VILLAGE OF GREENPORT
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK  STATE OF NEW YORK

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WORK SESSION

Third Street Firehouse
Greenport, New York

January 18, 2018
7:00 P.M.

B E F O R E:
GEORGE HUBBARD, JR. - MAYOR
JACK MARTILOTTA - DEPUTY MAYOR
MARY BESS PHILLIPS - TRUSTEE
DOUGLAS W. ROBERTS - TRUSTEE (Absent)
JULIA ROBINS - TRUSTEE

JOSEPH PROKOP - VILLAGE ATTORNEY
SYLVIA PIRILLO - VILLAGE CLERK
PAUL PALLAS - VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
STEPHEN GAFFGA - DEPUTY VILLAGE TREASURER
(The Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m.)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I call the meeting to order. Pledge to the flag.

(All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thanks. You may it be seated.

Just a few things. We've got a -- Trustee Roberts is trying to get back from Atlanta with snow delays and everything else, so he may, may not be here, he may be late.

Paul Pallas was traveling back from Albany, he's on his way. At some point he will be here. So we're going to kind of move forward. If people come in as we're going, we'll just shift the agenda around, but that's -- that's the game plan for right now.

So, first, we'll start with Chief Miller of the Fire Department. Good evening, Chief.

CHIEF MILLER: Good evening. I just have a few things. There's been some complaints about snow removal at Station 2. A couple of our guys actually went over there with snow blowers and cleaned everything up. Apparently, they're not -- and this has been going on for a while now.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
CHIEF MILLER: Even dating back to last year. So if maybe somebody could talk to those guys about cleaning the ramp up and, you know, the sidewalk over there.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. On the ramp and stuff, they're not plowing the ramp?

CHIEF MILLER: They're not -- they weren't plowing the ramp, and then they didn't -- there's a sidewalk that goes down the side of the building, nobody's taking care of that, so our guys have been taking care of all that stuff. And I guess a lot times, complaints that I have received, you know, they might -- when they do -- if they do plow it, then they leave a row right in front of the doors. So they don't, you know, clean it out in front. So if they could just maybe be a little more diligent with that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: Cleaning it up there. And just so you know, I was told we weren't supposed to use salt or calcium chloride on the ramps and all that stuff.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Uh-huh.

CHIEF MILLER: And so -- but they had been doing it, the Village employees have been doing
it, Road Department. So anything happens, that ain't on us.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: So that came --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Is the house man doing the sidewalks at all there, or no?

CHIEF MILLER: Yeah, he's taking care of that, yeah, here.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Here, not over there?

CHIEF MILLER: No.

MAYOR HUBBARD: He's not doing Station 2 at all?

CHIEF MILLER: No, he can't. He can't load that --

MAYOR HUBBARD: No, I'm just --

CHIEF MILLER: -- that machine by himself and go over there, you know.

MAYOR HUBBARD: I'm just asking, you know. So when Paul comes in, I will mention it to Paul, and I'll register the complaint, and, you know --

CHIEF MILLER: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: With the big truck, try to plow the apron over there, it's very small, it's very hard, you know, but I'm just --

CHIEF MILLER: Well, I mean, you could take
the pickup over there and it ain't a problem, you
know, so. But I just want to relay that to you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: I will let them know
officially that you're complaining about the job
they're doing, yes, sir.

CHIEF MILLER: Also, the cement that was
supposed to get done inside the building over
there, do you have any idea -- like I know Derryl
said something about they're on a hiatus right
now. But he also said that it was going to get
done in the wintertime, because it's indoor work.
We -- you know, we put our trucks back in there
now. But I don't know what the status is on that,
if you could look into that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. I mean, when the guys
were there doing the front part of it, they
mentioned that, you know, to go inside if it
needed to be.

CHIEF MILLER: Right, yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: And at that point, it was --
it was decided to just do the aprons at that
point.

CHIEF MILLER: Okay, because I was told that
they were going to go like five feet in, chop that
one section out where 8-3-15 sits.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Who told you that, Paul?

CHIEF MILLER: Yeah, one of these guys. Yeah, Paul or Derryl, because --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. When Paul gets here, I will ask Paul when he gets here.

CHIEF MILLER: Okay, because, well, we want to redo the floors in the firehouse, and one of the vendors said that he wouldn't recommend redoing the floors over there until you chop out that cement in there, because it's all cracked and beat up. So he wouldn't even want to attempt to put the new flooring in --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: -- without the cement in there. I left my glasses home. But we got price quotes for garage doors, replacing all the garage doors here. So one -- the one quote we did get was like $17,500. So we're looking into getting a few more quotes.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: Trying to stay under 20,000, so we don't have to go out to bid. And then -- we already covered that. Okay. And that was about it, except for Washington's Birthday is coming up,
so you'll all be getting an invitation to the cocktail party and --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: -- all the festivities that are involved.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Have you put in a request for closing the roads and --

CHIEF MILLER: I haven't, no.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Are you going to, or --

CHIEF MILLER: I can, yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, I mean, that's standard procedure for the Department to --

CHIEF MILLER: Okay. Well, I'll talk to Marty about it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I'm talking from the Village. The Village normally passes a resolution that comes from the Board of Wardens saying that --

CHIEF MILLER: Oh, okay. So you want something in writing, then, or you want me to just ask you right now, can we close the roads?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, that's fine.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Normally, it's done officially, that's all. I'm just asking.
CHIEF MILLER: All right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: I hadn't seen anything yet.

CHIEF MILLER: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So I wasn't even sure of the date until I saw something posted on Facebook. That's why I'm just --

CHIEF MILLER: Yeah, okay. Well, we'd like you to close the roads for us, how's that?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's fine.

CLERK PIRILLO: Excuse me. Can I have a date and time for the resolution?

CHIEF MILLER: It's the 17th of February.

It's a Saturday.

CLERK PIRILLO: Seventeenth of February?

CHIEF MILLER: Yes, and it's 1 p.m. kickoff.

CLERK PIRILLO: And at what time would you like the roads closed?

CHIEF MILLER: I would say, 12:30, 1:00. Probably closer to 1:00 would be fine.

CLERK PIRILLO: Until what time?

CHIEF MILLER: At least an hour, right?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Can we look up the resolution from last year and go from that time?

Because it's usually the same time every year,
isn't it, Sylvia?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Pretty much, yes. I mean --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And yeah, so it's just --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Plus or minus Fire Departments, or whatever, it's the same time frame.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So can we just look up the old resolution, and then maybe just check with the Chief?

CLERK PIRILLO: Of course.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

CLERK PIRILLO: But I didn't want to assume that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no, no. I'm just asking that if we could just look it up, okay? Because I was going to ask, if the Mayor hadn't mentioned it, about the road closing, because I haven't seen it, so.

MAYOR HUBBARD: No, that was it.

CHIEF MILLER: That's all I have. If you have any questions.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The LOSAP.

CHIEF MILLER: Yeah. I just handed Sylvia
all the final --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: He just handed it in.

CHIEF MILLER: The final paperwork for that --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay.

CHIEF MILLER: -- for you guys to go over.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right. And there's a meeting set up for the 31st. You got the email on that?

CHIEF MILLER: Right, yes, uh-huh. And the Wardens, I think a few of the Wardens are going to attend, so.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

CHIEF MILLER: Now do you guys want to do it here, or you want to do it at Village Hall? What would you like to do?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Whatever is easier. We have room for eight people at the table at Village Hall.

CHIEF MILLER: Okay. Because Jimmy's doing a defensive driving class here that night at 6 o'clock, so --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Well, we'll do it at Village Hall.

CHIEF MILLER: We'll do it at Village Hall?
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah, that's fine.

CHIEF MILLER: All right. That will be easier.

MAYOR HUBBARD: I just wanted to get a -- start the ball rolling to see what's involved and what needs to be done officially, you know, paperwork and notices --

CHIEF MILLER: Right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- and everything else.

CHIEF MILLER: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So that's 5:00 on the 31st?

CLERK PIRILLO: Yes.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Five o'clock on the 31st for the Service Awards Program.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is that for all of us?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Tony Hill from Penflex is coming out to meet with the Chiefs, myself, Robert, and go over what we need to do for --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- possibly extending the program from 30 to 40 years.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. And are we going to be able to talk? I mean, I'm sorry. Are they going to be, the representatives going to be presenting stuff to the Board at some point, to
us, to update us on the whole program?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, that --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is that what you're talking about, the 31st, or the 31st is just for Management and the Fire Chiefs?

MAYOR HUBBARD: To update you on what part of the program?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Just to -- you know, the investment part of it and --

MAYOR HUBBARD: The investment is completely different.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That's what I'm -- okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's somebody completely different.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right. That's --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Tony Hill is the Administrator who would go through the workings of the program. He's not the actuary that does the investments.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay, all right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: We can schedule a meeting, if you'd like, with the actuary to go through that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's what I
thought I asked for last month, so that we can kind of get an idea. It's been a long time since they've been out to do a presentation on the investments, and whatever, and I just --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Well, yeah, that's two parts of it.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, all right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Because we talked with the Chief expanding it from 30 to 40 years --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- and what had to do with the referendum and other questions like that. That's what -- this is to start that going through, because somewhere in 2018, we need to have a referendum to vote on that if we're going to extend it --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- the 30 to 40 years.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right. I'm just -- I'm -- mine is the actual investment part of it, because that falls within our budget, so that's -- that's why I'm asking.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You know, it's time to --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, we'll set that up
separately, that will be different.

   TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's time to --

   MAYOR HUBBARD: This here is just to go

through with the Fire Department and the Village,
so we know what needs to be done to hold the
referendum and change the vote.

   TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

   MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Anything else for the

Chief?

   TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: No. Thank you.

   CHIEF MILLER: Thank you.

   MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you very much.

   CHIEF MILLER: Have a good night.

   MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Take care.

   Okay. The Village Treasurer is not -- he's

on medical sabbatical. So we have -- Stephen

Gaffga is going to do the Village Treasurer's

report for us this evening.

   MR. GAFFGA: Good evening.

   MAYOR HUBBARD: Good evening.

   MR. GAFFGA: It should be a quick one. Just

two resolutions.

   The first one would be a resolution

authorizing the Village to add the outstanding

water and sewer balances as of
January 31st to the Village of Greenport 2018 tax
bills to the respective property. We should have
all of that information by the end of April, so
April 30th, 2018.

The second resolution is to perform a budget
amendment to fund the replacement of the sludge
pump at the wastewater treatment plant, and
directing that the budget amendment be included in
the formal meeting minutes of the January 25th,
2018 regular meeting.

The Utility Billing, Sectors 1 and 2 have
been completed. He’s working on Sector 3. And we
just started sending red tags back out after the
holiday moratorium from NYPA. That is now over,
so those will be sent out in the mail.

Community Development: There have been five
recerts and three interims performed in January
2018. One voucher was issued last month, and
there’s still five families, I guess, that are
searching for housing. There’s no housing in
Riverhead, and they said that there’s two families
that are looking into other jurisdictions, even
though that they work in Greenport. So things are
a little tight for Community Development and the
Housing Authority.
That's really it for our report this month, unless you guys have any questions.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Any questions?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: No.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. GAFFGA: All right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you very much.

MR. GAFFGA: Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. We'll mark that off. We'll go to the Village Clerk.

CLERK PIRILLO: Good evening. Back to the Fire Department, if I may. The Chief handed me an application for membership, so that will also be an add-on to the report. And an add-on resolution, it's an application from Kylie Stoner to the Rescue Squad.

The Chief also handed me the -- just now, the year-end packet. Assuming that all paperwork is in order, that would necessitate a resolution as well. I do notice that the Department Posting Certification Form hasn't been filled out, so I have no way of knowing whether or not the points were posted as required for the required amount of time. I'll discuss that with the Chief or the Secretary, and let the Board know whether or not
that will be an added resolution.
   I do have -- I do have two additional resolutions, both Public Assembly Permit applications. One is approving the request of applicant Amie Sponza, on behalf of Northeast Stage, to use a portion of Mitchell Park from 6 p.m. through 10 p.m. on July 31st through August 4th for the annual "Shakespeare in the Park" event.

   The second is a resolution approving the Public Assembly Permit application submitted by Porters Hospitality Corporation to close a portion of the Adams Street parking lot from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. on February 4th for a football passing competition.

   TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Before you go, can I ask a question on that?

   CLERK PIRILLO: Yes, ma'am.

   TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is that just for that particular restaurant, or are they combining it with other ones, you know, other -- you know, other -- other restaurants? In other words, is it -- it's basically --

   CLERK PIRILLO: To my knowledge, since the applicant is Porters Hospitality, I believe it
pertains to only that restaurant.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, that's why I'm asking.

CLERK PIRILLO: That would be a question for Trustee Roberts, but that's my understanding.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I'm just asking, that's all.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And since he's not here to discuss that, I will mention I have concerns. And, quite honestly, I'm disappointed about this ask.

This is a business that's owned by one of our Trustees, and I feel that he's asking for a major section of that parking lot to be closed. Specifically, I believe it's somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 to 54 parking spaces would be unavailable for four hours, to the exclusion of any other of the businesses downtown who might want to also be doing business on Super Bowl Sunday. I don't think it's appropriate for us as a Board to approve something like that for a fellow Board Member, so I just wanted to go on the record in saying that, okay?

CLERK PIRILLO: Thank you.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thank you.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I just want to clarify it with the discussion I had with Trustee Roberts. This is something that his partner had done in the past, with the two restaurants that were down there, side by side, have done this in the past. Never got permission, just kind of went outside and did it. And he said, "I'm not going to do anything like that without going through the formal process of doing it." And he spoke to me beforehand, and I said put in the application, and I recommend that he does it that way, because they want to just do it legitimately and do it the proper way. So that's --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it does involve one -- it involves more than just that one restaurant. Is that what's -- that's what I'm asking.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, it used to be Rhumb Line and Whiskey Wind.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, I know, it's used to be --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Rhumb Line and Meyer's did it.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: And they just went back and
had some --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, they used -- I remember.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yeah, it was like a field goal thing, wasn't it?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, that was done at Front Street Station on their own side parking lot off of Adams Street --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- was the field goal columns.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Oh, so that was the -- yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: That was something different, but that was on their private parking, it wasn't closing down a section of the road.

We all saw the map and everything else. I mean, we can put it on the agenda, we can have the discussion, have the public weigh in on it, and we'll talk about it. Myself, for the couple of hours on that morning, I don't think it's really going to be that big of an issue, closing it down. But, you know, Trustee Roberts has said he will not be voting on this. So it takes -- you know, it would take a majority of the voting members for
it to pass, so.

CLERK PIRILLO: Yes. He did say he would recuse himself.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right. So okay.

CLERK PIRILLO: Two additions regarding finances. One is that the Treasure and I work together to submit reimbursement paperwork to what's known as DASNY, New York State, so that we could be reimbursed $125,000 for our recent paving project, and we expect to hear about that shortly.

Accela, who runs our IQM2 program, we had some issues with them for a little bit, because they had an upgrade. The upgrade didn't go as smoothly as intended. We had additional time taken by Jay and some of our I.T. affiliates. So I called Accela and asked them for a credit of two months to our account, which was completed today. So I wanted to let the Board know that.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Thank you.

CLERK PIRILLO: You're welcome. Also financial, we received notification from McMann Price that for the first time we are sharing in a positive outcome for NYMIR in their investment program. Starting in 2016 was the first year they started an investment program where they could
possibly return money to their customers, and we are reaping a $527 benefit from that for this first year. So more to come.

It's the time of year where we're already talking about lifeguard certification, and lifeguard certification class is going to be held by the American Red Cross at the Southold Town Recreation Department. There are classes on -- two sets of classes -- excuse me -- one beginning March 30th, and one beginning April 21st. We do have a flier about it. We have -- we will make announcements also as we get closer, so that we can have more of our young people who might be interested become certified.

Last, but not least, Dan's Papers decided that part of our recreation areas made their "Best of the Best" list. And we are happy to say that our Carousel in particular, the Skate Park and the Ice Rink made the "Best of the Best". And I have worked with Dan's Papers to create a plaque for us, which we should have shortly. So that was very good news. Any questions?

MAYOR HUBBARD: No.

CLERK PIRILLO: That's it?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: None at all.
CLERK PIRILLO: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's it. Okay.

Okay. Paul, I just want to back up. The Chief has -- already did his report. He had two complaints. The snow plowing at Station 2, they said it hasn't been cleared, and along with the sidewalk, and the snow plowing, the same complaint that they had last year that was not addressed. And he asked if we would address the gentlemen that are doing it to use the small truck, or clear it off, and the sidewalk.

And he asked about the cement work on the inside of the building. He said he was told that the cement work was going to be done during the winter. Nothing's been done. And they've moved the trucks from the back building back over to there, and he couldn't remember who told him that. But if you could find out what's going on with the cement work inside the building --

MR. PALLAS: Yup.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- and let myself and the Chief know --

MR. PALLAS: I will do that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- what's going on.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. I know that was
mentioned last month. I apologize, I didn't follow up on that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. PALLAS: But I will, I will do that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: I just -- before we get into other stuff, I just want to bring that up, so --

MR. PALLAS: Sure.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- the snow plowing, talk to the guys, and, you know --

MR. PALLAS: Will do.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you. All right. We'll go to --

MR. PALLAS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- the Village Administrator report.

MR. PALLAS: Great. Good evening, everybody. I apologize for being late.

To go over a couple of resolutions, I have one for the Road -- Road End Water Quality Improvement Grants. That's for the drainage projects at the end of Brown, Flint and Clark. I think we also are looking at the end of Fourth as well to add in. We have some preliminary designs. We're going to use those as part of the grant application. Just wanted to let you know about
Also, we're requesting a wage increase for Douglas Rocco. It's contractual increase based on training classes that he took through -- for Northeast Public Power Association training, lineman training. He completed the requisite one year, first year of the program, and the hours are enough to warrant the wage increase.

Moving on to the Road Department, just a couple of highlights. Our Road Crew completed or helped complete the road repaving projects by painting stop bars, handicapped spots, things like that, no parking signs on the -- on the new asphalt. They helped finish up all that work.

The Road Crew also has been helping at Village Hall, continues to help at Village Hall -- excuse me -- putting shelving down in the basement, and helping with some reorganization of the offices upstairs. I want to thank them for that as well. We've done a lot of -- a lot of work upstairs and downstairs, actually, in the basement.

They also worked with the Sewer Department around the BNR basin, putting some stone around the basin to facilitate trucks coming in and out.
of there. From time to time, trucks have to come in there and it's always muddy. So they dug out and put in some stone. That's been -- been helpful for that.

Moving on to the Sewer Department. On the -- what's called the Huber screen, which is the -- at the head works, the beginning of the system, we had issues in the past where it would freeze up in the winter. So there was a lot of debris that was getting through the system and getting into the basins, which is not supposed to happen. It makes it harder to clean and whatnot. So we -- they installed some infrared heaters for there. They are going to be working on covers for that as well to help keep it more -- to keep it from freezing. They did some work in Basin 2 in preparation for concrete repair. They did cleaning and whatnot for that.

