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VILLAGE OF GREENPORT  
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK STATE OF NEW YORK  
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR SESSION

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Third Street Firehouse  
Greenport, New York

March 23, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

- B E F O R E:
- DAVID NYCE - MAYOR
- GEORGE HUBBARD, JR. - TRUSTEE
- DAVID MURRAY - TRUSTEE
- MARY BESS PHILLIPS - TRUSTEE
- JULIA ROBINS - TRUSTEE
- JOSEPH PROKOP - VILLAGE ATTORNEY
- SYLVIA PIRILLO - VILLAGE CLERK
- PAUL PALLAS - VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
- ROBERT BRANDT - VILLAGE TREASURER

1           (Whereupon, the meeting was called to order at  
2           6:00 p.m.)

3           MAYOR NYCE: It being the appointed time, I  
4 will call this meeting to order, and ask you to rise  
5 and please join me for the Pledge of Allegiance.

6           (Whereupon, all stood for the Pledge of  
7           Allegiance.)

8           MAYOR NYCE: Please remain standing for a  
9 moment of silence for Anna Elaine Breese, Elizabeth  
10 "Betty" Conklin, German Mendoza Galicia and Ralph F.  
11 Mrowka.

12           (Whereupon, all remained standing for a Moment  
13           of Silence.)

14           MAYOR NYCE: Thank you. You may be seated. So  
15 this is the March 2015 regular meeting of the Village  
16 Board of Trustees. I'm silencing my phone. Anyone  
17 who has phones that aren't silenced, now would be the  
18 time to do that.

19           A couple of quick announcements before we  
20 get -- we have a presentation tonight from our  
21 auditors, SAX/BST, for the past year's financials.

22           There will be the Annual Organizational Meeting  
23 on April 6th at 6 p.m., at the Old Schoolhouse, at  
24 which time the Mayor-Elect, Trustee, now Trustee  
25 Hubbard, will be sworn in, and two new Trustees,

1 Trustees Martilotta and Roberts, will also be sworn  
2 in, and they will do their Organizational Meeting at  
3 that time, at 6 p.m. at the Old Schoolhouse. I want  
4 to congratulate those candidates on their victory.

5 I'd like to take this moment, also a little  
6 later, but I want to thank Trustee David Murray for  
7 his service to the Village over the past four years.

8 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Thank you.

9 (Applause)

10 MAYOR NYCE: I'm still going to need you to  
11 hang around for the stuff in the tall spots for me,  
12 all right?

13 (Laughter)

14 MAYOR NYCE: There will also be a Budget  
15 Hearing for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, tentative  
16 budget. That will be April 14th at 6 p.m., also at  
17 the Schoolhouse, at which time the Board will be  
18 taking comments on the proposed budget. With --

19 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: If I could interrupt for a  
20 moment.

21 MAYOR NYCE: Sure.

22 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: I have a presentation I'd  
23 like to do. I've got a proclamation here I'd like to  
24 read into the record and present to our outgoing  
25 Mayor. I'm going to stand and make it official.

1 (Laughter)

2 MAYOR NYCE: Oh, boy.

3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Make it official, you know.

4 A proclamation, March 23rd, 2015.

5 Whereas, the elected Office of Mayor of the  
6 Village of Greenport is an important, stately,  
7 deliberative and contemplative position. Wow.

8 And whereas, Dave Nyce, in his capacity as  
9 Village of Greenport Mayor, from 2007 to 2015, did  
10 perform the duties of Mayor in a grateful, thoughtful  
11 and consistent manner.

12 Therefore, be it revolved that the Board of  
13 Trustees of the Village of Greenport would like to  
14 thank David Nyce for his extensive service to our  
15 Village, and for the many accomplishments achieved  
16 during his tenure.

17 And the Board of Trustees wishes David Nyce  
18 continued future success, good health, and great  
19 adventure in his upcoming and future endeavors.

20 By order of the Village Board of Trustees,  
21 George Hubbard, Mayor-Elect, Dave Murray, Mary Bess  
22 Phillips and Julia Robins.

23 I just want to say, it's been a pleasure  
24 working with you for eight years. We didn't know  
25 each other. We went through a whole lot. We've

1 worked side by side on a lot of projects. I want to  
2 thank you for the time you gave to the Village, and I  
3 appreciate working with you.

4 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you, George.

5 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: That is for you.

6 (Applause)

7 You've got to turn in your Village keys. Now  
8 you have your ceremonial key to the Village. Thank  
9 you again.

10 (Applause)

11 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you very much. I'm choked  
12 up. Thank you very much. It also works as a bottle  
13 opener, I'm told, which will certainly get some use.

14 (Laughter)

15 With that, thank you all very much. I'm  
16 touched and -- yeah.

17 At this point, I'd like to turn it over to Bill  
18 Freitag from SAX/BST to go over the annual  
19 financials.

20 MR. FREITAG: That was very nice, guys. I want  
21 to thank you for the opportunity to present in front  
22 of you and what I am doing here tonight. And, again,  
23 I'm Bill Freitag. I'm the audit partner on the  
24 Village's audit for the year-ended May 31st, 2014,  
25 and I am here to present the results of that audit.

1           Before I get into chatting about the financial  
2           condition of some of the Village funds, there's  
3           always a session that the auditors do that are called  
4           Required Communications to the Board of Governance.  
5           Just to get you know, as I adhere to those  
6           requirements, SAX/BST was at the Village during July  
7           of last summer to perform an Electric Fund audit, so  
8           that it allowed us to get the annual report in to the  
9           New York Power Authority on time, because they have a  
10          deadline of August 31st. That report was submitted  
11          on time.

12          And then in September, early September, we had  
13          another team come down to the Village to do the  
14          remaining audit steps of the Village and all the  
15          other various funds of the Village, excluding  
16          Electric.

17          During September and October, we worked with  
18          the Treasurer's Office, basically, to wrap up the  
19          various items that were still open when we left in  
20          September. Working with the Accounting Department,  
21          the Treasurer's Office, and mostly Robert and  
22          Stephen, we wrapped up all those outstanding items,  
23          and we issued the audit report on October 21st, 2014  
24          in final form. That was approximately two months  
25          earlier than had been done in prior years, and

1 probably was the earliest time that the audit was  
2 issued in the last five years. Mostly, that time  
3 savings was related to a greater level of  
4 preparedness by the Treasurer's Office, and also  
5 fairly quick responses to our inquiries, especially  
6 after we left the field.

7 The audit of the Village of Greenport is kind  
8 of twofold. It's a financial statement audit, and  
9 it's also an audit that takes into consideration  
10 compliance, compliance with internal controls that  
11 underlie your accounting systems, and also compliance  
12 with the laws and regulations of the Federal programs  
13 that you received during the course of the year.

14 As far as the -- as far as the auditor's  
15 opinion on the financial statements, you have what's  
16 called an Unqualified Opinion on the financial  
17 statement for the year ended May 31st, 2014. That's  
18 also known as a Clean Opinion, and it's also the  
19 highest level of assurance that you can get from  
20 independent CPA. Okay? The Village has received  
21 that type of audit opinion for, I believe, at least  
22 the last 10 years in our tenure of doing work.

23 The last couple of things in terms of  
24 housekeeping, the financial statements were prepared  
25 in accordance with what's called generally accepted

1 accounting principles. That's the type of accounting  
2 principles that are used for governmental entities  
3 all across the country, and your financial  
4 statements, in accordance with generally accepted  
5 accounting principles, say that your financial  
6 statements are fairly presented in accordance with  
7 those principles.

8 In regards to the results of the audit,  
9 usually, when we get here, we're presented with a  
10 bunch of financial information, trial balances of the  
11 various funds, general ledgers. And as part of any  
12 audit, and most audits, there are adjustments that  
13 are made to your accounting records as they existed  
14 when we got here. It's our obligation to let you  
15 know, as a Board, that we reviewed those records, we  
16 touched those records, and in some cases we adjusted  
17 those records.

18 We did make adjustments this year and the net  
19 effect of our adjustments had the effect of  
20 decreasing your fund balances across the entire  
21 Village, not just in one fund, by about \$120,000.  
22 How does that compare to prior years? That's  
23 probably the lowest dollar amount of adjustments, and  
24 the lowest number in quantity of adjusted journal  
25 entries that were made in at least the last five or

1 six years.

2 So the Treasurer's Office did a very nice job.  
3 What that tells us is that when a Treasurer's Office  
4 gives you accounting information during the year,  
5 before the audit, before the auditors get here, you  
6 basically can rely on that information, because the  
7 value of the adjustments that were made at the end of  
8 the year were not that -- all that significant. So,  
9 during the course of the year, which means you get  
10 your monthly reports from the Treasurer's Office, it  
11 basically is telling you that, for the most part,  
12 they're fairly stated. Okay?

13 I do know that you have a 47-page document in  
14 front of you there. It's complicated, there's a lot  
15 of narrative in there, and I certainly don't even  
16 want to go there, but any time you have questions on  
17 that. But what I'm going to give you is a little bit  
18 of a Reader's Digest version of how the various  
19 different funds did for the year ended May 31st 2014.

20 The first four funds I'm going to stick with  
21 are the Village's enterprise funds. You have four  
22 enterprise funds at the Village, you have an electric  
23 utility, you have a Water Department, you have a  
24 Sewer Department and a Recreation Fund, and these are  
25 considered your enterprise funds, and they're

1 basically accounted for the way a private business  
2 would be accounted for, okay? So you don't have to  
3 deal with any kind of crazy governmental accounting  
4 rules.

5 If you do want to pay attention to the 47-page  
6 document we have in front of you, the first couple of  
7 comments we're going to make about your enterprise  
8 funds are -- can be found on Pages 17 and 18 of the  
9 financial statements.

