joy that
they would have enjoying their summer
or their after school time, there is
also an importance of teaching adults
and children both in a community such
as ours that we need to coexist and
that perhaps, after dinner, those
types of games that involve yelling
screaming jumping for hours might be
curtailed in favor of other games or
activities that would be best for
everyone in the neighborhood. So I
just want to go on record that I see
both sides of the issue. I think
it's very important that we assure
our resident's that the
administration and trustees are in no
way trying to take away the rights of
residents and individuals to seek
relief. Should there be an excessive
or unreasonable noise situation in
their neighborhood. And secondly, to
make sure that we are clear that the
85 decibel for commercial properties
is truly what we want to set for
weekends until midnight, rather than
what stands now. So those are the
two comments that I have in relation to the conversation on where we are now that the hearing is closed and we're ready to vote on the change. And I furnish to you, Mr. Mayor, and your thoughts on those comments.

MR. HUBBARD: Yeah, I mean we've been talking over a year now. We had from the bid with their comments and stuff from them and we put together, I think a pretty comprehensive code change tied in with everything else. We wanted to do it before the summer season. Well, the summer season turned into a nightmare for everybody. I would like to see this come to vote as is. If we're going to change it. We're going to have to redo the public hearing process. If we changed what we put out at the public hearing and we don't vote on that, we need to start the public hearing and start
the whole process over again. So if we want to add in anything or change the decibel readings or any of that at this point, then we need to start the whole process over. And after a years worth of time and coming very close to a package, then I think the bids are comfortable with, the stores are comfortable with, most of the neighbors, besides stuff that just recently happened, everybody was very comfortable with what we proposed. So it's really -- it's up to the board. If the board feels we're not going to be able to vote on this, then we will have to have the village attorney village administrator start rewriting the law and start from scratch again. And back to do public hearings over.

MS. PHILLIPS: Well, I don't -- I think 3 quarters of this is comprehensible and had -- I'm really more talking about squeezing in, and
I do have a concern about the planning board being the agency that's issuing the permit. I've had that from the beginning. But I think that tweaking is not going to be a whole complete rewrite. I think that we have a code, still people will make some comments but I think that taking a look at it and, to be honest with you, it's -- the summer has been different with Covid. It's been a usually year I don't think we've had as many violations this year. Paul, I'm sorry, have we had many major music violations this year?

MR. PALLAS: I don't believe so. A couple of minor incidents, but nothing ongoing. Fast coming compliance, in most cases.

MS. PHILLIPS: As I said, I would just like to tweak it a little bit. That's why I'm asking for the delay to see if there really is a major change. As I said, that's my
suggestion. It's at the pleasure of the of board how it goes forward.

MR. PROKOP: I want to speak about one thing. I did receive a call from trustee Philips about the mention of putting the SLA. I recommended not doing that and I continue to do that. There should not be a -- there should not be a statutory requirement to notify the SLA. That should either be pursuant to a policy or a case by case basis. So I would not -- I would not not vote on the law because you're considering an SLA change. That shouldn't be in the law to begin with.

MS. PHILLIPS: Well, I said that in the beginning. That's more of a policy discussion, that's not in the law. But as I said.

MR. PROKOP: In some circumstances you might call the SLA after one incident. It's on a case
by case basis and a policy basis.

MR. HUBBARD: And the they were going to contact the SLA, we could definitely write the code and say we have an issue, we have a problem, and we directed the village attorney to do that. So we would do that on a case by case basis. If there's an issue or a problem, the village administrator and village attorney would come to us and say, look. We have an issue down here, should we write a letter? And we voted as a board to send a letter about a certain property.

MR. PROKOP: It's difficult to get a consensus on a law.

100 percent consensus on a law. In a lot of work, like a lot of work we did, enables you if you're lucky to get a consensus with something like that. Like I think you might have now. Especially with the community and the bid involved. If you like to
make changes, you can always --
unless there's something that you
feel -- that the law should not go
forward because of something
changing, it can always be done after
the law is adopted. If you think
there's something -- or we can have
it become a living document, you
know. There might be things that we
realize that need to be changed later
on, after we deal with it. I just
wanted to make that comment. We can
change the law at any time.

MR. CLARKE: I respect your
comments, Mr. Mayor, in terms of the
time that's been spent and the time
that's gone by. We do have a year in
that we haven't had a lot of
complaints, but don't anticipate any.
And at the end of the summer, ending
the summer season, we're going to
have a lot of trouble with this and
the remainder of this calendar year.
My only discomfort is my lack of true
understanding of what the decibel levels mean. And I've only paid attention to it recently because of the number of letters that point it out. The increase. I don't know whether that's good or bad or exactly how loud that is. And that just was brought to my attention to rethink in allowing that decibel level to go higher in the commercial district.

