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VILLAGE OF GREENPORT  
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK : STATE OF NEW YORK  
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
WORK SESSION  
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Station One Firehouse  
Third and South Streets  
Greenport, New York 11944  
November 16, 2023  
6:00 p.m.

B E F O R E:  
KEVIN STUESSI - MAYOR  
MARY BESS PHILLIPS - DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEE  
PATRICK BRENNAN - TRUSTEE  
LILY DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON - TRUSTEE  
JULIA ROBINS - TRUSTEE  
  
BRIAN STOLAR - VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
PAUL PALLAS - VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
CANDACE HALL - VILLAGE CLERK  
ADAM BRAUTIGAM - VILLAGE DEPUTY TREASURER

1 (The Meeting was Called to Order with a Motion,  
2 Second and Vote at 6 p.m.)

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Please stand for the Pledge of  
4 Allegiance.

5 (Pledge of Allegiance)

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Please be seated. Good  
7 evening, everyone. Welcome to the November  
8 Work Session for the Village Board. First up -- I  
9 apologize, I'm forgetting your name.

10 DAVID RODGERS: Dave Rodgers.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: We have Dave from RBC Wealth  
12 Management on the LOSAP program. And IF he would  
13 like to go to the podium, please, and --

14 DAVID RODGERS: I'd be happy to. If I could  
15 just have these passed around.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Sure. Thank you.

17 DAVID RODGERS: Hi, everybody.

18 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Hello.

19 DAVID RODGERS: My name is Dave Rodgers. I'm  
20 with -- the Financial Advisor and Portfolio Manager  
21 with RBC Wealth Management in Albany. I've been the  
22 Investment Advisor and the Portfolio Manager for your  
23 LOSAP for many years. And I've gone over 20 years at  
24 this point, so thank you very much for that.

25 Just a little background. I've been in the

1 business since 1984. I've been working with LOSAP  
2 since 1990. I have a team of people based in Albany  
3 that services LOSAP. We have 200, roughly, plans,  
4 mostly in New York State, but Pennsylvania,  
5 Connecticut, other places as well. So it's a real  
6 niche for us, and it's been a great business, so  
7 thank you very much.

8 I' not sure how much time you want me to spend  
9 tonight and what you want me to talk about, but we  
10 have a -- an investment account that's worth roughly  
11 3.3-and-a-quarter million dollars. Things have been  
12 a little bit crazy the last couple of years, I don't  
13 need to tell you that. So we have a -- we have a  
14 mandate to manage assets with 40% equity, 60% bonds  
15 and cash. That's on the conservative side of most  
16 pension plans, but it's been purposeful, that, you  
17 know, most municipalities don't take any risks, they  
18 can't really take any risks with their general funds.  
19 Our municipal law allows, this being a long-term  
20 pension, that we can take some risk. There's prudent  
21 man rule language in the municipal law that allows us  
22 to manage like most of the pensions, still on the  
23 conservative side.

24 So let me just kind of run back a little bit of  
25 history here. The end of 2021 everything looked

1 wonderful. We earned 5.6% year-to-date. We had  
2 averaged 8.67% for three years, and we averaged 6.36%  
3 for five years, so our earnings target is actually  
4 5 1/4%.

5 So the other thing I should probably add is  
6 there is another third party administrator involved  
7 in the plan, Penflex, they're the actuaries. They're  
8 the ones that do the calculations of your annual  
9 contributions, provide annual reports to the Village  
10 and the participants. So there's another side of  
11 what we do. We have -- most of our plans we -- are  
12 administered together, so we have a process every day  
13 working together to make sure your plan is  
14 successful.

15 So we had a nice run of earnings going there  
16 through 2021, and then, of course, 2022 hit, which  
17 I'm sure you all have some concerns about that. But  
18 we were down 13.19% in 2022. And while I know nobody  
19 likes to be down ever, I need to point out that the  
20 bond market was down more than we were in 2022. The  
21 Barclays Ag was down more than 13%, and the stock  
22 market was down roughly 19%. Some stocks like the  
23 Dow did better, some stocks like the NASDAQ did  
24 worse, but, you know, the S&Ps are typical  
25 benchmarks. So while, again, nobody likes to be

1 down, we did relatively well, and I think that's a  
2 lot of just our conservative nature, and just kind of  
3 the way I think, and that continues into today.

4 So I'm going to ask you to -- on the right side  
5 of your portfolio is a -- portfolio is a more  
6 extensive analysis of what's going on. I'm going to  
7 ask you to flip back to Page 4, which is kind of on  
8 the back side of the sheet.

9 So the other thing I might want to point out  
10 here, just going back a step, is, again, 40/60 has  
11 been our allocation. At the end of 2021 we were  
12 pretty much dead on that, so we were fully invested  
13 all through 2021 when the market was good. Note at  
14 the end of 2022, we ended the year about 22% equity.  
15 Some of that was me physically selling things to  
16 preserve capital, some of it was the market going  
17 down. But probably the big shift we've had in the  
18 last two years is bringing risk exposures down and  
19 adding Government Guaranteed Securities. We're now  
20 seeing, you know, fives in banks, sixes in government  
21 agencies, even seven in mortgage-backed securities.  
22 So that's been a lot of the shift that we've -- that  
23 I've made over the last couple of years in your  
24 behalf, and that's what I'm going to show you today.

25 So fast forward, 2023, we end a bear market, I

1 was very underweight stock. In January, I brought  
2 the exposure, equity exposure back up to 35%. And  
3 it's just kind of normal rebalancing, and recognizing  
4 still underweight. I still thought we were in a bear  
5 market, and just kind of, you know -- but needed to  
6 bring our exposure back up a little bit after a bad  
7 year, so that's what I did. Today we're still  
8 underweight at 33 1/2%.

9 And so let me stop there just really briefly,  
10 and I'm going to ask you to flip back to Page 6,  
11 please. Excuse me, it's Page 7, Fixed Income  
12 Inventory. So this is kind of the anchor that we now  
13 have in the portfolio that we didn't have two years  
14 ago. Remember, two years ago you couldn't earn  
15 anything in a bank, you couldn't earn anything in an  
16 annuity, you know, interest rates were zero. So this  
17 has kind of been the big shift for us. And to me, a  
18 reason why I'm still concerned about the stock  
19 market, because, you know, when you have a choice of  
20 where you want to put your money, you know, some --  
21 all of a sudden 5 and 6% looks pretty good a lot of  
22 times, so I think the same thing here.

23 So note about the middle right of the -- of  
24 this page, of those maturity dates, you're going to  
25 notice there's CDs coming due in '24, '25, '26,

1 '27, '28, we call it a CD ladder. So we have money  
2 coming due in each of the next five years, you know,  
3 all guaranteed. And then up above and beyond that, I  
4 have a couple of government agencies that are due in  
5 the 2030s, paying 5.7 and 6%. And then more  
6 recently, I've been adding some GNMA's, which are  
7 government mortgage -- government-guaranteed  
8 mortgage-backed securities. One of them is at 6%,  
9 and the most recent one at 7%. So you put it all  
10 together and we've got about -- we've got about a  
11 third of your portfolio locked into government-guaranteed  
12 bonds with an average interest rate of 5.32%. So  
13 that's kind of -- that's our anchor, and it helps  
14 protect -- it will help us with a smoother earning  
15 stream going forward.

16 So with that said, I am lagging this year in  
17 2023. You may note the S&Ps as of yesterday is up  
18 19% for the year and we're not, and some of that is  
19 my choice of how to invest in the equity market. So  
20 in the last year there's a lot of things that are  
21 just down. We all know real estate's down, banks are  
22 down, healthcare is down, the equal weight S&P is --  
23 just turned positive the other day, this week.

24 So I've been concerned about the stock market,  
25 I've been focusing on dividends. Dividend stocks are

1 down this year. So, you know, we're not really  
2 performing with the S&P, but that said, when you look  
3 at -- the bond market's flat. You look at the equal  
4 weight S&P is roughly flat on the year. We're just  
5 kind of treading water right now. But I think I'm  
6 positioned well for where I think the economy is and  
7 is going. I think we're positioned well with the  
8 government-guaranteed securities for the next bunch  
9 of years. That should smooth out and give us more  
10 predictable returns. And, frankly, we're just  
11 working hard every day to try and figure out how to  
12 make some money in what I think is going to be a  
13 difficult economy, difficult markets for a while.

14 My biggest concern, frankly, is the unsustainable  
15 deficit and debt that we have, and at what point in  
16 time does that, you know, become a real concern.  
17 When do investors start to require much higher  
18 interest rates from the Federal Government, you know,  
19 as an investor, and that's already started to happen  
20 a little bit.

21 So what I think is likely is that over time  
22 rates continue to creep higher. That's, frankly,  
23 good for you and your LOSAP. The more we can earn in  
24 guaranteed securities, the less risk we need to take.  
25 That also put pressure on valuation. So that's why I



1 stay concerned about stock, and I -- that's why I'm  
2 focused more on dividends, rather than growth at this  
3 point.

4 So that's kind of a real just overview of  
5 what's been happening and what I think, and why I'm  
6 doing what I'm doing. And for whatever it's worth,  
7 we do this for everybody. So if you've looked at  
8 your neighbors, I was just at East Marion, if you  
9 looked at their portfolio, it's the same. You know,  
10 there's differences in quantities and things and some  
11 timing of things, but all 200 accounts that I have  
12 own, you know, pretty much the same securities, same  
13 mix.

14 So that's kind of where we are and who I am and  
15 what I do. So tell me what's on your mind and what  
16 we can answer for you.

17 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: I have a question now. Say  
18 the economy, as bad as it is now, gets worse.

19 COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, can I have -- I  
20 didn't get your name.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: We need your name.

22 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Oh, I'm sorry. First  
23 Assistant Chief, Greenport Fire Department,  
24 Alain DeKerillis.

25 Say the economy stays stagnant or worsens in

1 five years, or through five years. Are the  
2 recipients of the Greenport Fire Department entitled  
3 to their -- just accounts, or could that differ?

4 DAVID RODGERS: Not at all. So the good thing  
5 for the firefighters, you have what's called a  
6 defined benefit plan. You're guaranteed a monthly  
7 income at retirement. Your taxpayers and your  
8 Village Board basically guarantees that. So you're  
9 getting your benefits. It's up to us, you know, to  
10 make sure there's money there, and the actuary to  
11 make sure there's money there. You know, again, the  
12 economy can be bad, we can still earn things in  
13 government-guaranteed securities.

14 So, you know, this whole thing is a workout on  
15 an annual basis. Defined benefit plans aren't ideal,  
16 you know, from a funding perspective, but they're  
17 great for your benefits, and nobody can take that  
18 away from you, not without a referendum or something  
19 like that, but your benefits are your benefits.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Adam, do you know how much  
21 we've put into the LOSAP this year? Is it 200 and  
22 something?

23 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I believe it's  
24 250,000.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. So because what

1 comes is whatever the -- your earnings are, and then  
2 we as -- have to make it up from our budget --

3 DAVID RODGERS: Yes.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- for the difference.  
5 Albie, that's how that works.

6 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Okay.

7 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay?

9 DAVID RODGERS: Yes.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So the better we do --

11 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: So the Village sets in one  
12 amount, and it goes off of the -- off the --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. We always -- we  
14 always have to make the set amount. As he said,  
15 there's the set amount that has to be done every  
16 year --

17 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Okay.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- for the total. So the  
19 difference, if they become more successful, or earn  
20 higher interest -- I mean, higher income, then our  
21 LOSAP payment out of the taxpayer dollars are lower.

22 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Okay.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay?

24 DAVID RODGERS: Yes.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Does that make sense?

1 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Yep, makes sense, total  
2 sense, yes.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Alain, if I remember  
4 correctly, is it -- is it 30 years? Thirty years?

5 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thirty years, yeah. From  
6 right now, yeah

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We just recently changed  
8 that to 30 years.

9 DAVID RODGERS: Okay.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is there any anticipation of  
11 going further with the 30 years down the road in the  
12 next five years? In other words, if it --

13 DAVID RODGERS: That's not my decision.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no.

15 DAVID RODGERS: That's yours.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That's okay.

17 DAVID RODGERS: So the actual -- I think the  
18 law now is 50 years. It was 40 and they just raised  
19 it to 50 years.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what I thought.

21 DAVID RODGERS: What's happening now is a lot  
22 of fire -- a lot of the plans are getting to that  
23 point. So I'd probably be guessing that's coming up  
24 at some point in the future for you guys.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. So that's --

1 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So, basically --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm sorry, go ahead.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So you are able to use your  
4 expertise, as, you know, doing what you're -- you  
5 know, what you're trained to do within limits, right?  
6 I mean, you do have, you know, parameters of how much  
7 you can -- how much latitude you have, in other  
8 words, in terms of --

9 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah. So we have an investment  
10 policy statement on file time, we have a risk profile  
11 on file. I'm a fiduciary, I take my job seriously.  
12 That's a real gray area, by the way. What does that  
13 really mean? But we do an investment policy and we  
14 follow it. So, you know, you're not going to wake up  
15 one day and find your 80% equity are in a bunch of  
16 penny stocks. You know, we mostly are using  
17 broad-based index funds, they're liquid every day.  
18 So, you know, we have access to the whole world. But  
19 mostly we're using government-guaranteed securities.  
20 We use -- are you familiar with the term ETF,  
21 Exchange-Traded Funds? We use a lot of ETFs.  
22 There's really low cost ways to get very broad-based  
23 exposure to various markets. That's mostly what we  
24 do, okay?

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So the other question that I

1 had is -- I'm sorry, I just lost it. I'm sorry. I'm  
2 sorry, it just went.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Do you have any questions,  
4 Patrick?

5 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. You mentioned that --  
6 you said about a third of the portfolio is in  
7 government securities now. How does that compare to  
8 '22 and '21, what was that allocation?

9 DAVID RODGERS: Twenty-one, nearly zero,  
10 because we were really in -- there was nothing  
11 available, you know, rates were zero. So do we have  
12 some Treasury exposure through ETFs? Yes. Do we  
13 have broad fixed income exposure through ETFs? It  
14 was in funds, you know, bond funds, managed things  
15 where they had some latitude to make some moves. But  
16 I've been thinking for years there's going to be a  
17 day when rates have to go off of zero and go  
18 somewhere, and that's going to be a tough transition,  
19 and it has been. And 2022 was at least the beginning  
20 of that transition, not the whole transition.

21 So the difference is a bond fund, there's no  
22 guarantee you ever get your money back. You know,  
23 with managers, you're usually pretty good, you get a  
24 good return, whereas using these government-guaranteed  
25 securities, we know exactly what we're going to earn,

1 so we take a lot of that, that risk out.

2 I still have an Intermediate Treasury ETF, I  
3 still have and Intermediate Corporate Bond ETF. So  
4 there's still a mix of things in there, but we kind  
5 of dialed a lot of that back to just buy the direct  
6 security, knowing when our maturity dates are,  
7 knowing what cash value -- cash flows are, and it's  
8 much more predictable that way. Does that makes  
9 sense?

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. Thank you.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So the investment policy,  
12 now that I remember the question, was -- is that our  
13 Village investment policy that you're following?

14 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah, we recommended one. It  
15 was adopted --

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

17 DAVID RODGERS: -- by resolution, and it's your  
18 investment policy.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what I wanted, was  
20 that.

21 DAVID RODGERS: Yes, it is yours.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what -- that's the  
23 document that we get at the Organizational Meeting of  
24 the different policies that we have, so that's one of  
25 them, is the investment policy, yeah. Yeah, we

1 adopted that way back in -- yeah, I remember that.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Does that need to be dusted  
3 off from time to time, or --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's -- that's part  
5 of my question, is --

6 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's the other reason why  
8 I wanted to have him come.

9 DAVID RODGERS: It's, honestly, a project we  
10 need to take on. It's kind of a daunting project for  
11 us, but it's something we need to and we will, we  
12 will provide an update for that. It's not going to  
13 change anything, really, but it's been a while, it  
14 needs get resigned, re-updated.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The last time it was -- we  
16 passed a resolution for that was in '20, '29 -- no,  
17 no. '20 -- 2012, I think it was.

18 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah, it's been a while.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We passed it back in 2012.

20 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We looked at that.

22 DAVID RODGERS: We will update that for you.  
23 It's a team project. It's -- we've had a lot, just a  
24 lot going on.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.



1 (Laughter)

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, the reason that I  
3 was asking for you to come out was to just kind of  
4 renew a lot of what I knew.

5 DAVID RODGERS: Yep.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And Julia is aware of some  
7 of it. But, as I said, we have three new Board  
8 members, a Mayor and two new Board Members and --

9 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah. Thank you for letting me  
10 do that.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And we have a new develop --  
12 I mean, I would have to say, we have younger  
13 Fire Department members --

14 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Yes, we do.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- who understand the point  
16 system, but this is -- this is --

17 MAYOR STUESSI: What's given to a new  
18 firefighter to -- I imagine it's not you who puts it  
19 together. Does the Department have something that  
20 they hand somebody as part of recruitment and tells  
21 them about the benefits?

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, there's --

23 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Yeah, we have an active  
24 recruitment. Basically, the service awards is the  
25 last thing that we bring up to the member. Usually,

1 they want to go to fire school, they want to do all  
2 this. But in order to collect on the benefits, you  
3 have to finish the Firefighter I course. You have to  
4 go through a whole series of trainings, and then  
5 you're eligible, if you maintain the -- collect the  
6 50 points, all the mandatory meetings, miscellaneous  
7 meetings, parades. So it's a -- it's a step. I  
8 don't think anybody's worried about the \$20 a month,  
9 but if you spend 30 years, you get \$600 a month.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Right.

11 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: So that's the whole, the  
12 whole realm. When I joined in '93, the Service  
13 Awards Program just came. Now I never needed a  
14 Service Awards Program because I maintained 50 points  
15 every 30 years. But it is certainly an incentive of  
16 whether you make five years at, what, \$100 a month?  
17 To me, that's a lot. So there's really -- aside from  
18 the Service Awards Program, the incentive is, in  
19 order to get that, you have to do a lot before you  
20 get a little.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: Sure.

22 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Yeah, so --

23 MAYOR STUESSI: If you could just distribute a  
24 package of what's given to the firefighters, that  
25 would be great for our Board to look at.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, there is --

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: There is a package. I  
4 have it, yeah.

5 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Yeah, there is.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I'll get that, because I  
8 know that the actuary, Penflex, has sent things out,  
9 because we at -- we have to vote, after the points  
10 have been -- the point system has been posted, then  
11 the firefighters have the opportunity to -- to have  
12 an audit of their points before we actually pass a  
13 resolution that the points can go on to the next  
14 step, to the Penflex. So that's -- yeah, so I can  
15 get that.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's not a problem.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: And so in relation to the  
19 policy, I'd like to set a separate phone call with  
20 the Village Administrator and our Treasurer --

21 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: -- to have a conversation about  
23 that.

24 DAVID RODGERS: We'll propose one.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

1           DAVID RODGERS: We'll write it up and send it  
2 down, and then we'll do whatever you want to do as  
3 far as conversations or anything.

4           MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. And we'll bring it in  
5 front of the Board. The only other question I had is  
6 in the Equity Sector, Information Technology, what  
7 does that cover? What are some of the companies?

8           DAVID RODGERS: Well, I'm not sure what you're  
9 looking at there. Sorry.

10          MAYOR STUESSI: In the Equity Sector Allocation, IT.

11          DAVID RODGERS: Oh, Information Technology is  
12 Technology. So you're going to find the NVIDIAs, the  
13 IMBs, the -- you know, all through that.

14          MAYOR STUESSI: And sense as to what -- how  
15 exposed you are to some of the more public-facing  
16 companies that are facing a bunch of problems --

17          DAVID RODGERS: So we have exposure to every --

18          MAYOR STUESSI: -- that we see right now?

19          DAVID RODGERS: We have a broad S&P index fund,  
20 so --

21          MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

22          DAVID RODGERS: -- everything is in there to  
23 some degree. But I don't have anything that's  
24 concentrated there.

25          MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

1           DAVID RODGERS: It's all just S&P exposure, and  
2 then even then, we don't have a lot of straight S&P  
3 exposure right now.

4           MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

5           DAVID RODGERS: So it's limited at this point.

6           MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

7           DAVID RODGERS: Pretty much everything I own is  
8 going to have some Information Technology exposure.

9           MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

10          DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

11          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I have one  
12 question. You said like all your clients are  
13 basically doing the same thing, but there are some  
14 differences? Like, I mean, some -- I guess my  
15 question is if -- do you have any plans to like want  
16 to specifically do socially responsible and  
17 environmentally responsible investing?

18          DAVID RODGERS: Yeah, we have that. You know,  
19 we create models for clients. So, for instance, they  
20 might have a different risk profile, there -- just  
21 more equity exposure. We've had some that wanted a  
22 particular stock maybe in their neighborhood, and,  
23 you know, we were able to accommodate that and -- but  
24 we have certainly some clients that are interested in  
25 what are called socially responsible ESG investing.

1       And it's just a complicated area, because it's -- it  
2       means something different to everybody, and kind of  
3       hard to implement. But if you have specific things  
4       you would like us to implement, we can create a model  
5       for you, as long as the Board is willing to sign off  
6       on that and say, "Yeah, this is" -- "this is what we  
7       want."

8               MAYOR STUESSI: So you don't -- does the  
9       company have some sort of ESG profile?

10              DAVID RODGERS: We do, we have a model. Yeah,  
11       we have models with different risk profiles, that,  
12       you know, there's funds and ETFs that specifically  
13       orient towards ESG, both equity and fixed income. So  
14       RBC actually has a pretty good -- we just had a  
15       conference call a few days ago about RBC's research  
16       models driven, you know, top down for ESG research,  
17       and it was more educational for us, and kind of a  
18       cautionary thing about, you know, the differences  
19       people think in ESG and how it's difficult to  
20       implement. But if you wanted just a straight model  
21       that just addresses all of those concerns, RBC has --  
22       you know, has a model with a diversified set of funds  
23       that all do something towards ESG. Does that answer  
24       your question?