10 Page 17, basically, it's called a Statement of  
11 Net Position. That's really your balance sheet. And  
12 the balance sheet is made up of your assets, things  
13 that you own, and liabilities, things that you owe,  
14 and your net position, which is what the various  
15 funds are worth.

16 And page 18 is your Income Statement or your  
17 Operating Statement, which basically takes the  
18 revenues of all your enterprise funds, subtracts out  
19 all your operating expenses, and comes to what we  
20 call a net income or a net loss for the year.

21 As far as the Electric Fund is concerned, the  
22 Electric Fund had a strong year. It appears in our  
23 perspective that the rates that were put in place six  
24 years ago have allowed a few things to be  
25 accomplished. The Electric Fund has stabilized

1 somewhat from an operational perspective. You had  
2 the ability from these rates to invest in your plant,  
3 which is part of a 5.5 million dollar capital  
4 improvement plan that has been approved by the Power  
5 Authority, and it also has allowed you to pay down  
6 your debt.

7 In 2014, the Electric Fund generated a net  
8 income, a positive net income of \$251,000, and that  
9 was based upon \$4 million of gross revenue. This net  
10 income produced what's an important statistic in  
11 electric utility accounting which is called the rate  
12 of return. The rate of return on this \$251,000 net  
13 income was about 7% rate of return on the value of  
14 your plant. That currently is in the range that the  
15 Power Authority likes you to be in. They like you to  
16 be somewhere between 7 and 10%. You achieved the  
17 bottom part of that range, 7%.

18 Your revenues in the Electric Fund got to  
19 \$4 million. They were actually up 15% from the prior  
20 year, and we all know what happened last January,  
21 February and March. The -- not only was it so cold,  
22 but the purchase power to -- that you purchased to  
23 distribute to your customers was quite significant,  
24 and, obviously, the customers felt that.

25 Total cash balances at the end of May 31st,

1 2014, electric, is about \$3.3 million. About  
2 \$780,000 of that is what's called your operating  
3 cash, dollars that are in your checking account, and  
4 that represents about three months cash on hand,  
5 which is exactly where the New York Power Authority  
6 wants you to be. They want you to be somewhere  
7 between three and four months, so that you can fend  
8 off any kind of catastrophic type of expenses that  
9 would come down the way short term.

10 You also have some nice sized depreciation  
11 reserves set up. One is a depreciation reserve,  
12 about \$550,000, which is used for the future capital  
13 improvements to the Electric Utility. You had about  
14 a million-five in unused bond proceeds, and you also  
15 had about \$400,000 in a Transmission Charge Reserve  
16 Account to pay for future transmission congestion  
17 costs, which has been allowed by the Power Authority.

18 In 2014, you invested about a half a million  
19 dollars into your plant. Most of that was financed  
20 through the issuance of a bond. But, basically, what  
21 that says is you added value to your plant in 2014.

22 The Electric Fund surplus, also known as fund  
23 balance, after an \$87,000 contribution to the General  
24 Fund, is at about \$4.4 million at May 31st, 2014;  
25 \$900,000 of that fund balance is unrestricted and to

1 be used for future budgets.

2 In regards to the Electric Fund's debt, your  
3 debt stands in the Electric Fund at \$3.7 million at  
4 May 2014. It's up about \$800,000 from the prior  
5 year, because you did have a January 2014 bond  
6 issuance to pay for the \$5 1/2 million capital  
7 improvement plan.

8 So, in summary, the General -- the Electric  
9 Fund had a good year. It enabled you to invest  
10 further into your plant. It furthered the  
11 requirements of the New York Power Authority. We  
12 came in at the request of the Power Authority and did  
13 a six-month review of where you stood as of November  
14 2014, and that reporting said that -- it looked  
15 almost identical if you were to take an annualized  
16 approach, it looked almost identical to Fiscal Year  
17 2014. So the Electric Fund for the first six months  
18 in the 2015 Fiscal Year is on pace with 2014. It's  
19 meeting the requirements that the Power Authority set  
20 out several years ago to you, and the capital  
21 improvements continue to be made. That is the  
22 Electric Fund, probably the biggest part of my  
23 speech.

24 Next fund we get into is the Water Fund,  
25 staying with Pages 17 and 18 of your Annual Financial

1 Report. The Water Fund generated a net income of  
2 about \$5,000 for 2014, basically on about \$400,000 of  
3 revenues, gross revenues. Operating cash balances in  
4 the Water Fund increased about \$34,000, and currently  
5 stands at around \$600,000 at the end of May.

6 If you were to try to -- Dave, that's on  
7 page -- cash is on Page 17. If you tried to do a  
8 calculation of how many months cash on hand you have,  
9 what does that \$600,000 represent? Basically, what  
10 it says is you have 17 months of cash on hand,  
11 approximately a year-and-a-half of cash on hand to  
12 not only meet operations, but meet infrastructure  
13 capital improvements, and to pay down short-term  
14 debt, such as your payables. You're probably in a  
15 very good position there.

16 The Water Fund has no long-term debt. There  
17 are no bonds, there are no BANs as of May 31st, 2014,  
18 and I think that is still the case as we sit here.

19 The Water Fund still has a long-term  
20 receivable, balances due it from the Electric Fund,  
21 that is from many, many years ago. There is a  
22 payment termed down on there of \$10,000 a year, but  
23 the balance of that receivables stood at about  
24 \$100,000; that's probably around 90,000 now.

25 The fund balance in the Water Fund at May 2014

1 is about a million-and-a-half, of which 740,000 of  
2 that \$1.5 million is unrestricted to be used for  
3 future Water Fund budgets. And that's pretty much  
4 the report on the Water Fund.

5 As we go, if you have any questions, please,  
6 please ask.

7 The next fund we're going to talk about as far  
8 as the enterprise funds are concerned is the  
9 Recreation Fund. The Recreation Fund, and this was a  
10 similar conversation we had last year, reported a  
11 \$150,000 net operating loss in 2014. Part of the  
12 operating loss is depreciation expense, okay?  
13 Depreciation expense is a noncash expense. However,  
14 it's a true expense. It's an economic expense and it  
15 should be considered. However, if you were to strip  
16 out the \$160,000 depreciation, if you wanted to do  
17 that, you could say that from a cash basis  
18 perspective, you had a break-even in the Recreation  
19 Fund from operations.

20 The Recreation Fund also had about \$2.2 million  
21 in outstanding bonds at the end of May, and that was  
22 a decrease of \$300,000 from the prior year, and that,  
23 basically, was the required pay down, the  
24 amortization of the debt for the year. Most of that  
25 debt, because of the break-even situation in terms of

1 cash balances, most of that debt had to be financed  
2 through a transfer of 300,000 -- \$308,000, actually,  
3 from the General Fund to service the debt service  
4 principal and interest payments there.

5 Operator cash balances of the Recreation Fund  
6 stood at about \$130,000, a slight increase from the  
7 prior year. But that, again, was because of the  
8 depreciation expense, and also the transfer from the  
9 General Fund.

10 Fund balance at May 31st, 2014 in the  
11 Recreation Fund sits at \$4.4 million. Unfortunately,  
12 that is the exact amount of the investment in your --  
13 in your infrastructure, mostly the Marina. If you  
14 look at it from an operating perspective, you are  
15 sitting on about a \$100,000 negative fund balance in  
16 the Recreation Fund at May 2014.

17 Because of the significant reliance on the  
18 General Fund to help get it through its Operating  
19 Budget and its cash flow needs, mostly to service the  
20 debt, the debt payment, we made a recommendation to  
21 Management and the Board to perhaps collapse the  
22 transactions of the Recreation Fund into the General  
23 Fund, and that would do a couple of different things.  
24 Number one, because of the way you're structured,  
25 it's not really considered an enterprise fund,

1       because there are charges for the services that you  
2       provide at the Marina and Carousel. They were not  
3       designed to cover all the cash flow needs, and,  
4       therefore, you needed the subsidization from the  
5       General Fund. Because of that, we're recommending  
6       that you move the accounts, and I think Robert might  
7       have addressed this last week. What that will do for  
8       you, it will cut down on a lot of administrative work  
9       and accounting, and help you out a little bit more  
10      with your budgeting. You don't have to worry about  
11      transfers being made back and forth.

12               So that was one of the recommendations we had  
13      made as part of the audit, and I think you should  
14      strongly consider doing that. And if Robert and the  
15      Treasurer's Office needs any help with some of the  
16      accounting to consolidate that, we're here to help  
17      them with those questions.

18               MAYOR NYCE: We are. That's on the agenda for  
19      tonight, for later on. But just as a little  
20      disclaimer, as you and I have discussed over the  
21      years, there was never any authorizing resolution for  
22      a fund being the Rec. Fund. At some point, between  
23      accounting firms, this fund was set up and now has to  
24      be un-set up officially --

25               MR. FREITAG: Yes.

1           MAYOR NYCE: -- by action of the Board, even  
2 though it was done initially just as an internal  
3 accounting effort to make sure that the operating  
4 costs at -- in the Recreation Fund funded those own  
5 -- their own enterprises, absent the debt from the  
6 park.

7           MR. FREITAG: Exactly, yeah.

8           MAYOR NYCE: So what we end up having to do now  
9 is a long, drawn out process of undoing the fund that  
10 was never set up, which will help us with the  
11 accounting into the future. So, yeah, absolutely.

12          MR. FREITAG: Okay.

13          MAYOR NYCE: And, yeah, it will all be in. And  
14 it will be set up in the budget going forward, much  
15 like the Fire Department or the Road Department.

16          MR. FREITAG: Exactly.

17          MAYOR NYCE: It will be its own -- its own set  
18 of numbers identifying it as a Rec. Department within  
19 the General Fund.

20          MR. FREITAG: And you will. There'll be  
21 complete transparency, and you will be able to see  
22 all those transactions. It will still be part of the  
23 budget. It's just that it will be less tedious in  
24 worrying about moving money back and forth between  
25 the funds.