Moving on to Electric Department. Work to keep the Christmas lights going, made some adjustments to them. Changed out when there were outages on the lights, they fixed that as well.

They -- and we just -- not that they did the work, but just to report on the Electric Department, the riser pole to the metering station
was replaced by PSEG. That was part of the project to put in the switching, the switches for the new -- the second circuit that's going in. So that work was completed on the one -- on the one side of it.

And also on Corwin Street, put in a new fairly large distribution transformer for a new service at the -- at a new distillery that's being set up there.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Paul, can I just say --

MR. PALLAS: Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- that I've noticed the Sewer Crew has been around either snaking systems or down in the manholes, because they did one in front of me on Atlantic Avenue, that even though, you know, ours has Peconic Landing that flows through to that pump station at Manor Place. But the guys were telling me that they've been working on regular maintenance around the Village, so I'm glad to see that happening, to be honest with you.

MR. PALLAS: Yup.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because the first question, they asked me if I had had a problem. I said no, because they found an extremely large blockage there.
MR. PALLAS: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So I was glad to hear that. Hopefully, they'll get down at some of the other streets soon.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. Adam's been very good at being proactive with a lot of things with the whole department. So thank you, I'll pass that along.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So is there anything else that they're going to be proactive about that we'll start to notice or --

MR. PALLAS: You know, nothing that he's been telling me specifically, but, you know, he comes up from time to time. But I will -- I will pass that along and ask him to keep me more informed of what specific he's doing, so I can report that out.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, great.

MR. PALLAS: Moving on, the Building Department. The -- as you see in the report, there's no specific Building Department report. Since retirement of the Building Inspector, it's very difficult to collect the information, and there's not been as much activity. So we will do our best to get a report out next month, but it
would be more than likely, once we hire a new
Building Inspector, that will be -- the report
will be put back in place, so -- but we will try
to get some kind of data out next month.

And, of course, we have the Code Enforcement
reports attached as well.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So the Fire Marshal,
let's -- because there's been a fair amount of
questions, and I think publicly we need to get it
straightened out --

MR. PALLAS: Sure.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- as to if permits need
to be signed, who is actually signing the permits?

MR. PALLAS: On very minor projects, Greg
has the ability to sign them. On anything that's
complex, the Fire Marshal is allowed to sign them.
He's got all the credentials, and then some, as a
Fire Marshal, that the Fire Marshal title is
higher than a Building Inspector. They have all
the credentials that a Building Inspector has.
He's been doing some plan review for us as well,
so being ahead of -- trying to get ahead of some
of these projects as they're going through the
various processes. Rather than wait for them to
finish, he's been going through some of these
plans and communicating with architects and owners
to get that --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MR. PALLAS: Keep it moving.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I just wanted the public
to hear that, because there's been several
questions as to who's actually doing what, okay?

MR. PALLAS: Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right. Thanks.

MR. PALLAS: Moving on to Recreation. Ice
Rink is obviously up and running. We --
everything seems to be -- you know, other than
weather related issues, we're not having any
issues at the Ice Rink at all, no staffing
problems, no operational problems, so that's a
good thing.

The Rec. Center itself, we have 24 children
enrolled in the After School Program. And in
December they had their annual holiday party,
which was really great. It was, yeah, very, very
well done. And the Recreation Director is --
wants to extend thanks to the Trustees, Village
Administration, to help make the events memorable.
You know, and I know as far as the -- some of the
other work that goes on, the donations and so
forth, I would like to thank the Village Clerk for
doing the work that she does on that. That's
always a big success. She always makes sure to
contact people.

And that's it for me. Any questions?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: No

MAYOR HUBBARD: No? Okay.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thanks, Paul.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. The Village

Attorney report.

MR. PROKOP: Good evening. I have, again,

and also a brief report.

I wanted to mention that with regard to the

Habitat for Humanity, I now am working with their
-- they have a manager of their closings,
basically, their real estate acquisitions. I'm
working with him. We're trying to set up a
closing for as -- maybe as soon as next week,
where we're transferring the property to them,
completing the abandonment.

I am working -- I created a policy for the
use evaluation, what we used to call use
evaluations, now it's Fire Marshal inspections.
I'm sorry to use that word, but I have to use the
word "use evaluation", so everybody knows what I'm
talking about, that it will no longer be called a use evaluation.

The policy was circulated tonight for you to review. It has been reviewed by Paul Pallas and I, and we -- it's basically the -- it's basically the guts of the Local Law that has been transferred into -- now into a policy. And if you're able to approve that, then that would be in place while the discussion about the proposed Local Law is taking place.

We continue to have a couple of Local Laws that are pending. I recirculated the Local Law for the IGA. It now has -- the 11 spaces that were going to go from being not timed to 30 minutes are now going to 60 minutes, so that we would have 60 time -- eleven 60-minute spaces in the lot.

I have one -- there is one thing that I have to talk to you about in Executive Session. It will be quick, but it's urgent, I have to bring it to your attention.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. PROKOP: And that's my report, and ready -- I have -- I can answer any questions that you have, if anybody has any, would like know about
anything.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, Joe, just so that I'm clear on this thing, this proposed Local Law for the Fire Marshal inspections, are you giving us the opportunity to review this and comment on this, or are you requesting that this go out for a public hearing?

MAYOR HUBBARD: No, this is not part of -- this is not going to be a code change or a law. This is just an SOP, Standard Operating Procedure, to try to clarify what we're doing before they actually go and change the code and rework the system.

MR. PALLAS: So I think --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MR. PALLAS: I think your specific question on was on the Local Law itself.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, correct.

MR. PALLAS: So I don't -- we didn't set a public hearing date for that, so --

MR. PROKOP: No, just looking for -- looking for comments.

MR. PALLAS: -- it's for comments at this stage.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what I'm asking, is we're in the comment stage at this point.

MR. PALLAS: Yes. The answer is yes, right.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You've all reviewed it, be we need to have an opportunity to --

MR. PALLAS: Correct, but I --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, that's what I'm asking.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. I think in advance of that, we would -- and I apologize, I don't know if Joe said that. Or if I'm repeating it, I apologize. What -- the second document, which is just a policy statement, is something that if you could review, and hopefully give any comments you might have on that prior to the meeting next week, and perhaps --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is that something that was handed out?

MR. PALLAS: I believe it was handed out.

MAYOR HUBBARD: It was handed out this evening.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, it must be in the --

MR. PALLAS: We will send it electronically as well. But if you have any comments on that, if
possible, we could vote on the policies that are in there. Can we could change it, obviously, before next week.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Sorry. I thought that was the Local Law, so I just shoved in all the paperwork.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah, that's in -- the Local Law is in Joe's report.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, here it is, okay. Sorry.

MR. PALLAS: So the policy would just give us, you know, a way forward while we're discussing the law. That was the intent of it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right. The idea was we don't have a Building Inspector right now. We're going to get a -- we're doing the interviews starting tomorrow for a Building Inspector. And we will try to put stuff in place. When the new person starts, it's not, well, it was always done this way. We're trying to set this up so that when the new person starts and we hire somebody, this is what we're going by, it's in writing. And then, as we change the law to make it official, this is the operating procedure that the new Building Inspector, along with Andrew, our Fire
Marshal, will be following. And it's more, basically, just like I said, standard operating procedure of what to do in the time being, so the new person doesn't come in and say, "Well, this is the way it was always done, so we're going to do it that way." We want to just make sure we're doing it the correct way starting from day one.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. As I said --
MAYOR HUBBARD: That's --
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- in a recent email, I'm looking forward to seeing the changes --
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- in the Building Department, so that it's more user friendly and more communicative out to the public. So I just -- I'm looking forward to it. And I'm -- I apologize. I thought this was the Local Law that got put on the table, so --
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. No. This is just what we're going to be using for the time being, because before we set a public hearing and draft a law, get public comment and everything else, could take several months. And this is just the way we want it -- what we want to use for the time being.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, that's great. I
think that's wonderful. I hope more of it will come out for other items that are coming out of the Building Department.

MR. PALLAS: Sure.

MR. PROKOP: So the idea that Paul and I developed, basically, is that there would be a Fire Marshal -- a Fire Marshal review and inspection, rather than a Planning Board involvement, at least at the initial stage.

MR. PALLAS: Right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Any other questions for the Village Attorney?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: No.

MR. PROKOP: Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Okay. Report from Committees: We had no committee meetings or anything this month, so there is nothing on that. We'll go to the Report of Trustees. We'll start with Trustee Martilotta.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Sure. Just a couple of things. In follow-up, the -- over the Christmas school break, we did the -- we opened up the school with the Village, and it was a real success. The Elementary School Principal reached out to me and wants to know if we would be
interested in doing it again. We were looking at some dates. I don't have them yet. I should be able to get it to everybody in an email in the next few days, something along the same lines, though.

We ended up having on average over 50 kids there each day, so it was a really nice thing for the community, and a real positive thing for the kids.

Beyond that, not too much. Unfortunately, the plague is upon my house, so this has been a very slow week. But I will circulate those to you. And that's all I have this month, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Everybody got a copy of Trustee Roberts' report. Were there any comments or anything else? He's not here yet, you know, so I'm just --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Just open it up, if anybody had questions that can be directed, or if he watches the meeting, you know. Okay, that's fine. Trustee Phillips.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I have a couple of things.

First of all, Chapter 44, I had sent out an
email earlier in the -- in the month stating that
it's something that I think we need to review, the
assembly, mass assembly, especially in reference
to our terminology of what music is.