25              TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: (Nodded Yes).

1           DAVID RODGERS: And I can introduce that and I  
2 can implement it. You know, there's no difference,  
3 really, one way or the other to me, if that's what  
4 you want.

5           MAYOR STUESSI: Are you doing it for any other  
6 municipalities?

7           DAVID RODGERS: I have one village that wants  
8 no -- there's S&P Ex fossil fuels and IFI Ex fossil  
9 fuels. So we have taken the S&P out and put those  
10 in. That's the only one I can think of right off  
11 that's -- that there is -- that's -- they're the only  
12 ones that have that right now.

13          TRUSTEE ROBINS: Do you have any kind of  
14 numbers comparison on that type of a stock?

15          DAVID RODGERS: So I can tell you what their  
16 account's doing. It's made some difference, because  
17 energy has been pretty strong the last couple of  
18 years and they're -- they don't have any energy  
19 exposure. So their performance has been down a  
20 little bit.

21                 And my own view is ESG just isn't proven, you  
22 know, as a performer, but it's something that -- how  
23 do I want to term it? If it's important to you, we  
24 can implement it. But if you're thinking it's going  
25 to help performance, I wouldn't be thinking that so

1 much yet. I see a lot about, you know, how ESGs  
2 should, you know, improve performance, but the  
3 actuality, all the funds we see that have been doing  
4 it for years, it just hasn't panned out that way.  
5 And I don't think it's much different than all of us  
6 trying to beat the S&P 500. It's just really hard to  
7 do no matter how you're doing it, so --

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Fair assessment. Thank you.

9 DAVID RODGERS: Yeah.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Any other questions?

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: No.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you for your time.

13 DAVID RODGERS: Just one other quick thing --

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

15 DAVID RODGERS: -- if I may. Our staff is  
16 responsive. We sponsor a lot of -- with a lot of  
17 organizations like NYCOM, you'll see us at the trade  
18 shows. So any questions and concerns anybody ever  
19 has, please reach out to us, and happy to work with  
20 you on whatever you need.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: Great. Thank you, sir.

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Thank you.

23 DAVID RODGERS: Thank you for having me.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you very much for  
25 coming in.



1 DAVID RODGERS: Nice seeing everybody.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thank you.

4 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you very much.

5 DAVID RODGERS: Take care.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Before we get to the Fire  
8 Department, Ladies, I understand you wanted to come  
9 speak briefly in regards to Family Service League.

10 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah, that would be  
11 great.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: If you'd like to come to the  
13 podium and state your name and address for the  
14 record.

15 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Hi. I'm Robyn Berger-Gaston  
16 from Family Service League. We're -- you all, I  
17 believe, have the two-page handout talking about the  
18 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community?

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

20 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Many of you we've meet  
21 back in 2019, when we were first funded by New York  
22 State Office for the Aging. Some of you are new, so  
23 it's nice to meet you. It is a phenomenal program  
24 that serves people with healthcare needs,  
25 socialization in the -- in the Greenport zip code and

1 over 60. That is the only requirement for  
2 membership. If you have a Greenport zip code, you're  
3 over 60, even if you have other zip codes elsewhere,  
4 and you have a heartbeat, we can serve you in this  
5 program.

6 And what's nice about Greenport is that you  
7 have people who are so vibrant and so active, and are  
8 really in this program to socialize, and to get out  
9 and meet people and live life to the fullest, and  
10 then you have some people who are kind of down and  
11 out and they're homebound, and they need to have  
12 things brought to their home, and they need to have  
13 complicated medical issues taken care of. Our staff  
14 of 2.5, a Director, a Case Manager and LPN, are  
15 managing all of their healthcare needs.

16 We're here tonight because we need an office  
17 space. It's a requirement of New York State Office  
18 for the Aging that we have an office in the area that  
19 we're providing the services. We were at Sterlington  
20 Commons, that has become cost prohibitive. If there  
21 was any space that the Village could provide for the  
22 2 1/2 staff, just maybe two or three days a week,  
23 nothing crazy, we would be able to continue the  
24 program and we would be so, so grateful.

25 Sherry, who works on -- you know, on the ground

1 with the clients could tell you a little bit about  
2 some of the work we've been doing.

3 SHERRI GRECO: Hi. My name is Sherri Greco. I  
4 work for Family Service League for the NORC Program  
5 out here. It definitely looks a little bit different  
6 now than it did during the pandemic. The pandemic is  
7 actually when I started, and, you know, no one was  
8 coming out of their homes, especially people who were  
9 a little bit older in age. So even though we had our  
10 office at Sterlington Commons, we were literally  
11 going to everyone's houses and like standing on their  
12 porch, and they were handing us things like through  
13 the door, or whatnot.

14 And, again, as Robyn said, it runs the gamut.  
15 So, you know, like today we had an in-person meeting  
16 that we have a very good relationship with the  
17 Library here in town, so we used their big room  
18 downstairs and basically had like a Thanksgiving-like  
19 meal together. And those are our clients that drive,  
20 have their own homes, you know, get around and do  
21 things. Then we have other clients here in Greenport  
22 that are very, very heavy case management, have no  
23 family, no friends, do not leave their houses, that  
24 we help with all kinds of things, whether it's  
25 being -- applying for like HEAP benefits, or anything

1 that they can benefit from, sometimes helping them go  
2 through their mail to see what they need to figure  
3 out or what they don't. Making sure, now that things  
4 are a little more open, getting them back to doctor's  
5 appointments. So a lot of our clients, I've been  
6 doing a lot of colonoscopy runs for our clients,  
7 because now they're getting back into -- into those  
8 types of things. So what we do looks different to  
9 every single one of our clients.

10 Having the LPN is so helpful, because what  
11 happens is, you know -- in fact, the past week we've  
12 had two of our clients hospitalized. So that as soon  
13 as they are being discharged, we're going to visit  
14 them in the hospital. We find out they're being  
15 discharged, I reach out to the LPN. She's either  
16 seeing them that night or the next morning, and  
17 making sure their hospital discharge summary, what  
18 medications do they have to have, do we need to run  
19 to the pharmacy and pick them up, what follow-up  
20 appointments do they need to have.

21 So I, I don't know if you care about this or  
22 not, I actually love what I do. Myself and my  
23 coworker, we love the clients out here. And I call  
24 them clients, but it's not even like that. It's --  
25 they're -- they even have now started spending time

1 with each other. So if they find out one has gone  
2 into the hospital, then they're asking, "Can you come  
3 pick up a card? I want you to drop off a card to  
4 their house." So it's built such a sense of  
5 community for them, which is -- which is beautiful.  
6 And like I said, our -- we do things all across the  
7 board, depending on what their needs are.

8 So when she was saying that we need like the  
9 office space, we don't have that much stuff. We --  
10 I mean, like I'll have sometimes some donations that  
11 are given to me, or whatnot, or we'll have things for  
12 like an in-person meeting that we're going to have,  
13 so it's not that much stuff.

14 And when we say we need office space, we need  
15 to adhere to the program that we're -- you know, from  
16 New York State Office of the Aging. But when we're  
17 out here in Greenport, we use the office a little  
18 bit, but then we're all over seeing people. So it's  
19 not like we have to have some fancy office space or  
20 be there all day long. It's just we need some sort  
21 of space to be able to make sure that we're still  
22 checking off all the boxes to help keep the program  
23 going.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, firstly, thank you so  
25 much for all you're doing for the community, it's

1 very meaningful, and in the spirit of Thanksgiving,  
2 it's great to have you here.

3 SHERRI GRECO: Thank you.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Just to understand, in regards  
5 to the financial situation, is there a budget from  
6 the State to fund this office? And the issue is that  
7 your rent increase, you can no longer afford that, or  
8 is --

9 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes, right.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Or was it eliminated and you no  
11 longer have any budget for office space?

12 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The rent increased and  
13 we're no longer able to have it. We were using an  
14 office that was part of the Family Service League  
15 Mental Health Clinic.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

17 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: So they were there most  
18 of the time, we were there two days a week.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

20 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: It became cost  
21 prohibitive for the clinic, so because the clinic  
22 can't be there, we couldn't be there.

23 The way that the funding works, the grant  
24 itself is a \$197,000. There's a requirement for a  
25 25% match that could be in-kind. We're currently

1 fully supported with the in-kind match from the Town  
2 of Southold and Eastern Long Island Hospital. So in  
3 terms of the finances, we're set. We don't have  
4 extra money for space, but we're not asking for the  
5 in-kind contribution. Though it would certainly be  
6 helpful, it's not the major need right now. The  
7 major need right now is just the space to say that we  
8 have our office here in Greenport. Does that make  
9 sense?

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Except -- so is there a budget  
11 number you're trying to achieve for this office  
12 space?

13 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: We don't have the funds  
14 for the office.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: So you no -- to be clear --

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: There's no money.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: -- you no longer have the funds  
18 that you did.

19 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Correct.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: It's not just the rent increasing.

21 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Right. It's a  
22 ridiculously low amount. I think we would have -- in  
23 the current budget, we had \$1200 for the year, right?  
24 So it's a ridiculously low amount, because we were  
25 using space of another -- we were like subletting --

1 TRUSTEE ROBINS: You were sharing?

2 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: -- our own --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You were sharing a space.

4 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: -- our own office.

5 TRUSTEE ROBINS: What was your rent and what  
6 was the increase? Do you know that?

7 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Right. So it was -- we  
8 were contributing 1200 for the year.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

10 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: And I don't know what it  
11 increased to, but it became prohibitive for the  
12 clinic to stay there. So, because the clinic had to  
13 leave, we had to leave.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So you were doing 1200, and  
15 Family Service was doing the other whatever, 13, 1500

16 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: It's all Family Service,  
17 but yes.

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right, right.

19 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

21 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The NORC portion was the 12.

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And the clinic is  
23 not trying to find space currently?

24 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The -- not right now.  
25 They are able -- so it seems like all the people that



1 were coming to Greenport are able to be served in our  
2 Mattituck clinic, so that, fortunately, has not been  
3 an issue.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: How many clients do you serve  
5 in Greenport on a regular basis?

6 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: So, in this program, we  
7 have worked with over 130 individual clients. Right  
8 now, our caseload, I think, is like 88?

9 SHERRI GRECO: Yeah, it's close to 90.

10 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And that includes both the  
12 Incorporated Village of Greenport and the East and  
13 West Greenport, correct?

14 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, because it's all --

16 SHERRI GRECO: It just --

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- 11944 zip code.

18 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yep.

19 SHERRI GRECO: Yeah. It just not include like  
20 San Simeon or --

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, because they're  
22 already a senior citizen -- just Peconic Landing --

23 SHERRI GRECO: Yeah.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- and San Simeon, if I  
25 remember when you came, was already designated as

1 something.

2 SHERRI GRECO: That does not mean -- like we  
3 get phone calls, especially --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, I'm sure you do.

5 (Laughter)

6 SHERRI GRECO: Especially during the pandemic.  
7 And when there -- the vaccine came out and it was not  
8 out here on the East End, I mean, we were getting  
9 calls all over the place. So we always say to people  
10 we can't take on a client unless they're 60 years or  
11 older in Greenport. But when I tell you how many  
12 people we talk to --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Uh-huh.

14 SHERRI GRECO: -- and help to connect them to  
15 other programs if we can't do something, we  
16 absolutely do that.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So you're actually acting as  
18 a networking, a networking agency as well?

19 SHERRI GRECO: Absolutely.

20 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Oh, Family Service  
21 League, just real quickly, we've been around since  
22 1926. We serve all of Suffolk County, from infants  
23 to the elderly. We also have an ombudsman program  
24 that provides advocacy to people in any of the  
25 long-term care facilities. So we have a lot of other

1 supportive services that, you know, contribute to  
2 this program.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: How long have you been  
4 serve -- how long have you been serving Greenport?

5 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: This program has been  
6 funded since 2019, but Family Service League has been  
7 out here for at least 25, probably closer to 30  
8 years.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: If I remember correctly,  
10 2019, wasn't Karen McLaughlin involved in some of  
11 this?

12 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. She was -- actually  
14 helped you write the grant or -- yeah.

15 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because it was done through  
17 the Town of Southold through the nutrition center in  
18 Mattituck.

19 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And that's when there was a  
21 survey done as to how we became the N -- what is it,  
22 N something?

23 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The N-NORC.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The same one.

25 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The Neighborhood

1 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. Because our census  
3 showed that we had over 60 -- the population was  
4 over 60.

5 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah. It had to be 30%.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

7 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: So Greenport was able to  
8 meet that. The other thing that was important about  
9 Greenport was, and this is in the handout that you  
10 got, the percentage of people who were impoverished.  
11 And we wanted to be able to provide services in a  
12 community that really needed it, so we were able to  
13 check a few boxes for Greenport.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And your office  
15 space has to be within 11944?

16 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Is that the --  
18 would you -- I mean, are there are other limitations?  
19 Like do you need to be somewhere downtown?

20 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: No.

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Walkable?

22 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: No.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Like transit-oriented?

24 SHERRI GRECO: And the other thing is that we  
25 have --

1 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Because you go to  
2 people's houses?

3 SHERRI GRECO: Right.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It's like, you  
5 know --

6 SHERRI GRECO: And we have laptop computers, we  
7 have hot spots --

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

9 SHERRI GRECO: -- we have our cell phones, so  
10 we really have the ability to do, you know, what we  
11 need to do.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So --

13 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: We don't even need a  
14 mailing address, we just need to have our office  
15 where clients can, you know, meet with us in  
16 Greenport.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So do you actually --

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So are you -- sorry.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Go ahead. Go ahead, Julia.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: You're affiliated with the  
21 Hospital, right? Because do they have any space for  
22 you over at 222 Manor Place? No?

23 SHERRI GRECO: We've spoken to the Town, as our  
24 two partners, and seeing if they have any space. And  
25 not just them. I've also probably been working on



1           MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

2           ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: It might as well be free.

3           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So let me ask you a  
4 question. In reference to the office space, okay,  
5 the only thing that you really would be -- your staff  
6 would be there doing work, you know, office work, you  
7 wouldn't actually be having clients coming in and out  
8 to visit?

9           ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: If a client needed to  
10 meet with us in a private space, we would like to be  
11 able to use that, you know, for that purpose. That  
12 would be helpful, because sometimes our clients are,  
13 you know, maybe married couples, and maybe the  
14 husband wants to speak without the wife present, vice  
15 versa. So it would be helpful to be able to see our  
16 clients in the space.

17           SHERRI GRECO: But if you -- for some reason,  
18 let's say you had some space available and it needed  
19 to be kind of set up ahead time, like let's say  
20 myself and my coworker, an LPN, had access at any  
21 time to use it, but if someone else was going to come  
22 in that you would like to know, that we can also do  
23 that, too, because part of what I've been doing is  
24 talking to some of the local churches, and knowing  
25 that we were running out of time, and you know what

1 I'm saying? So I also, you know, tried to adjust to  
2 making it as easy as possible for whoever is going to  
3 be able to help us to keep this program going.

4 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The other thing about  
5 finances is we are able to provide liability  
6 insurance. So we would be able to bring that, you  
7 know, so we would not have any risk to the Village.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. The reason I'm asking  
9 about them coming in is because the Schoolhouse  
10 presents a parking problem. They would have to  
11 either have --

12 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Right.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They would have to be able  
14 to walk to where you're headed --

15 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Well --

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- because there's not  
17 really parking around the Schoolhouse, it's across  
18 the street.

19 SHERRI GRECO: Many can walk it.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

21 SHERRI GRECO: We have a program every single  
22 Monday that now has been going on for over a year.  
23 We went all through the winter last year. We meet  
24 down by the Carousel every Monday at 11 o'clock. And  
25 I really thought once the weather got the colder,



1 they were -- they were going to back off. Nope.

2 (Laughter)

3 SHERRI GRECO: We were out there with winter  
4 hats and gloves and stuff. So we start our week off  
5 every, every Monday at 11 down there, and we walk all  
6 down by the water, and it is -- and it's perfect,  
7 because you got all the benches there. So we have  
8 people that walk in different levels, and people can  
9 sit or whatnot, so.

10 But, again, like I said, most of the time we  
11 meet them in their -- in their homes. And then when  
12 we have in-person things, like I was just discussing  
13 that we had today, we have a great relationship with  
14 the Library. We now have a good relationship with  
15 the Lutheran Church, which we will be -- you know  
16 what I'm saying? So we would -- I don't need space  
17 to be able to have like one of those gatherings, I've  
18 got other places that we could do that. Plus, I -- I  
19 don't want to call it a field trip, but like we took  
20 them to a farm. So the farm like gave us the whole  
21 history. Krupski's is where we went. So I try to do  
22 things like that.

23 And then we have a meeting every single week  
24 that we do via Zoom, because they -- you know,  
25 especially as the weather is getting colder and

1 they're nervous about people getting sick, we also do  
2 it that way as well, so that they feel more  
3 comfortable joining from home.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: So what you're looking for is  
5 space to put a computer on a desk and leave things on  
6 a regular basis that will get used for a limited  
7 amount of time there.

8 SHERRI GRECO: Yes.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Right?

10 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes, exactly.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

12 TRUSTEE ROBINS: You don't need a phone line,  
13 you're using mobile phones?

14 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Correct.

15 SHERRI GRECO: No phone lines.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: It needs to be accessible,  
17 though.

18 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: And a hot spot.

19 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: It needs to be an accessible  
20 space, right --

21 SHERRI GRECO: Uh-huh.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- for your clients?

23 SHERRI GRECO: Well, yes, but in all honesty,  
24 like if it -- if it was a space that you -- whomever  
25 needed to know if somebody else was going to go in

1       besides myself or my coworker, you know, the three  
2       people that are in the program, I would not have a  
3       problem setting that up, because we go all around to  
4       see our clients, but when there's a certain set of  
5       appointments, we set them up as well. But, honestly,  
6       most of the time we're going to see them in their  
7       homes. So it's really -- yes, we could use a space,  
8       because right now we have stuffed her office a little  
9       bit. I've got like some stuff at home. So we need  
10      some space to be able to put our stuff, because it  
11      helps when we're out here. If we go visit someone  
12      and then we find out they have a need, "Oh, let me  
13      run back to the office, grab this, this is a donated  
14      item that I can give to you." So if that's helpful.

15                But then, also, just it's one of the things  
16      that we have to do to keep this program going. And I  
17      can't -- like I got so many phone calls, and like,  
18      "You're going to the Board meeting, right?" These  
19      are the clients. "Good luck. Tell us what  
20      happened." And I'm just like, "Okay." They're like,  
21      "You're not going anywhere, right?" I'm like, "I'm  
22      trying not to."

23                               (Laughter)

24                SHERRI GRECO: So, but they're -- they're --  
25      they are lovely. And Greenport is so unique. I grew

1 up in a very small town that's very much like this  
2 where everybody kind of knows everybody, and,  
3 certainly, people don't like people coming into their  
4 houses. And, you know, when we -- when I first  
5 started working, it's like, you know, we would get a  
6 call from the hospital, our partners, "Oh, you know,  
7 so and so is going to be discharged, probably be a  
8 good person to go see." You call them up, they don't  
9 want anyone coming to their house how. So we've had  
10 to really work and build up relationships and trust  
11 and rapport. And now, you know, when someone gets  
12 referred to us, it's like --

13 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: "Can you stop at IGA?"

14 (Laughter)

15 SHERRI GRECO: And the neighbors are like, "Oh,  
16 no, no, they've been coming to me for a year now.  
17 No, they're good, they're safe, they can come see  
18 you." So it's --

19 (Laughter)

20 SHERRI GRECO: So I regularly --

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm sorry, I was thinking  
22 about what you mentioned earlier, okay?

23 (Laughter)

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I mean, she's known me for a  
25 long time and she watched me raise my son, so yeah.

1 SHERRI GRECO: Yes. And she's a tough cookie.  
2 When I first met her --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, she is.

4 SHERRI GRECO: She --

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I -- oh, yes, I know.

6 SHERRI GRECO: She gave me the business, and  
7 then she's like, "All right, I think I like you."

8 (Laughter)

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And I'll tell you the names  
10 later, can't I?

11 (Laughter)

12 SHERRI GRECO: But we -- I would really love to  
13 keep this program going on here. I think it really  
14 does benefit so many different people. And we've  
15 really gotten good relationships, too. Now that  
16 people are back to having their colonoscopies, now  
17 everybody in the back of the hospital that does all  
18 the colonoscopies now they have our business cards  
19 and they have our fliers and things like that. So if  
20 they run into anyone that could use some help,  
21 they're reaching out to us. And even some of the  
22 local doctor's offices, we have a good relationship  
23 as well. So it's -- it gets harder.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: But is this -- are you doing  
25 this full-time, this --

1 SHERRI GRECO: Yes.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

3 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Do you serve --

5 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: There's two full-timers  
6 ad one half-time.

7 SHERRI GRECO: Yep.

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Do you serve other zip codes?

9 SHERRI GRECO: Uh-uh.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So you're just focused on this?

11 SHERRI GRECO: Because that's what the --  
12 that's what this -- that's what New State Office of  
13 the Aging has approved, is for this NORC to be --  
14 there's other NORCs throughout, throughout New York  
15 State. And, actually, I was really happy, because  
16 the person that oversees our program, I guess about a  
17 year ago, said, "I really want to go around to all  
18 the different NORCs and see what they're like,  
19 because they're very different," and they are. She  
20 went to NORCs in the City. You go to a NORC in the  
21 City, it's going to be a building like this, and so  
22 everybody comes to it. The people that work in the  
23 NORC are not going to people's houses, but that's a  
24 City location.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

1 SHERRI GRECO: Out here we're going to see  
2 everybody's houses. So she actually came, came out  
3 for a whole day with us, and not only went over all  
4 the nitty-gritty paperwork, but then got to meet  
5 about seven or eight of our clients and got to see  
6 firsthand what their experience was and how they  
7 were, the client.