1           MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely.

2           MR. FREITAG: It's very, very simple. I'm  
3 assuming your software can handle that.

4           MR. BRANDT: (Nodded yes.)

5           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Bill, before you go on,  
6 though, it's my understanding that by combining that  
7 back into the general budget, we're not dealing with  
8 accounting for depreciation in the Rec. Fund anymore?

9           MR. FREITAG: No. What happens is, is -- yes.  
10 Okay. The assets, the fixed assets that belong to  
11 the Recreation Fund will be like considered very  
12 similar to the fixed assets of a Highway Department,  
13 okay? You have a separate fund that's called the  
14 General Fixed Assets of the Village, which are all  
15 the fixed assets that are not enterprise fund based.  
16 So you will continue to maintain Electric fixed  
17 assets, Water Fund fixed assets, Sewer Fund fixed  
18 assets, that get depreciated and should -- and that  
19 depreciation should be recovered by the rates for  
20 those services.

21           So, for example, in the Electric Utility, the  
22 Power Authority designs your rates that your  
23 customers pay at a very -- a small piece of that rate  
24 to the customers is for depreciation expense. And  
25 what's supposed to happen is, is that you're supposed

1 to take that very small piece of every customer's  
2 bill and you put it aside in a depreciation cash  
3 reserve fund to help you finance future fixed asset  
4 purchases.

5 The Village will continue to, as it does,  
6 depreciate highway equipment and Fire Department  
7 equipment. It will do the exact same thing for the  
8 Recreation. You will still be maintaining those  
9 records to devalue that, but it will not be entered  
10 into the determination of the General Fund's net  
11 income for the year.

12 MAYOR NYCE: Right.

13 MR. FREITAG: Okay?

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you.

15 MR. FREITAG: A little bit of a quirky thing in  
16 governmental accounting is you don't make the account  
17 for depreciation in the General Fund.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. Thank you very much.

19 MR. FREITAG: Okay. In regards to the next and  
20 the last enterprise fund that you have for 2014 was  
21 the Sewer Fund. A similar conversation that we had  
22 last year to a little bit of a greater degree,  
23 though. The Sewer Fund reported a \$340,000 net loss  
24 in fiscal 2014, as compared to \$120,000 net loss in  
25 the prior year.

1           Going on the same thing that we were chatting  
2 about in the Recreation Fund, if you were to remove  
3 the \$340,000 of depreciation expense from your Profit  
4 and Loss Statement, you're basically right at a  
5 break-even from a cash standpoint. Again, a very  
6 similar concept and end conversation that we had with  
7 the Recreation Fund.

8           Your rates are covering you from a cash flow  
9 perspective. However, what it's not doing for you,  
10 and similar to my conversation with the Electric  
11 Utility just a few seconds ago, is that it's not  
12 allowing you to generate cash reserves for the future  
13 replacement of your fixed assets. So there is no  
14 doubt that down the road, if you were to do anything  
15 of size in the Sewer Fund, you would most likely have  
16 to finance that. So, as your system starts to  
17 devalue, you're not really recognizing that devaluing  
18 through your rates, because you're not -- you're not  
19 being able to put the cash away for that reserve.

20           MAYOR NYCE: And for clarity sake, the reason  
21 the depreciation is so high is because we're basing  
22 it on the value of a brand new plant that we just  
23 completed.

24           MR. FREITAG: Exactly.

25           MAYOR NYCE: So depreciation level is that

1 high. And so what you're suggesting is the upcoming  
2 Board should look at rates and potentially set rates  
3 such that it covers the depreciation, as well as the  
4 operating expenses.

5 MR. FREITAG: And a good point, and to dovetail  
6 on that, you are sitting on about \$800,000 in the  
7 Sewer Fund in terms of cash, and what that represents  
8 is about seven months of operations. So you are  
9 ahead of the game. There are some cash reserves in  
10 there from an operational standpoint, and because you  
11 have a very new plant, your wish list is that you're  
12 not going to have those capital improvements that  
13 need to be made in a short-term period, and,  
14 therefore, you should be to get through. But it is  
15 something to monitor as you go forward every year  
16 when you do your budgets, and every year as you do  
17 your budgets --

18 MAYOR NYCE: Is someone beeping?

19 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Not me.

20 MR. FREITAG: It might be coming from the  
21 back-back.

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's probably in the back of  
23 the room.

24 MAYOR NYCE: I think it's in the Firehouse.

25 All right.

1           MR. FREITAG: So just to -- as you do your  
2 budgets every year, what you want to do is just  
3 monitor where that is, along where your cash balances  
4 stand, okay? Not to say that you need to go out and  
5 raise sewer rates today, you don't have to do that,  
6 but it's something to monitor as you go forward. And  
7 you do want to recover some of that depreciation  
8 expense every year.

9           MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely.

10          MR. FREITAG: Okay? The last big fund that the  
11 Village has, as far as an operational type fund, is  
12 the General Fund. And information from the General  
13 Fund is on Page 15 and, I believe, 16 of your 47-page  
14 report there.

15          The General Fund operated for 2014 at a  
16 surplus, basically saying that your revenue is  
17 greater than your expenditures for the year by about  
18 \$730,000. How did that happen? Well, during Fiscal  
19 Year 2014, and there is a page in this report here  
20 way in the back, I think it's on Page 46, that  
21 basically takes you from your budget, your original  
22 adopted budget, to your modified budget, to actual,  
23 and then it strikes a favorable or unfavorable  
24 variance.

25          In 2014, you had a \$260,000 favorable variance

1 on your revenue side. So it basically said that you  
2 generated more revenue than you expected in your  
3 budget and in your modified budget. Most of that was  
4 -- or, actually, most of that, those dollars were in  
5 the section that was called Rental of Real Property  
6 category, that was on the revenue side.

7 On the expenditure side, you had even better  
8 results. Your expenditures were -- your actual  
9 expenditures were actually \$500,000 less than your  
10 budgeted amount, and a good part of that was in two  
11 different areas, in the public safety area, and also,  
12 more significantly, in the employee benefits cost  
13 category. So you put the two items together, a  
14 \$200,000 favorable variance on the revenue side,  
15 \$500,000, and that created your net income of about  
16 \$700,000 for the year.

17 At May 31st, 2014, the General Fund had about a  
18 million dollars of outstanding bonds, and they will  
19 expire over the years 2020 to 2042. The General Fund  
20 is in nice financial position as of the end of May  
21 2014.

22 Your fund balances totaled \$3 1/2 million at  
23 the end of May 2014; 1.6 is restricted or earmarked,  
24 and 1.7 -- 1.7 million dollars is unrestricted and  
25 could be used for future budgets.

1           One of the things that we made a comment in our  
2 management letter to the Board was because your fund  
3 balances are looking fairly healthy in the General  
4 Fund, you may want to establish some reserves in  
5 terms of rate stabilization, property tax  
6 stabilization funds. These are just suggestions.  
7 The reason is, is because the Office of the State  
8 Comptroller, when they see General Funds having  
9 increasing fund balances, and especially increasing  
10 unrestricted fund balances, they tend to say, you  
11 know, what is it that you can reserve some of this  
12 money for, or some of this fund balance for, for  
13 future infrastructure improvements or to pay down the  
14 debt. So one of the things that, as a byproduct of  
15 the audit, our management letter was just making some  
16 comments, saying that you've hit that point where you  
17 may want to start to consider setting up reserves for  
18 the future.

19           MAYOR NYCE: At our last Audit Committee, we  
20 discussed it at length, and informed the Treasurer  
21 that years ago we set up a debt reserve account, and  
22 that anything above our cash flow or our fund balance  
23 policy, anything above that at the end of fiscal  
24 years was to flow into that debt reserve account  
25 until such time that all the debt is defeased, at

1       which point we could set up an additional reserve  
2       account for future projects. So that money should  
3       have been transferred at this point to that account.

4               MR. FREITAG: Good.

5               MAYOR NYCE: Anything above the amount, as the  
6       Board set up years ago, anything above that fund  
7       balance policy would flow into the debt reserve  
8       account, therefore, to pay down debt. And then,  
9       again, if it increases to the point where we have  
10      more in the reserve than we have actually debt, which  
11      would be lovely, then you could set up an additional  
12      account for further infrastructure needs.

13              MR. FREITAG: And that purely is a -- it's very  
14      subjective decisions of where you want to be.  
15      There's no calculations. It's how risk-tolerant you  
16      are.

17              MAYOR NYCE: Right.

18              MR. FREITAG: And it's purely subjective on  
19      behalf of governments.

20              MAYOR NYCE: We've worked with Munistat to set  
21      certain levels, and they've set up certain guidelines  
22      for us, which we've used over the last seven years,  
23      which we're fairly comfortable with.

24              MR. FREITAG: Good group. In regards to just  
25      some other side comments here and things that you

1       should be aware of, because your cash deposits are --  
2       you're basically holding the public's money in trust,  
3       one of your requirements is that all the cash that is  
4       ever held on deposit at any given time during the  
5       course of the year is fully secured and  
6       collateralized. And as part of our audit every year,  
7       and as it is stated in your financial statements, the  
8       Village's cash deposits that were on hand with all  
9       your banks were all fully collateralized by either  
10      the FDIC insurance during the year, or governmental  
11      securities that were pledged by the outside bank. So  
12      you were fully collateralized, fully covered, and met  
13      the requirement there.

14             The total debt of the Village sits at -- all  
15      funds, sits at \$11.7 million as of May 31st, 2014.  
16      That includes about \$8 million in bonds, almost  
17      \$2 million in State loans for the sewer project. And  
18      the other thing is you have another \$2.1 million  
19      dollars in what's called the OPEB Liability. That's  
20      the health, retiree health liability that every year  
21      you have determined by an actuary. When that -- as  
22      we said a couple of years ago, when you put this on  
23      your books, that's a big liability. That's way out  
24      in the future, because it takes into consideration  
25      current employees that are working and earning that

1 right, but also people who already retired that are  
2 receiving that right. So that's a big number, but  
3 that's included in the 11.7 million dollars.