And --

MR. HUBBARD: It's going higher but it's ending earlier. Is that right, Paul? Is that we're going from 75 to 85 and it's going instead of 2 o'clock down to 12 o'clock?

MR. PALLAS: Right. 12 o'clock is correct, yes.

MR. HUBBARD: So as of midnight, there will be - you won't have the amplified music anymore, which continued -- the past the law, it would go on until 2 or 3 in the morning. And it wasn't enforceable.
So that was the compromise that the bid requested to give them -- to have the amplified music, but it all has to end at midnight. That was what they came up with and that was incorporated with the comments that came from the business owners. That's where it came from.

MR. CLARKE: That's why I did some research to get ready for tonight. That was their suggestion. I'm ignorant of what 85 decibels is really. And then it looked as if the increase was more significant than from 70 to 85, it looked like a higher increase. But in the interest of moving forward, we could certainly move forward with what we have and modify at a later time if that's our preference.

MR. HUBBARD: I mean, if it comes up to the point that 80 was just too loud from 8:00 until 11:00, and people were complaining it's
louder, we could modify that and
throw restrictions out at that point.
And, you know, we would just have to
have a public hearing and the changes
in the code to read it's going to be
70 and 80 was not working.

MS. PHILLIPS: Okay. Well then
I guess part of the other hesitation
on my part is the situation that when
planning board members did write us
an e-mail way back in the beginning
just presenting some of what she saw
from the planning board issue with
them issuing a permit. So is that
something we would go back and change
afterwards? I believe that the
planning board began the site plan
where the applicant would be doing
for the fact that they were going to
have music, but if they're issuing
that music permit, if they decide to
change something, and then they're
going to have to -- this is the
question. Are they going to have to
go back and redo another site plan?
If it's included in their -- as a planning bored issue. That was one of my questions. And I'm sorry, it really didn't kind of come up until I started really last week or it weeks ago after public hearing rereading the planning board members letter in a different perspective. So that's one of my questions.

MR. HUBBARD: That also would be a code change if you change it from the planning board to the village board. So the board trustee would have issue to permit and everyone else. It would still be done by planning and everything else, but then we could -- you know. We could change decibel readings, we could change -- the controlling board would be to ask the village board for permission to have the music. You know. So...

MR. PROKOP: That was just
pointed out to me and I think it has
to be studied. I can't -- I don't
want to the answer on the fly
tonight. I was just asked a question
about the decibel level.

MR. PALLAS: I can work with
village attorney on this first thing
tomorrow. Just maybe be a minor flip
of numbers, but it's minor. It would
just -- before I comment on it,
without having the specifics, they're
drafting their own time as well. The
midnight one is clear, but there
appears to be like a gap in time
because of the -- I just want to
confirm.

MS. PHILLIPS: There is a
mistake in there which there is a --
which I believe I saw two different
ending times.

MS. PIRILLO: Mr. Mayor, we've
have been up and running, the live
feed broadcast for quite some time.

MR. HUBBARD: Live meeting is
back on?

MS. PIRILLO: Yes, sir. It's been back on. It's been back on for a good 20 minutes.

MR. HUBBARD: Thank you.

MS. PHILLIPS: No, it had to do with the building section. It wasn't with the -- there's a typo error there.

MR. HUBBARD: So we're okay with that?

MS. PHILLIPS: Yes.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. All right. Well, they can work on the main thing right now. We're going to put this on as of now for a vote at next weeks meeting. If we're changing decibel readings to a different number, that's a major change on the village in my opinion. You know. If we're going to go from 80 down to 60, that's a major change and that would we have to start over with that.

MR. PROKOP: Yes.
MR. HUBBARD: Noise is noise. We're going to regulate that, you need to have input on that. So review it, get back to the board members. Now we'll place it on the agenda for a vote, and if you have issues that the board members feel uncomfortable with that, then we just will pull it off the agenda before it gets printed on Monday. If you and Joe can work on that tomorrow and clarify that?

MR. PALLAS: Yes.

MR. PROKOP: It's a question of intent. It's not a -- when you're drafting what you would normally look like -- for a question of intent. We need to make sure that everything is exactly as you intend.

MR. HUBBARD: That's fine. I just want to not have to get challenges for them. You don't want to write a ticket for it and have somebody challenges it and you find
out it gets thrown out in court. I want to make sure what you're going to enforce and what you plan on doing is correct with what you have printed out that we had a public hearing on. It's a procedural thing. If everything is okay as it is, it could be modified in the future. But it's a big step in getting fines to be proportionate for what's going on and all the other issues with the noise limits.

MR. PALLAS: Yes.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. So we'll move that forward on the agenda, get back tomorrow or over the weekend so Monday we will have that.