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Are there others operating on  
9 the North Fork? What was the term?

10 SHERRI GRECO: I think we're the -- we're --

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: What was the term you just  
12 used, a NORC?

13 SHERRI GRECO: It's a NORC.

14 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: NORC.

15 SHERRI GRECO: So a Naturally Occurring  
16 Residential Community.

17 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

18 SHERRI GRECO: So it's where they've designated  
19 that there's a large portion of people that are over  
20 a certain age, people that don't want to go into  
21 assisted living or a nursing home that are still  
22 living at home, but need some more help. I mean,  
23 that's where we come in, too, because some of our  
24 clients do live in their own homes and they do have  
25 family, but their son's in New Jersey, and married

1 with two kids, and you know what I'm saying? So then  
2 mom gets discharged from the hospital, she's back  
3 home, she is a little stubborn.

4 (Laughter)

5 SHERRI GRECO: You know, so then we're also  
6 talking to the son, of course with her permission,  
7 and then trying to help. You know what I'm saying?  
8 So it also takes some pressure off the family  
9 members. It has the family members arguing less with  
10 their loved ones. You know what I'm saying? So  
11 when they do visit and spend time.

12 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

13 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: The only other Suffolk  
14 County NORC is in Huntington.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Really, in the entire county?

17 SHERRI GRECO: Uh-huh, here in Suffolk County, yes.

18 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: There's two in Suffolk  
19 County.

20 SHERRI GRECO: Yeah.

21 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Huntington and us.

22 SHERRI GRECO: And us.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's remarkable.

24 SHERRI GRECO: Yeah.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.



1 SHERRI GRECO: So we have been advocating to  
2 expand. I'd love to expand to like Southold. Like  
3 you know what I'm saying?

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually, I was just  
5 thinking about that, because I have lived through  
6 several family situations where if you had been in  
7 Southold --

8 SHERRI GRECO: Uh-huh.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- it would have been  
10 extremely helpful to me.

11 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yeah.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And I'm thinking of a  
13 situation right now with my in-laws, the same thing.  
14 But I do have one question about your funding.

15 SHERRI GRECO: Uh-huh.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is Southold Town committed  
17 to continually funding you?

18 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Absolutely, in that  
19 in-kind contribution.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. And the Eastern Long  
21 Island, Stony Brook Eastern Long Island, they're  
22 committed to --

23 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Yes.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, okay. Because that  
25 would be -- it is not enough in our coffers to kind

1 of give anything, but the Town of Southold gets kind  
2 of part of our money anyways.

3 ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Right.

4 SHERRI GRECO: Right.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Kind of?

6 (Laughter)

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you so much for being  
8 here this evening.

9 SHERRI GRECO: Would it be okay if I just  
10 shared one more story with you?

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Please.

12 SHERRI GRECO: One of the other things that we  
13 do, I'm a social worker, so even though I'm the  
14 Program Director, like, again, we do so many  
15 different things. So just an example is that we had  
16 a couple, and so I do counseling, so I was counseling  
17 both of them separately, and her health was starting  
18 to really decline. And although they've been married  
19 for many years, they never discussed things like a  
20 healthcare proxy, or what their wishes were when they  
21 passed away, or anything like that. So when I was  
22 speaking to them separately, they -- they're like,  
23 "Oh, no, no, we've never discussed that." I'm like,  
24 "Okay. Well, it's like, you know, eventually it's  
25 going to happen, so wouldn't you rather be able to

1 like hear their words of knowing exactly what they  
2 want?" So they finally both agreed to sit down with  
3 me. I sat down with them and we signed healthcare  
4 proxies for both of them. We went over their wills  
5 that they already had made up and -- and they both  
6 found out that they did not want to be buried, that  
7 they wanted to be cremated. So after the  
8 conversation, they were just like, "I can't believe  
9 we had this conversation and like we're not upset,  
10 and we actually discussed it." She passed away like  
11 12 days later.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Wow.

13 SHERRI GRECO: So he called me up and he's  
14 like, "All I keep hearing is my wife's voice, 'I want  
15 to be cremated, I don't want to be buried.'" He's  
16 like, "I don't even have to stress about figuring  
17 that out. I" -- you know what I'm saying? So like  
18 we have a lot of conversations with them about like  
19 end-of-life issues, too, and try to address things  
20 proactively, so it's not a disaster like when it  
21 happens.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Which I think is a great  
23 benefit, having had experience, having to do it twice  
24 myself. To have outside help to do that is -- would  
25 be --

1           SHERRI GRECO: Those are not fun conversations,  
2 they're not fun. And, you know, it helps to have  
3 someone else involved that has like the information  
4 about it, and then cares, though, too. You know what  
5 I'm saying? Like I already had a, you know,  
6 relationship with both of them, built a rapport with  
7 both of them, so I knew how to ask the questions and  
8 not make them feel uncomfortable, but, yet, you  
9 know -- because he was going to be heading into a  
10 grieving process, and soon, and, you know, we didn't  
11 want to see that be harder than it needed to be.

12           MAYOR STUESSI: All right. Well, let us give  
13 this some thought and some discussion and we'll get  
14 back to you expeditiously.

15           SHERRI GRECO: Thank you so much.

16           MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you both.

17           ROBYN BERGER-GASTON: Thank you very much.

18           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's been a pleasure.

19           MAYOR STUESSI: All right. Before we get to  
20 each of the individual departments, we have a few  
21 different resolutions this evening. The first one is  
22 in regards to the playground equipment award, that  
23 the contractor did not show and walked on us, so we  
24 have to have somebody else come in.

25           This is a *RESOLUTION awarding the bid dated*

1        *March 9th, 2023, to KJB Industries, in the total*  
2        *amount of \$55,124 for the purchase and installation*  
3        *of engineered wood fiber and installation of Village*  
4        *supplied playground equipment and Village supplied*  
5        *borders at Fifth Street Park and authorizing Mayor*  
6        *Stuessi to sign the resulting contract. This award*  
7        *replaces the prior award of Resolution 05-2023-22 due*  
8        *to default of contractor. May I have a second,*  
9        *please?*

10            TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Second.

11            MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

12            TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

13            TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Aye.

14            TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

15            TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Aye.

16            MAYOR STUESSI: Aye.

17            Next one is in regards to the entertainment  
18        permit that is part of the recently adopted new code  
19        in Chapter 150, and this is *Work Session Resolution*  
20        *11-2023-2.*

21            *WHEREAS, the Board has adopted Article XVII of*  
22        *Chapter 150, providing for a requirement for*  
23        *entertainment permits for certain events, and*

24            *WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XVII the*  
25        *Building Inspector prepared an entertainment permit*

1        *application form, which the Board has now reviewed.*

2                *NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED that the Board*  
3        *approves the entertainment permit application form as*  
4        *prepared by the Building Inspector, a copy of which*  
5        *is attached to the meeting agenda, and directs the*  
6        *Building Inspector and the Village Clerk to take all*  
7        *administrative steps necessary to make the permit*  
8        *application form available on the Village website and*  
9        *to provide the form to all applicants for entertainment*  
10       *permits.*

11                *May I have a second, please?*

12                *TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.*

13                *TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.*

14                *MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?*

15                *TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.*

16                *TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Aye.*

17                *TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.*

18                *TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Aye.*

19                *MAYOR STUESSI: Aye.*

20                *The motion carries.*

21                *The next item is in regards to the Village*  
22        *supporting affordable housing. This is an initiative*  
23        *of the State. We are not binding ourselves to the*  
24        *particular decision-making as to how we're going to*  
25        *achieve this. Obviously, it requires a lot more work*

1 that the Board is engaged in, together with Code  
2 Committee and others.

3 As everybody is aware, we did recently approve  
4 housing on the south side of Front Street with the  
5 conversion of those properties from Waterfront  
6 Commercial to Commercial Retail. So housing is now  
7 allowed on the second floor of those buildings, which  
8 is a wonderful thing. And I do hope that we will see  
9 some of those office spaces that are up there and  
10 storage spaces converted to housing.

11 So with that, what this resolution will do is  
12 it puts us at the top of the list for getting  
13 additional funding by the State of New York. This  
14 isn't just for anything related to housing. It also  
15 relates directly to initiatives, such as the Downtown  
16 Revitalization Grant and many others with the State.  
17 So when one combines that together with the fact that  
18 this Village is considered, and, you know, duly noted  
19 by the State of New York as a Disadvantaged Community  
20 as well, we will be at the very top of receiving  
21 grants, if we are able to earn them.

22 I think this is important. Housing is a very  
23 important thing. We're sitting here at Thanksgiving,  
24 and we all know how much prices have gone up for  
25 housing on the North Fork. It's a critical issue

1 that is only going to get even more troubling over  
2 time, and this is, I believe, the foundation for the  
3 work that this Board would like to do.

4 I'm going to read this, and then if anybody has  
5 any comments, I'll take any comments thereafter.

6 This is a *Work Session Resolution 11-2023-3.*

7 *Greenport Mayor moves, along with the Board of*  
8 *Trustees, the Village of Greenport (hereinafter*  
9 *"local government") believes the lack of housing for*  
10 *New York residents of all ages and income levels*  
11 *negatively impacts the future of New York's economic*  
12 *growth and community well-being;*

13 *WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative*  
14 *effects at regional and local levels, we believe that*  
15 *every community must do their part to contribute to*  
16 *housing growth and benefit from positive impacts a*  
17 *healthy housing market brings to communities;*

18 *WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing*  
19 *production of all kinds in our community will bring*  
20 *multiple benefits, including increasing housing*  
21 *access and choices for current and future residents,*  
22 *providing integrated accessible housing options that*  
23 *meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility*  
24 *disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and*  
25 *vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at*



1        *all levels to improve their quality of life through*  
2        *living closer to their employment opportunities;*

3                *WHEREAS, we believe that the evidence showing*  
4        *that infill development that reduces sprawl and*  
5        *supports walkable communities has significant*  
6        *environmental and public health benefits; and*

7                *WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively*  
8        *furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is*  
9        *not only required by law, but is essential for*  
10       *keeping our community strong and vibrant;*

11               *NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the*  
12       *Village of Greenport, in order to take positive steps*  
13       *to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the*  
14       *Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us*  
15       *endeavor to take the following important steps, where*  
16       *appropriate:*

17               1. *Streamlining permitting for multifamily*  
18       *housing, affordable housing, accessible housing,*  
19       *accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.*

20               2. *Adopting policies that affirmatively*  
21       *further fair housing.*

22               3. *Incorporating regional housing needs into*  
23       *planning decisions.*

24               4. *Increasing development capacity for*  
25       *residential uses.*

1           5. *Enacting policies that encourage a broad*  
2 *range of housing development, including multifamily*  
3 *housing, affordable housing, accessible housing,*  
4 *accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.*

5           With that, I will make a motion for approval,  
6 and ask for any comments before I ask for a second in  
7 regards to this.

8           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You want a discussion, so  
9 you need a second.

10          TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

11          MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

12          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Second.

13          MAYOR STUESSI: And I'll have a second, please.

14          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Second.

15          MAYOR STUESSI: Second. Thank you, Lily.

16          TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I had a couple of questions  
17 or comments. One is my understanding there's a  
18 couple of steps to get us to like the top of the list  
19 for funding. One is we have to adopt this  
20 resolution, correct?

21          MAYOR STUESSI: Correct

22          TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Another is, I believe, that  
23 there's certain data that has to be provided to --

24          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

25          TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- the State?

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what it says, yes.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So --

4 MAYOR STUESSI: But the data percentages is not  
5 required with any minimums if we adopt this  
6 resolution, we just need to share the data with the State.

7 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. So is that --

8 MAYOR STUESSI: So the increase of the housing,  
9 if you were to read the program --

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: -- you can either utilize just  
12 the increase of the housing over the past three  
13 years --

14 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: -- or adopt this, or  
16 conceivably could do both. But only one of the two  
17 is required in order to go to the top of the list for  
18 this with the State by stating that we are for  
19 affordable housing and helping our community.

20 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. And then going forward  
21 we don't have to meet a threshold for how much  
22 housing we add?

23 MAYOR STUESSI: No, there is no threshold  
24 required, just a foundation for us saying that we  
25 want to do good for our community, and pushing things

1 forward and beginning to look at what more can be  
2 done.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So this is a policy decision.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: And so the registration that  
5 occurs with this is an email is sent to the State and  
6 we file the actual resolution with the State.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: And this is a Village policy  
9 going forward --

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's right.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: -- of what our intent is.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's a policy.

13 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And my next question is,  
15 is -- and I understand that the Governor had met a  
16 lot of resistance from her first original, trying to  
17 encouraged this in the budget last year. We are not  
18 going to have where this policy is going to have  
19 the -- have certain zoning dictated to us, correct?

20 MAYOR STUESSI: No.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: We're not bound by anything  
23 other than what is written here, which is that we  
24 believe that community housing and taking care of  
25 those that need this help makes sense for our

1 community.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I think this does make  
3 sense for us, so I support this. I did have an  
4 issue, and maybe kind of small, but with the -- one  
5 of the particular steps is the streamlining of the  
6 permitting.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And one of them calls for  
10 streamlining permitting of multi-family housing, and  
11 that seems to me to be a little bit different than  
12 streamlining affordable housing, accessible housing,  
13 supportive housing. So multi-family housing in and  
14 of itself, I would not necessarily be behind the idea  
15 of streamlining that unless it was serving those  
16 other purposes, right?

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Agreed.

18 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So is there any wiggle room  
19 in this? I mean, I saw the -- I saw there was a  
20 model resolution from the State.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, like --

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: This follows that language?

23 MAYOR STUESSI: This follows the language --

24 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Exactly.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

1           MAYOR STUESSI: -- which is what is required by  
2 the State.

3           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

4           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because it has the --

5           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So there is no -- there is  
6 no --

7           MAYOR STUESSI: This is about intent.

8           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

9           MAYOR STUESSI: And, you know, once we go into  
10 the process, you know, we then would be making  
11 decisions on what we would be doing moving forward.

12           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, I think the  
13 thing is multi-family housing by -- I mean, is almost  
14 always affordable housing.

15           MAYOR STUESSI: A two-family house would be  
16 considered multi-family.

17           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

18           MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

19           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, I'm just  
20 saying like it pretty much always is more affordable  
21 housing.

22           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Is that your sense, yeah?  
23 What about --

24           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

25           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: What about something --

1 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And it's also more  
2 environmentally friendly, and -- but, oh, on this, is  
3 that what you're saying?

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: That's true.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Less impactful on the  
7 environment if more people live in a house.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. I'm not against  
10 multi-family housing. I guess --

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I see what you're  
12 saying.

13 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I guess the point is I  
14 wouldn't want to be lowering the threshold or the  
15 hurdle for a developer to build multi-family housing  
16 that was serving a higher end client.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. I mean, by this, we're  
18 not changing our code. We haven't changed anything  
19 in the Building Department yet. It's truly the State  
20 foundation to begin having the conversation.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually, we started a  
22 conversation at Code Committee last night, because I  
23 asked the Mayor if I could present this information  
24 to the members of the committee, and we had a very  
25 interesting conversation. And part of -- and I think

1 John, and Rona was there, is that sometimes we get  
2 into stigmatism with certain words as far as  
3 affordable workforce housing, multi-family. And I  
4 think my concept is that we're trying to look for a  
5 home for someone to come to the community, you know,  
6 make the community, you know, the home is their  
7 community. How they get there is the steps.

8 But my one concern is that I do not want --  
9 that's not do not want. I'm just cautious that this  
10 is not going to -- and I don't think this is. This  
11 is a policy decision, but down the road I want --  
12 we're in control of our own zoning in our one square  
13 mile. We know what's best for us, not the Governor's  
14 Office, so that's my one concern. But I don't think  
15 at the moment that's -- according to Brian, I had a  
16 conversation with you earlier and you seem to feel  
17 that this is not something that's going to come up in  
18 the future or --

19 ATTORNEY STOLAR: We don't know exactly.  
20 Ultimately, from -- well, a couple of steps back.  
21 From what I understand the other night, different  
22 people have met with the Governor, and she's not  
23 proposing to put this forth with anything she's doing  
24 this year with the budget, but certainly can bring it  
25 back in whatever it may be in whatever form after her



1 next election. So it's something that's --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But this is a policy move.

3 ATTORNEY STOLAR: But this policy itself should  
4 not --

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

6 ATTORNEY STOLAR: -- serve as a -- as basically  
7 an obligation for you take any next steps. It's a  
8 policy, it says this is our intent to consider this,  
9 but it doesn't -- it doesn't back you into a corner  
10 as to the specific action.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm comfortable with the  
12 policy. Thank you.

13 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Brian, in terms of the  
14 language, yeah, I mean, basically semantics. I mean,  
15 this is a policy, not a mandate, correct?

16 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Correct.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Big difference.

18 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Yes.

19 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

20 ATTORNEY STOLAR: And that was --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: But what this policy does is it  
22 brings us, again, to the top of the list for being  
23 able to draw down on funding to this Village for any  
24 number of things, including affordable housing,  
25 revitalization of our downtown, etcetera, etcetera.

1 TRUSTEE ROBINS: No, I definitely --

2 MAYOR STUESSI: And there is a--

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And transportation out of it.

4 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Uh-huh.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: And there is a huge pile of  
6 money sitting in Albany that they are looking to  
7 start handing out next year.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, I'm in -- I'm in  
9 favor of this wording policy, you know. But, as I  
10 said, I was concerned about when this originally came  
11 out from the Governor's Office, and we, we as a Board  
12 at that time felt that she was overreaching in trying  
13 to take control of our zoning, and that's -- and we  
14 weren't the only municipality that felt that way. So  
15 that's -- as long as this is a policy, I'm  
16 comfortable with it.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Any other questions or comments?

18 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. Was any discussion  
19 happening at the Village Hall or in the Code Committee  
20 about what the streamlining might look like, or ideas  
21 about --

22 MAYOR STUESSI: Not yet.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: And we just had a very brief  
25 conversation.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We didn't get to that.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We're just trying to just  
4 focus on the Mayor's resolution, so that the Code  
5 Committee was familiar with what we're discussing  
6 here and not get surprised.

7 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: And I don't know that that  
9 would come out at Code Committee necessarily. You  
10 know, one of the things we had talked about before  
11 was possibly putting together a small ad hoc group on  
12 looking at the Building Department as a whole process  
13 to do some things, to make it easier to communicate  
14 that to the community, which in my mind it would come  
15 out of that group, as opposed to Code Committee.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But there may be some things  
17 that the code will have to be changed in order to  
18 streamline. I think what Patrick is saying, that  
19 they may have to look at the code as well.

20 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Maybe.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You know, it may need to be  
22 worked in conjunction between the two. You know, as  
23 I said, I'm --

24 MAYOR STUESSI: But the bigger thing we need to  
25 do as a -- as a Board is make decisions with our

1 community on what we want to do for affordable  
2 housing in this community. And as we had all agreed,  
3 the first step was to look at an Overlay District in  
4 the Commercial Downtown District, and then we would  
5 move into the neighborhoods and start looking at  
6 zoning and ADUs, etcetera. And, you know, over the  
7 next several months, we'd be able to bring this to  
8 the community, survey our population, talk to people,  
9 and get a sense of where the community stands on  
10 things as well. But, clearly, it is a huge need for  
11 the North Fork.

12 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: And Greenport in particular.

14 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Paul, have you -- does  
15 anything stand -- jump out at you? You think about  
16 streamlining, what we're talking about here is  
17 streamlining and permitting or something. Any ideas  
18 come to mind?

19 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Not -- again, I have to  
20 spend a little bit of time, you know, going through  
21 the intent here, plus how we operate now, what room  
22 there is to streamline. I would think that it would  
23 also apply to not just the building permit itself. I  
24 think that's kind of a broad -- in the context of  
25 this resolution is very broad. It would also include

1 zoning and planning functions. I believe that that's  
2 what they really --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what they're doing.

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: What they're focused on.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's where I --

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: The building permit  
7 process is, I don't want to call it mechanical, but  
8 it's code-driven and specification-driven, as opposed  
9 to planning and zoning, which are, you know,  
10 local-code-driven. So I think that's where the  
11 streamlining might be even more effective for this  
12 Village.

13 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. Thank you. Brian, how  
14 about you? In your work in other municipalities,  
15 have you -- are you familiar with this? Have you  
16 encountered this?

17 ATTORNEY STOLAR: I'm familiar with it. You're  
18 the first ones that have decided to move forward, but  
19 yeah. Your -- you know, your demographics are  
20 completely different than many of the other  
21 municipalities I've been dealing with this on this.  
22 We do have one that just adopted a comprehensive plan  
23 that provides for certain steps in certain limited  
24 areas, but not to this degree. You know, it's --  
25 they are -- they did that with the comprehensive

1 plan. They have no intent to adopt this resolution,  
2 because they don't -- there are certain phrases in  
3 the -- in the text that they are a little afraid of  
4 as to the types of housing that may be allowed,  
5 accessory dwelling units, for instance, things of  
6 that nature.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But we've been talking about  
8 accessory dwelling units.

9 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Oh, absolutely.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I mean, that's --

11 ATTORNEY STOLAR: No, it's not that it doesn't  
12 make sense throughout, you know --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, no.

14 ATTORNEY STOLAR: -- every location.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

16 ATTORNEY STOLAR: You know, in this location,  
17 as the Mayor has been saying repeatedly, it makes  
18 sense to a degree in certain parts of the Village.  
19 So if this is -- if that's appropriate for the  
20 Village, then this is one of those steps that helps  
21 get you there and potentially get some funding for  
22 that purpose.

23 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. I think, you know, the  
24 paragraph, reading into these five points, it has a  
25 qualifier, again, it says "where appropriate", which

1 is --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Kind of gives that room, I  
4 think. I just want to reiterate, I mean, I know we  
5 can't change this, because the resolution has to pass  
6 as per the wording that the State provided. I just  
7 make exception to the idea of streamlining permitting  
8 for multi-family housing, unless it's in furtherance  
9 of those other items, and I'll leave it at that. Okay?