4 Your debt limit as a Village is just shy of  
5 \$32 million, so you're only out about 30%, which is  
6 very, very good.

7 During January 2014, and we made a comment  
8 about this at last year's meeting, Moody's did raise  
9 your bond rating from A1 to Aa3. And some of the  
10 things that were cited for that increase was a very  
11 conservative approach to budget management, sound  
12 cash reserves, which you actually enhanced in 2014.  
13 And as we just were chatting about the debt, they  
14 considered that the Village of Greenport had a very  
15 modest debt profile, with a caveat that there's a  
16 quick paydown.

17 So, you put those three things together, and  
18 even though you have a limited ability to raise more  
19 taxes and things like that, you had a very positive  
20 outlook, which enabled them to increase the bond  
21 rating, which, as you go and borrow money in the  
22 future, you get better rates. It also would help you  
23 out also in the electric utility, because the Power  
24 Authority, when they design rates and they calculate  
25 your rate of return, because your bond rating is a

1 little bit higher, they actually give you a bump in  
2 the rate of return. Public Service Commission, who  
3 regulate some of the utilities in the State, also do  
4 the same thing. They're looking for those higher  
5 bond ratings.

6 So, as far as 2014 is concerned, that's all I  
7 have to offer in this presentation. We do appreciate  
8 the opportunity to do the work, and to meet with you.  
9 We are in a lot of contact with your Treasurer's  
10 Office during the course of the year. Rob and  
11 Stephen do a very nice job. We chat quite a bit  
12 during the year. But as the year-end gets closer,  
13 we're in constant communication, and it's been --  
14 it's been a nice engagement for this year. So we  
15 appreciate it. Congratulations to everybody.

16 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you.

17 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Thank you.

18 MR. FREITAG: Thank you very much.

19 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thank you.

20 MAYOR NYCE: Bill, I'd like to express my  
21 thanks as well. My first conversation with Bill,  
22 after I got elected, was telling him we would not be  
23 hiring him that year, because I was going to bring in  
24 a different accounting firm, to which he responded  
25 that he would be here for the Electric, because the

1 Power Authority had required I, so I backed up. And  
2 when he was here that first time, we had a very good  
3 working relationship. Your firm has done a wonderful  
4 job for the Village, and I want to thank you for what  
5 you've done. You've made my life quite a bit easier.

6 MR. FREITAG: Okay. Appreciate that. Thanks,  
7 folks. Thank you.

8 MAYOR NYCE: You don't have to stick around for  
9 the rest of it.

10 (Laughter)

11 There are two other notifications here prior to  
12 getting into the two public hearings we have.

13 There are liquor license applications. The  
14 Cheese Emporium, 208 Main Street, and American Beech  
15 Restaurant at 309 Main Street have both applied for  
16 either a renewal of or a new liquor license.

17 Which brings us to our first public hearing of  
18 the evening, is a Wetland Permit application for  
19 En-Consultants for Oyster Point Condominiums. They  
20 are here.

21 I would state that this public hearing was  
22 properly noticed. Anyone wishing to comment can do  
23 so at this time and their comments will be taken down  
24 for the record.

25 We have our response from the CAC on this. I

1 note there's -- that's in this package.

2 As a representative for the applicant, we  
3 generally allow them to speak first, then we'll open  
4 it up to the public.

5 MR. CROWLEY: Okay. Ian Crowley, on behalf of  
6 En-Consultants, on behalf of Oyster Point. We got  
7 the recommendations only on Friday from the CAC, so  
8 we didn't have a lot of time.

9 The things that I feel are connected to the  
10 construction of the bulkhead, I don't think anybody  
11 has a problem with. I think the one sticking point  
12 is going to be the gutters on the buildings. I think  
13 that's a pretty onerous request tied to this permit.

14 And Dick spoke to Mike Acebo, who -- there are  
15 some drains along the building. There's no  
16 gutters -- I mean, but there are some gutters. There  
17 aren't gutters everywhere, but there are like gravel  
18 and planting areas in the drip line that kind of  
19 catch it. And if you -- you know, it's real -- it's  
20 not deep, the water there, so there's not really many  
21 places you can go with water. So, if you put dry  
22 wells in, it's just going to be further towards the  
23 bay area. You're going to tear the whole place up to  
24 bring it up into the parking lot, which is, you  
25 know -- we're going to get a cost estimate on it, but

1 I think it's a lot to ask --

2 MAYOR NYCE: Okay.

3 MR. CROWLEY: -- tied to this. But I think  
4 everything else, the pumpout they're prepared to do.  
5 They've already gotten pricing on it to tie it to the  
6 sewer. The pool backwash I think we've confirmed  
7 goes into the sewer.

8 MR. KOSSMANN: Yes.

9 MR. CROWLEY: It does go into the sewer. And  
10 the buffer we don't have a problem with at all.

11 MAYOR NYCE: Terrific. Okay.

12 MR. CROWLEY: As you guys proposed.

13 MAYOR NYCE: Okay. We'll take some comments  
14 from the public, if there are any, and then we  
15 can work on the rest of it as we go.

16 MR. CROWLEY: Okay. Thank you.

17 MAYOR NYCE: Is there anyone from the public  
18 who wishes to address the Board on this wetlands  
19 permit?

20 (No response.)

21 MAYOR NYCE: If not, then just offer -- if  
22 someone would offer a motion to close that public  
23 hearing, or does anyone have any other comments?

24 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: No. I offer a motion to  
25 close the public hearing.

1 TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'll second that.

2 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

7 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

8 Any opposed or abstentions?

9 (No response.)

10 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries. I'll ask the  
11 Clerk to place it on the agenda for next month for  
12 the Board's consideration.

13 And I would ask the applicants, or the  
14 representative for the applicants, if you have an  
15 alternative that might come close to meeting -- I  
16 know you can't do the gutters, but if you have some  
17 other alternative you want to propose --

18 MR. CROWLEY: Well, it's not that we can't.  
19 I'm sorry.

20 MR. KOSSMANN: We already have the alternative  
21 done.

22 MAYOR NYCE: Oh, you do?

23 MR. KOSSMANN: Yes. And I have pictures, if  
24 you want see pictures.

25 MR. CROWLEY: Dick has some pictures of, you

1 know, the gravel.

2 MAYOR NYCE: What I was going to say, if you  
3 can make those known to the Village Administrator --

4 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

5 MAYOR NYCE: -- prior to next month's meeting,  
6 so the Board --

7 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

8 MAYOR NYCE: -- when they're discussing it,  
9 they have -- they have all of that information.

10 MR. CROWLEY: Okay. And maybe we can make them  
11 wider or something, but there's really --

12 MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely. That's all we're  
13 suggesting.

14 MR. CROWLEY: There's really nowhere to go with  
15 the water.

16 MAYOR NYCE: So the conversation continues,  
17 rather than just dead-ending there.

18 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

19 MAYOR NYCE: All right?

20 MR. CROWLEY: Very good. Thank you.

21 MR. KOSSMANN: I'll also say that this was  
22 approved when the condos were built 30 years ago and  
23 it's been that way ever since.

24 MAYOR NYCE: Understood. All right. So --

25 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Can I give you guys a

1 recommendation?

2 MR. CROWLEY: Sure.

3 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Just to get with the new  
4 Trustees before the next meeting.

5 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

6 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Just give them a --

7 MR. CROWLEY: How would we get that done, work  
8 session or something?

9 MAYOR NYCE: Through the Village Clerk.

10 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Through the Village Clerk.

11 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

12 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Just to get them up on speed  
13 so it's not delayed.

14 MR. CROWLEY: Okay.

15 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Just a suggestion.

16 MR. CROWLEY: Thank you for that.

17 TRUSTEE MURRAY: I won't be able to vote for  
18 you, Ian. I'm going to want some of the work,  
19 though. Just kidding.

20 (Laughter)

21 MAYOR NYCE: Our next public hearing is a  
22 public hearing on the proposed rules and regulations  
23 concerning Public Assembly Permits in Mitchell Park.  
24 This public hearing was properly noticed. Anyone  
25 wishing to comment can do so now at this time. And I

1 would ask that anyone does, please come to the  
2 podium, state your name and address for the record,  
3 and the comments will be taken down by the Clerk.  
4 Anyone wish to address the word Board on this item?

5 MR. SWISKEY: William Swiskey, 184 Fifth  
6 Street.

7 Just one comment. Does this Board have a plan  
8 that they're proposing to put forward, or is --  
9 you're taking -- still taking comments? You don't  
10 have a plan yet?

11 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Okay. I'll answer that one,  
12 because I'm the one who brought it up. Over the past  
13 month, with everything else going on, I did not have  
14 time to put the whole plan together. So I'll  
15 apologize for that. I said last month I'd have it  
16 here and I did not.

17 MR. SWISKEY: Well, then I would just ask that  
18 you postpone this hearing until next month so we can  
19 see the plan, and then we can comment on it, which  
20 would be good. I appreciate it, George.

21 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Okay, good.

22 MR. SWISKEY: Thank you.

23 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: But if anybody has any  
24 additional comments to take that, we'll consider all  
25 that. But I said we would have something in writing,

1 and with the election, and campaigning, and  
2 petitions, I ran out of time and did not get it done,  
3 so I'll take the fall for that one.