In reviewing this particular code, it is
dealing with -- it keeps saying large temporary
migratory groups of persons. In any business
similar to what the situation happened with the
collective, I would have figured that because they
had the occupancy, that they would have been
allowed to do what they were doing. There's
nothing in our code that catches for anybody's
attention that they need to do this if they have
it in their place of business. And in reviewing
the application, it's more for our public parks
and outside.

So, in talking with the Village
Administrator, he kind of agrees with me, I hope
still, that there needs to be some changes here to
kick in, if that's what we want to do, okay, where
a business similar to a gallery that's having a
concert, or a performing arts where they're
selling tickets. I'm not sure what the mechanism
is that finally kicks in the mass assembly permit
process. So that's -- I'm bringing it up that we
need to review it, we need to talk about it.

Music to me is a performing art, so I don't think of a small group of people inside of a building that meets occupancy as being a mass assembly, but I think we need to clarify that.

That's number one.

So, Paul, that is pretty much what we discussed, is it not?

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. I think there -- you know, certainly, the vintage of that law would advocate for a review to make sure that it still makes sense.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. Seventy-five is a long time.

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. And, certainly, there needs to be some -- assuming there are changes made, or even if there aren't, we need to communicate that out to the public that this is something that you need to do if you want to have one of these events at a place that is not set up for those kinds of events; that we can inspect it and make sure prior to the event that it meets whatever safety requirements are there for that type of use.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because, when I plugged
in music, I came up with nine different sections of the code that brings up the word "music", and it doesn't mean the same thing in each one of the codes. So there's a little confusion. I think we need to -- for something that was written in 1975, it's changed a lot. So I think we need to -- it was an issue. I think we need to put it on the table and talk about it, that's all, and see if we need to change something, okay? And that's it.

MAYOR HUBBARD:  Okay. And I think a lot of that will be clarified once the Fire Marshal gets through and inspects all the businesses downtown and does his inspections. He'll know exactly what is there, people will know what they're allowed to do. You know, so I think once that process is all completed with him doing all his reviews, and the occupancy and everything else, it would be clearer to the Building Department, to ourselves and to the public of what needs to be done and what they are allowed to do.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS:  Right. But, as I said, there's no -- there's nothing that alerts anybody in this code, if they go to look to the code, that they need to do it. That's one of the issues that Paul and I discussed.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That we need to put some language in here, that when they go to check the code, it clicks up onto the search. So that's part of it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The other thing is, in all honesty, I've been thinking about short-term rentals and affordable housing, and a lot of discussions. And I happen to think the opposite direction, and I was wondering if we could ask the Village Attorney. Perhaps we need to think about providing some type of an incentive, for those who do have apartments, to rent long term instead of doing short-term rentals.

I don't know if there's -- the Town of Smithaven -- Smithtown, for those who have grandparents that want to move in with their children, they provide some type of a tax relief for a certain set time, along with certain criterias. I don't know if we can do that, it's just an idea. I just think the Village Attorney would need to advise us if we'd be able to do that. That's what I'm asking, is, you know, can we do something where we can encourage people
to -- instead of doing short-term rentals, to do long-term rentals. It's just an idea.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And that's pretty much it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay, thank you. Okay.

Trustee Robins.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: So I have a Carousel meeting report. We did the BID meeting today, but I still need some other information to come in for a complete report.

So Carousel meeting was on January 2nd. Everybody showed up. The committee's made about $1,000 from the sale of the rounding board prints that they've been working on, and would hope that the ongoing sale of the prints could be noted on the Village of Greenport website with the images of the prints.

An RFP last month, we, the Trustees, approved a resolution for an RFP to go out for the inner scenic panels that they're going to be working on. That's the next project. Gail Horton has met with Bill von Eiff to discuss the design of the panels, and also working with North Fork Welding to, you know, lock in the work so that they can get started with the actual reproduction.
What will come next, once the artists are selected, they will be assigned the paintings for the -- for the panels.

Now the committee spent most of the time at the last meeting going over suggestions for the images that are going to be on these panels. These aren't small and narrow like the rounding boards, these are roughly about two-by-three, I think, something like that.

MR. PALLAS: About that, yeah.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: They're fairly large, yeah. So spent a lot of time going over a lot of old historic photos. And I'll just read some of these ideas, because some of them are pretty cool. And I might have some images to bring to the Board next month for everybody to look at. The Reeves Park Steamboat, Reeves Park, a/k/a Steamboat Corner. That's what it used to be called, Reeves Park. The Monument at Broad Street. The Third Street Elementary School and Kindergarten. I don't remember that, but there used to be a school here. I don't know if anybody's seen the images, but there was a big school here, an elementary school right here.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I've seen the images.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, great big buildings.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They're on -- they're on the laptop at -- I mean, the -- in the schoolhouse, on the presentation --
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- there's an actual copy of it, because the Red Schoolhouse was moved here after it was demolished.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yup.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: And then somebody, I forget, I think it was Marge Stevens chimed in, and she's lived on the North Fork her entire life, claimed that before they were a school, they were an underwear factory. That was an underwear factory.

(Laughter)
TRUSTEE ROBINS: So, anyhow, a lot of interesting history there. Various churches, boats and boatyards. The Zaida in the boatyard, there's a great photo of that. A supplier of marine needs. So I'll bring a half dozen or so of those images to share with the Board, just so you can see some very cool pictures. That's the next step. Other than that, I mean, it wasn't -- you
know, wasn't that much going on.

As I said, had a -- we had a pretty interesting BID meeting today. They're working on communication with their members, and engagement in the entire business community. Instead of just the Board, they're really working on their website, their outreach questionnaires, surveys, and as many ways as possible, including kind of getting out on the street, using interns from the school, from the business clubs and stuff like that, to try and really get the businesses engaged, so -- and they are definitely looking to partner with the Village on events, and to, you know, kind of be good citizens and work with us.

So that's it for me. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you very much. Okay. Myself, I don't have any major report. You know, with the holidays and everything else, there was a lot going on, a lot of things going on. And I have nothing new to bring up, you know, except for the status quo, and business has been going on.

Okay. We'll move into the Board discussion section. All right. Last month we had tabled the wetlands permit application of Stephen Bull. There's been a lot of paperwork going back and
forth, and everything else. Board have anything
new they have? The Village Attorney and Village
Administrator had worked on a proposal or
proposition for that. I think they emailed it
around to everybody, so, I mean --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yes, sir.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, yeah.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: I read a report from Joe
Prokop.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: You know, and kind of put
my own -- you know, I called him. We had a couple
of questions, he resolved them for me. And,
basically, for me, I would be comfortable if we
were to give Mr. Bull a conditional approval if he
were willing to move his shed off of our easement,
and to apply for a wetlands permit that would be
compliant with everything for, you know, a
building in a floodplain, okay? If he can do that
and, you know -- so, in other words, you have to
go through the process. Yes, move the shed, get
it off of our easement, and I would be willing to
give a conditional approval based on that, okay?

So --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I was reading it
and I asked if -- I had called Paul earlier on his drastic, dramatic way of getting home today, if Mr. Bull had been approached, even though I do know he has mentioned it in his amount of paperwork that we've been receiving. And I'll be honest with you, I would rather table this until there's been a discussion with Mr. Pallas and Mr. Bull and his representatives to see if there's even a possibility of moving it anywhere onto his property. I think we're assuming that that can be -- happen.

I think we need to, instead of carrying -- instead of continuing this, I think we need to table it for a month, find out all of these facts that were in this opinion from the Village Attorney, with the discussion, and Paul. That's what I feel, okay? I think we have a lot of questions, and I think until the applicant actually has had a chance to discuss it and see if it's even feasible, I think we're spinning our wheels, and I don't want to spin wheels anymore. So I'm suggesting that we table it, so.

TRUSTEE MARTILLOTA: I agree, to see if we can -- I'm of similar thinking, just to see if -- like I like your idea. I don't even know if it's
possible, you know, and I'd like to move it and
make it -- we're making -- I think there's a lot
of assumptions built into that. I think we should
talk to the applicant and see if this is a
possibility to do, and if that's the direction,
move forward, we all agree on that. I'm
comfortable with it, but I think we need to ask
first and see if it's a doable thing.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Joe, I have one concern,
though. Because it's a wetlands application, I
believe that we have to answer within 60 days. Is
that my understanding, or am I confusing that with
ZBA and Planning?

MR. PROKOP: I don't think that that's in
the code, but I can check. I'll confirm that. I
don't recall that being in the code.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's just when I was
doing some research on NYCOM, it kind of came to
my attention in the current new reference material
that they gave to Village Trustees. So I just --
that's one concern, is the time limit. But other
than that, I think, in all honesty, at this point,
I think any discussion of this should just cease,
be tabled, and get our facts together first for
next month.
MR. PROKOP: Well, normally, it's from the close of the public hearing.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That's okay.

MR. PROKOP: So we could -- I think the public hearing is --

MR. PALLAS: Still open.

MR. PROKOP: -- still open, so.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes, it was.

MR. PROKOP: I'll confirm.