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think No. 5 really kind of  
11 summarizes the entire policy when it says, "Enacted  
12 policies that encourage a broad range of housing  
13 development, including multi-family housing,  
14 affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory  
15 dwelling units and supportive housing. I mean, I  
16 think that's a very broad umbrella, really, so I  
17 think it kind of encapsulates everything.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else?

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think it's great.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: So we have a second. I'll make  
21 a --

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'll second.

23 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Before you go, I just want to  
24 make it clear. There was one minor change that we  
25 made to the model version, which is was to add the

1 "where appropriate".

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I noticed.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So did I.

4 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'm in favor.

5 (Laughter)

6 ATTORNEY STOLAR: So I'm glad that it helps.

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'd like to see that.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yep.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Have a vote, please?

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, this -- yeah.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

13 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

14 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Aye.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Aye.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Aye.

18 Motion passes unanimously.

19 With that, we will move on to the monthly

20 report from Albie.

21 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: You're not Chief Manwaring.

23 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: No, I'm not Chief

24 Manwaring. First.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: First?



1 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: First Assistant Chief.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: I want to -- I want to thank  
3 you and the Department for an incredible dinner.

4 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you. Thank you,  
5 Mayor.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: With the legends of Firefighters  
7 on the North Fork.

8 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you for the --

9 MAYOR STUESSI: That was really remarkable to  
10 see. You guys have been --

11 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: You're going to see a  
12 couple of more dinners like that.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: -- doing this for as long as  
14 some of them have.

15 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you. Thank you,  
16 Village Mayor, and thank you, Village Board. My name  
17 is First Assistant Chief Albie de Kerillis. I  
18 hope that the bills and reports found you well. If  
19 not, my phone will be open.

20 We would like to say -- we would like to  
21 announce two new members to the Fire Department. One  
22 is Carol Edwards to the Greenport Fire Department  
23 Rescue Squad, and Ryan Purcell, a member to Eagle  
24 Hose Company No. 1. We're very proud to have those  
25 two members join.



1 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you, sir.

2 CHIEF DE KERILLIS: Thank you very much

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thanks, Alain.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Mr. Pallas.

5 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

6 So two of the items that are on my discussion  
7 resolutions list have already been dealt with, so I  
8 won't belabor those at all.

9 From the discussion standpoint, microgrid  
10 project status, unfortunately, there hasn't been any  
11 change, other than we continue to work through the  
12 closeout documents, for example, and the manuals for  
13 all the various equipment, as-built drawings and the  
14 like.

15 The big ticket item, and it's not really a big  
16 deal, but it's holding up the closeout, is the UL  
17 approval of the battery storage facilities, that  
18 there was a meeting, I think, scheduled either for  
19 today or tomorrow, I can't recall when, between  
20 the -- our contractor and their subcontractor on that  
21 issue. I hope to get an update from them at some  
22 point during the day tomorrow, see where we are with  
23 that.

24 The next item, ferry queue project status,  
25 unfortunately, similar story. We're waiting for the

1 MTA to finalize the construction license agreement.  
2 We sent it back to them, that we had no further  
3 comments on their last round of discussions with them  
4 on that agreement. And I got an email today  
5 basically saying that they're looking at the  
6 insurance requirements, which I would have thought  
7 they would have done that at the beginning. So I'm  
8 not quite sure why they need to review that again,  
9 but, in any event, that's where we are with that.

10 I don't believe there's anything else pending.  
11 The DOT said we may need to update, the engineer may  
12 need to update a couple of documents, but those are  
13 just, I think, more for dates that are listed in the  
14 documents, as opposed to any changes to the documents.

15 The other thing that we will have to do at --  
16 when we go out to bid is we need to engage a  
17 construction inspection engineering firm for the  
18 construction phase of the project. There is a  
19 process for that for these types of projects. It's a  
20 little onerous. I've just started digging through  
21 that, and I'll keep you posted as we move forward on  
22 that. So that's where we are on those two major  
23 projects.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do we have to go out for RFP  
25 for that, or is that an RFP or is that a bid?

1 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: It's -- it actually can  
2 be neither, because there is a -- what they call the  
3 Local -- there's two different documents. The Local  
4 Projects Manual allows you to select from a group of  
5 preselected firms --

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

7 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- that the DOT has  
8 already vetted --

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

10 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- which is how we got  
11 the design firm in the first place.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. Well, that -- okay.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: We went through that  
14 process. We didn't have to bid that out, because  
15 they were preselected based on qualifications. So  
16 I'm hopeful that we could do the same thing for this.  
17 I was trying to go down the road of using the same  
18 engineer. I don't know that I can, but, again, I  
19 haven't finished that review yet.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Paul, I was looking for the  
21 link that has the, you know, approved plan that we're  
22 moving forward with on the website. I couldn't find  
23 it anywhere, and some people are asking that they  
24 wanted to see it.

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'll verify --

1 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I went to the regular --

2 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'll verify tomorrow and  
3 get it posted if its been removed.

4 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. Yeah, thank you,  
5 appreciate it.

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: All it is is just the  
7 site plan, a set of plans.

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah. No, it's the site  
9 plans, yeah. A lot of people are more familiar with  
10 the final draft --

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Sure.

12 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- and want to see it.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So under, under  
14 Resolutions, and I apologize, I haven't sent the  
15 agreement out, the NYPA Master Cost Recovery  
16 Agreement, this is associate with our NYSERDA, New  
17 York State Energy Research and Development Authority  
18 grant related to LED street lighting. It is a very  
19 small grant, it's only \$25,000. It doesn't even come  
20 close to what we need. But as I've discussed before,  
21 that it's our first, first time that we're able to  
22 actually directly get a NYSERDA grant, so we're  
23 pushing through it.

24 The grant requires us to hire a subcontractor  
25 to do the design of the system and the checking of

1 the system, if you will, so that it will function the  
2 way that we want it to. And the simple process is to  
3 have NYPA serve in that, in that capacity. We also  
4 can purchase directly from NYPA the street lights  
5 themselves. So it's kind of a one-stop shopping  
6 approach to that.

7 There'll be two agreements. The first step is  
8 for us to approve this Master Cost Recovery  
9 Agreement, which doesn't have any dollars associated  
10 with it. It's just a generic, allowing us to work  
11 with them on specific projects. Once we approve  
12 this, they will send us a specific contract for the  
13 streetlight, which we will then have to approve  
14 separately. So that's all that that's about. I'll  
15 forward that out to the Board, the Master Agreement,  
16 tomorrow. I apologize, I didn't have a chance to get  
17 it out before today.

18 The playground equipment we already talked  
19 about.

20 The sidewalk repairs, I got -- as I had  
21 mentioned in the email I sent today, I only just the  
22 dollars today. And the total for Front Street and  
23 Main Street for several locations is 49,000, a little  
24 over \$49,800. I'm going to have that out in a more  
25 detailed fashion before the Regular Meeting, and,

1 obviously, as part of the resolution, to approve it.  
2 This will be done off the Suffolk County contract, as  
3 we've done before, and we'll have an overlay contract  
4 that will just use our standard, the contracts that  
5 we've been using for this for construction work.

6 In addition, we're continuing to work on  
7 getting information on a more comprehensive sidewalk  
8 project and paving project. As I had said in a prior  
9 email, that likely have to go out to bond to fund  
10 that, but I won't know the amount until I'm finished.  
11 And I you should have enough information to have a  
12 detailed discussion at the next Work Session in  
13 December

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Paul, before, before you go  
15 on, and before --

16 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Sure.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I have to raise this,  
18 because I've heard it not only from several Trustees,  
19 but from people in the community. Can we confirm  
20 that we could possibly get rid of those stonework  
21 pavers that are on Front Street and that are the  
22 curb?

23 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'm sure. I -- yes, I  
24 will, we will --

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because I've been told no



1 over the years, I've been told no, the State told us  
2 we can't do it, and then it's cost prohibitive, but  
3 it's -- I think that Trustee Robins will agree with  
4 me, that the -- if we're going to do any kind of  
5 construction along the -- one side of South -- of  
6 Front Street, to get rid of those pavers would  
7 certainly extend the sidewalk to be larger.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, so that's not part of the  
9 plan that we're talking about right now. What this  
10 is that he's proposing, and he can share more detail,  
11 because I've walked it with him, is this is replacing  
12 the portions of the sidewalk on Front Street that are  
13 misaligned and have tripping hazards.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right, right, that's it.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: And these are the ones that  
16 have been most problematic and we've had the most  
17 incidents on in the Village. It does not contemplate  
18 doing anything with the Belgian stone pavers that are  
19 in the State right-of-way.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, but if --

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's not our --

22 MAYOR STUESSI: The 49,000 would only cover the  
23 sidewalk portions.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: No, understood, I understood.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, but I was talking

1 about --

2 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think she's talking about  
3 additional work --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: If we're going to go out to  
5 bond for something, then we need to start finding out  
6 what the correct information is. That's what I'm  
7 trying to put on the table.

8 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah, of course, and two  
9 things. I will get -- I will get an estimate to  
10 replace those with just straight concrete, as we know  
11 the scope of work, and we need to make a decision to  
12 do it based on that, assuming that we are permitted.  
13 I'm going to have to -- I'll get the estimate, and if  
14 it's -- if it's -- if you agree with the cost and we  
15 add it to the bond, it may take a little longer to  
16 determine if we have permission, because it's going  
17 to be to dig through a significant amount of  
18 documents when that road was first done.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, frankly, my preference  
20 would be we take a look at whether they're replaced  
21 or fixed, or something else done on Front Street,  
22 that that's part of some work we'd look at doing with  
23 the State, get some potential funding, as opposed to  
24 the sidewalk work that's needed throughout the Village.

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'm not --

1 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: The cobblestone areas.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: The cobblestone areas.

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'm not sure what you  
4 mean for --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm suggesting as part of some  
6 grants that we might apply for for downtown revitalization,  
7 and that we might be looking at things to, you know,  
8 reinvent Front Street in a lot of different places,  
9 some of the work that, you know, we need to bring in  
10 front of the community to get the community's  
11 opinions on.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I understand that, but  
13 for the last four terms I have heard mixed, mixed  
14 information, and I think, as Paul just said, it's  
15 going to take a little time to find it, and I think  
16 that that's something that we need to have an answer  
17 before we plan on anything anywhere down the street.

18 I mean, the sidewalk repair, I agree with this,  
19 that's not -- what I'm talking about is if we're  
20 going to apply for grants, or if we're going to go  
21 out to bond, it would make sense to deal with that  
22 issue, because there's been complaints for the last I  
23 don't know how many years.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And we need to know what we're  
25 dealing with. I think that's what Trustee Phillips

1 is saying, is first to find out if we are permitted,  
2 and then we can move forward on how we want to  
3 approach it.

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

5 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I understand that the  
6 cobblestones are a hazard and a nuisance. They do  
7 serve a purpose. And I don't imagine we'd be going  
8 back to just smooth concrete, because they're  
9 intended to offer texture that keeps people from  
10 getting too close to the curb. All right? So it  
11 keeps people away from the vehicles, I think that's  
12 the purpose of that. So I'm not against removing  
13 them, but putting it back with maybe more, a little  
14 bit more involved than just plain concrete.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: In my mind, this is going to  
16 require a larger study, first getting a sense from  
17 the community --

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: -- what they might want,  
20 looking at traffic studies, and figuring out what we  
21 may want to --

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I mean, we even be able to --

23 MAYOR STUESSI: -- look at.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- find out that we can half  
25 the size of it, so we could widen the sidewalks a

1 little bit. But we can't do anything until we found  
2 out -- find out if we're allowed to or not.

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Right, yeah. I think, I  
4 think it would be prudent at least to get an idea if  
5 we -- so you have enough information just to know  
6 what it would cost if we just did the flat out  
7 concrete, just so you have a data point for the  
8 future, and if we could add it to the bond or not.  
9 But the first step is to try to dig out the  
10 documentation for it, so I will work on that.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm just tired of hearing  
12 it, because I want to know what the straight facts  
13 are. Sorry, I'm that way.

14 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Paul, do you have a sense of  
15 how many square feet or linear feet this \$50,000 is  
16 repairing, like a unit cost?

17 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I can get it. It's all  
18 based off the Suffolk County contract. I just  
19 don't -- it escapes me now, and we -- I have access  
20 to it.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: It's like --

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And the --

23 MAYOR STUESSI: -- 18, the squares, as I recall  
24 from the count.

25 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Those are 5 by 5, so 25

1 square feet. Nineteen of them?

2 MAYOR STUESSI: I think so.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: The sidewalk --

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah. The County  
5 contract is actually done by cubic yards of concrete,  
6 that's how they price it. So it's, yeah, straight  
7 out cubic yards. But there's other, there's other  
8 pieces to that contract. The contract removal has  
9 one unit price, and some days there's another unit  
10 price, all of those different components. And when  
11 they come out to measure, they measure the square  
12 footage and decide what needs to be done, and each,  
13 each spot has a slightly different overall cost. If  
14 we did it by square footage, it wouldn't match,  
15 because there's different --

16 MAYOR STUESSI: And like by example, there's  
17 one spot over in front of Blue Duck where the  
18 sidewalk gets much narrower than they should.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: And the break is out too far.  
21 We want to align that back to where the sidewalk  
22 should be.

23 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Sure. I think -- I take your  
24 point, Paul, but I think in the aggregate, whether  
25 there is extra cost for demo or special -- you know,

1 this being our most -- this will be our most recent  
2 sidewalk repair. I think it does serve as a unit  
3 cost, in order to extrapolate like how much money  
4 we're really talking about with the rest of the  
5 Village.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

7 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: No, I, yeah, fully  
8 understood that, but they -- I -- yeah, I'll see what  
9 I can come up with. It's -- I've tried do this in  
10 the past and I've usually gotten it wrong, either  
11 high or low significantly, because I've missed,  
12 missed a component of it, because the State -- the  
13 County contract is so detailed, but I will -- I will  
14 give that my best shot.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah. I would think, because  
17 this is repair work in different sections, and stuff  
18 like that, it might be a little difficult to really  
19 apply a unit cost, you know, application, you know --

20 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yep.

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- to it, you know, but -- and  
22 is this just for flat work, there's no curb work  
23 involved in this as well?

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I think there's one. I  
25 think the spot on Bay Avenue, I believe that's going

1 to include the curb, because the tree, which, by the  
2 way, will have to come out, there's no way to avoid it.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right, right.

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: But there are a couple  
5 of other trees that they're going to try to salvage.  
6 But that one particularly, there's just no way to  
7 salvage it.

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That one will include  
10 the curb, because the curb is completely lifted up.

11 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

12 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: And the sidewalk is  
13 contiguous with the curb.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right. But in the world of  
15 construction in general, doing repair work can tend  
16 to be more expensive than doing one straight project  
17 where you're doing a quantity.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: In my mind, this is a Band-Aid  
19 for a period of time.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, exactly.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: And we need to seriously look  
22 at redoing all of Front Street, putting aside some of  
23 the other streets, and look at traffic-calming  
24 measures and a lot of other things. I mean, that  
25 work was done, what, nearly 30 years ago, I think,



1 1995 when Mitchell Park was done? You know, the  
2 average lifespan of a street of that nature is only  
3 about 25 years, typically, so it's time. But this is  
4 something that needs to be done immediately.

5 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah. Front Street is a  
6 State road --

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

8 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- and we wouldn't be  
9 repaving it just --

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- for your information.  
12 So that actually is everything I have. Any questions  
13 on my report, just let me know and I'll be happy to  
14 answer them.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: Any questions from anybody  
16 before we move on?

17 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I had a question about the  
18 Fire Department report. Is it at the next meeting  
19 where this Board would act on membership proposals?

20 CLERK HALL: Next meeting.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Next meeting.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Next meeting? Yes.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Next week, yeah.

24 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

1 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Um.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Mr. Brautigam.

4 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm sorry, did you have  
6 anything else, Mary Bess? You started to say  
7 something. You might have added something.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Might have, but instead  
9 we'll take it up later.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's okay.

12 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I do have one  
13 resolution this month, is to appropriate Sewer Fund  
14 reserves to fund the repair of the basin air rotor.  
15 The budget amendment is attached for your review.

16 Regarding the utility billing, the utility  
17 billing is on time. Additionally, to the utility  
18 billing, I did have a lengthy meeting today with  
19 InvoiceCloud for online bill pay. We're well into  
20 the on-boarding process with that. There was a --  
21 there was some significant upfront work that's being  
22 finalized, and now we really just need to do some  
23 training and some collaboration between our I.T.,  
24 InvoiceCloud themselves, Power Manager, which is our  
25 current billing software, and the Village. It's a

1 very involved process, but when it's completed, it  
2 will be very beneficial to the Village, as well as  
3 the residents. And we actually were able to set an  
4 tentative date for a kickoff, which is February of 2024.

5 Moving on, some significant collections. Rent,  
6 just over \$72,000 this month. Property tax collected  
7 through October 2023 was just over \$1.37 million.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Adam, I have a question  
9 about the rate study. Where are we sitting with  
10 that? Before you get into the numbers on the next  
11 page, which I have a lot of questions, so.

12 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Regarding the rate  
13 study, I did -- me and Paul both met with them on a  
14 conference call, just a couple of weeks ago we had a  
15 call with them.

16 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yep, yes.

17 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I believe they  
18 are -- they are still reviewing a lot of the  
19 information that we had submitted to them.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

21 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Do you have  
22 anything to add?

23 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah. There is one, one  
24 open item that we need to provide, a major open item,  
25 with regard to the sewer system. They really need

1 to -- as I reported, that we -- before, we have some  
2 significant capital expenditures, and they want to  
3 incorporate those dollars, and we're still gathering  
4 some of that information. I've been struggling to  
5 get one piece of that information specifically from a  
6 vendor for what's known as a screw pump that -- for  
7 the --

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, I know what --

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I know what you're talking  
11 about, yeah.

12 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So once we get that and  
13 can go over all that information and send that out to  
14 them, I think that's going to make a big difference  
15 to them. There are certain decisions that, you know,  
16 we'll -- Adam and I will need to speak with them on  
17 certain parameters that they're looking for, but this  
18 is a big element, that there's no point in those  
19 until that one is incorporated.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So do we have an end date as  
21 far as when we're anticipating to have some type of a  
22 report back to us?

23 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I'd only be guessing  
24 that it would be early January at this point, if  
25 we -- provided we get them the information in the

1 next week or two. I can't promise that I will be  
2 able to do that.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I'm not --

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm just asking --

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- because it's -- I know  
8 with the transition, things have been -- have had to  
9 take a slowdown for the moment. But the rate study  
10 is important, because we need --

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That is part of our  
13 finances, and it's something we need to review. And  
14 have we expended payment to them?

15 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I assume they billed us.  
16 I don't know.

17 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: They have billed  
18 us, yes.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They have billed us? Have  
20 we -- at 50% of the contracted amount, or where --  
21 where are we at with it? Where we may have to --

22 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I'd have to -- I'd  
23 have to review further. I don't believe it's at 50%,  
24 but I have to --

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, because I haven't

1 looked at the contract in a while, so that's one  
2 thing that, you know, since we've slowed down, and  
3 I'm not -- you know, are we going to be living within  
4 the amount of money that we originally contracted  
5 for, or are we going to have to do a budget amendment  
6 or a change order?

7 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I wouldn't anticipate  
8 that. They haven't indicated that there's been any  
9 issue.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: We haven't increased the scope  
11 of the contract, have we?

12 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: No, no. So there --

13 MAYOR STUESSI: So then there should be no  
14 reason for a --

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think we had a -- we  
16 had a time, a time limit on it, if I remember  
17 correctly.

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: They put that time limit  
19 so that they could adhere to our time limit to them.  
20 So that, I think those had nothing to do with the  
21 dollars, as I understand that, yeah.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, that's what I'm asking.  
23 Okay. It's not going to create --

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't believe so.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, all right.

1 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Going on to the  
2 Significant Payments, transmission congestion  
3 contracts, we paid the 75% balance for the 2023,  
4 which was just over \$517,000. We do have one more  
5 year of that payment left.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And, Paul, where are we with  
7 the -- that's the TCC money, correct?

8 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Correct.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Where are we at with that?

10 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So that contract is --  
11 terminates in 2025, I think November or --

12 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I believe so.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So that, we will no  
14 longer be eligible for the -- to get a credit back on  
15 our transmission charges. That is something that  
16 Adam and I will sit down and review and report back.  
17 I do believe it's going to have an impact, and a  
18 significant impact on our electric utility customers.  
19 We do get a significant credit back for those  
20 transmission contracts.

21 There is -- this, this was a holdover from --  
22 prior to the inception of the deregulated wholesale  
23 market, that goes back to 1998. At some point after  
24 that, our legacy contracts with our transmission  
25 providers terminated, and we were allowed to convert

1 those to these products, which are actually products  
2 that are offered through the system through an  
3 auction process, that any, any entity such as us can  
4 go out to the market and purchase. But given, given  
5 that Long Island, the electric system on Long Island  
6 is pretty captive, there really aren't any contracts  
7 that we could go out and just buy in the auction that  
8 would be financially sensible.

9 The other, the other issue with these is that  
10 there's no way to predict how much -- what -- what  
11 causes the congestion in the first place is lack of  
12 ability of the transmission system to carry all the  
13 load that is on the Island. And we don't really know  
14 what the wind projects, the impact is going to have  
15 on those. In theory, it should reduce them, but it  
16 may actually increase them, depending on how you --  
17 how the studies are done. So it's going to be  
18 difficult to know ultimately what we could do to  
19 mitigate the increased costs.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: And not to put too fine  
22 a point on it, but this is coming -- will be coming  
23 around at the same time that other utility costs,  
24 electric utility costs, not internal, but external  
25 costs are going to be going up due to what's going on



1 in Albany in converting this to an all-electric  
2 state, which is going to impact costs significantly  
3 as well. So this is a poor timing issue, but it  
4 is -- there's nothing literally we can do about much  
5 of it, but we will do everything we can.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And that's related to the  
7 Climate Action Plan, correct, Paul?