4 If anybody -- any input, please, give us -- let  
5 us have it now, so we can try to get this finished up.

6 MS. WILHELM: Rena Wilhelm, Sterling Avenue.  
7 Like really, really quick.

8 When you get the permit applications in, you  
9 don't have to accept all of those, right, or no? If  
10 you have -- if you have like stipulations, like we  
11 were talking last time, about it's culturally  
12 relevant, those kinds of things, and if all of that  
13 passes and it's still -- like if you're vetting for  
14 like -- when we do the Maritime Festival and we're  
15 looking for vendors, not everything is appropriate.  
16 And so do you have to accept the application?

17 MAYOR NYCE: Yes.

18 MS. WILHELM: You have to?

19 MAYOR NYCE: That's what brought this whole  
20 thing up.

21 MS. WILHELM: You have to.

22 MAYOR NYCE: The Board wanted to deny someone  
23 and we were threatened with legal action, at which  
24 point the Village Attorney informed us we were in an  
25 indefensible position. That's what brought up the

1 entire conversation. If we offer Mass Public  
2 Assembly Permits, if you have -- you have a right to  
3 apply, and there are only very limited instances  
4 within which we can deny that application.

5 MS. WILHELM: Okay. So like if two people  
6 wanted the park at the same time, that's --

7 MAYOR NYCE: We could limit the number of  
8 people.

9 MS. WILHELM: Right.

10 MAYOR NYCE: We could limit the number of  
11 applications.

12 MS. WILHELM: Okay.

13 MAYOR NYCE: But we still --

14 MS. WILHELM: But you have to say yes.

15 MAYOR NYCE: Then you would take them on a  
16 first-come-first-serve basis.

17 MS. WILHELM: Got it, right.

18 MAYOR NYCE: Right, exactly.

19 MS. WILHELM: Okay. Thank you.

20 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you. Is there anyone else  
21 who wishes to address the Board on Mass Public  
22 Assembly Permits?

23 MS. ALLEN: Chatty Allen, Fifth Avenue. This  
24 is just a side note to what you're talking about. I  
25 know the problem that had arose. I don't know if it

1           could be put in that you have to be not just a member  
2           of Greenport Village, but Southold Town, that might  
3           cut out some of these other organizations coming from  
4           up west.

5           MAYOR NYCE: I don't think we can limit it that  
6           way.

7           MS. ALLEN: No. That's why I'm saying, that if  
8           there's a way that you could.

9           MAYOR NYCE: (Shook head no.)

10          MS. ALLEN: You know, I don't know how Mitchell  
11          Park is actually regulated, if it's considered a  
12          State or a Village park --

13          MAYOR NYCE: State park.

14          MS. ALLEN: -- if you would have that authority  
15          to say Southold Town comes first.

16          MAYOR NYCE: Thanks. We --

17          MS. ALLEN: I agree with it being appropriate  
18          from the itty-bittys to the ones above me.

19          MAYOR NYCE: Thank you.

20          TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Thank you.

21          MAYOR NYCE: Anyone else who wishes to comment  
22          on this?

23          (No response.)

24          MAYOR NYCE: If not, I guess I'd entertain a  
25          motion to adjourn this until next month.

1 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Yes.

2 MAYOR NYCE: Is that what you want to do?

3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Yes. A motion to adjourn the  
4 public hearing until next month, and we will take it  
5 up. And we're going to try to get this settled  
6 before the summer starts, which I had said last  
7 month.

8 MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely.

9 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: I failed my homework  
10 assignment, because I gave it to everybody else and I  
11 failed.

12 MAYOR NYCE: Put a frown face on the top of  
13 your agenda.

14 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Yes. I don't get a gold  
15 star, sorry.

16 MAYOR NYCE: So we have a motion to adjourn  
17 until next month.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'll second.

19 MAYOR NYCE: Seconded by Trustee Phillips. All  
20 those in favor?

21 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

25 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

1 Any opposed or abstentions.

2 (No response.)

3 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries. That would  
4 bring us to the public portion. Anyone wishing to  
5 address the Board can do so at this time.

6 MS. GORDON: I'm Dinni Gordon, 152 Sixth  
7 Street.

8 The Village Board has requested comment on the  
9 increased use of short term rentals. This is a short  
10 version of a memo I had written and sent to members  
11 of the Village Board, the Code Committee, the  
12 Planning Board and the ZBA to contribute to the  
13 public discussion. This is really just a start to  
14 collect information and provide at least a little bit  
15 of contribution to the discussion as we develop some  
16 sort of approach.

17 When I first heard about Airbnb, I understood  
18 it to be an opportunity for the homeowner who had an  
19 extra bedroom and could rent it out for short periods  
20 as a source of extra income. This seemed to me an  
21 unobjectionable use of underutilized space, though  
22 there would certainly be questions about whether the  
23 hosts were paying taxes on the income received and  
24 abiding by lease conditions, if they were renters  
25 rather than owners. But the sharing, so-called

1 sharing community, facilitated by the network as  
2 today's great communicator, expands the original  
3 concept to take the much broader range of short-term  
4 rentals. So my report is about short-term rentals,  
5 not about Airbnb as such. Whole houses can be rented  
6 out and the host need not be present.

7 I have learned that other jurisdictions are  
8 raising concerns about this exploding industry. The  
9 issues generally include the potential of disruption  
10 to residential neighborhoods from added noise,  
11 parking congestion and security lapses, the threat of  
12 unfair competition to legitimate businesses that  
13 provide lodging and are subject to its regulations,  
14 insurance and taxes that don't apply to short-term  
15 rentals, the reduction in the stock of affordable  
16 housing at a time when the middle class is struggling  
17 and the poor are shut out of most housing options,  
18 and, finally, concerns for public safety due to  
19 overcrowding, lack of regulations to protect health  
20 and safety, and lack of appropriate insurance.

21 Greenport is so tiny that it may seem that  
22 these concerns are not relevant. But I have  
23 concluded that they are, at least some of them and in  
24 some ways.

25 Good information about the extent of short-term

1 rentals in the Village is lacking. So I set out to  
2 get at least a partial look, and I emphasize that  
3 it's just partial, at who is trying to rent what  
4 kinds of space. I looked at three websites,  
5 Airbnb.com, homeaway.com, and vrbo.com. And my  
6 conclusions are based on 30 listings for Greenport  
7 Village, and a little bit outside of the Village, but  
8 still within what we all think of as Greenport, which  
9 was fewer than the total number of properties listed,  
10 but there were some overlaps I wasn't sure about. So  
11 these 30 I was sure of. Here's some of what I have  
12 learned:

13 One, the Greenport experience does not  
14 generally conform to the image of a single person or  
15 family with an extra room to let on occasion. Only  
16 one host, a local resident residing in a house,  
17 listed a single room. Six apartments were listed,  
18 including a condo, but only two were in  
19 owner-occupied buildings. So 23 out of the 30  
20 properties listed were whole houses, generally with  
21 two bedrooms, though a few had six or seven. A few  
22 rentals were outside the Village proper, on North  
23 Road or in the neighborhood near 67 Steps. But the  
24 majority were houses in residential Village  
25 neighborhoods, on Central Avenue, Second Street,

1 Carpenter Street, etcetera.

2 Two, the majority of these houses were owned by  
3 people who live in New York City or elsewhere,  
4 Maryland, Westchester County, Los Angeles, and who  
5 apparently do not spend time in Greenport. I think  
6 this was the thing that surprised me the most.

7 Three, rentals vary in price upwards of \$200  
8 per night. Most hosts required a minimum stay of two  
9 nights, though a few indicate that one night is  
10 enough. Comments left by renters on the websites  
11 were generally very positive. Many guests said they  
12 found Greenport charming, and their accommodations  
13 comfortable, and they hoped to come back soon.

14 My fact-finding has led me to the conclusion  
15 that most, not all, of Greenport hosts are investors  
16 who have no stake in the community, other than its  
17 potential for short-term profits or from -- excuse  
18 me -- short-term rentals. Without question, the new  
19 industry is a boon for the traveler, who, for reasons  
20 of cultural curiosity or financial constraint, would  
21 prefer spending a week or a weekend in the atmosphere  
22 of a home, rather than in a hotel or official B&B.  
23 And there are certainly some benefits for the  
24 Village, as this relatively new tourist population  
25 spends money here.

1           But, surely, Greenport residents will find some  
2 problems, too. Much more public discussion is needed  
3 to determine which of many competing and  
4 complementary values we cherish most. At stake,  
5 among others, are neighborhood peace and quiet,  
6 safety and security for visitors, a fair playing  
7 field for businesses that provide traditional  
8 regulated lodging, Village tax revenue, and the  
9 availability of longer term rental inventory for  
10 people who live in Greenport.

11           As we move forward in considering this issue,  
12 it will be useful to look at how other jurisdictions  
13 have handled it. The longer version of this memo  
14 provides a few examples, and a serious inquiry would  
15 uncover many more, I think.

16           A recent article about short-term rentals in  
17 New York City noted that, "A city in which 8.7  
18 million people live cheek by jowl is a delicate  
19 ecosystem." So in a different way is a tiny village,  
20 where knowing your neighbors, preserving rental  
21 housing and protecting businesses that operate under  
22 the law are all important values.

23           So this is my general introduction, I think, to  
24 this discussion that I'm sure we will have for many  
25 months. And if there are people who want the longer

1 version of my memo, just let me know and I will email  
2 it to you. I've sent it to everybody in the front of  
3 the room, including Sylvia, who maybe that would be  
4 an easy way to get -- either to get the memo from me  
5 or from her. Thank you very much.

6 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you.

7 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Thank you.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you very much, Dinni.

9 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thank you very much for your  
10 thoughtful time you spent on that.

11 MAYOR NYCE: Is there anyone else who wishes to  
12 address the Board?

13 MR. SWISKEY: William Swiskey, 184 Fifth  
14 Street. A couple of agenda items first.

15 I remember a couple of years ago we took all  
16 the parks and everything else, the mooring fees, and  
17 we threw them all into the Recreation Fund, because  
18 that was recreation we were going to keep. Now,  
19 suddenly, we're just reversing that whole process and  
20 actually destroying the Recreation Fund.