Board discussion on behalf of 123 Sterling Court for the property located at 123 Sterling Avenue. This is on the wetlands permit application only, just on the restriction that we put on there on the boat on the east side of the bulkhead. We had a
discussion. Are there any comments on the board on that.

MR. CLARKE: Yes, sir. I believe that in the history of this application, it would -- the board to allow the modifications that the owner has requested. I believe that in good faith, it's a compromise to what could be requested, which would be usage of all of the entire bulkhead. But as it stands now, the request is to use around half to avoid the specific inland point itself. To restrict any usage of that bulkhead until which time that the dredging permit is executed correctly has, also, offered to take on any approved revetment project that would help keep the channel clear and with the stipulation agreement moving forward, now to the various boards, I believe that it would be in our best interest to approve this application so it
doesn't muddy the waters, pardon the illusion there, with the other modifications and other board reviews that are going to be in front of us in the near future. So it would be my opinion that we should amend our approval of that application to allow the usage of the bulk head as has been requested.

MR. HUBBARD: Thank you.

Anybody else?

MR. MARITOLLA: I agree with Mr. Clarke.

MS. PHILLIPS: I, having the use of that channel quite regularly and recently had -- my son brought up a 55 (inaudible) getting the only way on high ride and I do believe that once the dredging is done, there will be a fair amount of room as long as we keep maintaining it. Our problem is the maintenance of that opening. My concern is the borderline with the channeling. I do believe that
there's been a compromise that's been brought before us. I think that as long as this compromise is one that is well written in our rules that it would go over -- down the road. I think that as long as we can feel assured that it's only going to be in that spot parallel to the docks, I think it's time to move forward. I happen to agree with Trustee Clarke that the property owners are going to be going through a series of public hearings in reference to their request of modification and I think this application will muddy the waters on it. They are posing to still keep the commercial -- on their property. So they will be -- the dock will be important in reference to that. So I'm probably going to vote, I would be going along with his suggested modifications are a fair compromise.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. That's
fine. Paul Pallas did review a map of where that channel is and the federal channel, and the boat would not be in that -- it's not part of the federal channel. That came up at the public hearing last month. That if it's in the federal channel you're not allowed to do. It's more than enough room away from where the federal channel is according to the GPS map that Paul has, which he did forward to -- this proceeding or whatever.

MS. PHILLIPS: And they do come out and they do test the distance to the federal channel every year because they were out, they stopped by to see us. So -- but my concern is that we have got to make sure that the maintenance dredging permits stay in place and we don't have them lapse like they did in the past and that's on us. That's on the municipality.

MR. PALLAS: Excuse me. If I
may comment on that. On the permit we have right now, because of the -- at the time we were trying to expedite it. The board suggested that we do a one time permit for -- and then once that comes to life, (inaudible). Right now, we have a one time permit. Once that is concluded, then we can apply for a maintenance permit. That's just the army core piece. The -- I'd have to reread the piece to see if that requires additional -- because I don't it does. I think that's an open permit.

MS. PHILLIPS: The maintenance permit, you have to apply for it.

MR. PALLAS: For the army core. The DEC permit, I think we weren't as specific.

MS. PHILLIPS: I can't remember.

MR. PALLAS: I will double check that to see if we need to do
that. It's a joint application so (inaudible) in terms of the process for us, I don't want to apply for something that we already have. Would be an additional permit.

MS. PHILLIPS: That's why I'm bringing it up because that's how we got into this situation.

MR. HUBBARD: So Joe, if you could work with the clerk on writing a resolution on this to make sure that it's clear, concise, and whatever needs to be there is in there.

MR. PROKOP: Okay.

MR. HUBBARD: What's actually being voted on before we go to a vote next week. All right, thank you. Okay. Trustee's reports.

Trustee Clarke.

MR. CLARKE: Thank you.

As the clerk alluded and commented on with the work of both the clerk and the treasurer, we have
done a -- with authorization by the board of trustees, a revamp, if you will, our Covid signage for the village. It is due to hit us this week and next. And be installed which will see us through the remainder of the summer and into the fall season. It focuses uniquely on the local executive order that the wearing of masks is required in all village property, docks, marinas, sidewalks, parking lots, etcetera. And it's a very succinct and very, very specific. That should be coming up and we will renew our commitment and your executive order to maintain safety in the village. Are there any questions on that from any trustee?

I was reminded of the Graywater irrigation project today, and I just wanted to ask if there's been any movement in any direction with that project?

MR. PALLAS: The short answer
is no. We are at a point where I need to -- there's a significant number of documents that need to be prepared. It's a relatively small brand and just in terms of priorities, given everything that's going on, that I haven't had -- to be honest. It's on my list and slowly working its way.

MR. CLARKE: Thank you, Paul. I appreciate it.