8 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Correct, yeah.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: You told us that before, that  
10 we can anticipate --

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Several times.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

13 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- that that's going to have a  
14 significant cost to us --

15 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- in terms of our  
17 electricity.

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yep.

19 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And that would be added on top  
20 of this additional cost.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: This is -- those are  
22 unrelated.

23 TRUSTEE ROBINS: The TCC --

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That's at the -- that's  
25 at the distribution level, this is at the

1 transmission level.

2 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So the Climate Action  
4 work that the State is doing is really local, you  
5 know, converting boilers to electric heat, for  
6 example, you know, electric cars, all of those things  
7 that are going to increase, increase costs.

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And if I'm not mistaken, the  
9 offshore wind project that's done -- that's in the  
10 works right now off of Montauk, in that area, I mean,  
11 none of that power would be coming to us here anyhow,  
12 right, it's going else.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Well, it goes through  
14 Long Island. I mean, it's not -- it goes into the  
15 grid, it gets sold into the grid, but we --

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: At market cost for it.

17 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: At market, yeah, at  
18 market cost. And some of it is contracted, I think.  
19 I haven't read up on that recently. I believe some  
20 of it is -- some, if not all of it.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, actually, there is --

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Some news made about that this  
23 week about that wind project.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: There's been some issues  
25 where the company is --

1           MAYOR STUESSI: Well, they walked from their  
2 New Jersey project.

3           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They walked from their New  
4 Jersey project.

5           TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

6           ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: And they may walk from --

7           TRUSTEE ROBINS: I know.

8           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They may walk from the  
9 Long Island one, too.

10          TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, I've read that.

11          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So --

12          TRUSTEE ROBINS: There was some news this week  
13 about it. So a lot going on in that world right now.

14          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Not that that's going to  
15 break --

16          TRUSTEE ROBINS: A lot of it, like you said, we  
17 have no control over it at all.

18          ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Right, but there are --  
19 there -- like I said, we will, we will look into any  
20 methods that we can to mitigate any cost pressure on  
21 our customers, of course.

22          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The renewable energy  
23 savings, that's the one that -- that's the savings  
24 account that was supposed to be doing something with  
25 the funding?

1 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes. So we were  
2 required through the upgraded contract with the Power  
3 Authority to put aside a certain amount of our  
4 revenues for energy efficiency programs. As part of  
5 the LED streetlight, I confirmed with the Power  
6 Authority that we can use those funds for the  
7 streetlight project. So we have the grant, we have  
8 the grant money, we have this money, and the Electric  
9 Fund is relatively healthy, I believe, so we would  
10 have additional funding available to do LED street  
11 lights throughout the Village.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That's the goal. And  
14 just to refresh everyone's memory, what I'm doing --  
15 what the plan is with the LED street lights is to  
16 upgrade what we would -- what you would normally get  
17 to -- they have a way to monitor the system. It's  
18 kind of like a quasi -- what's known as a SCADA  
19 system, to monitor outages. They're not designed to  
20 do that, but because we're so small, that we can use  
21 it that way. We'll get notified when there's one  
22 streetlight out.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: And we can also get  
25 notified if there's a block of streetlights, and we'd

1 be able to know right away whether it was a  
2 transformer or a full circuit. That's really what  
3 the grant component is for, to study the -- whether,  
4 whether that's good or bad to do. So that's, that's  
5 what the grant money is funding, not necessarily the  
6 purchase of the lights or the installation, but to  
7 study the impact on outage management.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: In addition to energy  
10 efficiency. That's -- part of the reporting process  
11 for the NYSERDA grant is to monitor the amount of  
12 energy that we could use, and that's a -- that's a  
13 simple piece of this. And it's also what I'm asking  
14 NYPA to do for us, because to do that inhouse would  
15 be quite onerous, so they'll be able to do that for  
16 us, with a payment, of course, but yeah.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: This is so-called smart street  
18 lights, right?

19 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Correct, yep.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And our general investment  
21 savings that our previous Treasurer got us involved  
22 in, is it still working for us?

23 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yes.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

25 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yes.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

2 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: The rest of my  
3 report is enclosed, if you guys have any questions.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I have a question. Under the  
5 Significant Payments, we're talking about TCC. I  
6 don't understand. Is that an income or an expense,  
7 that payment?

8 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: It's an expense.

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: It's an expense.

10 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Any other questions from  
12 anybody?

13 (No Response)

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Adam, I wanted to thank you for  
15 doing an exemplary job. You really stepped up.

16 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Thank you, Mr. Mayor,  
17 I appreciate that.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: You have a wonderful humbleness  
19 about yourself, but you're very disciplined in your  
20 work. The staff really likes working with you, the  
21 community has said so as well. And I just wanted to  
22 thank you for everything you've been doing.

23 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Thank you.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: Because you've not only kept up  
25 with the pace, but you've gone beyond what I had

1 expected in being able to take over. And I know you  
2 have Robert as a resource, but in just seeing what  
3 you've been able to do with keeping with what we  
4 needed to do relative to the online payment system,  
5 let alone all the other disciplines of your  
6 day-to-day job has been very impressive.

7 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: So thank you very much.

9 DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: I appreciate that.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Candace?

11 CLERK HALL: Thank you, Mr. Mayor

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Ms. Hall.

13 (Laughter)

14 CLERK HALL: I have a few announcements for  
15 everyone. Village Hall will be closed on  
16 November 23rd and 24th, 2023.

17 Let's see. The Festival of Lights and tree  
18 lighting will be held on Saturday, December 2nd, 2023  
19 at 5 p.m.

20 (Adam Brautigam Exited the Meeting)

21 CLERK HALL: And then just as a separate note  
22 regarding the Festival of Lights, the Greenport Fire  
23 Department is looking for volunteers to walk in the  
24 parade as various holiday characters. If you are  
25 interested, please --

1           MAYOR STUESSI: I'll note he left right as you  
2 got to that, after I thanked him for all of his work.

3                           (Laughter)

4           CLERK HALL: So if anybody is interested in,  
5 you know, joining the festivities, I'd be happy to  
6 connect you with the Fire Department.

7           And then, let's see, the annual Menorah Lighting  
8 will be held at Mitchell Park on December 10th, 2023,  
9 at 5 p.m.

10           The New York State Archives made their second  
11 visit to Village Hall on Wednesday, November 15th.  
12 This number here is actually shy of what we hauled  
13 out. There was about 128 boxes that are going to be  
14 hauled to Albany, or that have been hauled to Albany  
15 for destruction, free of charge, which I'm thrilled  
16 about.

17           Let's see. I have a few resolutions as well.  
18 Pending the Board, Board approval at the November 27th  
19 Work Session, Everett Nichols will have a title  
20 transfer from Recreational Aid to Custodial Worker I.

21           A bid solicitation will be noticed for quotes  
22 to repair the Village of Greenport Baymen's Dock.

23           And then there are a few bids that will be  
24 noticed, listed on the following page. So tree and  
25 stump grinding services on certain Village of



1 Greenport streets.

2 Ten-yard dump truck and driver to assist with  
3 the Village -- assist the Village with the removal of  
4 snow as needed.

5 Another bid will be listed for the delivery of  
6 unleaded 87 octane gasoline to various locations  
7 throughout the Village of Greenport.

8 Delivery of No. 2 heating oil to various  
9 locations throughout the Village of Greenport.

10 And then the final bid that's going to be  
11 noticed is the delivery of diesel fuel to various  
12 locations throughout the Village.

13 The final note here is -- my apologies. This  
14 is going to be rescheduled. The applicant is not  
15 able to attend a public hearing in the Month of  
16 December. So this is going to be on next month's --  
17 next month's Work Session, so that they could have a  
18 public hearing in January.

19 And then, finally, contracts signed between the  
20 Village of Greenport and the New York State Department of  
21 Transportation. One --

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The contract was for? What  
23 is the contract for?

24 CLERK HALL: Hold on one second.

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I can, I can answer that.

1 CLERK HALL: Thank you.

2 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That's related to the  
3 ferry terminal project. That's what you voted on, I  
4 believe, last month.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. And I -- okay.

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That's for the  
7 construction portion.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The construction portion?

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Correct.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, all right.

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That package of  
12 documents about that thick.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. No, no, it's just I  
14 just --

15 (Laughter)

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You know, it just needed  
17 to be --

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Sure.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- designated as to what it  
20 was. I do have one question on the annual bids. I  
21 think we're missing one. Don't we have the one where  
22 one man and something for -- it's not just the snow  
23 removal, we have another one.

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't think that's --  
25 I don't think that's due yet. I don't -- we'll check

1 it. If it is, we'll --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I thought it was -- I  
3 thought all the annual ones are due at the same time.

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Possibly. We'll  
5 double-check it and we can add it.

6 CLERK HALL: Yeah.

7 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: We can add it.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, because -- yeah, add it.

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: We'll add it if we need  
10 to, if we haven't, if we missed it.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, because there's one  
12 with snow removal, and then there was one --

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Right, right.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- with other issues.

15 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I always thought we did  
16 that one in the spring, but I could be wrong.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I mean, we were delayed a  
18 little bit with that one, I think, whatever.

19 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Quite possible, I  
20 just -- I don't recall.

21 CLERK HALL: It's just I remember it being an  
22 annual bid, so okay.

23 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: But it's definitely  
24 annual, I just don't remember when, right.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, okay.

1 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

2 CLERK HALL: I don't know that I saw that when  
3 I looked back for this month, but, again, I'll  
4 double-check.

5 The Mayor asked me to provide some additional  
6 details that I didn't list out here on my report, but  
7 just regarding the State Archives visit.

8 So I have been working with a woman from the  
9 New York State Archives named Maria. She has been a  
10 wonderful resource. She's provided me with a list of  
11 records management consultants that I'm working  
12 through reaching out to, to several people on this  
13 list here with the purpose of obtaining a grant. So  
14 we are going to be applying for a grant. The funds  
15 will not become available until possibly June, but  
16 the grant-writing process would start in January.

17 The application would be submitted, I believe,  
18 in March of 2024. And this first phase is a phase of  
19 organizing and purging our records, and then  
20 ultimately for a later goal to digitize some of our  
21 records, as many as we can, or if that makes sense, I  
22 should say.

23 I'm considering possibilities of where we could  
24 do a shared services grant, which would double,  
25 ultimately, the amount of money that we could

1 receive. So if we did it on our own, I think it's  
2 \$75,000 that we stand to get a grant, grant funding  
3 for. We could hire people to dedicate time directly  
4 to organizing these documents within Village Hall.  
5 So this is a project that it's going to take time, a  
6 lot of work.

7 I want to thank Jeanmarie. She -- she did a  
8 lot of the grunt work to get us to this 128 boxes  
9 that were hauled out on Wednesday.

10 And that is my report. Does anybody have any  
11 questions for me?

12 MAYOR STUESSI: No. Thank you very much. It's  
13 been great to see all the work that you and Jeanmarie  
14 have been doing on that and getting it all organized.

15 With that, Brian, you don't have any -- I know  
16 we need to go into executive session later for a  
17 quick update on something.

18 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Correct.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: But I will turn it over to the  
20 Trustees. Julia?

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. Just, you know, a few  
22 notes. So I have resumed the meetings for my  
23 subcommittee on Parking, Traffic and Way-Finding, and  
24 we've had two meetings so far. We've covered a  
25 number of potential topics, which we have to dig into

1 a little bit further.

2 But we have -- the first meeting we talked  
3 about parking. We had a couple of members of the BID  
4 come to that meeting and bring some of their  
5 concerns. And we discussed the potential of  
6 partnering with Claudio's to run a shuttle and have  
7 employee parking over at the school. That's, you  
8 know, a very preliminary kind of thing, but the BID  
9 apparently has -- they did a survey of, of members,  
10 and got about 25 responses back so far, to pool their  
11 members to find out how many employees they have, how  
12 many employees would be willing to take a shuttle and  
13 park offsite, because the thinking was that the --  
14 that employees are taking parking spaces downtown  
15 during the busy season.

16 Any conversation, any discussion that takes  
17 place about parking is always about parking that's  
18 happening from Memorial Day to -- I think we're  
19 extending it now to Columbus Day, because if you go  
20 around the Village right now, there is no parking  
21 problem.

22 So this is -- this is something that goes  
23 around, you know, every 10 years. We talk about  
24 parking again and again and again. Some people feel  
25 we have no parking problem at all, people should walk.

1           And I think that we are going to continue this  
2 discussion. We're going to ramp up these meetings  
3 probably on a weekly basis, if we can. We're, you  
4 know, certainly inviting people to come and listen in  
5 and allow us to kind of set an agenda of what we're  
6 going to talk about.

7           The other, we had a meeting the other day as  
8 well, and we started to talk about different uses of  
9 the streets downtown.

10           Pedestrian and bicycle safety is a big issue  
11 here right now, so I think that moving forward, one  
12 of the things we're going to be looking at in the  
13 next month is how to deal with traffic flow, how to  
14 make it more -- just to make it safer for people to  
15 walk and bike into the Village. How to use signage  
16 to direct people to safer routes to get into the  
17 Village. So those are the topics we're going to be  
18 talking about.

19           And I hope that by the time the Mayor intends  
20 to do a couple of additional meetings with some  
21 comments from the community, that we'll have a much  
22 firmer report to give everybody on what's going on.  
23 Any questions?

24           MAYOR STUESSI: No.

25           TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay, thank you.

1 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you. Patrick?

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I have no report.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Lily?

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I have no written  
5 report, which I apologize, I've fallen off.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: That's okay, because Mary  
7 Bess --

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I hope to get that.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: -- has more than enough for  
10 everybody --

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I don't have a lot.

12 (Laughter)

13 MAYOR STUESSI: -- on the Code Committee work.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Still think about  
15 Dances in the Park, because summer is coming soon.  
16 Still kind of trying to manage the Camera  
17 Obscura volunteers, talk to the school about field  
18 trips, which they used to do, so that might be coming  
19 up. And working on communication, which we'll  
20 hopefully have more to talk about soon, but that's  
21 it. I'll turn it over to Mary Bess.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, thank you.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: Before we go to Mary Bess, I  
24 have one small item beyond the housing resolution  
25 that we passed, which I want to thank everybody for.



1 I think this is a really important day for Greenport,  
2 that we've been able to do this for the community.  
3 And I really believe that we're going to be able to  
4 do some great work to bring this forward and find  
5 some solutions, and also partner with Southold,  
6 because we need to work with them to help solve  
7 this, too.

8 I am working with them on their review of their  
9 zoning and planning, and as part of that, one of the  
10 things we're taking a look at is how to potentially  
11 prioritize some of the decisions that they're going  
12 to need to be making, which they're going to be  
13 bringing in front of the public here in due course.  
14 And in particular, as we talked about in that joint  
15 meeting that we had several months back with  
16 Supervisor Russell and their Board, looking at this  
17 border of Greenport and Southold Town, and how we  
18 might be able to better utilize some of that land  
19 potentially for housing, which immediately abuts us,  
20 is immediately walkable in the Village, connected to  
21 transportation, and also, of course, we can leverage  
22 sewage together off of that.

23 The last item is the Friends of Mitchell Park,  
24 who I sat with recently, is looking at producing a  
25 sign to tell some of the history of Mitchell Park.

1 They're working on some different ideas for that, how  
2 much might actually be in print on a sign, versus  
3 something that might be a QR code that could be  
4 scanned and go to a website. So, in due course, I  
5 would expect to see them here, you know, taking a  
6 look at this and willing to share with the Board.

7 With that, I will turn it over to Mary Bess for  
8 the --

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You have one thing. Don't  
10 we have the Friends of Mitchell Park were offering  
11 something for December 2nd, the Carousel rides?

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: The Carousel rides.

13 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Carousel rides. I think they  
14 were going to do Carousel rides.

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: They are.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do we have to -- Paul, I  
17 don't -- do we do resolutions for that?

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I looked back.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I can't remember.

20 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't believe we do,  
21 because it -- people are going to ride it, we're  
22 going to get reimbursed. I don't --

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, that's what I  
24 thought.

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't think we need to.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They're reimbursing us,  
2 correct?

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah. So I don't --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

5 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't believe we need  
6 to do anything, quite frankly, so.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I was --

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: We could announce it.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We could announce it.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Next meeting.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We could make sure it gets --

12 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah, of course. I  
13 mean, yes, that --

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Get on the website probably  
15 would be great.

16 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Nothing -- I mean  
17 nothing official.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no, no, I -- yeah,  
19 that's -- yeah, I just couldn't remember, to be  
20 honest with you. I just --

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: And to be clear, you  
22 know, our normal hours stop at 5. We continue that  
23 on that day for -- for the Festival of Lights for --  
24 we've always had free rides --

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, so we do, we do that.

1 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- to be honest, the  
2 entire --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

4 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- day will be free  
5 rides --

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Free, okay.

7 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: -- which is quite a nice  
8 thing, so.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Could I mention one other  
11 thing, Mayor, before we move on? I just wanted to --  
12 I was having a meeting with Lily earlier today, and I  
13 know that this year we will not have an ice skating  
14 rink, you know, it's not in the works. But I was  
15 wondering --

16 MAYOR STUESSI: It doesn't work anymore.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: It doesn't. Well, I know it  
18 doesn't work anymore.

19 (Laughter)

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's nonexistent, basically.  
21 But, you know, in terms of -- I was wondering if you  
22 may reach out to the roller skating rink, to Mindy Ryan,  
23 and see if we could possibly find a couple of skates  
24 for the children, since they're not going to have  
25 skating, ice skating this year, if that might be

1 something that the Village could support. So I don't  
2 know what it would cost. I could speak to Mindy Ryan  
3 about it and see what she says, you know, if she'd be  
4 willing to do it, but --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: I think it's a great idea. Why  
6 don't you have a conversation with her?

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: You can bring it back to the  
9 Board.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I will do that. Okay, thanks.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: I love the idea. Mary Bess?

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, Code Committee, as  
13 promised, has presented three codes that we've been  
14 working on. One that I feel that is really the most  
15 important to discuss is the noise ordinance, because  
16 that is tied to the entertainment permit, which we  
17 now just are going to -- we just approved. And I'm  
18 hoping that the business community will start coming  
19 in to fill out the applications. But they're also  
20 going to be looking towards what the noise ordinance  
21 actually says. So that's, that's where I would like  
22 to start off tonight, is with the noise ordinance,  
23 which is Chapter 88.

24 I went for the -- you know, it's a lengthy  
25 document. There was a lot of discussion with it,

1       there was a lot of changes to it. To be honest with  
2       you, September 14th version and -- I mean, actually,  
3       November 1st version that you have here was I think  
4       the tenth version by the time we got through it.

5               So John Saladino, Zoning Board Chair, is here.  
6       As you all know, Tricia is away. So I would like to  
7       have any comments, any suggestions, if you think we  
8       went way off base, or I will kind of leave it open to  
9       questions, if anybody has any.

10              MAYOR STUESSI: Before we do that, you want to  
11       talk maybe high level on some of the things that were  
12       shared by Chief Flatley in particular? Because, as  
13       we all know, the vast majority of noise complaints,  
14       you know, well over 99.9% --

15              TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

16              MAYOR STUESSI: -- happen at night and --

17              TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We did ask Chief Flatley to  
18       review the noise ordinance and to give comment on it.  
19       And he actually attended the meeting where we asked  
20       him what the enforcement process is with the Southold  
21       Town Police when they come in the evenings, and their  
22       policy is compliance. It's where they actually try  
23       very hard to have the situation calm down, and the  
24       music turned down, and the noise turned down. And  
25       they don't really -- if they have to go back for a

1 third time in the same night, then they start  
2 reevaluating whether they want to issue a violation  
3 or not. But most of the time they work towards  
4 compliance.

5 There is in here where the noise is -- the  
6 reading of the sound is from the actual point of the  
7 noise. John, correct? Correct me if I'm right or --

8 JOHN SALADINO: Fifty feet from the sound  
9 source.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, 50 feet from the  
11 sound source. So that's -- that was one topic that  
12 was majorly discussed, because we had some who wanted  
13 it from the property line, we had some suggestions  
14 that it be further than the 50 feet. But we came to  
15 the conclusion that between air conditioners, and  
16 heat pumps, and pool sources, and children playing in  
17 pools making noises, and which I find amazing, and  
18 the music, because we do happen to live on the  
19 waterfront, music does kind of spread a little bit  
20 further across the water and is not exactly right.  
21 You know, you could be standing right next to it and  
22 it's not as noisy as you think it is, but it's  
23 sounding off across the bay, so.

24 But the biggest, the biggest -- what I was  
25 really impressed with is that they do take the time

1 to do compliance and try to work with everybody to  
2 make it a more palatable situation dealing with it.  
3 But they did have teeth, that if somebody is really  
4 causing issues, as we've had a couple this summer,  
5 that they do issue the violations, so.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. To be clear for the  
7 Board, for anybody that might not be aware, they're  
8 not using a sound meter to --

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: -- check noise.

11 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So it's just observation?

12 MAYOR STUESSI: It's not part of the police  
13 protocol. It's, you know, listening, which is why, I  
14 think, John and Mary Bess and Tricia came with the  
15 best way to manage this, was to, you know, look at  
16 the noise from "X" feet back. So if the noise cutoff  
17 time is, whatever it is, 11 o'clock or midnight,  
18 depending upon the day of the week, you know, if  
19 there is noise from 50 feet back at a certain time at  
20 night, at one in the morning, they'll be told to turn  
21 it off, and if they come back, then they're going to  
22 have to write a citation for it.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: This also takes care of the  
24 residential area, which was not very clear in the  
25 original code. It's not just the commercial area,



1 it's dealing with residential as well.

2 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But it's 50 feet  
3 from the --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Sound source.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: -- sound source,  
6 even if that 50 feet is, you know, 40 feet into your  
7 property?