21 And, basically, I just have a sneaky feeling,  
22 because there's 500 and some thousand dollars left  
23 from the Mitchell Park money, that's to pay the bond  
24 that runs out in 2024 on the park, and, well, what  
25 your Ex-Treasurer, Charlene Kagel, says, about 2018

1       you run out of money to pay, that money is gone. And  
2       the fund doesn't make enough to pay the 300 and some  
3       thousand dollar bond that you refinanced.

4               So, basically, I got a feeling that we're just  
5       doing this to be able to reach into the General Fund  
6       without telling the public what we're doing and pay  
7       off that debt. Now I don't think that's really this  
8       great openness of government that we all have been  
9       addressing in the last campaign, and everything else.  
10      And it really struck me when Bill Freitag stood here  
11      and recommended -- well, he was the one that  
12      recommended, actually, that we take these other  
13      accounts and put them into the Recreation Fund.

14             MAYOR NYCE: No.

15             MR. SWISKEY: David, I've been to every  
16      meeting. That's what he did, all right?

17             MAYOR NYCE: But, Bill, it's okay for you to be  
18      wrong.

19             MR. SWISKEY: Oh, yes. So I understand, I'm  
20      always wrong, David. But anyway --

21             MAYOR NYCE: No, not always.

22             MR. SWISKEY: Anyway, it's like basically we're  
23      running out of money in two years to pay the Mitchell  
24      Park debt, right?

25             MAYOR NYCE: Untrue.

1           MR. SWISKEY: Untrue. Where is it going to  
2 come from?

3           MAYOR NYCE: Reserve for Debt Account.

4           MR. SWISKEY: Reserve for Debt Account. That  
5 means you're going to take money that could be used  
6 to fix roads --

7           MAYOR NYCE: No.

8           MR. SWISKEY: -- that we have in our bank  
9 account.

10          MAYOR NYCE: Money that is set in reserve to  
11 pay down debt.

12          MR. SWISKEY: I don't know where you're going  
13 to get the money for that, though. Where --

14          MAYOR NYCE: It's in the Reserve for Debt  
15 Account.

16          MR. SWISKEY: And where is the Reserve for Debt  
17 Account money coming from? It's not coming from the  
18 park.

19          MAYOR NYCE: It's coming from the account. I  
20 just answered your question.

21          MR. SWISKEY: No, I don't understand. Maybe  
22 I'm simple. I don't understand your answer

23          MAYOR NYCE: Then, fine, you don't understand  
24 the answer.

25          MR. SWISKEY: Because, if you take the

1 financial for the Recreation Fund, it's a  
2 money-loser. There's no -- been no profit in it ever  
3 since it was put together. Now, when you put a  
4 reserve for debt -- and if I remember what Freitag  
5 said, he said take part of your fund balance, which  
6 is generated by not spending money on Fifth Street  
7 Park, or other parks, and that \$40,000 extra went  
8 into your fund balance. So, basically, what you're  
9 doing is you didn't spend money on these other things  
10 to create this balance so you can pay off the park  
11 debt. But I won't go too far into that, that's for  
12 the next generation of Trustees and Mayor to figure  
13 out, and I'm sure that George will.

14 All right. The next thing that really bothers  
15 me is there's been a lot of talk about this Tall Ship  
16 thing, and going back and forth, and everybody -- no  
17 money has been spent. But there have been e-mails  
18 between Trustees and private individuals that we  
19 actually have eight ships coming. Six of them we  
20 have to sign contracts with. So we already signed  
21 one with the Hermione, which was 50 grand, so -- and  
22 tonight we have an item on the agenda about Showclix,  
23 or a ticketing service. So how much money are we  
24 actually committed for? And maybe we haven't signed  
25 contracts yet, but how much money are we actually

1 committed for?

2 MAYOR NYCE: We'll go through this again.  
3 There is a \$276,000 budget for that event, of which  
4 there will be \$276,000 raised either through ticket  
5 prices or sponsorship.

6 MR. SWISKEY: That wasn't the question. How  
7 much are we committed for to spend?

8 MAYOR NYCE: As much as we commit to spend.  
9 The Board has authorized a budget of \$276,000 for the  
10 event, of which those expenses will be covered by the  
11 sale of tickets and sponsorships.

12 MR. SWISKEY: How much have we spent already?

13 MAYOR NYCE: We've signed a contract with Tall  
14 Ships America and Hermione.

15 MR. SWISKEY: And for how much?

16 MAYOR NYCE: For \$50,000.

17 MR. SWISKEY: I mean, getting figures, I  
18 shouldn't have to pull teeth to get figures.

19 MAYOR NYCE: You're not pulling teeth. This  
20 has been said at every meeting since December.

21 MR. SWISKEY: I'm not going to argue with you,  
22 David, not on your last night.

23 MAYOR NYCE: You usually do. Why would tonight  
24 be an exception?

25 MR. SWISKEY: Not on your last night. I mean,

1 I'm not going to go into it. But let's go to one  
2 last item, and maybe somebody else will address the  
3 Tall Ships.

4 I have here a FOIL that I put in, oh, way back  
5 in -- because this has to do with the Light Plant --  
6 back on February 26th for the A & F report on our  
7 totally successful Phase I upgrade at the Light Plant  
8 that we had to hire A & F to do a study to find out  
9 what went wrong. And it was my understanding from  
10 Mr. Pallas, and other things that were said at  
11 meetings, that this report would be ready by the  
12 middle of February. Well, the first response, when I  
13 put it in on February 26th, and I would have  
14 expected, if it was ready, I would get it the next  
15 day, but that's not the way things work in the  
16 Village. So, basically, I got a response about five,  
17 eight days later that I would get this response on  
18 March 20th, two days after the election, but that  
19 doesn't matter. Now, today, I get this thing. The  
20 date now expected for your response is March 27th. I  
21 mean -- and then I have another one here that's the  
22 same thing.

23 I mean, I know for a fact that summonses were  
24 issued for the Smoked Fish place, so that should be  
25 easy. You should be able to go to the Building

1 Inspector, "Give me copies of these," and then email  
2 them to Mr. Swiskey. This one, I finally got an  
3 acknowledgement. Today is what? What's today, the  
4 21st, 22nd?

5 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Twenty-third.

6 MR. SWISKEY: All right. Well, I put it on  
7 March 16th, so I finally get an acknowledgment today,  
8 and then I can't even get the information until March  
9 30th. Now I understand that with the previous  
10 Administration, information was hard to get, but,  
11 George and the new Trustees, I'd appreciate if you'd  
12 do something about it. Thank you.

13 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you.

14 MS. ZEMSKY: Hi. I'm Dena Zemsky. I live at  
15 306 Sixth Street.

16 I just want to talk a little bit your film  
17 permit thing, which I think it's great you guys are  
18 doing that. Can I just -- I've been in the film  
19 business for many, many years and I do permits all  
20 the time, and there's a few things in here that are  
21 unrealistic and will make things a little harder for  
22 you to make the permit process go easily and make  
23 money for the Village.

24 So the first thing I see is, you know,  
25 nonprofit is kind of a big, big umbrella. There's

1       some very big companies that are nonprofit, and I  
2       don't think that you definitely have to exclude all  
3       nonprofits from paying a permit fee.

4               MAYOR NYCE: Okay.

5               MS. ZEMSKY: I think it can be a sliding scale,  
6       if you'd like. But there are some huge organizations  
7       that are still -- still have the nonprofit umbrella  
8       on them, and \$500 is not really a lot of money, and  
9       some of them would be fine. There will be others who  
10      you can say 200. I mean, you can do a sliding scale,  
11      but I don't think you really have to eliminate --

12              MAYOR NYCE: Right.

13              MS. ZEMSKY: -- all nonprofits from paying a  
14      fee to shoot here.

15              The other thing is the 30-day prior is really  
16      unrealistic. I mean, on a big movie film, 30 days  
17      might be realistic, but on many of the shoots that  
18      I've brought to the Village, and all through  
19      Southold, and Orient, and all the places that I've  
20      brought film shoots here, two weeks or less is -- I  
21      mean, Southold gives me two weeks, and they often  
22      give me a waiver on the two weeks, because a lot of  
23      jobs come up last minute. So 30 days, maybe for a  
24      big film shoot you have that window, but for 60, 70%  
25      of the jobs, you don't have 30 days. You know, a job

1 comes up, it comes in, and so I think you have to be  
2 a little flexible on that. I can say two weeks --

3 MAYOR NYCE: I think that was the intent.

4 MS. ZEMSKY: Huh?

5 MAYOR NYCE: And not to interrupt, I think that  
6 was the intent, that we were setting up the law to do  
7 the bigger projects, and then a waiver would be  
8 allowable for smaller projects.

9 MS. ZEMSKY: Yeah. But I think when people go  
10 online and they see that --

11 MAYOR NYCE: Okay.

12 MS. ZEMSKY: -- you know, if -- you know, when  
13 you're busy, you're a busy producer and you go online  
14 and you see 30 days, you're like, "Oh, I'm not going  
15 to go there."

16 MAYOR NYCE: Okay.

17 MS. ZEMSKY: You know, I'll go to Southold  
18 Town. You know, it's -- these people have -- you  
19 know, I have worked with these producers. They have  
20 an attention span of about four minutes, and if they  
21 don't see what they want to see, they go on to  
22 something else. Believe me, I do this every day  
23 and --

24 (Laughter)

25 Also, this 10 a.m., that is where you have here

1 no time filming and staging conducted after 11 p.m.  
2 is realistic, or before 10 a.m. is not realistic. I  
3 mean, people start really early. And it also goes by  
4 the time of the year. In the winter, people start  
5 shooting 5:30, 6 a.m., because they're shooting only  
6 in daylight hours. You know, people want daylight.  
7 So to say 10 a.m. is just -- so I think you have to  
8 review it, and you have to really go by the time of  
9 year. But you say 10 a.m., you're like -- you're  
10 shutting the doors on a lot of people.