The use of village property by businesses during the Covid pandemic has been an exercise in cooperation and work together with the business improvement district, residents, board, the mayor, the administration, and I'm thinking ahead to after October and the change of weather and whether we should be thinking of other possible changes for the winter season. Specifically I'm thinking around the holidays and the idea of holiday markets and thinking as such
that the business district might request. Thinking along the lines that historically, and I'm not an expert on this, but historically I understood that commercial activity of any kind in the park is not allowed. And I'm requesting us to review that and see, in spite of some of the softening, if you will, of our historic rules of usage of the park, by opening it up to dining with picnic tables and such allowing people to have alcoholic beverages, if seated in that area. Clearly we have tried to move with the times and allow a greater usage by the public of the park, that is not just passive usage of walking through or sitting down. In that light, I'm wondering if we can't consider usage of the park by the business district during the holidays for commercial purposes. I'm thinking ahead. They have not approached me nor has trustee Robins,
but it occurred to me today. I did have one specific business approach me about the park and that is the North Fork Yoga Shop they still are in a position where they cannot operate their business and I wanted to ask us to think about it and consider can we continue to make exceptions and allowances for business in our village to try and use the park to continue to survive rather than not. And I know that with gyms reopening and the part of phase four, that you're required to wear a mask and I believe that yoga instruction with a mask on and asking people to breathe, and relax, and do what you're supposed to do is not possible with the requirements. So the need to be outside still has not gone away, even though we've entered the latest phase of phase four. So I wanted to put it on the table for us to think about and I don't know if
that requires any type of code change or any type of additional hearing or work with any other entity about the use of park. But I believe that some relaxation as we have been during the summer months will be needed for the fall and winter months and I'd like to ask the board and the administration to consider that request.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. CLARKE: Lastly, I can't help but see at the end of the letters we received in the past two weeks, there has been a strong appeal for some sort of protocol whereby residents and business owners with access the village board during hearings and public meetings without attending in person, and I have to note that we still don't have Trustee Robins with us in person and she's not participating for another month. And I think that is something that we
should consider looking into because it's something that our residents are asking for. They don't feel comfortable coming here. Many of the faces that are writing to us are not here. And so I know they can watch, but they can't ask questions and they can't speak to us directly. And I -- I think it would be in our best interest to try and use whatever we can to try and modify that so we can maintain physical meetings but also have a virtual component for these people that are not comfortable attending in person.

MS. PHILLIPS: Can I just expand on this since it was part of my trustee report that I feel -- I understand the health concerns for a lot of people. But I'm also looking at it in that the community is reaching out to us as a board that they want to communicate or they want to have another platform upon which
to communicate with us. And I have always gone under the -- my own guidance and you're very familiar with it, that we need to reach out with what ever tools and the best tools or improve the tools to get public input to make decisions. I think that's -- our open meeting, you know, the current situation with the pandemic has brought a number opportunities for us to revamp communicating with the community and the community communicating with us. I understand that it's a new -- it's a new -- a new thought within our municipality, but we've come a long way. Especially with a lot of IT issues for many years. I think -- I just that that we need to look into the possibility. I think that we should find a way until -- I think we need to look into the possibilities of trying to do both. I think that we should be willing to try because
the community is asking us. It may
be cost prohibitive at the moment,
okay, because of our financial
situations. But I do think that
there are opportunities to improve
our reaching out and the community
reaching out to us in the -- a new
technical age. So I was even going
to suggest tonight that there's of a
speaker that could be attached to the
cell phones so Treasurer Robins or
even those that are speaking, if we
did it virtual, it would be very loud
is and clear so that the record can
be recorded and the video could pick
it up. But I just think we need to
do some research and I think it's
some time to discuss it. But I'm
going under the push for me as that
the community is asking for it. So
that's all.

MR. HUBBARD: Paul, you want to
elaborate? Have you looked into
trying to do any hybrid type
meetings? Can you say what you've come up with?

    MR. PALLAS: Yes. We had -- we've looked into this in a couple of different ways to try to combine the technology we use now with the virtual meeting is -- I don't -- I don't personally think it's technically feasible to combine the two. I think that's kind of a big stumbling block. I think ultimately you know, it's up to you all. But to do -- to broadcast the meeting only through the virtual platform also has its limitations. Because it's the -- those systems, those virtual meeting systems are not really designed for the kind of meeting that we hold. They're not designed -- they're more for a collaborative meeting type of meetings that you all participated in during all of this. These kinds of forums where there's a desk and you -- it just doesn't lend itself to it,
from what I can see. I'm looking into various new and -- iterations of these and none of them really do that. I mean, can it be done? Well anything can be done, of course. But I don't know that it has the same -- it changes the way that you do things, essentially. And that's -- it would take some time to make the transition from what we do to that. And, you know, couple of months at least to really make that transition effective.