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I have a question for Brian in  
10 relation to this. So the police write a citation,  
11 they, you know, ticket the person for the noise. How  
12 hard is it to prove this and make it hold up in  
13 court? Is there, you know, evidence, or, you know,  
14 precedent for this in court cases?

15 ATTORNEY STOLAR: With the court, let's talk  
16 about that a little.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, I mean, it would be  
18 local, it would be local court, you know, Southold  
19 Town Court.

20 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It would be, yes, and we  
21 can -- we could --

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: If they're writing a violation  
23 for noise, how do they prove that? You know, they're  
24 not using a meter, this is observational.

25 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It depends on which level of

1 noise is being enforced. Most of them have a person  
2 that's reasonably -- we refer to a person with  
3 reasonable sensitivities, and they can describe what  
4 kind of noise they've heard, where they were when  
5 they heard that noise. If that's sufficient, you're  
6 probably going to get a conviction, but they're  
7 not --

8 MAYOR STUESSI: And fair to say, too, if I  
9 could inject for second, they're coming because they  
10 have received a phone call, a complaint, and so  
11 they're talking to the complainants --

12 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: -- as well, is what the Chief  
14 said. So --

15 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Yeah, and more --

16 MAYOR STUESSI: -- here you've got two people.

17 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Right. More often than not,  
18 they're only issuing a ticket after their second  
19 visit.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

22 ATTORNEY STOLAR: So, yeah, when they explain  
23 that to the court as well, generally, you're going to  
24 get a more favorable result if the person has not  
25 done anything and making things to do, because, you

1 know, it's just common perception of what is the  
2 right thing to do. But the important thing, from our  
3 perspective, is to have a law that has specifics that  
4 is not vague, that is consistent with the Constitution  
5 in terms of not being vague. So we've worked to make  
6 sure that this law does comply with the Constitution  
7 and will not be vague. So when there is a  
8 prosecution, nobody will be able to successfully  
9 claim that they cannot be prosecuted under this law.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. And if we have repeat  
11 offenders who feel that they can, you know, pay that  
12 fine every week or, you know, every time they go to  
13 court, what resources do we have? Is there a -- is  
14 there a stopgap measure in here we can invoke and  
15 they'll be able to take a --

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, that's the entertainment  
17 permit.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's the entertainment permit.

19 TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's the entertainment permit.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So it's kind of a dual thing,  
22 they're working together, these two.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's why, that's why I am  
24 suggesting we need to look at this one first --

25 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- because it is tied to  
2 the -- it's -- there's the entertainment permit, and  
3 then the noise ordinance is the enforcement portion  
4 of the entertainment permit.

5 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay. So this is -- could run  
6 the risk of losing their entertainment permit and  
7 their --

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- ability to have any live music.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

11 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Got it.

12 ATTORNEY STOLAR: And there's a second  
13 component, too, which is the penalty section that  
14 provides for what I call progressive discipline.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

16 ATTORNEY STOLAR: The first offense costs "X"  
17 dollars, or the second offense is "X" plus "Y".

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right, okay.

19 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It keeps going up.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I like that.

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: My understanding is that we  
22 have two mechanisms in here for enforcement. One is  
23 for the decibel readings, and the other is the  
24 prima facie section, right? So either one can be  
25 used?

1 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So 84, 85 and 86 are --

4 MAYOR STUESSI: But, practically speaking, the  
5 police do not use decibel meters.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They don't use them.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Paul, we don't still have one,  
8 correct?

9 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: (Shook Head No).

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: So we would have to make a  
12 decision to purchase one, if we wanted to.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And train the person,  
14 because they have to be trained.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: He has to be certified. But  
16 the police don't, so they use the distance.

17 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So if we do the decibel  
18 route, we're going to use our Code Enforcement person  
19 that's trained, to provide the equipment.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Conceivably, but it's unlikely  
21 that would be utilized, because, again, it's going to  
22 be at nighttime when we don't typically have a Code  
23 Enforcement person around, so the police are going to  
24 be the ones --

25 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well, it's a substantial part

1 of this --

2 MAYOR STUESSI: -- dealing with it.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- chapter, though. It's --

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And there are  
5 daytime noises.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. I'm just saying the  
7 likelihood of incidents, if you look at the number of  
8 calls that come in, it vastly goes towards the  
9 nighttime music, the later night music.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but there is  
11 the issue -- I mean, it's not just calls that come  
12 in, it's also like people complaining, people coming  
13 and talking to us. Like there's quite a lot of  
14 people. There was a whole petition years ago about  
15 banning leaf blowers --

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually --

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: -- and there's  
18 still a quite a lot of people.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: There's the noise -- in  
20 here, there is a section about the leaf blowers with  
21 the commercial.

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but it  
23 just -- it restricts the time, and then that there's  
24 a deep decibel level. But if we're not going to  
25 actually enforce the decibel level --

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's the time that we'll be  
2 enforcing.

3 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but the time  
4 is pretty -- I mean, it's all day on weekdays, pretty  
5 much, it's like 8 to 7.

6 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So that's effectively not a  
7 ban on leaf blowers, it's --

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, it's not at  
9 all a ban, I mean, or I'm not saying -- I mean, I  
10 personally think it would be great to ban leaf  
11 blowers. I'd rather do it in all of Southold Town  
12 than just in Greenport, but I'm just saying.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: You'd rather do what?

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Do it in all of  
15 Southold Town, than just the Village, but I know we  
16 don't have that --

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. So this does not propose  
18 banning --

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I know.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: -- leaf blowers.

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I know.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: It proposes guidance on hours  
25 of operation.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Hours of operation.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: And there's differences in what  
3 an individual can do in their yard, versus a  
4 landscaping crew.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: A commercial.

6 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right. But, I  
7 mean, Monday through Friday, between 7 to 8 a.m. is  
8 the only time it's banned. So from 8 to 7,  
9 commercial landscaping on weekdays, there's not  
10 really -- there's no way to enforce five different  
11 machines going at the same time all day long in a  
12 neighborhood, which is what plenty of people have  
13 come here and complained about. So --

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, we --

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think it's  
16 something we should think about. The other thing I  
17 was going to say, and it was just a comment, I don't  
18 know how you fix it, but in a town like this, so many  
19 people don't work. Like people work weekends, people  
20 work different schedules. So to base everything on  
21 like a, okay, no Sundays, or they can only do this on  
22 weekdays, that only helps a certain amount of the  
23 population. And I personally am one of those people,  
24 so -- and I know many, many, many people who live in  
25 this town and work weekends and don't -- and their



1 days off are weekdays. So to spend your day off  
2 constantly listening to that kind of noise and have  
3 no way to deal with it, which is why all these people  
4 have complained. So I just think that's something  
5 that we should be responsive to. And if we're going  
6 to pass a code that then is like not really -- if we  
7 have decibel levels, but we're not going to be able to  
8 enforce it, I don't really see the point of that.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I'm not saying that we  
10 wouldn't be able to enforce it. What I was saying is  
11 we don't currently own a decibel meter, and if we  
12 want to utilize one, we need to purchase one and get  
13 somebody that's certified to do so. I was simply  
14 stating that the vast majority of noise complaints  
15 occur at night.

16 The suggestion of a leaf blower ban, I mean, if  
17 that's something you want to propose to the Board,  
18 the Board can --

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, I know  
20 it's --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: -- consider it.

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: -- in here.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: We're not yet in a public  
24 hearing, of course, and I think it's going to be  
25 important for all of us to hear public comments on

1 this. And, you know, as I had said when I sat in a  
2 meeting with Mary Bess and John the other day, and  
3 some of the BID members, you know, don't forget that  
4 you're going to need to consider, you know, what the  
5 residents are going to want as part of what makes  
6 sense for them.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: And --

9 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, I saw that  
10 it's a definition, but I didn't actually see it in  
11 the code, unless I missed it, I guess.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For the leaf blower?

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah. It's in the --  
14 I had a more basic question. It was just like that  
15 the strike-throughs and the italics, is that --

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Those, those were changes  
17 that were put into the -- those were the changes that  
18 were discussed at the November 1st --

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Okay. So like,  
20 which is --

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So when the -- when the  
22 final version comes out, we left -- we left it,  
23 because the Board needed to discuss stuff.

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I see.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And we felt that they needed

1 to have an idea of exactly what we were discussing,  
2 and with -- as I said, we -- this is -- this is  
3 version number ten.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Oh, gotcha. That's  
5 what I kind of assumed.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I just wanted to  
8 double-check. And same thing with like the italics.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, that was something  
10 that was added.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Gotcha.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And I'll be honest with you,  
13 part of that is my typing, so that's okay.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Since Brian --

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It's a draft.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Brian looked at me and said,  
18 "Oh, you did the PDF?"

19 (Laughter)

20 MAYOR STUESSI: So do you think the community  
21 would support banning leaf blowers?

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh --

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, I think a  
24 portion of the community that's been pretty vocal  
25 would. Do I think they would be against it? Yes.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Julia, do you remember the  
2 public hearing we had on leaf blowers?

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I do, yeah.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, it was a full house.

5 TRUSTEE ROBINS: You know, it's kind of --

6 MAYOR STUESSI: How many years ago was this?

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I mean, I -- it's  
8 observational, because Lily and I compared notes.  
9 She said her neighborhood is full of leaf blowers.  
10 There are four or five houses on Monsell Place and  
11 the guys come and go. I mean, it's like a five,  
12 ten-minute event.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: So I don't really see it as a  
15 problem, but that's where I live, you know. Maybe  
16 there are other places where there are going -- they  
17 are going constantly.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I made a comment once  
19 that I think we now could count on our hands who  
20 actually does their lawns on their own, because I see  
21 that.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: (Raised Hand).

23 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: (Raised Hand).

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. I see that with  
25 contractors. And, actually, we did talk about at one

1 point perhaps the -- we should be asking for permits  
2 from, you know, someone who wants to do lawn service  
3 in the Village of Greenport. I know other  
4 municipalities have that, don't they, where they  
5 require registration for a business?

6 ATTORNEY STOLAR: For gardeners, for  
7 landscapers, yeah.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. That would create a  
9 stronger enforcement situation, because they would  
10 actually be registered. And if they were -- you  
11 know, had a noise issue, the Building Department  
12 could actually go and discuss it with them. But that  
13 was kind of an offside topic, and John looked at me  
14 like I had three heads, but that's okay.

15 JOHN SALADINO: Could I just say something  
16 about that?

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But --

18 JOHN SALADINO: If you -- if you recall, if you  
19 recall at the last public hearing that we had for  
20 leaf blowers, the overwhelming majority of the  
21 complaints wasn't about noise, it was about the  
22 pollution caused --

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Pollution factor.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Twin cycling.

25 JOHN SALADINO: -- by the gasoline powered

1 leaf blower and the dust that was -- that was  
2 dispersed into the air, that they were kicking  
3 around. So if -- we had talked about it, you know,  
4 should we limit it to electric or battery-powered  
5 leaf blowers, but that only addressed a portion of  
6 the problem.

7 So, you know, another question that had come up  
8 at the public hearing that we had talked about, about  
9 leaf blowers in the noise code, was just how much at  
10 a particular point in a particular place are they  
11 prevalent. I live on a tree-lined street in  
12 West Dublin, the Mayor lives there also, you know,  
13 you hear them, you don't hear them. Then it becomes  
14 do you restrict trade? Do you force a contractor to  
15 upgrade his equipment, and how does that filter down  
16 to the consumer? So we looked at all those things  
17 and we decided we just would leave it alone. That's  
18 where -- that's where we --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, you just modified the  
20 hours, though.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We modified the hours,  
22 that's all, that's what we did.

23 JOHN SALADINO: Oh, the hours. Yeah, the  
24 hours, we all know the reason, you know.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, we, you know --

1           JOHN SALADINO: And we thought that Sunday,  
2 perhaps, unless you're a homeowner, you know, a  
3 leaf -- a lawn guy shouldn't be at your house on  
4 Sunday.

5           TRUSTEE ROBINS: And the --

6           JOHN SALADINO: But just about the other noise  
7 complaint, could I just say, and Brian could correct  
8 me, is that the overwhelming majority of the things  
9 that will happen with the noise complaint, they're  
10 all going to be complaint-based. So someone will  
11 make a complaint about the -- and when we looked at  
12 it, someone will make a complaint about noise and the  
13 cop would be the corroborating guy, right? So they'd  
14 get a complaint about noise, and then the cop would  
15 show up and he would corroborate that complaint. So  
16 he would -- he would decide if they should turn it  
17 down or if they didn't. If they didn't turn it down,  
18 again, the only reason the cop would come back is if  
19 there's another complaint, and he would decide then  
20 if the guy was in compliance or he wasn't. That was  
21 the advice that we got from the Chief of Police. So  
22 I don't know if that helps or not.

23           MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you.

24           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I got a bunch of questions.  
25 Mary Bess, what is the things that are bracketed,

1       what is that indicating? So it's not in the noise,  
2       but it's in the -- Chapter 101 and Chapter 44,  
3       there's some paragraphs that are bracketed. I wasn't  
4       clear if they were new, or they contemplated being  
5       removed.

6               TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Concession agreement.

7               TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, the concession  
8       agreement, we -- that was -- we had that in the  
9       original, in the original discussions, and after we  
10      did the draft, we decided that that was not something  
11      that really felt the Code Committee should be --  
12      should be setting any kind of -- any type of  
13      permitting, that that really should be a Village  
14      Board, um --

15              MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. The point was the  
16      Code Committee wasn't making a recommendation.

17              TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Recommendation on it.

18              MAYOR STUESSI: The Code Committee was  
19      suggesting the Board should have a discussion --

20              TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Discussion about it.

21              MAYOR STUESSI: -- about it.

22              TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That's what the bracket means?

23              MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

24              TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

25              TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.



1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And the -- and the lines  
2 that were crossed out.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: No, I understand the  
4 cross-out.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay.

6 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Some things are just  
7 bracketed, like "permitted caterer" bracketed, so  
8 it's a question.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: That was the second  
11 page from Mass Assembly.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: What page are you on?

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mass Assembly?

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: First and second of  
16 Mass --

17 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Chapter 44, Page 2. I just  
18 want to understand what I'm supposed to be thinking  
19 about, what the bracket means.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That may have been -- on  
21 Page 2 you're on in Mass Assembly?

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Uh-huh, permitted  
23 caterer.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, I think that that was  
25 just -- to be honest with you, that may have been me

1 not cleaning it up all the way, Patrick.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, I went through  
4 this and to try to clean it up, because Tricia had  
5 left, and I had discussed some stuff with Brian.  
6 There's some notes down on the bottom, like if you  
7 look at Page 5 of this document, it says, "Need to be  
8 determined, Village Clerk to review."

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yep.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: "Update application form."  
11 This is -- as I said, this is the draft form, so  
12 because we felt -- or my feeling is that this is a  
13 discussion point. The Code Committee has now made  
14 the suggestions, and it's now the Board that has to  
15 make the decision as to whether they are comfortable  
16 with the suggestions, or if they have some other  
17 things that they want to send it back to the Code  
18 Committee to review. That's part of my process of  
19 having the communication between the Code Committee  
20 and the Village Board and then getting it out to the  
21 public.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. No, I think that's  
23 great.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, it's the permitted  
25 caterer, that's just -- those brackets are just left

1 over --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, it's just me.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: -- because that was a  
4 definition. And that's -- as I recall, that's what  
5 your group put in there. The example was if we  
6 decide that we're going to allow for a limited number  
7 of events at Mitchell Park, say up on the deck above  
8 the Marina office, that the Village might say there  
9 are three permitted caterers that can cater those  
10 events.

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yep.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Then you have to utilize this  
13 list in order to get a hold of them.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But the Code Committee felt  
15 that it wasn't our place to make that decision.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay, that's what that means.  
17 And like on the next page, "resident", the definition  
18 of "resident" was bracketed similarly. And I was  
19 wondering, again, are you drawing our attention to  
20 say that the Board should be looking at what the  
21 definition of a resident is?

22 MAYOR STUESSI: I don't think that's what  
23 you're intending, is it Mary Bess?

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: I think the bracket's just left

1 over.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The left -- brackets were  
3 left over.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay? Actually, I would pay  
6 more attention to the NTDs down at the bottom, the  
7 "Need to Be Determined".

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Because those are left  
10 there, as we felt that -- after, you know, Brian --  
11 Brian reviewed this with us. We went back and forth  
12 on a lot of things, and there's just some things that  
13 we felt that the Village Board was -- had to have  
14 input on, or staff members had to have input on.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Great. I have a question on  
16 the Chapter 88. So on the first paragraph, under the  
17 purpose --

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Whoops, hold on a second.

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Those are the  
20 Noise, right?

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, Noise, Chapter 88,  
22 Noise, Page 1. The introductory paragraph under  
23 "Purpose", down near the bottom, it is says, Letter  
24 B, "Provides for appropriate exceptions to the  
25 provisions of this Chapter to allow for the

1 functioning of commercial businesses and the  
2 operation of construction, landscaping and emergency  
3 equipment." I think that's good to have that in  
4 there, but in reading it, I didn't really find the  
5 exception that I was looking for for commercial  
6 businesses. So I'll give you an example. So in the  
7 Village we have places where we have WC right up  
8 against Residential.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And so in a WC activity  
11 space, you might be doing noisy activities.  
12 Conceivably, that would violate this noise ordinance,  
13 but I didn't see an exception that would allow  
14 someone to be like banging on a piece of metal doing  
15 their work in the WC. Like it seemed to me like a  
16 resident could complain about the noise coming out of  
17 the --

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, I'm remembering a  
19 conversation I sat in when we were talking about  
20 repairing a car in somebody's yard. Sound familiar,  
21 John?

22 JOHN SALADINO: Well, in the normal course of  
23 business. The example you use with the WC, they're  
24 putting a marine railway in next door to your -- in  
25 your -- and something like that, a pile driver,

1       instead of jetting them in, driving them in, it would  
2       be outside the normal course of business, and we  
3       thought that might provide an exception to the noise  
4       code during, during business hours.

5                TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I agree, but that would  
6       be like -- that would fall under the construction  
7       operations, if you were driving piles or jetting in  
8       piles, whatever. But if you're repairing an  
9       excavating machine and you're hammering on the  
10      machine itself, it's pretty noisy. It's just part of  
11      what you might be doing in a boatyard, repairing  
12      machinery. So is there -- how do we create an  
13      exception for that? I mean, I think it's important  
14      because of all the effort that we put in to try --

15               MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

16               TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- to protect our Waterfront  
17      Commercial. I'm concerned --

18               TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

19               TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- that there would be a case  
20      where that -- a residential neighbor might say, "Hey,  
21      what they do over there is too noisy," when, in fact,  
22      that maybe it's just part of --

23               MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

24               TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- repair.

25               MAYOR STUESSI: This is like living next to an

1 airport.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think we just figured it  
3 was the normal course of business, I'll be honest  
4 with you, Patrick.

5 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You know, it's similar to my  
7 ice machine.

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, exactly.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's the normal course of  
10 business.

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So is that -- so where is  
12 that covered? I mean, is it --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think if you start  
14 reading --

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Or even this is --

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Under B, under Page -- on  
17 Page 9, I think we got into -- where is it? Okay.  
18 We have Exceptions, 88-6.

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Of the noises.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: 88-6.

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. So I looked at these  
22 exceptions and I feel like they didn't exactly  
23 correspond to the first paragraph. So bells,  
24 emergency work are exceptions. Signaling devices  
25 burglar alarms, generators, emergency response calls,

1 excursion boats, wildlife, athletic announcements,  
2 special events, and demonstrations, like, you know,  
3 someone using a bullhorn at a demonstration. So what  
4 I'm not seeing in there is the case of where like in  
5 the normal course of business, industrial commercial  
6 use.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, I think I understand what  
8 you're saying, yeah.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: One thing in residential  
10 neighborhoods, I mean, I happen to be experiencing  
11 right now is a lot of construction going on in my  
12 block. But oftentimes, you know, you could have an  
13 excavation going on and, you know, a backhoe is  
14 digging all day long. You know, what about that kind  
15 of noise, is that exempt? Is that just the normal  
16 course of business?

17 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well, it --

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Is that addressed here?

19 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: It does reference construction  
20 operations.

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So that makes sense, right?  
23 You're going to build a house, that's normal.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, it's going to be noisy  
25 like normal, right.



1 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: You're going to put up with  
2 it for six months.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay, okay.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: But I'm just -- I guess my  
5 point is do we need to delineate more specifically?

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

7 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: You know, I work in the WC  
8 and it could be noisy, because people have to hammer.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Whatever they're going to do.  
11 So, anyway, so I think we should look at that.

12 Then I had a question about Appendix A, at the  
13 end of this. I know this relates to decibel levels,  
14 and we're saying that we don't -- we don't have -- we  
15 don't have the ability to enforce this right now.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'll be honest with you.  
17 John, I think, John, you and I kind of agreed that we  
18 didn't really need to put this in, but I think we  
19 went on the Village Attorney's advice, we needed to  
20 put something in there. Yes, Brian?

21 ATTORNEY STOLAR: No.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The decibels, I mean, I  
23 wasn't -- John, we were -- you and I pretty much --

24 JOHN SALADINO: We thought we had -- we had  
25 understood that there should be some kind of

1 standard, some kind of measurement provided, some  
2 kind of -- something to measure against. So the  
3 decibel levels --

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm sorry. Was it Brian or  
5 Tricia?

6 JOHN SALADINO: We went to the other  
7 municipalities and we saw what they used for -- and  
8 again, it's -- we don't have a decibel meter. The  
9 police don't use a decibel meter, they rely on the  
10 cop's ear, they rely on the complainant when he shows  
11 up. During the day it would be the Building  
12 Inspector or Code Enforcement Officer, at night it  
13 would be the cop. We just didn't think we could list  
14 everything, you know, which is --

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I guess my question was, and  
16 that's -- so now I'm not remembering. I think Tricia  
17 is the one that really pushed for the decibel,  
18 because --

19 JOHN SALADINO: I thought it came from Brian.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I did, too, I thought it  
21 came from Brian. But let me ask this question,  
22 Brian. Is it really -- I mean, I've heard several  
23 versions, that the decibel meter reading doesn't  
24 really have any effect in court, does it?