11 So, in the winter, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. is a really  
12 normal day. I mean, most of the year, 8 a.m. to  
13 6 p.m., or 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. But, in the dead of  
14 winter, people come out and they start setting up at  
15 6 a.m. to get that daylight. If they're done,  
16 they're done at 4 o'clock. So that's -- that's --

17 MR. PALLAS: The 10 a.m. restriction is Sundays  
18 only. It's 8 a.m.

19 MS. ZEMSKY: All right. But even 8 a.m.

20 MR. PALLAS: Just to clarify that.

21 MS. ZEMSKY: Even 8 a.m. can be late for a lot  
22 people, for a lot of clients. And Sunday, yes, okay.  
23 But I'm just telling you that people will come and  
24 say that -- people. I keep saying people, I mean  
25 clients and production companies. They'll want to

1 start at 6 a.m. Film crews normally, I mean, they  
2 work 12, 14 hour days, so they're starting at 6 a.m.,  
3 you know, and they want to be able -- they may not be  
4 in front of a store at 6 a.m., but they want to have  
5 a permit that says they can start that early.

6 I know Southold, with their cleanup deposits, I  
7 always give them a cleanup deposit, but if they don't  
8 -- if they end up not having to clean up anything,  
9 it's refundable. And I think that you should do that  
10 as well, because I put a lot of small print shoots  
11 out here and they take their garbage with them. Or,  
12 you know, I make a provision that someone takes their  
13 stuff to the dump. So \$250, when we have a small  
14 film shoot and they're -- even \$500 could be a little  
15 prohibitive for a small film shoot. But you still  
16 want the money, you still want them coming here, you  
17 still want them staying in the restaurants and hotels  
18 here and everything. So Southold has a 250 deposit,  
19 but it's refundable if they don't end up using it.  
20 So I think -- I think it would be better if you said  
21 that that was a refundable deposit, not --

22 MAYOR NYCE: Okay.

23 MS. ZEMSKY: And that's it. Those are my  
24 recommendations.

25 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you very much.

1 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Thank you.

2 MR. SAUER: Hi. I'm Clayton Sauer. I own the  
3 Stirling House Bed & Breakfast. I am a resident here  
4 for the past 15 years. The B&B is 15 years old. And  
5 I'm also representing The Fordham House, Morning  
6 Glory and Ruby's Cove, those I've spoken to.

7 Being an innkeeper is hard work. It's very  
8 rewarding, however. I also could not afford to live  
9 in my house without it. It's my source of income.  
10 So my conversation is to talk about the VRBO, Airbnb  
11 issue. I didn't know you were here, so I'm sorry if  
12 it's a little redundant.

13 I've seen the Town change and grow, and as  
14 things change, laws should as well. And sometimes  
15 new laws need to be created to reflect today's world,  
16 and I'm talking about this huge influx of Airbnb,  
17 VRBO rentals that have popped up all over the Village  
18 and in Greenport itself.

19 I'm all for competition, I've got no fear of  
20 that, as long as it's on a level playing field, and  
21 that's where there's a problem. I'd like to put it  
22 in a real simple example, because sometimes B&B is a  
23 little nebulous, people don't quite grasp what we  
24 are. So let's talk restaurants.

25 Say you own a restaurant and you have gone

1 through all the paperwork, the research, training,  
2 and you open your restaurant, you run your  
3 restaurant. Now the question I want to ask is should  
4 I be able to open a restaurant in my house without  
5 any approval, applications, taxes collected,  
6 insurance, inspections, dues or fees? All right. So  
7 how about 64 restaurants?

8 There are websites that have popped up all over  
9 the place, and if you put in "Greenport", these  
10 multiple sites have over 64 places renting in  
11 Greenport Village and Greenport to over six people,  
12 some has high as 12 guests a night. And they're  
13 renting by the night, not by the month.

14 One of the Greenport Village requirements to  
15 run an inn, created back in the '80s and '90s, was a  
16 three-room restriction limit. Southold Town and  
17 almost everywhere else has a five-room limit in the  
18 B&B codes. And we were told also back then it was  
19 more like a gentlemen's agreement. We were not to  
20 rent more than 30 days, and rentals were not to rent  
21 less than 30 days.

22 When I applied for a B&B license here in the  
23 Village, in the Village there were several rules,  
24 meetings, requirements, and neighbors had to vet me  
25 saying yay or nay. They had to meet in town and

1       approve me. Even the sign had to be one-by-two,  
2       everything. As a professional inn, there are certain  
3       things that happen that should happen, insurance,  
4       incorporation, inspections, and this is for safety,  
5       for fire, etcetera, and taxes that are collected and  
6       paid.

7               One of the main requirements of running an inn  
8       is that it be owner-occupied. That's one of the  
9       rules here in Greenport. If I have a family or a  
10      group of friends staying, I can control things. I'm  
11      there, living in the house. If it gets a little  
12      noisy at 10:30, I can say, "You know, keep it down."  
13      With the Airbnb nightly rentals, party houses have  
14      popped up. I've received calls from residents, just  
15      because I own a B&B, asking me what they should do.

16              And so most of these houses, as mentioned  
17      before, are owned primarily by investors who bought  
18      up the more reasonably priced houses and are renting  
19      them to transient guests. Some of the guests have  
20      never met their owners. They meet the cleaning  
21      people who simply turn the houses and the rooms over  
22      and give them the keys.

23              And people running for office recently have  
24      talked about they want to have their kids live here,  
25      but this is an issue. They're buying -- these

1 investors are buying affordable houses, and instead  
2 of, you know, being able to have a couple buy their  
3 first home or an apartment even, they -- the  
4 inventory is depleted by these investors, and that  
5 opens a whole slew of different issues. One issue,  
6 the main one to me is safety.

7           There's a VRBO on Carpenter Street that had a  
8 house fire started by a guest who lit a gas grill too  
9 close to the house and caught the house on fire. No  
10 one was hurt that time, but had somebody been hurt,  
11 or the place burned to the ground, an insurance claim  
12 might have been denied. Lawsuits and plaintiffs tend  
13 to go after everybody they can, and in a Village  
14 without codes in place for this kind of thing, that  
15 could actually put potentially Board Members at risk  
16 to be named in the suit.

17           There are some Airbnbs that rent their attics  
18 out, and I thought that was illegal in Greenport.  
19 There are some places that leave alcohol for their  
20 renters. And just so you know, I have a New York  
21 State wine license. I am the only one that's legal  
22 in town. I can serve and sell liquor, wine and beer.  
23 And there is no such thing as free alcohol. If these  
24 people are leaving wine or beer, whatever, vodka in  
25 their houses, that is not free. The minute money

1 transactions pass hands, it is not free. And I don't  
2 know what it will take. You know, a car accident  
3 where somebody is hurt, and then the person will be  
4 named in a suit, they don't have a wine license, they  
5 don't have insurance for a B&B, it can become a big  
6 issue.

7 I have to collect 11.63% tax, sales and  
8 hospitality. Many of the Airbnbs collect no tax at  
9 all. So, right away, that puts me at a disadvantage.  
10 It's like a discount where these places are offering,  
11 where I'm following the law that's supposed to be  
12 followed.

13 There are inns -- there are inns that list over  
14 10 or more guests. They're supposed to be subject to  
15 inspection by the Department of Health from Suffolk  
16 County in anyplace with 10 or more guests.

17 I'm very familiar with the laws of the area and  
18 the County, and I'd be very willing to help the  
19 Village if you wanted to set up some kind of  
20 committee to maybe have some kind of compromise.

21 I know that the Airbnb and VRBO is not going to  
22 disappear, but we need to kind of get some kind of  
23 laws in place.

24 (Bell Sounded)

25 Is that my time?

1 (Laughter)

2 We just -- for the transient places to adjust  
3 laws for B&Bs to make it more reasonable for licensed  
4 incorporated innkeepers who are at an obvious  
5 disadvantage.

6 We could possibly think about making A1-week  
7 minimum for the non-owner-occupied places, and  
8 placing a cap of 10 guests max across the board.  
9 Like I had mentioned, B&Bs are at a disadvantage, we  
10 can only have six people, and there are places that  
11 have up to 12 people right in town, right on Main  
12 Street. So sometimes they all need to be moved a  
13 little bit.

14 Placing a cap on the Airbnbs to make it a  
15 one-week minimum might be a healthy idea, too. I  
16 don't think Airbnb and VRBOs are a bad thing overall,  
17 but there need to be rules for them to follow, as  
18 they're running a little bit wild and severely  
19 hurting legitimate inns. I have to tell you we're  
20 down with this over the last year, especially in the  
21 Village. And we've been team players, we follow the  
22 rules and we work with the Town. And I know we can  
23 work together, but this right now is far from  
24 together.

25 So I'm asking the Board of Trustees, the new

1 Mayor or the old Mayor, if we can make a plea to  
2 maybe get some new codes and update some of the old  
3 ones and enforce them. All right? Thank you for  
4 your time, I appreciate it.

5 MAYOR NYCE: Thank you.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Thank you very much.

7 MAYOR NYCE: Anyone else who wishes to address  
8 the Board?

9 MR. SALADINO: John Saladino, Sixth Street.  
10 Are there any resolutions you're going to vote on  
11 tonight that aren't on the agenda?

12 MAYOR NYCE: Not that I'm aware of.

13 MR. SALADINO: Is there going to be an  
14 Executive Session?

15 MAYOR NYCE: Not that I'm aware of.

16 MR. SALADINO: Okay. I have a few things to  
17 say about the Airbnb. But just so my pal, Billy,  
18 doesn't razz me later, I couldn't find the Reserve  
19 for Debt. Could you just let me know where the line  
20 item in this budget is?