M R. H UBBARD: Just a question for Joe. On the executive order that's supposed to expire September 4th, about the open meetings law, if that doesn't get extended so there is no debate with the open meeting law, what do we do? Because I had a phone conversation with her and she interpreted that can still do Zoom meetings forever and not go back to live meetings, and
that's not the way I interpreted the executive order to mean.

MR. PROKOP: So the executive order -- under the executive order, you either have a live meeting or you have -- excuse me. You either have an in-person meeting or you have a virtual meeting. So you could take the option. So you can't have a mix. As far as the boards concern. You can do it publicly, as far as the public is concerned, and some village that -- where I attend meetings, there is an in-person meeting that's broadcast to the public and the public can participate through communications. But as far as the situation right now, you cannot have -- unless you take the virtual option, you have the in-person meeting and you're required to do them. If after September 4th if it's not -- if the situation is not extended, which is what you asked me,
is that we go back to the -- it defaults to the old law or the current law, which is that you can have the trustee or mayor at a remote location and participating through a telephone conference. But that -- the location that they're at has to be part of the public notice, it has to be identified in a notice to the public, and the public has to be able to attend the meeting at their location. So you would, you know, you would have to give the address of wherever you are. If you're a trustee or mayor, and you would like to participate by teleconference, you know, 22 Front Street or whatever and the public -- your doors would have to be open and you would have to accept the public into wherever you are. Most people opt not to do that.

MR. HUBBARD: All right. Thank you.

MR. CLARKE: I'm done.
MR. HUBBARD: All right. We'll continue looking at the options and discussing that.

MS. PHILLIPS: As I said, maybe, in the word that I live in with the captain and fishing management, they are bound by the meeting laws as well as we are. And they accomplish having their meetings where it's in person and visual and communication and of course they use -- which is a different program. But I, once again, my feeling is our community is asking us for something and I think we need to look into it and try our best to try and improve communications. So that's it.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Trustee Maritolla.

MR. MARITOLLA: Sure. I'll keep it short. As we spoke (inaudible) I have got -- also with regards to noise ordinances, since it seems to come from my neck
of the woods, I found myself meeting
with everyone after work. It's
pretty cool. And one other thing --
actually, I had a couple people ask
this. So we're looking down to take
down departments in October.

MR. HUBBARD: I believe it's
October 12th.

MR. MARITOLLA: So I guess
really I know people ask me like have
we got a plan to break the whole
thing down and when. And --

MR. HUBBARD: There's an exact
breakdown, the exact date -- the
state said you can do it for six
months from April 14th and it expires
October 14th.

MR. MARITOLLA: It's --

MR. HUBBARD: Because it's a
state road. It's not four months to
use.

MS. PHILLIPS: I think until
October 14th is the date.

MR. MARITOLLA: So we're
looking (inaudible) next month they
plan on moving it or...

MR. HUBBARD: They're going to
take it all apart. Some of the stuff
that the planned on -- transplanting
the trees and doing other stuff. But
the bid actually paid for all of the
materials and it's their -- their
option of what they want to do with
it. What they're going to do.

MR. MARITOLLA: Totally
understand. (Inaudible)

MR. HUBBARD: No, they did work
with the tree committee on the trees
that they got so they can plant
around the village afterwards when
they're done with those. The picnic
tables that we brought, we're going
to do distribute them around to
different parks and everything else,
and use them once -- once you hit
November, people around going to be
sitting in the park trying to eat.
And guidelines in place in that
point.

MS. PHILLIPS: It sounds interesting that there's a hint of the decreasing inside eating this winter. That's what is coming out from some of the news things from today, we'll see. Because that will present a whole new issue.

MR. MARITOLLA: That's all we have.

MR. HUBBARD: All right, thank you. Trustee Phillips?

MS. PHILLIPS: Part of mine is trying to get back on track, on some of the things we had started in December, January, February. One of them was being would the code book and with the bulk of parking regulations and the exceptions that some of the statutory boards have been having an issue with. Getting back on track on probably the biggest -- the biggest words that I've been hearing as of late from our
village community they feel that we've lost some of our community character. And I think that our code book is one that would be able to protect that, or at least the people the opportunity to say how they feel. That they want the village to move forward. So that's one of mine is discussing some of the issues of the code book that we started to get back on track it with. Trustee Clarke brought up my other issue of the virtual meetings. I did have a question about the new railroad. Do we know where that is at the present moment?

MR. PALLAS: The -- we've been working with the -- our engineer for this project. It was an issue with the piece of the design. Again, to the -- there's a bridge, a small bridge, and there was a with the design of that bridge. I think within the last week or two, I have
some information from him, I just haven't had a chance to connect with him to go over the details. Once that piece of it is settled and -- hopefully they -- we will take care of all of the concerns that they had with this redesign.