25 ATTORNEY STOLAR: If the --

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is it an important component  
2 for enforcement?

3 ATTORNEY STOLAR: If the person is  
4 trained and --

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right, if the person's  
6 trained.

7 ATTORNEY STOLAR: And the meter is functioning,  
8 then yes, it should be.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But if you don't have one?

10 ATTORNEY STOLAR: If you don't have one, you  
11 don't have a functioning meter, so it doesn't matter  
12 how well trained you are.

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Are they that  
14 expensive?

15 MAYOR STUESSI: No, it's --

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's more training and --

17 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It's difficult to operate.

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- somebody to be there to use  
19 it, right?

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's difficult to operate.  
21 It's got a lot of variables attached to it.

22 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Yep.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: My issue just goes  
24 back to, as this is written, if I'm in my house and  
25 there's a landscaping crew with like four leaf

1 blowers, a hedge trimmer and a weed whacker all going  
2 at once, which happens for hours in my neighborhood,  
3 and it's very loud, and like I have to close my  
4 windows because it's really loud for a long period of  
5 time, I have no recourse, because, as this is  
6 written, landscaping is okay, and we -- if we don't  
7 have decibel measurements and/or we're not measuring  
8 it, I don't know. That's my issue, and I think -- I  
9 don't think I'm alone, because when I've heard from  
10 many, many other people, they have that issue.

11 And I'm not like -- and I understand that  
12 people need their yards however they want them, and  
13 people should have business, but like, also, as a  
14 resident, I should be able to enjoy my house on my  
15 day off without unreasonable noise, which I think  
16 that is. And a lot of this is saying that it's just  
17 making an exception for the certain thing that we  
18 seem to care about a lot.

19 JOHN SALADINO: Are you over 50 feet from the  
20 sound source?

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I would have to do  
22 some measuring. I mean, I have the decibel meter  
23 thing on my phone, and sometimes it's been in  
24 violation of our current code, for sure.

25 JOHN SALADINO: Lily, we just thought like, you

1 know, there's only so much you can legislative  
2 against. I'm sorry.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: But the 50 feet is -- relates  
4 to the prima facie section of the chapter.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, right, and  
6 that's only about from --

7 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: In the other, in the other  
8 sections, there's all different feet, there's 25 feet,  
9 there's 50 feet, there's from the source, from the  
10 property line.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think the 50 feet  
12 was just for recorded, but amplified.

13 JOHN SALADINO: No.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Sound reproduction  
15 devices.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. The point I was trying  
17 to make about Appendix A, Table 1, is I'm not for or  
18 against the decibels. I think so much of the chapter  
19 contemplates decibel readings, that if we're going to  
20 keep that in there, it just has to make sense. Like  
21 I got two issues with this. One is I don't -- as  
22 a -- I don't really understand what the difference is  
23 between 50 and 65 decibels, just sitting here, okay?  
24 I couldn't tell you whether that's a good idea, 50 or  
25 55 or 60.

1           And the other is on the time chart here, I  
2           don't understand the time periods, and maybe there's  
3           some typos. The first period that's listed is 19 1/2  
4           hours, 12:30 p.m. to 8 a.m. the next day. The next  
5           period is 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., that's 4 1/2 hours.  
6           So I'm not really sure what we're trying to do here.  
7           We've got a four hour window at one decibel, and a  
8           19-hour window at another decibel; is that correct?  
9           We're going to allow people to make noise from 8 in  
10          the morning to 12:30 at lunchtime?

11           JOHN SALADINO: I don't remember that. I don't  
12          have my notes.

13           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Maybe then A.M.,  
14          but still, that seems really late.

15           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That would be really late.

16           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

17           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. So I think -- it's not  
18          a criticism, I think that's a --

19           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I know. I'm --

20           TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Maybe more like a typo is  
21          what is.

22           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Believe me, as I said, there  
23          was ten versions of this. But I also see that she's  
24          got a not here, "Need to determine, set at 60 feet,  
25          decibels in current code. Change made based on

1 review of various other code standards."

2 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah, I looked and  
3 these are slightly lower than like our current code,  
4 I think that's what that's saying. Like so 75 became  
5 65, and 60, I think, became maybe 50 on some of  
6 these.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Commercial.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: So 60 decibels is considered  
9 normal conversation or an air conditioner. Seventy  
10 decibels is a washing machine or a dishwasher. City  
11 traffic inside the car, 80 to 85 decibels. Gas-powered  
12 lawnmowers and leaf blowers, 80 to 85.

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: There's a free  
14 decibel app that like when I'm talking right now is  
15 ranging from like 50 to 80.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, and those are --

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I know they're  
18 not --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: -- just so you know,  
20 notoriously considered --

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I know it wouldn't  
22 be like in court, but I think it gives you some kind  
23 of idea.

24 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Anyway, I think, I think we  
25 need to --

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, she has, she has here  
2 the sound source property category, and on the top,  
3 she has residential, public space, or any public  
4 right-of-way or public waterway abutting a  
5 residential area from 12:30 to 8 a.m., and that's --

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's a lot of time. That's  
7 12:30 in the afternoon until 8 o'clock the next  
8 morning, right?

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right, that's 19 1/2 hours.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think she probably --

12 TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's almost a day.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: 12:30 a.m.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It must be 12:30 a.m.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It has to be A.M.

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think the P.M. is wrong.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And then the next one is --  
20 that must be 8 a.m. to 12:30.

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: A.M.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: A.M.

23 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right?

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It is.



1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's a typo.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And then commercial or any  
4 public right-of-way or public waterway abutting a  
5 commercial public area, 12:30, 12:30 a.m. to 8 a.m.  
6 But I -- okay. And then 8 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

7 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That makes sense.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. I think the other two  
9 are typos.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I have one more question. On  
11 Page 9 of the noise ordinance, it refers to Town of  
12 Southold Chapter 197. What is that about?

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It has to do with  
14 ice cream trucks?

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: "Pursuant to a special  
16 event" -- you've got to give me a chance, because I  
17 haven't looked at this for a while. "To a special  
18 event permit, to the extent" --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, it's the peddler,  
20 Chapter 197, peddler of ice cream trucks.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, the ice cream trucks.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: And, literally, the only thing  
23 that's permitted in our code for it is dairy, frozen  
24 dairy related, which is ice cream trucks.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Ice cream trucks. John, do

1 you know why she put that in there? Because I don't.  
2 I thought we crossed that out, but that's okay.

3 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, it's allowing  
4 them, basically. It's letting them.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: It's the music that they're  
6 going to be playing.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It's an exception,  
8 an exception.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's the music they'll be  
10 playing, okay.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Right.

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Although there  
13 probably are times in Southold Town which they might  
14 not always, I think, there, too.

15 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Could that be construed to  
16 also include food trucks if they had music or  
17 something, or no?

18 JOHN SALADINO: We did have --

19 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Because it's -- a peddler or a  
20 vendor is a food truck, right? No?

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That's why I was wondering  
23 about -- maybe this is not unusual, that we're within  
24 our own code, we're making reference to the Town of  
25 Southold code.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's why --

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Does that happen?

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. That's why I asked.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: That's the only case.

5 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Because of that peddler --  
7 because the license is issued from Southold for these  
8 ice cream trucks, apparently.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. But that was the  
10 question that I raised, and that's why I thought we  
11 took it out, is that if that they're on a Village  
12 street, they don't technically need a Southold Town  
13 permit, correct? If they're on, if they're on a  
14 Village street, we're in control of the Village  
15 street, we're not in control of the -- Front Street  
16 and Main Street, correct?

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But, otherwise,  
18 they might be -- I think what this is saying is it's  
19 exempting them, because otherwise they might be  
20 violating our code or noise ordinance.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah, that's the way  
22 I -- I mean, I wasn't part of it, but the way I read  
23 that is, just as Lily said, it just -- it just gives  
24 you a point of reference, that it's a -- they're --  
25 you're permitting them, provided they're licensed by

1 somebody.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: By somebody.

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: We don't license them.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We don't have a license for  
5 them.

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Right. So if they're  
7 licensed from the Town --

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, with contractors, the  
9 contractors are the same way, they have to have a  
10 permit, or they have to be registered through Suffolk  
11 County.

12 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Correct.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct?

14 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Correct.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, that's the same?

16 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Same idea.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Same idea?

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Same concept, yes.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. All right.

20 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: As I read it, yes.

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But I would wonder  
23 if there is timing on that and/or rules about staying  
24 in one spot, because I've heard complaints about  
25 ice cream trucks, also. And I know kids love

1 ice cream, and like I don't want to be anti that, but  
2 when they're in one spot late at night for a long  
3 time, it's loud. I'm just saying. I don't --

4 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm not worried about ice cream  
5 trucks.

6 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Everybody lives in  
7 different spots, so, you know.

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Brian, would you recommend  
9 that we have these two mechanisms, both the decibel  
10 reading and the prima facie offense, because we have  
11 two parallel mechanism for enforcement in this  
12 chapter.

13 ATTORNEY STOLAR: As long as they don't  
14 conflict, you're fine. It's two -- if they're two  
15 different objective standards that can be used, and  
16 either one can function in a way that will service  
17 what you want to do and deal with the noise, then you  
18 can use both.

19 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I would say the prima facie  
20 one is subjective, because it depends on the opinion  
21 of two people.

22 ATTORNEY STOLAR: And that's when we use normal  
23 sensitivities. You have this, you have the distance,  
24 you have the decibel reading, and you have --  
25 obviously, there are time limitations with some of

1       them. But it's distance, decibel, decibel reading,  
2       and a person of normal sensitivities, I think. So  
3       you're right, that latter one is subjective, whereas  
4       the other two are objective standards, which are  
5       fine. I mean, you can keep those two both in there,  
6       but --

7                TRUSTEE BRENNAN: But the prima facie section  
8       doesn't have decibel criteria.

9                ATTORNEY STOLAR: But keep this -- I mean,  
10       if -- in reality, are we going to be using a decibel  
11       meter? And if we're not, does it need to be in here  
12       at this point, or can we address it at a point when  
13       we do decide to get a decibel meter? Maybe that's  
14       the way to look at it. I mean, you can have it in  
15       there, but it's just a perspective as to future  
16       opportunities to pursue violations, or to -- really,  
17       to enforce. So if it's not something --

18               TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, really --

19               ATTORNEY STOLAR: If it's not something you  
20       have in place now, the capability to do it now, then  
21       you may just want to leave that out.

22               TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, Kevin is also going --  
23       the Mayor is also going by the -- you know, the  
24       history that we have, which is basically that almost  
25       all of these noise complaints are happening at night,

1 and that the police are handling them, okay? And  
2 they will be subjective, because the Town Police are  
3 not going to be using the decibel meters. So I  
4 don't --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: But God forbid we turn into  
6 Montauk as seven years ago and we decide to hire a  
7 nighttime Code Enforcement Officer, it would be  
8 helpful to have the decibel, in addition to the feet,  
9 in my opinion.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Couldn't that be changed  
11 relatively quickly to add that to the code, if we  
12 wanted to add the decibel meter in?

13 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It can be, and then it will  
14 be based on, you know, science at that point in time  
15 as well, whatever that may be.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: But what's the --

17 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Whether the --

18 MAYOR STUESSI: What would be -- I'm sorry, go  
19 ahead. I apologize for interrupting.

20 ATTORNEY STOLAR: I was saying whether 70 or 80  
21 decibels is an appropriate number at that time.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: What do you see as the  
24 disadvantage to leaving it right now, Julia?

25 TRUSTEE ROBINS: No, I'm just -- I -- if it's

1 not going to be used, basically, I don't --

2 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm -- as Mayor, I'm not saying  
3 it's not going to be used. I'm simply stating  
4 that --

5 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: -- today, we do not own a  
7 decibel meter, nor has Code Enforcement used a  
8 decibel meter to enforce noise.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Understood.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: The only thing that's been done  
11 is listening, as the police do, together with  
12 residents making complaints.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And I think that in thinking  
14 through, at some point, that would have to be a Board  
15 decision whether we want to pursue that type of  
16 enforcement. But I think if it's not in the code, if  
17 I remember correctly, where -- what is it, a  
18 permissive code? If it's not in the code, then, you  
19 know, how do you, you know --

20 ATTORNEY STOLAR: If it's not in the code, you  
21 can't use it as a method of enforcement. As long --  
22 as long as you have other, other standards to utilize  
23 for enforcement, you can apply those other standards.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: The point being that if you go  
25 to court, you can't say that it's over "X" decibels



1 when there's no decibel --

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: -- measure in the code. You  
4 have to uphold it the other way.

5 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Right. The only way you can  
6 enforce it with a decibel meter is with a decibel  
7 meter, and then have standards for that decibel  
8 meter.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And we've also had this in  
10 the code for years and never used it, so -- but it's  
11 always there in case we needed to use it, because  
12 to -- I think that used to be the philosophy -- not  
13 philosophy, but that used to be the thing that it's  
14 in the code if we ever need to enforce it, or if  
15 there was an opportunity that it had to be done --

16 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Okay.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- it was already there and  
18 not having to wait to go through changing the code.  
19 Is that not my understanding of some of the codes  
20 that are written?

21 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Well, yeah, but a decibel  
22 meter, you're talking about someone who's going to  
23 have to have training, and take the steps, and put a  
24 purchase order out, so --

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's what I'm

1 saying, that's going to be a Board decision.

2 ATTORNEY STOLAR: That's a process in and of  
3 itself.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

5 ATTORNEY STOLAR: That could take a few weeks,  
6 a month, or who knows how long. And if you're -- at  
7 that point, you want to start to consider decibel,  
8 you know, decibel meters, you should be in a position  
9 to move fairly quickly, I would think, to get not  
10 only a law in place, but to have the next steps,  
11 which is somebody who can enforce it.

12 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I like having both methods in  
13 here. My question for Counsel is, is that okay to  
14 have two different methods? Because we don't want to  
15 be in a situation where one weakens the other, I'm  
16 assuming that, I'd rather they be added to it. I  
17 could imagine a situation where we're mostly  
18 enforcing using a prima facie method, but then we  
19 have a repeat offender and we can't deal with them,  
20 and then we finally say, "Hey, you got to get some  
21 training."

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: I've got a -- pardon me for  
24 interjecting. I've got a good example for that. So  
25 I was in the restaurant business and there was an

1 issue with a club in the neighborhood that we  
2 operated in, and, ultimately, there was a decision,  
3 together with -- I believe it was Planning Board, or  
4 maybe it was the Village -- the Town Board at the  
5 time. They said, "Okay, we keep having problems with  
6 you and there's all kinds of noise issues. We are  
7 going to install a sound meter on your property at  
8 this point, and it is going to record and measure the  
9 level of sound, and if you go over "X" number of  
10 times, you're going to be" -- "you'll lose your  
11 license for it." And this was, I don't know,  
12 probably a decade or so ago. Have you seen that used  
13 anywhere that you've dealt with before, Brian?

14 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Not at all. That's the first  
15 I've heard --

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Permanently installed decibel  
17 meter.

18 ATTORNEY STOLAR: That's the first I've heard  
19 of that.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Not permanently. It was over a  
21 period of time to monitor the business --

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: -- and make sure they were  
24 adhering to the noise code.

25 ATTORNEY STOLAR: And, Trustee Brennan, in

1 response to what you're asking, essentially, the  
2 different standards are independently enforceable.  
3 So if you are compliant with the decibel meter  
4 reading, but not compliant with another element, or  
5 another factor and the standard, then -- and you're  
6 being prosecuted under that other standard, that  
7 could be viewed independently. So that could still  
8 be prosecuted, regardless of whether you're compliant  
9 with something else.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. Thank you.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Can I go back to  
12 Page 9 and B(2)? Because the closer I'm reading it,  
13 it's about vocal disturbances, and amplifying any  
14 such sound. So it doesn't actually exempt ice cream  
15 trucks. And on the page before, where it's saying  
16 operation, playing or use -- oh, the permitting, or  
17 the permitting of operating, playing or use of any  
18 sound reproduction device for a commercial or  
19 business advertising purposes, or for the purposes of  
20 attracting attention is not allowed in a public  
21 right-of-way, which would be a street. So I'm not  
22 trying to ban ice cream trucks all together.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: I don't know. I heard that you  
24 wanted to ban ice cream trucks.

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: No, not all

1 together, but I'm just --

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Ice cream trucks and sand is  
3 what I heard.

4 (Laughter)

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But I'm just saying  
6 it kind of looks like in this case that it would,  
7 because they're not --

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's pretty obnoxious if he  
9 keeps going on your block up and down.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I'm saying when  
11 they park at one spot. But I think there's a  
12 balance, but it just sounds to me like this doesn't  
13 actually exempt them, because they are commercial and  
14 they're using amplified.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The only -- well, the only  
16 thing I hear is the bell when they're going up and  
17 down the street.

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, you are very  
19 lucky then.

20 (Laughter)

21 TRUSTEE ROBINS: They don't use a bell, it's an  
22 electronic jingle on it.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, it's just  
24 a -- just a small thing. I don't think, I mean,  
25 people are going to go after the ice cream trucks,

1 but you never know.

2 TRUSTEE ROBINS: We had a meeting here one  
3 night and the door was open and the ice cream truck  
4 kept going back and forth, and we could barely talk  
5 over the sound, as a matter of fact. Do you remember  
6 that, Mary Bess?

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, that was interesting.

8 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Mary Bess, you wanted to  
9 prioritize Chapter 88, right? And then --

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, that's --

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And we'll discuss the other  
12 ones further?

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I feel that 88 needs be  
14 something that gets moved forward, especially with  
15 the entertainment permit, because they are going  
16 to -- the biggest group that will probably have a  
17 fair amount of comments about this is going to be the  
18 Commercial District, and, you know, they -- we have  
19 set a deadline of December for them to take advantage  
20 of a decreased permit amount price. But we also know  
21 that we set the goal and May 1st we'll start  
22 enforcing the entertainment permits. So I think it  
23 kind of needs to get out there so that the discussion  
24 gets going.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, we definitely want public

1 hearing and approval modified or not before summer  
2 arrives, obviously.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. So that's where  
4 I -- you know, I understand where you're coming,  
5 Patrick, but I think when we were discussing about --  
6 about the businesses, it was the normal course of  
7 business. In other words, if you live next to a  
8 shipyard, normal course of business is that noise is  
9 going to be going on. But it's not going to be going  
10 on after 8 o'clock at night, which is part of the --  
11 you know, the unloading and loading, there's  
12 restrictions on the times. And the normal course of  
13 business, I'm sure you do the same thing I do, you  
14 try not to make it within a mixed use.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, not too early, not too  
16 late, sure.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Not too early, right. So,  
18 to be honest with you, to tell you an interesting  
19 story, the ice machines, of course, across the creek  
20 from us is the Town of Southold. So one morning I  
21 got a call, "Why do you start the ice machines at  
22 7 o'clock in the morning?" I said, "Well, I really  
23 need to start at 6 or 5, but we don't. We start it  
24 at 7, because that's a decent hour."

25 So I understand where you're coming from, but I

1 think most of the neighborhood, they're living around  
2 it, they respect the fact that you have to -- you  
3 have to do what you have to do.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: So sorry. Where is  
5 that in here?

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That was with the normal  
7 course of business. So, in other words, if you're in  
8 Commercial Waterfront --

9 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but I'm  
10 saying where is this actually written?

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

12 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That's where I think it's not  
13 in there.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That's what I'm saying. I  
16 want to make sure we get that in there.

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Because it does  
18 seem like it's as it's written, and if we did ever  
19 have a device and some -- you know, and it was -- was  
20 over of the decibel level, then people could be  
21 getting complaints.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think we also have to have  
23 a little commonsense when we enforce and we have the  
24 code. So that's -- I mean, as I said before, if you  
25 have a property that's next to a active commercial



1 waterfront piece of property, you're going to realize  
2 what the noises are. You know, John, I think that's  
3 pretty much where we came from, but the uses within  
4 the zones set the --

5 JOHN SALADINO: It's the house next to the  
6 airport.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

8 JOHN SALADINO: It's the locomotive that's  
9 parked on the side and next to a residential  
10 district. I mean, there's just --

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, those train guys are the  
12 worst.

13 (Laughter)

14 JOHN SALADINO: There's a track in Patchogue --

15 TRUSTEE ROBINS: The diesels that idle for an  
16 hour, you know, over on the --

17 JOHN SALADINO: There's a track in Patchogue  
18 that you can actually -- the fence that you  
19 can actually -- they lay the locomotives on that you  
20 can actually reach out and touch the house. That's  
21 how close the locomotive is to the house. And for  
22 135 years that the -- 150, however long the  
23 railroad's in existence, they've been getting  
24 complaints about that track. They can't shut the  
25 locomotives off, because they'll never start again.

1 So, you know, it's the house next to the airport, the  
2 locomotive next to the house. It's just --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So --

4 JOHN SALADINO: Sometimes you just got to kind  
5 of look around and say, "This is" -- "This is the  
6 life I've chosen, you know, I've got to put up with it."

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, Brian, do you want to --  
8 with that in mind as to what both Patrick and Lily  
9 are saying, do you want you and I go over this and  
10 see that we are covered for course of business?

11 ATTORNEY STOLAR: (Nodded Yes).

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Just to -- to just take a  
13 look and make sure that we're covered for that?

14 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Yep.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And if we have to change  
16 something, we can.

17 ATTORNEY STOLAR: You got it.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

19 ATTORNEY STOLAR: I'm sending the language on  
20 another one right now, but yes.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

22 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Might as well.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. All right. Because  
24 does that make everyone more comfortable?

25 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

1 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you.

2 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, that works.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, this is the tenth  
4 wording, so.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: So we won't have to  
6 have a public hearing on it yet, or would -- will we  
7 do that, too?