MAYOR HUBBARD: There was a motion by Phillips, second by Roberts. I already checked the minutes. It was tabled last month.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. It was, okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So you made the motion --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- and Trustee Roberts seconded it, and that's where it was.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So the public has not -- the public hearing has not been closed yet. That's why we're having this discussion now. We said we would discuss it again in January. We could just continue as it being tabled. We could close it next month, and then you have to take action after you close the public hearing.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I'm just checking.
MAYOR HUBBARD: But it's still open for public comment.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I'm just checking on the 60 days, because that just was something that came up as far as in reading, if that's something we need to be aware of in the future.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. I have a question for Paul right now. Can -- is there -- is it possible for a building to be compliant on a floodplain?
MR. PALLAS: Yes, that's -- yes. I mean, the -- it's not simple.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.
MR. PALLAS: You know, in the research that Joe and I did, there's, you know, a series of steps you have to go through, and a series of codes you have to go through to get to the point where it's compliant.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.
MR. PALLAS: And it's not a straight path, so it -- that was why we put in the suggestion that we did.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: So with -- just leave -- you know, conditional, what, to move it?
MR. PALLAS: Well, no. The moving part was the easement part.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The easement part.

MR. PALLAS: But the physical structure part --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

MR. PALLAS: -- there are ways to make it compliant.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

MR. PALLAS: It appears that it was done, but I'm not going to sign. An engineer would need to --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: To sign off on it.

MR. PALLAS: The applicant's engineer would need to sign off on it.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. But it is possible?

MR. PALLAS: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It is possible.

MR. PALLAS: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. So that's why I still stay I support a conditional approval based on that. If he can apply for a permit, and he can build a compliant -- you know, it can be compliant, then I would be okay with that, okay?

Now whether the Board, the rest of the Board needs
more time to think about it, that's fine, you
know, but I just wanted to clarify from you that
that would be possible.

MR. PALLAS: Uh-huh.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We'll consider that
tabled. We'll bring it back up for a discussion,
and hopefully close the public hearing next month,
and we'll do a conclusion on that.

All right. Proposed amendment to Section 9
and 18 of Code Chapter 150. I want to make sure
we've got the right one. Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, so I'll make sure
that we got the page.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. That's the one.
I did not have that, that one in my packet.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Is it a separate sheet, or
is it in your report, Joe?

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's why I'm just
seeing --

MR. PROKOP: I don't think it's in my
report.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: No?

MAYOR HUBBARD: No. Excuse me. No, I got
it here. I'm sorry. Okay. We've discussed this,
this has been around. This public hearing is also still open, or have we closed it?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Multi-family?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. We had discussed it. We were going to -- I believe we left it open until we had a final version.

CLERK PIRILLO: Left it open for discussion, yes.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. So is there any comment from the Board on what's in the proposal?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm having a problem with multi-family, the definition of multi-family being put into -- being put into the Waterfront Commercial District and the Downtown District, if I got the right one. Oh, which one? Which one would --

MAYOR HUBBARD: December 30th, 2017?

CLERK PIRILLO: Yes. These are -- I put them in the packets as well. Any --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay, I'll make sure I've got the right one.

Years ago, when Lakeside was developed, the first Lakeside was developed, our Village sent -- our Building Department sent the applicant to the ZBA to get a zoning amendment to build that
particular site, because it was zoned R-1. I think since -- I'm just not comfortable in putting something in Downtown District that we have issues with parking at the moment. I think we need to settle some of those issues before we start increasing the amount of activity of housing downtown. As much as I don't like to say that, I think we need to settle some things on that first before we continue putting this multi-family description into the code.

I think it's fine to leave it separate. It has a description that is for pieces of property that are huge, okay, and I'm just not comfortable moving it around. I think we've existed with it for long. It can go to -- somebody can go to the ZBA and get -- go through the ZBA process if they want to build a multi-family downtown. So that's my issue, okay? I'm just not in favor of it.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah. And my concern, I do have a concern about also building out downtown, and that is that I think we would be deluding ourselves to believe that as much as we need it, that this would be a means of creating affordable housing. The cost of building up and building out and creating apartments down there would certainly
be at the higher end of construction costs. And, unfortunately, I just think that we would be creating expensive apartments for people who are not the residents that we're looking to take care of, as well as creating, you know, an additional parking situation that we have no way of dealing with. So I have -- you know, those are my reservations about this. I don't think I could support it either.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Just to carry on, as years ago, we waived -- we waived the parking fees for those who were doing construction for apartments downtown, or for the older buildings, and if they were upgrading them. So the parking situation in my mind is really the landlord's issues at this point, it's not the Village taxpayer's issue to deal with parking.

So I think we have a lot to discuss planning-wise, or discuss planning-wise as to what we really want to look like downtown. And as much as I agree that we need housing, I don't think that this is the vehicle that we want to pursue, so -- at the moment. So that's my feeling.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: I mean, parking is a challenge, and will continue to be a challenge no
matter what we do. I -- to give somebody the opportunity, I like the idea of being able to build more housing. Like I totally understand what Trustee Robins is saying about, you know, may be expensive housing, it may well be. But I do like the idea of being able to have just more apartments available. I think that we're seeing them disappear from the R -- like two-family houses becoming one-family houses at a pretty rapid pace.

The parking thing is definitely challenging, I do understand that. I don't know what the answer to that is. But I personally like the idea of being -- somebody having the opportunity to put some apartments in there.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But how many apartments are we talking, four, five, six, seven? I mean, that's not very -- it's not defined in here. You know, we have two different definitions of multi-family in our code.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: One falls under the rental permit, and then we have this section of the multi-family, which could be a whole -- similar to Lakeside. So I just -- I think,
originally, our multi-family code was originally, back in the -- 1985 and prior, was dealing with existing buildings, similar to the Lipman Block --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- and some of the other ones, who are no longer -- there were buildings down on lower Main Street that were -- which burnt --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Sure.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- which was a three -- was it three story?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Above where Cookery Dock was. Those were three-story buildings, okay?

But, in the meantime, I just think that we need to define -- we need to define, if we're really being concerned about -- about housing, are we creating Downtown District into turning them into short-term rentals? Okay. How are you going to get away from that? So that's an issue.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Good point

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Until we settle -- until we settle short-term and long-term, I think we need to settle that first with our rental permit, getting registered, everybody who has rental
properties in the Village of Greenport, and get a true handle as to what we really have.

I have neighbors down on Fourth Street who are beside themselves because a house next door to them that, you know, they -- "Oh, we're going to be living downstairs," but it's now a two-family house, it's a two-family short-term rental, and it's constant with events.

So I think we need to decide first that issue before we extend any further. And Southold Town has started giving an opportunity of housing for people that are in a lower rental range.

TRUSTEE MARTIOLTA: Yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So I think that, at this point, I'm just having difficulty wanting to change the code. So that's okay. I'm going to shut up now.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I mean, this all started from inhouse, from the Building Department, with questions that had come up with the Village Administrator working with the Building Inspector of how to approve plans and everything else. So, I mean, basically you could put in three apartments. If you wanted to go to four, it changes, a different section of the State
Code, and a whole different set of guidelines and everything else.

So if Paul feels that he can act with what we have in place without moving further with this, and, you know, the two different sections of the code -- this came up because of the place on Carpenter Street, and everything else. We were trying to simplify it to make it so it's cut and dry and everybody knows what to do.

We could easily just not do this at all. The Building Department would have to handle it. If anybody wants to do anything, they'd have to go to the Zoning Board and go through the process.

This was a request that had come from the Village Administrator. It's been around for a year-and-a-half. It's time to keep kicking the can back and forth, and everything else. We either need to put the proposal out as is, so then we have other people that have been waiting for us to say we're closing the public hearing, so then they could comment on it.

So, you know, if the consensus of the Board is to just go with the status quo, let it go to the Zoning Board, let our statutory boards handle the process, then we could just stop bringing this
up every month. That's, you know --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's the way I'm leaning, so that's the way I'm going to vote. I'm going to vote --

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's why I'm asking the Village Administrator to just --

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. I mean, I haven't thought about not going in that direction. But I certainly think that we can work -- we have worked within the guidelines of the current code for a long time. It's not simple, but, you know, that -- as the saying goes, that's our job. So we can -- you know, we'll find a way to manage with -- if that's the Board's pleasure, then we can certainly find a way to manage within the existing code.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. That's -- this is where it all came from, and everything else, and we could easily just end it all right now. We can close the public hearing. We're not going to go issue a code change at this time. Let the Zoning Board do their job. When somebody goes in with an application, it goes to the Zoning Board, and those members on that Board will handle the issue, and then we'll go from there. And then everybody
still has relief, if they want to, to appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The property owner can do that, and they can continue on, and then --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm in agreement with that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. Well, I will offer a motion to close the public hearing on Chapter 150, Sections 9 and 18.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I second that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

Opposed?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried. That public hearing is closed.

If we need to do anything afterwards, let me know, Joe. If we don't, if we're not going to propose anything else, we could just let it die the slow death and it will just come up in --

(Laughter)

MR. PROKOP: Just let it go.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Just let it go. We don't
need to do anything else. We had the public hearing. We've just taken no action on it, we closed it.

MR. PROKOP: No action.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So that's done. Okay. All right. Proposed amendment to Code Chapter 118. Which was 118?

(Laughter)

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, I know. I've got so much paper, I can't --

MR. PALLAS: Merger of lots.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Merger of lots.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Merger of lots.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, merger of lots.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We did take the recommendation of talking about that, the merger of lots, and having that go, instead of where it's outlawed now. If somebody wants to do it, basically, the law says they would go and appeal to the Zoning Board. We're putting wording in, it would go to the Zoning Board, and that Board will decide whether you can merger unimproved --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- adjoining lots, and all the other stuff.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, I agree with that.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Instead of the longwinded stuff we were trying to do, we're going to send it to the Zoning Board and make them work twice as hard.

(Laughter)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Everybody's in favor of that?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Love it.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yup.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Sure.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Hey, John.