MS. PHILLIPS: As I said, the code book, there were several articles that kind of brought to the head of property rights versus community character, and I think that it's time that we, kind of, thought about that a little bit. So that was pretty much that. Trustee Robins did ask me to read her report if that's what you would like me to do.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Go ahead.

MS. PHILLIPS: I think I'll bring up some of her points. She had a bid report here that says that they continued to work with the bid via meetings with the last two months. And in collaboration with the mayor
and the bid president and -- they created (inaudible) concept. It wasn't a perform plan because it was developed under emergency circumstances and one of the bid discussions, I guess, as an opportunity to begin planning for next year, I think we should be (inaudible) with the bid about the use of street space as part of the new plan for businesses and residents use. This was initiated due to the impact on the downtown businesses by Covid-19. Sidewalk -- to the downtown businesses is reaching maximum overload for the last few summers. It's time to develop a plan for the use to alleviate the crowded sidewalks that are difficult to navigate, and put pedestrians in danger when they resort to walking in the streets. Using the parking spaces for (inaudible) is a good start. Obviously, we have to deal
with parking. We should also look at traffic flow and movement of pedestrians, cars, and bikes through the village. It is truly a time to think outside of the box. This is her bid report. The committee has met to discuss some concerns about the deterioration of the (inaudible) hours from the overheating from the sun and the doors closed. The marina staff addressed the situation by putting plastic fencing against the lower part of one door, allowing for the door to be open to let air in the building. Apparently, cross ventilation is something that they want to work on.

They also obtained a price quote from -- for the layout of the temporary sign. It informed the public (inaudible.) She is in support of the alternate number four ferry project. As for the noise, I do support the changes in chapter 88
that address the decibel levels of music with entertainment in the downtown business district. The revised code provided to me from the village to work with the businesses in a reasonable way. And support the )inaudible) while addressing the quality of life for the residents. I oppose any -- to the proposal of the code and refer to regulating noise in the areas. Respectfully, Trustee Robins.

MR. HUBBARD: Thank you. Myself, I have nothing additional to add. We're not (inaudible) or any else. It's just been very -- we're still doing conference calls and other stuff working with everything. I appreciate everybody that's been trying to social distance, keeping each other safe, helping each other out. I appreciate that from myself and the whole board. Unfortunately, things getting cancelled and we keep
moving this further and further out.
We're having a discussion now with
the Christmas parade of what we're
going to do with that once school
opens up because we've involved
children in that and we're going to
see how the first week of school
goes. But that's something that's
not looking good at this point now
with guidelines and laws with people
gathering and all that. We attract
500, 600 people down there. So I
just -- we're discussing that now but
it's not looking good at that point.
We will end up putting lights up and
everything else. We're not canceling
Christmas. It's just a bag gathering
is in jeopardy.

Did you want to add something?

MS. PIRILLO: I did. I'm
sorry. Paul and I had a conversation
today about possible re-imagining the
event and having it be sort of a
drive in event. Where you can still
see Mr. And Ms. Clause and the elves
and maybe delivered to each car --
gifts are delivered to the cars.
We're not sure yet, we really just
started discussing it today, just in
terms of a re-imagination. So that
we would bring it to the committee
and think about it differently.
Still have it within the guidelines,
speaking about it differently. Not
sure yet, just started.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. PALLAS: Literally about an
hour before we started.

MR. HUBBARD: Right. Okay.

That's all I have. We'll open it up
to the public who wish to address the
board. Just stand up name and
address for the transcriptionist.
Just and try to speak loud in the
back so we can hear.

DAVID: My name is David. And
when it comes to these fire pits, you
said yourself once, Mr. Mayor, maybe
two years ago, when a gentleman's barn or barns lit or fire, I don't see the sense of having a fire in the middle of July where it's hot and I have to say maybe if we got air conditioning, they're not such a nuisance. But if you open your windows and you use a fan, to try to keep cool, those fire pits are a real nuisance because they really stink up the neighborhood. And hey, I have to tell you with burning wood, it makes carbon dioxide. That's a really minor aspect of it. But I certainly am not in favor of the fire pits.

Thank you.

RANDY: I don't know if you can hear me through the visual, but thank for all your great work. As an addendum to (inaudible) I bought a fire pit and the instructions said be sure to keep it 30 feet away from any wood structure or tree. And there actually was no place on my property,
so I gave it to my son, then he found it was annoying the neighbors, so he got one that was a little teeny thing that circulates air. So anyway, the direction for the (inaudible). You had said that he didn't know what 80 decibels was. So garbage disposal, dishwasher, a freight train at 50 meters. A car alarm is 89 decibels. Propeller planes flying at 1,000 feet is 88. Diesel -- 40 miles an hour and 50 feet away is 84. A milling machines that rips up the road, that's 85 decibels. A garbage disposal is 80 decibels. So I really do think that you brought up the point that it would be good now that the summers almost over, we really only need it until next April, so by the time -- January or something, then it would be way a to really fine tune it because what I would love to see is a conversation with Southold town to find out why their police
officers -- I was told by -- they cannot enforce Greenport's noise code. Maybe they could enforce Southold's noise code. There has to be an answer, there has to be a meetings of the minds between Greenport and Southold where we're paying for the policemen and they need to be able to help protect us. And it's really good to have a code that helps neighbors be good neighbors because we're human beings and we're each a little bit selfish. And we may do things we don't think anybody will notice, but it can all add up. And to have a neighbor hire a lawyer to solve a neighbor problem because they won't -- so we need government, government is great, and you're all very reasonable.