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I would like to -- we  
9 don't have -- I can -- blah, blah, blah, blah. I  
10 feel confident that we could come some, some type of  
11 resolution to these questions. I would like to get  
12 the public hearing set on the resolution to --

13 MAYOR STUESSI: When would you like to set the  
14 public hearing for?

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For next month.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: For December?

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For December.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And then in between, between  
20 now and December --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: Uh-huh.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- we'll -- you'll get a  
23 little email with me that we can, you know, kind of  
24 get it out and get it discussed among us, and then at  
25 Work Session be comfortable with it, because they can

1 always delay the public hearing and set it -- you  
2 know, delay it for another month. But I would like  
3 to get it out and get it discussed.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. Then Lily is going to  
5 bring all the people that are against ice cream  
6 trucks.

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: And leaf blowers.

8 (Laughter)

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually, let's put  
10 that on the table.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Oh, there are going to be leaf  
12 blower people coming out.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, yeah.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, we know that. We've  
15 seen them on that.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it is a topic. We also  
17 discussed short-term rentals when we were discussing  
18 housing, John, Wednesday, to be honest with you.  
19 That is part of the housing issues, leaf blowers.  
20 Yes, it's gotten worse, and I know that John and I  
21 agreed that the -- it wasn't so much the noise, it  
22 was the dust and the dirt, and whatever that flew up.

23 JOHN SALADINO: The sooner you could get this  
24 to the -- to the public -- at our last meeting, I  
25 think the Mayor was there, not the last meeting, the

1 one before, the week before, there was five or six  
2 members from the --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The BID.

4 JOHN SALADINO: -- BID, and five or six  
5 business owners there, and there had to be 50 what-if  
6 questions, what if this, what if this. And, you  
7 know, what-if questions are the hardest ones to  
8 answer, so we told them you guys would answer them.

9 (Laughter)

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do you see, John, there's a  
11 method to my madness, okay?

12 (Laughter)

13 JOHN SALADINO: But there are going to be those  
14 questions, and the sooner you get it to them --

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

16 JOHN SALADINO: -- they can exhaust all those  
17 what-if questions and perhaps be happy with it.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, hopefully, Brian, you  
19 and I this week can kind of get together and move it  
20 forward however.

21 ATTORNEY STOLAR: There's one day left, let's  
22 use it.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, okay.

24 (Laughter)

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: If I may, just to be

1 clear for staff, would you want a resolution for the  
2 27th meeting scheduling the hearing for the December  
3 meeting, correct?

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct.

5 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Okay. Thank you.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The other two, the other two  
7 chapters, Mass Assembly, I would like it to be the  
8 next one that everyone kinds of takes a look through,  
9 because that one is not so much affected with the  
10 entertainment permit, but it's still part of it.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: It's a big one for summertime  
12 business, though.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The summertime business.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, okay. Any other  
16 thoughts or questions on noise? Because I would like  
17 to thank Tricia for all the work that she did on it.  
18 She was -- she was a researching fiend. And it was  
19 amazing to see what some other villages do. It  
20 was --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: Where were leaf blowers banned?  
22 The only place was East Hampton, as I recall, right?

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: East Hampton, yes.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: Have you read that code, Lily?

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I have not.

1           MAYOR STUESSI: It's worth taking a look at.  
2           May just Google "East Hampton Leaf Ban", it will link  
3           you to an article on the code on it.

4           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Other than that, I don't  
5           have anything else to report. I think that's enough  
6           for one meeting.

7           MAYOR STUESSI: Would anybody from the  
8           public -- pardon me --

9           TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Are we going to  
10          talk about the mass assembly permits?

11          ATTORNEY STOLAR: Southold prohibits gas-powered  
12          leaf blowers.

13          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: No.

14          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They just recently did  
15          something with it.

16          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Oh, like they  
17          reduced the hours. No, they didn't ban them  
18          altogether.

19          ATTORNEY STOLAR: Monday through Friday --  
20          maybe they changed it more recently, but Monday  
21          through Friday, before 8 a.m. and after 6 p.m.  
22          Saturday, before 9 a.m. and after 5 p.m., and all day  
23          Sundays and holidays.

24          TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but --

25          ATTORNEY STOLAR: But I think they did

1 something else. They -- one of my municipalities  
2 that I represent used their law as a sample for their  
3 gas blower prohibition.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Southold's?

5 ATTORNEY STOLAR: Yeah.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They just recently changed  
7 that.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: It was the times?

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, the times.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah, they just --  
11 they shortened the times slightly.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Because they had a discussion  
13 about banning them as well --

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, the people --

15 MAYOR STUESSI: -- but there were too many  
16 people that were against it.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, well, that's --

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: So --

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Do you have some questions  
20 about mass assembly?

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I just have one  
22 question, which is about fees and waiving them.  
23 Because I feel like when we put a fee in, but then we  
24 can waive them, but there's not really a clear policy  
25 on how or when we waive them.



1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: What page are you on?

2 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Sorry. It's  
3 like -- it was near the end.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, it's only up to the  
5 Board, correct?

6 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right. It just  
7 sort of creates like a -- often people don't know,  
8 and then, you know, we always waive them for certain  
9 things, but then we don't waive them for other  
10 things, and it's just -- it made me question why do  
11 we even have this, and why -- when would we not waive  
12 them? I think, to me, it's just like a question of  
13 fairness, and also letting people know. I'm not  
14 saying we shouldn't have a fee and then waive it, but  
15 maybe there should be clarity about when we waive  
16 things, or why we waive things, or at least on the  
17 permit it should say you can ask for this to be  
18 waived. Sorry, I'm just still not on the page,  
19 but --

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Are you talking about  
21 Page 9? "Each applicant for mass assembly permit" --

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Probably.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- "shall be required to pay  
24 to the Village Clerk" --

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- "an application fee of  
2 150, or such greater amount as the Board of Trustees  
3 may prescribe from time to time by resolution."  
4 Because that's dealing with the --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: I mean, it's all of these  
6 things. So it's waiving the fee, and waiving  
7 potential extra security.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: And so what you're suggesting  
10 would presupposed that there would be another layer  
11 of rules set in that we as a Board would have to  
12 follow. I think, John, correct me if I'm wrong, the  
13 recommendation of the Code Committee was that,  
14 ultimately, the Board should have enough --

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right. And, I  
16 mean, I'm not saying another level of rules, I'm just  
17 saying -- and maybe this is not -- doesn't need to go  
18 in the code. But maybe when people felt the fee they  
19 should -- it should be clear on the application that  
20 they can ask for it to be waived, or maybe we say  
21 nonprofits should all -- should -- can be waived.  
22 Because just it's been unclear to me like as a new  
23 Trustee. Sometimes things come up and it's written  
24 in the agenda, like we're waiving the fee, and I'm  
25 fine with that, but it just made me wonder like when

1 do we not waive the fee, why would we not waive the  
2 fee?

3 MAYOR STUESSI: That's a good question.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And to me, it's  
5 just a question of like fairness and what's our  
6 policy.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Mary Bess and --

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Like do waive for  
9 people, locals, do we waive for nonprofits?

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, not usually.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Do we waive --

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: What usually has happened in  
13 the past was the waiving of the fee was done for the  
14 school district, it was done for like the Friends of  
15 Mitchell Park.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Fire Department.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Fire Department. If we had  
18 a mass assembly for someone that wants to have a  
19 function someplace else, and it was a profit-making  
20 business, we didn't waive the \$150. We charged  
21 sometimes -- I don't think we charged for like the  
22 fundraising for Chris Hamilton. I can't remember.  
23 Did we charge for that or not?

24 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: I don't believe so.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think we waived it because

1 of the reasoning. But it has always been left up to  
2 the Board's discretion, which is why putting -- in my  
3 mind, putting it in the applications, now putting the  
4 Village Clerk, who's accepting that application, into  
5 a position of having to make that request, when it's  
6 easier for the request to come in, and then we as a  
7 Board take a look at the reason, what the mass  
8 assembly is for, what the organization is, and then  
9 we make the decision to waive. It puts it on us and  
10 not on staff, because we've had that happen before.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And we don't  
12 normally do that. Usually, it's just in the agenda  
13 as we're waiving the fee, and we don't have a lot  
14 of discussion.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, sometimes it --

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: So it seems like --

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But the mass assemblies  
18 are -- when a mass assembly application comes in,  
19 it's coming out from the Village Clerk on the Work  
20 Session report. And you traditionally, and I'm  
21 assuming that this will be followed, is every time a  
22 mass assembly permit comes in, you receive it via  
23 email right away, so that you -- most of the time  
24 we're asked if we want to waive it or not.

25 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah, so it's --

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And that's when the  
2 resolution section comes in.

3 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Probably that's something  
5 that maybe became common --

6 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: For certain --

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: In previous --

8 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: For certain groups, yes.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So, yeah.

10 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: It became almost  
11 automatic, but --

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: But we -- I don't know  
14 that we've ever had an applicant, you know,  
15 particularly not-for-profits, not ask is there a way  
16 to waive it, you know, if -- depending on the nature  
17 of the organization. Because even though they might  
18 be a not-for-profit, they could be a very large  
19 organization that has the resources to pay a modest  
20 fee. You know, so I think it's really more for,  
21 in -- at least in my experience here, it's been for,  
22 you know, most of the local small not-for-profits.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I just think that  
24 sometimes if people are not reading the code, they  
25 may not know. And like Chris Hamilton, he's not

1 actually a non -- I don't think he's an official  
2 nonprofit.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, he is. Yeah, they are.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, I'm not  
5 really saying it has to be an official nonprofit.  
6 I'm just saying I would like more clarity around why  
7 and when we waive. And when we don't -- and, also, I  
8 just think it should be more transparent, so that  
9 people know when they come that they can ask. And it  
10 doesn't mean they necessarily have to say yes or no,  
11 but at least they know that they can ask, instead of  
12 it just being like we always waive for these people,  
13 and we always waive for these people. And maybe  
14 there's new people that come in that don't know that,  
15 so they don't ask, and maybe we don't think to waive  
16 it for them, but --

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But you always -- okay. You  
18 have to have a process, and the staff has to follow a  
19 process. And that's why I'm saying, is it's always  
20 been on a case-by-case situation, because we had the  
21 opportunity before we get to, to the resolution to  
22 say, "I think we should discuss waiving the fee."

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: All right. Well --

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I have to go back, that's --  
25 that at some points in previous administrations, the

1 Village Clerk at the time was going off of -- and,  
2 Julia, I think you'll agree with me. The  
3 applications go out and we did have a chance to  
4 comment on mass assembly permits. Sometimes we've  
5 asked them to have more requirements than the staff  
6 asked for, okay? Or we asked for payment, similar to  
7 the Maritime Festival, when it got down to the  
8 garbage pickup, or the police enforcement, or that we  
9 added things to the mass assembly, which have now  
10 become commonplace --

11 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- every year. So I would  
13 rather have the flexibility of the Board being able  
14 to -- because the applicants usually come to the  
15 meetings to see if their assembly is going to get  
16 approved or not, most of the times, the ones that are  
17 kind of -- want to drive home, "I want it for free."

18 MAYOR STUESSI: So, Lily, you're simply  
19 requesting that you -- your personal belief is  
20 something should be on the application that your fee  
21 could be waived --

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Uh-huh.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: -- under what circumstance?  
24 What would you suggest?

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think it does say that

1 already, doesn't it?

2 CLERK HALL: It does not.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It doesn't? Okay. I  
4 thought it used to.

5 CLERK HALL: It does not.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: So what are you suggesting it  
8 to say, fee can be waived for certain circumstances?

9 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think maybe it  
10 could just say the fee can be waived, especially if  
11 we're very vague on the -- what the circumstances  
12 are. We don't have to say to be a nonprofit. Just  
13 to let people know so that they can ask. Because I  
14 hear you, Mary Bess, but they're not always making it  
15 to meetings. You know, people might not be, and  
16 people might not always be watching every meeting,  
17 and reading all the code, and knowing what goes on  
18 everywhere else. So I just think some more clarity  
19 around that would be helpful.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else have a perspective  
21 on it?

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. Maybe even staff on  
23 occasion would say something like inquire about a fee  
24 waiver eligibility, just to bring it to their  
25 attention, but not to say yay or nay, right? I think



1 this is something that can be handled on a policy  
2 level and not necessarily --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah.

4 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- codified.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, that's --

6 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I agree with Trustee  
7 Phillips. I rather would have the Board have a  
8 little bit more discretion in this, in this  
9 particular situation, rather than codifying it,  
10 saying it has to be a nonprofit, or it has to be --

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. No, I agree, because  
12 there might be certain circumstances where --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For the good of the -- for  
14 the good of the community, we might want to waive it.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: Right.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right. So, anyway, that's --  
17 I agree with you on that.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah. And I think maybe  
19 that is a policy decision --

20 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Policy.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- more than -- but the  
22 policy, you know, we've always -- we've always  
23 discussed the mass assembly permits. So we haven't  
24 had any since Candace has come on board, I don't  
25 think.

1 CLERK HALL: We have.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Was -- which one was it?

3 CLERK HALL: We had --

4 TRUSTEE ROBINS: The Maritime Festival, the  
5 second --

6 CLERK HALL: Maritime Festival.

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- Maritime. We got --

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Which was already --

9 CLERK HALL: An organization that I'm part of  
10 submitted a public assembly permit, and just to be  
11 clear, we were never aware that we could request  
12 that. And there have been several events in the  
13 Village of Greenport that paid the fee.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But we've had other events  
15 similar to yours and we haven't waived it either, so.

16 CLERK HALL: No, I'm not saying that we should  
17 have, or, you know -- I'm just saying we were not  
18 aware on any of those events. We didn't think it was  
19 appropriate to ask.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I also think that --  
21 once again, getting back to the staff, and I think  
22 Paul will agree with me, we don't want to put the  
23 staff in a position of, you know, saying, well, you  
24 know, they're asking for it to be waived, and having  
25 the applicant think that that's going to

1 automatically happen.

2 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: If I may, along the  
3 lines of Trustee Brennan's comment, I think it  
4 would -- we could very easily just put a check box on  
5 the application form, you know, a fee waiver request,  
6 you know, "Please provide explanation or rationale  
7 for a request."

8 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, that makes sense.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right.

10 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: On the application, so  
11 then it would become part of what they have to  
12 provide, with no criteria whatsoever. And if -- this  
13 way staff, if staff is asked, they'd just simply say,  
14 "You have to provide an explanation."

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You have to -- right.

16 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Just like it says. So  
17 then we -- it will keep us out of the loop in terms  
18 of what gets waived and what doesn't.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. That's my concern --

20 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- is the staff getting  
22 caught up into it. That's --

23 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, that also  
25 gives us a way to judge, like --

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

2 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: -- that this is a  
3 good reason, let's waive it.

4 CLERK HALL: If I may. Just as the new Clerk,  
5 there are people that have -- or there's one in  
6 particular right now, there was no check accompanied  
7 with the application. So is this person's assumption  
8 or this group's assumption that they're just going to  
9 have the fees waived? So I think that's another  
10 layer of wanting to make this more clear, because we  
11 just received an application with no deposit, no  
12 application fee, and they have held many events in  
13 Greenport Village. So I can assume that they may  
14 have had these fees waived in the past, but it is  
15 their -- it is their assumption that it would be  
16 waived, clearly, because they didn't send any money  
17 with their application, as opposed to the Board  
18 having an opportunity to discuss it and make --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, that's a good point --

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: -- because you -- when you fill  
22 out the application, you're supposed to put a check  
23 there, right?

24 CLERK HALL: Exactly.

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah, well, that's

1 what was said.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: So then that the point is that  
3 we need to have this check box.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Otherwise, we shouldn't be  
6 accepting an application without the check.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

8 CLERK HALL: Which is why it's not the agenda.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

10 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: The check should always be  
11 part of the application.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Right, yeah, that's what I'm  
13 saying.

14 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And then it waives -- is  
15 waived.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Regardless if it's waived or not.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, yeah

18 CLERK HALL: It showed as a requirement on the  
19 application.

20 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

21 CLERK HALL: But --

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: That's all I'm  
23 saying, like if you're just some rule-following  
24 person, like myself, like didn't know any better, you  
25 would just be like, "Oh, I have to put a check."

1 Like if you don't know, you can ask, which I know  
2 that you should always ask, but --

3 MAYOR STUESSI: And I think Paul's suggestion  
4 makes perfect sense. Is anybody in disagreement with  
5 that? This is easy, just put a check.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I agree with it, but still  
7 the issue is if they put the application in, they  
8 need to provide a check.

9 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes.

10 CLERK HALL: Not everybody does, that's the  
11 problem.

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But I mean, if it's  
13 going to get waived --

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's -- but the  
15 waiving isn't going to happen until it gets to the  
16 Board.

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

18 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: So we will just simply  
19 say, "Listen, we understand that you've had these  
20 before and your fee has been waived, but, you know,  
21 we're amending the code, this is going to become part  
22 of the code, and please provide the check, which will  
23 be returned. We won't" -- "we will not cash it until  
24 the resolution for approval includes a waiver. If it  
25 doesn't include the waiver, we're going to cash it,

1 be aware." That's easy for staff to manage.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

3 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Are both these  
4 going to also be public hearings on some of it, is  
5 that what we're thinking?

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I guess, how long --  
7 if you want to go over these now.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, we don't have to.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. I just figured that  
10 everyone -- with the noise one, the noise one is the  
11 one that I'm really concerned about getting the  
12 public hearing assigned.

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I just wanted -- I  
14 just wanted to clarify it.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The other two could come --  
16 you know, have an opportunity to take a look at them,  
17 think about it, and next Work Session we can set the  
18 public hearings for that, unless you --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Any other comment from anybody?

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: No.

21 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you, Mary Bess --

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

23 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: -- for all your work on that.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, I think we need to thank  
25 John and Tricia.

1 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Thank you, John.

2 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you, John.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: John and Tricia were  
4 actually very helpful from a planning and zoning  
5 point of view, lots of discussion. And on the last  
6 one, we did have some lively comments from some of  
7 the Business District, yeah. So I'm expecting a  
8 lively public hearing.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. And what I would ask,  
10 Mary Bess, is when get with Brian, if we can confirm  
11 that we have the right document with the edits and  
12 then things --

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, you do, it's just --

14 MAYOR STUESSI: -- red-lined out, and then --

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, we'll take care of it.  
16 We'll make it the official version that has to go --

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. And then I also would  
18 like -- I think it would make sense to do another one  
19 or two information sessions with the BID.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's what my --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, in advance of the public  
22 hearing, right.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's why I want to get  
24 with him, to make sure that we're comfortable with  
25 making sure that the use of business is clear, you



1 know.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Great. Brian, we're actually  
3 waiting on something before we need to go into  
4 executive session on that issue, correct? Or --

5 ATTORNEY STOLAR: You can still go in.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. So I'm going to make  
7 a -- you want to give me that motion on the item?

8 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It's two, one for legal  
9 advice.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: We have the public.

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We have the public?

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Oh, yes, I'm sorry. Would  
13 anybody from the public like to speak? I apologize.

14 JOHN SALADINO: Can I stand from here? I'll  
15 talk loud.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Sure.

17 JOHN SALADINO: John Saladino, Sixth Street.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: She doesn't know who you are.

19 (Laughter)

20 JOHN SALADINO: I would like the Board -- I  
21 would like to encourage the Board to take what those  
22 two ladies had to say. If you guys decide that what  
23 they said is truthful and upfront, and they're really  
24 doing what they say they're doing, and which I kind  
25 of believe them, I would encourage you to find space

1 for them. It sounds like such a worthy thing that  
2 they're doing, and to get them a little space  
3 someplace around the Village doesn't seem like it  
4 would be that big a deal, I think. I don't know, you  
5 would know better. But I would like to encourage you  
6 to --

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you.

8 JOHN SALADINO: -- do that for them. The one  
9 question I have, Paul mentioned about an RFP for the  
10 Baymen's Dock, reconstruction of the Baymen's Dock.  
11 Is that going to include the ramp, or just the  
12 floating dock?

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: No, just the floating  
14 dock.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: The ramp is the Town, isn't it?

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, the ramp is ours.

17 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: No, that's a whole --

18 MAYOR STUESSI: It is?

19 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: That's a long story.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The ramp is ours.

21 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yeah.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And if we're going to do  
23 anything to the Baymen's Dock, we should include the  
24 ramp.

25 JOHN SALADINO: The ramp is there, and it's in

1 really disrepair.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

3 JOHN SALADINO: If you're going to do the  
4 Baymen's Dock, maybe you can do the ramp for another  
5 \$85,000 -- I don't know how much.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Were you going to say  
8 something, Patrick?

9 JOHN SALADINO: For a few thousand dollars and  
10 start to repair it.

11 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: You're referring to the  
12 concrete, the boat launching ramp?

13 ADMINISTRATOR PALLAS: Yes.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

15 JOHN SALADINO: Yes.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Not the ramp to the dock.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no, no, the boat -- the  
18 boat -- yes.

19 JOHN SALADINO: No, no, to launch.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The parking lot that belongs  
21 to the Town of Southold.

22 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And the cement piece that is  
24 disintegrating. But a lot of people use it, so.

25 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Especially the baymen.

2 JOHN SALADINO: All the baymen do. Thank you.

3 Thanks for listening. Happy Thanksgiving.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else from the public? No?

5 (No Response)

6 MAYOR STUESSI: All right. So, Brian, you want  
7 to give me my motion?

8 ATTORNEY STOLAR: It's a motion to go into  
9 executive session to discuss pending litigation.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. So I've got a motion to  
11 go into executive session to discuss pending litigation.  
12 May I have a second, please?

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

15 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

16 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Aye.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Aye.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Aye.

20 If I could ask the public and staff to excuse  
21 themselves. It's 8:57. Thank you, everybody.

22 (The Meeting was Adjourned to Executive Session  
23 at 8:57 p.m.)

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