(Laughter)
MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. So --
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Love it.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. So I'm going to -- we did not close that public hearing, right, that was still open?
CLERK PIRILLO: That's correct.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. I'm going to offer a motion to close the public hearing on Chapter 118.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

Opposed?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried. And we will put that for an agenda item for next week, to vote on that and have public discussion on it.

Okay. Before we do the Community Block Grant --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do you want to finish --

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- let's do the proposed amendment to --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- Section 54 of Code Chapter 132.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: We would change it to 60 minutes. How many spots was it total?

MR. PROKOP: Eleven.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Eleven spots.

MAYOR HUBBARD: The 11 new spots going from the cutout where the propane tanks are --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yup.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: To the end of the
TRUSTEE ROBINS: End of the building.

MAYOR HUBBARD: From -- heading from north there going south, along the side of the building. Those 11 spots will be one-hour spots.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Perfect.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So right next to the front doors would be half-hour spots, the nine existing. The new 11 spots will be one-hour spots. So you could do the IGA and the drug store and park down there.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Perfect.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay? Everybody comfortable with the math and everything else?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, I'm good with it back there.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. I'll offer a motion to close that public hearing, and to move that onto the agenda for next Thursday.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

Opposed?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.

All right. I think that was on the beginning, yeah.

Proposed amendment to Code Chapter 88. This is the leaf blower section. Anybody have any comments on that?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. I'm not in favor of it. I think that if a neighbor is having a problem with a neighbor's landscaping company because they're disturbing them on Sundays, they could kindly ask their neighbor to have that changed.

This -- the whole idea of the two-stroke engine, in researching the two-stroke engine, we have outboard motors, we have jet skis, we have lawnmowers, we have a fair amount of other equipment that is two-stroke engines. I think that is something that if we're going to deal with OSHA requirements for safety and for that, that's not really our jurisdiction. I think it needs to come from Suffolk County or from someplace else.

So, in all honesty, I'm going to vote no on it.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: I agree with Mary Bess. I think it would be -- first of all, we're a one square mile village, so how can we decide that -- maybe the noise, yeah, your neighbor is being noisy and you can speak to them. But, as far as the pollution aspect is concerned, I mean, there's pollution all around us, it's not going to stay over one yard.

I mean, if you want to start getting oversensitive about pollutants that are going into the air, read a couple of scary articles about roasting coffee and the toxic chemical that's released by that.

So I think I can't -- I can't support this. I don't see any point in it. And in some respects, I actually see it being harmful to some of our local workers and residents, you know, who make a living with those machines. Maybe in an ideal world there -- there'd be leaf blowers out there that don't create any pollution, but right now they do. And I'm, as a Board Member, not willing to pass the law.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: I'm of similar thinking. There's so many two-stroke engines available. I understand leaf blowers are loud, I
1 understand that they make a lot of dust, I accept
2 all that. But the other thing is if -- I'm sure,
3 like a lot of people growing up, like I worked for
4 a guy and I cut grass, and all I did from the
5 morning until the end of the day was go from this
6 guy to that guy and cut grass. And if we're going
7 to try and tell people to pay to have
8 battery-powered lawnmowers, all of a sudden, for
9 you to get your lawn done, it's going to cost $20
10 more a month, and I don't think that that's
11 reasonable. And I think it's putting a large onus
12 on people where this is a second job or some sort
13 of business on the side.
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15 I think that it would be exceedingly
16 difficult to all of a sudden try and have 16 hours
17 worth of battery life for an electric-powered
18 lawnmower and go around all day, I just don't see
19 how it would be feasible. So I'm of similar
20 thinking.
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22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, the other thing is,
23 in Chapter 88, we have the exceptions. I don't
24 know if anybody took a look at them, but under
25 Section A, it says that -- it has not limited to
26 domestic power tools, lawnmowers and equipment
27 when operated between the hours of 8 to 8 p.m. on
weekdays and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekends. So it kind of -- we have a conflict going on between equipment as to who's going to be the enforcement as to, yay, your leaf blower is too noisy, but no, your lawnmower is not noisy enough.

And I just -- I understand the environmental issues, but I do agree with Julia, it's all over the place, and I don't think that it's -- you know, we've all recently just been listening to the sound of snowblowers. You know, some of them are two-stroke engines as well, so --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Probably most of them.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Most of them. So I just -- I just -- I think this is a bigger issue, similar to the plastic bags. It needs to go to a higher, higher Legislative initiative.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Somebody would have to -- somebody would have to -- again, like you say, Suffolk County, or wherever that would come from. But in a Village that's so much of the equipment, any construction or landscaping, so much of it is two-stroke engine.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, on our waterfront, I mean, outboard engines are --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yeah.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Outboard motors.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Outboard engines, jet skis, baymen. I just -- I just think it's setting -- it's just -- it's a bigger issue than our code could handle.

TRUSTEE MARTILLOTTA: I think it's something, too, if an individual feels strongly about this, they could -- they could find someone who has an electric-powered -- that's who they could hire, you know, they have that opportunity. And yes, similar to you.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. So I think, I mean, we have stuff in our code now. When people said that people were using leaf blowers and stuff at 9 o'clock at night, it's against our code now. We need to have people around on weekends to enforce that. You have time restrictions on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct.

MAYOR HUBBARD: It's in the code now. We could use the existing code to enforce it.

To the 110 people that sent the petition in, I would ask them and their neighbors to take those -- their contractors that are coming in and
doing your lawns, ask them not to use the
gas-powered leaf blowers. And let's see if we
could just do this in a friendly, nice way between
neighbors and everything else. When you hire your
landscaping company, say, "I don't want
gas-powered leaf blowers."

You know, I know some people that had signed
the petition and sent letters in, I observed them,
when they were not here, with a company cleaning
their lawn with gas-powered leaf blowers on their
own lawn and they had signed the petition, you
know.

(Laughter)

MAYOR HUBBARD: So let's -- you know, ideas
and everything, theories are all good, but
let's -- you know, let's talk about and do what
we're going to do for ourselves. When you're not
here and you don't see it, it just looks pretty
when they come out. Let's enforce that and say to
your own the people, "You know, let's not do it
that way." And you could use one at half speed
compared to the eight guys that come in from front
to back and everything else.

So let's just see if everybody can be better
about observing the code, the noise. If there is
a complaint to anybody out there, somebody is using a leaf blower at 7 o'clock in the morning, complain about it.

I had somebody, a neighbor to my mother's house, and the tenant was cutting the grass at 6:30 on the day because he had plans. And the neighbor called and complained and told him you can't do that, you got to wait until 8 o'clock. You know, so we can do that and help patrol and police it ourselves. So let's all just try to be better neighbors and everything else.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Right.

MAYOR HUBBARD: So, at this point, I know Trustee Roberts had sent an email around that he was not in favor of it. So I'm going to close -- offer a motion to close the proposed amendment to Chapter 88.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Second. So we're going to close the public hearing and we're going to just -- let's hope everybody complies, and if there are complaints with the time frame and everything else, bring it to Village Hall's attention, and we will have Code Enforcement go out and enforce the existing code, and let's see if we could have a
quieter summer this year.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do you need to vote on the closing of it --

MR. PROKOP: You need to vote.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- because you just got the first and the -- I mean --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Oh, you had the second,

yeah.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. All in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

Opposed?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yeah, clean it out.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yup. All right. Community Development Block Grant ideas. We just got paperwork. Go ahead, you can --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I had emailed out everybody the PDFs, and then I have the copies.

Robert, Paul and I worked on these for -- originally was for the Suffolk County Consortium, which the Village of Greenport is not part of, and
we thought we would be able to get in on this year with them. That's not going to happen. But we did have the hearing that was required to take these applications and move forward to the other round of the Community Development Block Grants that will be coming up in the next month.

So the forms will change, but the concepts were dealing with some accessible sidewalk work, Disability Act sidewalk work down on 6th Avenue. And there was some -- there's two suggestions for looking out for some playground equipment for disabled children, both at the Third Street Park and at the Fifth Street Park.

And then going on, Trustee Robin's discussion with the Mobi-Mats, putting in for that, to see if we could get money for that. Is that -- what was the other one? There was five of them, wasn't there? Well, there was the 6th Avenue sidewalk rehab to create the ADA compliance.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Mobi-Mats here.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: When the State went through and redid Front Street, they only did one handicapped ramp on the sidewalk on one side going across the street to the church, and then they
left everything else alone. So that needs to be
-- there's some sidewalk down there that needs --
the trees are uprooting it, so -- and some of the
curbing, because it's around the school. And
there's some exits out of the school where kids
are walking out of there. There the -- you know,
that sidewalk was part of the project. There was
the playground.

Oh, around the Third Street Park, the access
to the park for handicapped parents, as well as
children, needs to be redone, so that access is
easier for them to get into the Third Street Park.
So those are the five ideas we came up with.

The Consortium, my understanding is that we
will have the opportunity to join Suffolk County's
Consortium, which will give us another opportunity
for grant paperwork. In February, they should be
sending us information to the Board to read to see
if we want to participate in it, which I think we
should. But these ideas can continue on to the
full -- the Community Development Block Grants,
Paul, that go to the State, correct? I think
that's what --

MR. PALLAS: (Nodded yes.)

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, that's what Robert
said. So the ideas are here. We're just looking for input to see what you think, or if you had something else that you think you want us to work on. That's pretty much it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. What's the date for submitting, May?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: This one, the submitting is May.