The other thing is when I walked in, I heard something about we want you all to vote on the engineers opinion four. And I just like to
make sure that has nothing to do with the historic transportation area where there's been a steering commit that's worked together for years and then for the last two years has not been part of the conversation. But you did let us know that the engineer has revised plans, but we haven't seen them yet. So I have been talking to some of the neighbors, I just ran into people on the beach today on Fourth Street. They were very confused. They heard oh, and I here the ferry line is supposed to go down Fourth Street. Well, that's actually not the case. The ferry line is supposed to be on the site, right by the railroad tracks where it's the dirt parking field. There should be no ferry line on the street if the plan that the community has supported with the railroad museum, and we've all been very excited about it, were to go through, traffic would
turn right on Fourth Street and go left into the -- between the railroad tracks and the railroad museum, and there would be no back up. So there would be no way for the cheaters to gets in the line which is what happens now. Thank you for explaining to me. Right now, cars would go down Fourth Street and they will try to get into the line that goes on Wickham's and so the line that is on Wickham's waiting to get on the ferry, they will stack up together and block so nobody can get through because they're trying to keep the cheaters away. If the stacking line is on site, there is no cheating. That would solve all that problem. So any rate, the more we talk to people, the more they understand and I think to be good. I mean, I would certainly hope you're not about to vote on something without community outreach. I would
think that would be against
everything that -- you know. All the
policies and procedures. So what
were you talking about?

MR. HUBBARD: We were talking
about the ferry project down there.
You will -- Paul is going to be
sending stuff out tomorrow, and
you'll see what's there.

RANDY: So there are options
but you've all discussed it amongst
yourselves because you just discussed
choosing option four or whatever it
is. So why don't we here from the
public before any further discussion
or any vote on it? Would that be
good?

MR. HUBBARD: You'll be able to
look at everything tomorrow. You can
send your comments in and we won't be
voting on it until next Thursday.

RANDY: But it would be good to
all have a discussion after the
public speaks otherwise we're talking
to a body that's already made a
decision.

MR. HUBBARD: The decision is
going to be made by the village
board. That was expressed by board
members at the meeting. The village
board is the one that makes the
decision on whether or not --

RANDY: Without public comment
is my point. I'm sure you would like
to have public comment.

MR. HUBBARD: We have had your
comments for the past five years,
Randy. I met with you personally.

RANDY: We haven't even seen
the plans. We don't know what plan
you're talking about voting on.

MR. HUBBARD: The plan came in,
the village administrator got it,
shared with the village board for
them to discuss it and review what
the plan is. That is the function of
government.

RANDY: Well, when it's a plan
to re configure an area that's waterfront historically, it's going to be that way for the next 50 years, it would be great if you did community outreach and input on whatever plan gets decided.

MR. HUBBARD: When I met with you, you wanted to get to the plans before the board did, and that's not fair to my board. They're voted on by the public. You wanted us to give you the plans before the board, and I don't feel that that's fair to these people that are sitting next to me. So they got to see it first. That's what we do with everything. The village board gets it before it's posted to the website and sent out to the public. That's just how government worked. My board won't be blindsided not knowing what's going on with something that I gave to you and they don't even know what's being talked about. Or it ends up on
Facebook or wherever, and that's just not the way government works.

RANDY: Okay. Except --

developed a plan and it was involving the museum, the ferry company, the --

MR. HUBBARD: It involving the whole village. That's correct.

RANDY: And right there on Fourth Street. So the point is, generally, isn't there -- when there's a public hearing, then you go and talk about it at the next work meeting? You don't vote on it that same day.

MR. PROKOP: There's no requirement to do that. It's just a public hearing.

RANDY: But why would you vote the same day there's a public hearing?

MR. PROKOP: I mean --

MR. PALLAS: It's not a public hearing. It's an agenda item for the board of trustees. Not a public
hearing.

RANDY: But shouldn't it be since we're talking about --

MS. PHILLIPS: Randy, please talk to us. Please talk to the board.