MAYOR HUBBARD: May?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: May.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. So everybody review the package, look over, and come back with suggestions for February, so Paul can continue putting something together and putting the application in, so we have an exact idea what we're going to shoot for --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. This is all --

MAYOR HUBBARD: -- for submittal in May.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. This is all rough draft, though, this was just getting the ideas together.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And if you have other ideas, I don't mind working with Paul and Robert to put it together, similar to what we did. So,
okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. All right. Thank you.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thanks.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. That's all we had under Board discussions. We'll go public to address the Board. We'll open it up to the public. Name and address for the record, and everybody's welcome.

MS. WADE: Hi. Randy Wade, Sixth Street. Thank you so much for having the public hearing, and a lot of the issues of gas-powered leaf blowers to be discussed. I think that was a good educational process. And I like the idea of your monitoring and seeing how much compliance we can get from people who would just take it seriously.

The people I've talked to, it's the neighbors that are away most of the time, and the -- and it gets done while the owner of the property is away, the landscapers come and do it. And so we'll see how that goes.

And I like the idea that you think Suffolk County should take that up, and would be interested in partnering with you all to work towards getting some movement there.

The -- again, thank you for taking seriously
the multi-family issues also.

The Airbnb, I happened to be knocking on doors for a voluntary thing, and the names that were on apartments had changed. And so many places had obviously become empty, looking stylish. And New York City has a one-month minimum, Southold Town has a two-week minimum. Greenport has nothing. You might want to start there, even if you had one week, you know.

There also might be something you could do with permits for parties of nonfamily members, you know. Like maybe everybody gets to have two big parties a year of "X" amount of people, and over that, they have to go to the Village to get a permit. So it would become obvious when houses are weekend wedding, bachelorette party, you know, happenings.

And so, yeah. And I'm glad you applaud the performing arts, trying to make it easier, because that was great to have that creativity come to the Village. Thanks very much.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you, Randy.

MR. SALADINO: John Saladino, Sixth Street.

I know you guys just voted to kind of let this
die, but, in my experience, stuff that seems dead
kind of comes back again. So I just -- I just
want to make two or three comments.

And as far as -- as far as multi-family, as
far as building downtown, it's already as of
right. For the people that don't know, you
already can build downtown residential over
retail. I mean, it's part of our code, it's been
part of our code since 2002. The only thing is
you can put two apartments. If you want to build
three apartments, you have to ask somebody. You
know, it just didn't seem that complicated.

The law's been around. I mean, the artist
loft has been around since 1997. Prime example of
spot zoning, but it happened. And residential
over commercial has been around since 2002. I
just -- I don't see -- I just don't see people
flocking to the Village to build third and fourth
stories in the Village to put these apartments.
In the last 15 years that the law's been here, I
just -- I haven't seen that myself.

The thing that I do take exception to in the
law that you just kind of tabled to close the
public hearing, but that might come up again about
150-9-18, is you're looking to make residential a
permitted or a conditional use in the Waterfront Commercial. I personally think that's a mistake. It's not a permitted or a conditional use in the Waterfront Commercial now, even though there are apartments there. But I think to do that -- I mean, people get in their mind, the Waterfront Commercial District is lower Main Street and Front Street. You know, there's a whole lot more in the Village that's Waterfront Commercial that this could have a big impact on.

I remember -- I remember the angst the former Building Inspector was going through when Claudio's was about to be sold. Is it going to be a hotel, is it going to be condominiums? Condominiums aren't --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Allowed in waterfront.

MR. SALADINO: -- right now allowed.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, they're not allowed.

MR. SALADINO: They're not allowed.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, they're not allowed in Waterfront Commercial.

MR. SALADINO: If you make residential a permitted use --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Bingo.

MR. SALADINO: -- then they will be allowed.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Bingo.

MR. SALADINO: So now you have two-and-a-half acres of property, with the Claudio's property. Nobody wants to see Steve Clarke go, but who knows what happens down the road. You have four-and-a-half acres there. An investor buys, I personally -- and 123 Sterling is coming up, and Atlantic Avenue is -- there's a lot of places that maybe you just don't want to change the face of Greenport and put condominiums in. That Local Law would permit that. It's something that maybe you'd want to think about not permitting.

I understand that housing is a big issue. I don't think you're going to solve the affordable housing crisis by building a few apartments in the downtown. I know some of the merchants are advocating for it. I think it's a little self-serving. I think it has more to do with more customers as opposed to altruism, but that's just my opinion.

As far as parking, you park where you park, you know.

So I think -- I think the consensus from the Board tonight I agree with, I think is a good one.
I hope that yous kind of stick to your guns and --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think we did.

MR. SALADINO: And just if yous do consider it again, just I'm going remind you if you consider it again.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Of course you are.

(Laughter)

MR. SALADINO: But just --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Why not?

MR. SALADINO: Just maybe you think about it before it comes up again.

The other thing I would like to talk to you about is the merger of lots. What George just described now is not what's in the Local Law. The new copy of the Local Law doesn't specify substandard lots, it doesn't specify unoccupied lots. There's a possibility -- as long as we're talking about multi-family housing, there's a scenario that a guy with an 8,000 square foot lot merges his next door lot and now he has a 16,000 square foot lot. We know there's a portion of our code that says if you have a 15,000 square foot piece of property, you can actually convert to multi-family. You can have a 2 or 3,000 square foot house, put a 2 or 3,000 square foot extension
on it, as of right, without having to go to zoning
or anything, and put six apartments there. If you
have 6 or 7,000 square foot house, you could do
that. Again, that's a possibility.

That's one of -- that's one of the reasons I
always say you have to look at the second
sentence. You know, this sounds good, well, just
send it to the Zoning Board. And actually it was
kind of like my suggestion, so -- but the point is
the Zoning Board would have no recourse in 99% of
the cases, except to grant this. They need a
reason to say no, the Board just can't arbitrarily
say no.

So if a guy has an 8,000 square foot lot and
he wants to merge it with an 8,000 square foot
lot, and the Zoning Board asks him, "What are you
going to do?" "I want to put a swimming pool in,
you know, I'm going to knock the house down and
put a swimming pool in," they can't say, "No,
you're full of baloney, no, you're not going to do
that," and it would be hard to say no. I mean, if
they did say no, it would have to be an
extraordinary reason for them to do that. It
wouldn't sustain -- it wouldn't stand up to
judicial review, I think.
And listen, before we go any further, I am a member of the Zoning Board. I'm making these comments about the code, about how the code is applied and where the code is applied, not about a specific application, because I don't want to be accused later on that I have to recuse myself because I made comments about the code.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Uh-huh.

MR. SALADINO: This is strictly about the wording and the application of the code, no application, no applicant, so just so we're clear on that.

So as far as the merging of lots, I don't -- I don't see it as -- as smart as we all are here, there's always a real estate investor or a builder that's always smarter, that always -- because you guys are honest, we're honest, we're looking to do the right thing, and you look at it with an honest eye. Somebody that perhaps is not, they always -- they always see a different side, and they always figure out a way to -- so this I think could -- and there's no limit on the amount of lots that you can merge. So, right now, it's if you have two lots, you can merge them. That's all it says, the new law. Am I misreading that or --
MR. PROKOP: With Zoning Board approval.

MR. SALADINO: With Zoning Board approval.

MR. PROKOP: Right. And it gives the standards. The standards would be -- what you said before is that you would either say yes or no. The standards are the same standards as an area variance.

MR. SALADINO: Exactly, exactly. And the Zoning Board doesn't have free range just to say -- to say no on a spec. You know, they have to have -- they have to have a legitimate reason to -- so --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, if I could just ask, John, if you have a better way to word that -- what we're trying to do is we have people that have asked to merge lots. Our code says you cannot do it, State Code says you can. So we're trying to fix the loophole in our code that says you can't. And this seemed, with other discussions, that this was the easiest way to do it, to at least have it reviewed by somebody else, because right now there's no mechanism for it to get to Zoning Board or Planning Board.

MR. SALADINO: I thought -- I thought it was -- it was -- I thought some kind of review by
a statutory board, whether it be Planning or Zoning, was better than no review, or just review by the Building Inspector.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right.

MR. SALADINO: I thought that was -- that was a good idea. As far as the merging of lots, you say the State -- well, the County allows it or the Town allows it and the Village doesn't. Our code can be more restrictive. I would need the person that's asking to merge the lot, for me to make a value judgment, I would need their motivation.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right.

MR. SALADINO: How come? What do you want to -- what's on your mind? You know, like what exactly do you want to do? For me to say, "Yeah, okay," or to -- so you kind of know. See, we don't know.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, see, I've never looked at the buildings and files. I just know it came up and they asked me, "What do we do with this now, because our code says you can't." And somebody came into the Village Hall and says, "I have the two lots, I want to merge them," and we said we can't.
MR. SALADINO: To what end?

MAYOR HUBBARD: So we were trying to work on trying to -- with an issue to see how we could rectify it properly, legally, and do it some way so they could possibly do what they want to do, because they have the two lots. They have a -- their normal lot, they have a substandard lot next to them. They wanted to merge them so their porch could overhang on the other lot. And the question came to me that way.

MR. SALADINO: Well, that's reasonable. That's reasonable. But you open up the door for another scenario.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah, right.

MR. SALADINO: You know, you -- and, honestly, currently, in the Village, people -- it's been the Zoning Board's experience that people are looking to subdivide, as opposed to merge.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Uh-huh

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

MR. SALADINO: You know, there's been more subdivision applications than there have merger applications, with the price of property in Greenport now, you know.
MAYOR HUBBARD: I agree.

MR. SALADINO: So thank you. Thanks for listening.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. All right. Thank you. Okay, Mr. Tasker.

MR. TASKER: Good evening. Arthur Tasker, Beach Street in Greenport.