RANDY: I'm sorry. I didn't know that was a requirement because apparently a larger community is not really aware of the fact that you're deciding on a plan for the railroad museum, the ferry dock, the maritime museum, the railroad museum, that whole area, and you haven't shared it with the public to have an open discussion about it. So I just think that should happen. I think you would be happy if that happened.

MS. PHILLIPS: And I think you're missing one of the points that the whole project, the whole purpose of this project is to make the flow of traffic placed on the north ferry property. Okay? The north ferry is
the one that really is dealing with most of this. They're a leased property. They're working with village. Yes, your group had a fair amount of discussion. You and I have had a fair amount of discussion. But, the whole community has seen this before and they're encouraged that the traffic flow will keep moving. And I think that with this point, and I have said it to you, the mayor as said it, we have to make a decision on this. And it may make everybody happy, but the whole goal of it is to make is more livable and have the traffic flow all be stayed on the north ferry property, and not on Wickham's all the time.

RANDY: Right. But it's not just about the Q. It's about the traffic that is congested a very narrow street.

MS. PHILLIPS: That you want to block off.
RANDY: I live on Sixth, I don't even live on the street. I just -- when I worked at the Department of Transportation in the city, and I redesigned streets all over the five boroughs, I loved a good plan.

MS. PHILLIPS: And Randy, in all --

RANDY: It's not logical to bring all the traffic on Wickham's to continue to have the problem of cars coming down Fourth Street and Sixty, trying to cut in the line.

MS. PHILLIPS: And it is not possibly to have tractor trailers crossing Fourth Street to get into the ferry. And in all honestly, I lived on Fourth Street and I understand the traffic problems are there. And cutting in, yes, there's the cutting in. But the biggest part of the problem is that the traffic needs to keep flowing and needs to
get onto the north ferry parking lot. And that's what this plan will do and I hope everyone will take a good look it.

RANDY: Well, the previous plan that I saw, a tractor trailer could not make the turn coming from Wickham's. It's very tight and so there was a cut room north of the railroad and we're just saying use that cut through for the oversized trucks would need -- use it for all the traffic. And then it will flow and will go into the waiting --

MS. PHILLIPS: I respectfully disagree with you, and I respectfully will go what the engineer has suggested. And I think at this point, hopefully it will get onto the website and it will work for everyone and the village to see.

RANDY: Again, I think a good project has community support. The only reason the ferry is there is
because people were complaining, and
y they that this is going to solve all
the complaints. I if it's not going
to, it's like a waste of public
taxpayer dollars. It's not free
money. Even though we're getting it
from the federal government, it's
still -- we want to make sure it's
money going towards a good thing, and
I think this community has a lot of
people that can give you insight and
if you let them look at it and talk
about it with you. Thank you.

MR. HUBBARD: Thank you. The
plans will be sent around to you and
you'll be able to see them.

Anyone else?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hi there.
I'm here as volunteer with the League
of Women Voters. You probably notice
us all over town. We have tables set
up trying to get people registered to
vote. It's a nonpartisan, none of
this political affiliation at all.
It's a nonpartisan group. We just want people to -- we want to help them perform their civic responsibilities. The question that the group has is, are we allowed to walk around in Mitchell Park as a non-profit? There's no agenda except to get people to fill out voter registration cards and mail them in. So before people started showing up there, I volunteer to come and ask you that question.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Does anybody have a problem with that?

MR. CLARKE: Nope.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. That's fine.

MR. PROKOP: As long as there is -- no other activity that's obstructed and it doesn't involve -- doesn't affect freedom of movement of the public in the park, then it's fine.

MR. HUBBARD: It's not one side
or the other. It's just regular to vote and that's it.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: If anything, it's a little tiny table where -- but basically the people walk around with clipboards and interact with the public as they're walking about. No banners, no hoopla.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay.

CHARLES: Charles -- 422 Main Street. 85 decibels I do think is pretty loud. When I Googled 85 decibels because I didn't know what was, it says that 85 decibels is what causes hearing damage. And so the bar next door to me is also the one that I've had so much trouble with, not this year, because I think they have a problem with their liquor license. But same owners across the street from me, Bar 314. So the bar next door, their property line is 33 inches from my bedroom window. So the code seems to say that they can
put their 85 decibels 33 inches from my bedroom window. And it just seems very loud. And to have a house in the business district I feel like it should have the same considerations as other houses anywhere else in the village. Just because it's located in the business district doesn't mean that is should be like surrounded with pounding music until midnight. I think it's loud every night, so from 8:00 a.m., am I'm assuming, until midnight having -- so I think 85 decibels is really high.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you. Anybody else wish to address the board?

Okay. All for motion to adjoin at 9:06?

ALL: Aye.

MR. HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you.

(Whereupon, at 9:06 p.m., the above matter concluded.)
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COUNTY OF SUFFOLK )

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I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or by marriage and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.

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