I just want to say that the comments that Mr. Saladino just made -- and I am a member of the Zoning Board as well. And we can handle the business, we're not worried about that. The question is what business will we be handling with respect to the merger law? I'm very much in tune with and in agreement with what Mr. Saladino said for the same reasons.

But I want to go back to the comment that you made, Mr. Mayor, when you said it started out as merging unimproved adjoining lots, and under the same ownership. And it has mushroomed, like after a spring rain, into any lot, any time, any condition. And I think that that just really opens the door the way that the ordinance is presently worded, that essentially any two lots next to each other can be merged, irrespective of common ownership, whether or not one is built on
and one is empty, whether or not one is
substandard or not. The idea was to clean up
substandard lots, I believe. I mean, that's a
reasonable justification, to clean up substandard
lots by merging them to an adjacent lot. But
opening the door wide to any merger, any time
is -- you know, it's the keys to the store.
Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.

MR. KREILING: Paul Kreiling, Sixth Street,
Greenport.

Now for something completely different. In
driving down our new road, our new widened road, I
have noticed at the corner of Broad Street, as
we've changed that curve to one lane and two --
you know, one lane and parking there, that we've
created a really dangerous situation for bicycles;
not just for the bicycles, but for the people
driving. That corner you're supposed to ride with
traffic and all that, it creates a series of blind
spots that during the summer, when we get all our
tourists riding along here, somebody's going to
get hit.

I have a suggestion of possibly routing
bicycles, possibly with just a dotted line, or
something right down First Street, because that corner is so sharp, it is blind. If somebody goes wide there, there's going to be an accident there.

And just to bring it to attention. The Board will do what it does. The -- but I just want somebody to take a look at that, because I was driving the other day and I came around that corner, and it's much sharper now. And if somebody's riding a bike, I did see someone riding a bike, I didn't hit them, but it would be -- it would be a good thing to look into.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.

MR. KREILING: First Street would be great.

On another unrelated item, I would like to -- permission, or whatever. I want the -- to go ahead with the idea of cleaning up Stirling Harbor by growing some -- and I've looked into Cornell and I've talked about them, by planting mussels or oysters. I know oysters are going to have a poaching problem. But I'd like to see if we could get -- originally, the hospital was supposed to plant grass along the edge. Well, it hasn't really taken. So I was thinking that if we could transplant some mussels, some ribbed mussels in there, it will start the process of cleaning
the harbor with no expense, probably no permits, just by putting them in.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. You've got to have a permit for that stuff. You have to have an aquaculture permit to deal with mussels. It's a long process, it's an extremely long process.

MR. KREILING: I was thinking of grabbing a shovel and go around to different creeks and putting in a few and see if we can grow them there. I thought that might be a way of --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: My suggestion --

MR. KREILING: -- starting the process.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: My suggestion is that you discuss it with some of the aquaculturists around first, okay?

MR. KREILING: I actually have. I've done a little bit of it, and they're cautioning --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So have I.

MR. KREILING: They're cautioning me from being a pirate.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

MR. KREILING: So I was asking -- I was asking if I should go ahead with this, or is it going to turn into a long, drawn out process that won't get done. I've seen a lot of that happen.
And we now have a couple -- an upweller in the creek, and I was hoping they'd put in another one. I have a friend of mine who has one who's moved away. I'd like to put another upweller in there, just because that creek has -- something has to be done with it. It's getting worse every -- it's getting worse every year. And our Sandy Beach area, we know, we know we have to do something with that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, you have -- okay. As I said, there's two types of mussels, and zebra mussels are a problem.

MR. KREILING: No, not zebra, ribbed mussels, ribbed mussels.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, I understand where you're coming from, okay?

MR. KREILING: Yup.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I live in that world 24 hours a day, and I just think that you need to check with DEC before you start trying to do any of that stuff.

MR. KREILING: I will do that, but thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Anybody else wish to address the Board?
MR. CORWIN: My name is David Corwin. Last month, the Attorney said he would report to us every month on the status of Genesystems Engineering versus the Village of Greenport, and now -- or Village of Greenport versus Genesystems, and now it's Genesystems versus the Village of Greenport. So what's the status of that?

MR. PROKOP: Oh, you want me to answer that?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah.

MR. PROKOP: Okay. So there's -- the status is the same as last month. There are two cases pending. One, the first case is the case that was started by the Village of Greenport against Genesys. There was a -- there was an answer filed, and that case is pending.

The second case is the case of Genesys versus the Village of Greenport, and that case is also still pending. The Village has been granted time to respond to the complaint. In the meantime, we are -- both sides are assembling documentation and discussing the underlying claims. That's basically the status of the second case also.

MR. CORWIN: And I notice neither one of them appear in the Suffolk County Courts Clerk's
Registry yet, and neither one of them have gotten that far. What's the status on that?

MR. PROKOP: No. Okay. Let me -- I'll just -- I've explained that a couple of times, but I'm happy to explain it again.

There's two -- there's a couple of different ways that you can search the Suffolk County records or the Court's records. The first way is that you can look at Suffolk County minutes, and you can see in those -- in the actual Suffolk County Clerk records, there are two -- the two cases are filed and you can see the index numbers.

In the -- what I think people are searching is this thing called nycourts.gov. I believe that people are searching that website. And a case that is pending will only appear in that website if somebody has filed what's called a Request for a Judicial Intervention. So, in other words, if they -- if a Judge has gotten involved some way through a motion or a conference, or something like that, then it will move from the Suffolk County records to the Court's records.

So the people that are saying that they don't see it in the Suffolk County records, I think they're looking at nycourts.gov. It's not
going -- neither case will appear in those records at this time. It will only appear in the Suffolk -- the actual Suffolk County Clerk's records.

MR. CORWIN: Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. Thank you.

MS. ALLEN: Chatty Allen, Third Street.

Just one note to Trustee Robins, and to say thank you to Sylvia for putting my name out for last month helping out at the Schoolhouse on Saturdays. I really enjoyed it. And I spoke to the women there and said, and where you represent the BID, Julia, contact someone, because we had two people from Greenport School that brought their kids. Nobody knew about it through the school. I said they can let me know, I can forward it to Kim, who's PTO president, and she will get it out to our children. The two families that came, they knew about it through Mary Bess' page, where it brings this up.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Come to what? I'm sorry, I didn't understand what you're talking about.

MS. ALLEN: The three -- the Saturdays that the Schoolhouse was opened, where we did letters to Santa.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: During the Christmas holiday?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

MS. ALLEN: It was a combination of the Village and the BID that did it.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

MS. ALLEN: And Sylvia, you know, gave my name to, you know, help volunteer. And, you know, so I really wasn't thinking about it, you know, to put it out on my own page, or to tell my kids about it. Just -- you know, just as a reference, in the future, when we work together like that, let -- you know, if you want to let me know, let the PTA president -- you know, PTO president know, so our kids can enjoy it.

I mean, we had people in there, people just walking by all three weekends, you know, and it was really neat. The day we did ornaments, the adults had more fun than the kids did. And that was a really nice thing to do, that was very enjoyable. So next year, yeah, I'll help out again.

CLERK PIRILLO: Thank you.

MS. ALLEN: Okay. Now to multi-family. I agree with what Trustee Phillips was speaking
about, and John. Making multi-family in the Village, in the downtown area is not going to help our housing, because you're not going to get the affordable rents that you need. And that ties into a parking issue, you know, which I wasn't going to speak tonight about it, because I know the hearing is next weekend.

But I was looking at the signatures for the girl who started the petition to want resident, Village resident stickers and have a separate parking area, and I'm counting all the names. And then I'm looking, okay, who's on immediate Main Street, Front Street. If you just take those addresses, there's more than 25 people. And how do you decide? If you're taking 25 parking spaces, how can you say it's only for people that live on Main Street between Central Avenue and Claudio's, and Main Street, from Front and Main to Third and Front? Even that, you have more than 25 people that need parking. To me, I think it's ludicrous.

You can't -- I mean, it's easy enough for the Village to see how many homes are in -- within the Village land -- the Village limits, and even if you just did one car per household, that gets
rid of all the parking we have right now with resident stickers, and you're still going to have a parking problem for residents.

I think you're doing a great thing by making those 11 spots an hour, because, you know, it does help people who, okay, let me run into IGA, pick up what I need, drop my prescriptions off, go run there, then I have enough time to get back, you know, or you can run to put your laundry in, you know, because that's -- you know, laundromat has no parking assigned to them. There's times where it's really difficult to get in there. And that's why I also object to closing down for, what was it, four hours, even on a Sunday.

But thank you for your very thoughtful and sound decisions about the leaf blower. I said, I've been saying that all along, this is a working village. We have noise all over, we have noise of all kinds. I'm right on the corner right in the middle of everything, and I'm laying in my bed, and alls I kept hearing were those snowplows. And I started laughing. It took everything in me not to post, "Oh, my God, there goes the snowblower again." It's a part of life. I was thankful to hear them out there. And after a while, you start
to get concerned because they've been out there for so long.

But, you know, the best bet is to start with asking your neighbors, "Hey, can you not have them do them at this time?" They're out there for this long. You know, I think we do need to have a little more communication with our neighbors, you know. So thank you very much.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. Thank you.

MS. ALLEN: Oh, and I look forward to Saturday.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. Hopefully, it stays close enough.

CLERK PIRILLO: Or the following Saturday.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Or the following Saturday.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Anybody else wish to address the Board?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I'll call to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session to contact -- to discuss litigation with the Lawyer at 8:36. So moved.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

Opposed?

(No Response)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried. We're adjourned to executive.

(The Meeting was Adjourned to Executive Session at 8:36 p.m.)
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