21 MAYOR NYCE: It's a restricted fund balance.  
22 It's part of restricted fund balance. It's  
23 restricted because the Board has authorized that it  
24 be only used toward debt.

25 MR. SALADINO: Is it in this budget under a

1 line item, or just under restricted fund balance?

2 MAYOR NYCE: Restricted fund balance.

3 MR. SALADINO: Okay. I read the Rental Permit  
4 Law, and you addressed, you define a temporary renter  
5 less than 29 days. I don't know if I read it right,  
6 but nowhere in the Rental Permit Law is this  
7 addressed?

8 MAYOR NYCE: No.

9 MR. SALADINO: Is it -- to define what a  
10 temporary renter is would seem fairly simple for you  
11 guys. You already have a definition for what it is.  
12 I'm just not sure what the problem is. Is it to fit  
13 this temporary renter into the general scheme of  
14 rental houses in Greenport, to say to a landlord,  
15 "This is our definition of a temporary renter," and  
16 we either allow it or we don't allow it? Is that --  
17 is that the conversation?

18 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Basically, yes, because  
19 Airbnb wasn't around when that law was being drafted.  
20 It wasn't a problem or an issue at that time, so it  
21 was not taken care of then, and we need to correct  
22 that and have it taken care of it now. The transient  
23 summer rentals wasn't even included in that, it was  
24 more year-round rentals, is what we were doing for  
25 safety of people, and this was not addressed. So

1 that's why we're getting the public comment on it, so  
2 we could try to fix that loophole in there and come  
3 up with a law that will work for everybody.

4 MR. SALADINO: Okay. I have one question of --  
5 a neighbor emailed me and asked me to ask this  
6 question, John Winkler. He has no problem with being  
7 identified. He's been having an ongoing email  
8 conversation with the President of the BID and, I  
9 believe, Trustee Robins. And he spoke to Peter  
10 Clarke, and he was assured by Peter Clarke that they  
11 -- they're almost at their commitment level of  
12 \$100,000.

13 I'll ask you his question first. His question  
14 is, is the BID ready to make up any shortfalls that  
15 they don't -- if they don't reach that level? And it  
16 seems like a question a lot of people are asking, I  
17 know myself, too. So, if you could maybe address  
18 that.

19 And as far as -- I've been to every work  
20 session, I've been to every meeting, so I've heard  
21 all the conversations about the Tall Ships. And to  
22 be fair, David, Mr. Mayor, there isn't a lot of  
23 information that's put out there. You know, there's  
24 bits, there's pieces, well, it's moving forward,  
25 we're going to hope for this, this is moving forward,

1 but there's never any hard information, there's never  
2 any dollars and cents, there's never any timeline,  
3 there's never any -- I saw the -- I saw the agenda  
4 from the Steering Committee, and you said you have to  
5 a \$276,000 budget. But then I read part of their  
6 minutes or their agenda, and on that estimate, on  
7 that work sheet, it was \$22,000 for advertising, and  
8 then they -- in a separate letter, they said \$55,000.  
9 So that's an additional \$30,000 that's not reflected  
10 in that budget. And there's a lot of things not  
11 reflected in that work sheet. You know, loss of  
12 revenue, 1100 feet of dock space that's not going to  
13 be rented. Is that funny?

14 MR. SWISKEY: He thinks it is.

15 MR. SALADINO: Eleven hundred feet of dock  
16 space that's not going to be rented for four days at  
17 \$4 a foot. I would just ask that at least you make  
18 the public aware of all the numbers, not the  
19 favorable numbers, the numbers that can hurt, too.  
20 You know, it's kind of like our money and you guys  
21 are spending it, and we should -- we should at least  
22 know what you're spending it on.

23 As far as Winkler's question, anybody want to  
24 answer it?

25 MAYOR NYCE: The BID has pledged \$100,000.

1 This Board has accepted that pledge and we expect  
2 \$100,000 from the BID.

3 MR. SALADINO: That's very simplistic, and  
4 thank you for that. But the question is will they be  
5 expected to make up the shortfall?

6 MAYOR NYCE: The BID has pledged \$100,000 and  
7 this Board is expecting a \$100,000. I mean, yes  
8 they, will make up the shortfall. They've pledged  
9 \$100,000, that's what we're expecting from them. I  
10 can't make the answer any simpler than that, John.

11 MR. SALADINO: Okay.

12 MAYOR NYCE: As to the rest of it --

13 MR. SALADINO: Does the BID agree?

14 MAYOR NYCE: As to --

15 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: I have not personally met  
16 with Peter Clarke yet on this issue. I've talked to  
17 him before. We'll have a discussion once we're all  
18 in office. I discussed this with the two  
19 Trustee-elects yesterday morning and we discussed the  
20 same thing. There's a Steering Committee meeting on  
21 Thursday. Hopefully, I'll have some more information  
22 for all of us. But the two new Trustees are  
23 concerned also, as well as you.

24 I know I answered some of your email questions.  
25 The meeting on Thursday, hopefully, we'll all be

1 enlightened by it.

2 MR. SALADINO: Would it be unreasonable for  
3 Mr. Clarke to come here, and would it be unreasonable  
4 for us to expect him to come here and give his report  
5 at this podium, so this way it's not like a game of  
6 telephone? You know, he reports to his committee,  
7 and somebody from his committee, the Liaison, Trustee  
8 Robins from his committee reports to you at work  
9 session, and if we're kind of listening, we get it.  
10 If something happens, we don't get it. Don't you  
11 think it would serve the public if the President of  
12 the BID came here and made a report, and stood at the  
13 podium and said what he had to say? This way you say  
14 it's an official organization of the Village, he  
15 represents that organization.

16 MAYOR NYCE: It's an official organization.  
17 They are a taxing entity unto themselves. We are  
18 merely a pass-through for the money. We don't set  
19 them up. We appoint three members, but they are  
20 elected by their district.

21 MR. SALADINO: You have partnered with him in  
22 this festival.

23 MAYOR NYCE: Uh-huh.

24 MR. SALADINO: So he's a major partner in the  
25 festival, whatever title we're going to give his role

1 in -- or the BID's role with the Village, whatever.  
2 However we want to explain that, this Village has  
3 partnered with the BID to run this festival. Is it  
4 unreasonable that a big part of our partnership gave  
5 a report to the public, as opposed to at a meeting  
6 where the public is not exactly welcome, or a meeting  
7 that's inconvenient for the overwhelming majority of  
8 the public to attend? This way, the public meeting's  
9 here. The room seems to be crowded. I'm sure all  
10 these people are interested, I would assume, but --

11 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: I plan on meeting with him  
12 this weekend. I will discuss that with him, and  
13 see -- I'll offer an invitation to him and see if  
14 he's willing to come and talk with us all.

15 MR. SALADINO: Thank you.

16 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Okay?

17 MR. SALADINO: As far as the agenda, there  
18 are -- just as an explanation, I'm not sure, agenda  
19 Item # 11, you're going to give -- you're going to  
20 transfer 1400 and 1600 for the Planning Board and the  
21 ZBA. Could you just explain that? I just --

22 MAYOR NYCE: Clerical, it's for the  
23 transcriptionist.

24 MR. SALADINO: Okay. And #12, can you share a  
25 little bit with us about our deal with Showclix, what

1 they get, what we get?

2 MAYOR NYCE: They get a percentage. They get a  
3 fee for each transaction.

4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: They get a \$1 fee.

5 MAYOR NYCE: They get a \$1 fee for each  
6 transaction that the customer pays. Yeah, they take it.

7 TRUSTEE MURRAY: And that was the same amount  
8 that we paid --

9 MAYOR NYCE: We did the last time, yes.

10 TRUSTEE MURRAY: -- three years ago, and Sylvia  
11 negotiated that deal, which was --

12 MR. SALADINO: Okay. But you guys don't mind  
13 me asking?

14 TRUSTEE MURRAY: No.

15 MR. SALADINO: And that's all I have. Thank you.

16 TRUSTEE ROBINS: John, I'd like to go back a  
17 minute to you talking about Peter Clarke and the BID  
18 coming to the meeting. I have actually, not  
19 specifically Tall Ships, although I agree with you,  
20 that I think it would be an excellent idea for them  
21 to do that. What I have suggested to the BID over  
22 the past three, four months at least, that they send  
23 a representative to our work session every month, you  
24 know, to make their own report, and let the community  
25 know a little bit more about what they're doing. It

1 doesn't always have to be the President. I thought  
2 it might be good. There are a number of very active  
3 members on that Board who know what are going, who  
4 could come and do that report, you know, not -- I  
5 suggested at the work session. And I'm hoping that  
6 as we move forward with our new Mayor, it's going to  
7 be a little bit different feel at the work sessions,  
8 maybe the public is going to feel a little more  
9 engaged in it. So that was my suggestion.

10 MR. SALADINO: Well, I applaud you for that, I  
11 think it's a great idea. I think any major partner  
12 in any endeavor that's spending the public's money  
13 should at least have to come and explain to the  
14 public.

15 I understand that, to quote people from the  
16 Board, that the Business District is the economic  
17 engine and stuff. I kind of -- I kind of sometimes  
18 agree. But I still don't think they should have a  
19 free reign in spending some money, or a festival  
20 should be put on without some kind of explanation,  
21 without some kind of explanation to the public where  
22 the money is going, how much of it's being spent,  
23 who's getting the money, who's involved with the  
24 money, how contracts are being negotiated. I kind of  
25 thought that was your job. And from attending all

1 these meetings, I don't see a lot of this discussion  
2 going on with this Board. That was the reason for my  
3 question. Thank you. Thanks for listening.

4 MAYOR NYCE: Is there anyone else who wishes to  
5 address the Board?

6 MS. HORTON: Can I say one thing?

7 MAYOR NYCE: Please.

8 MS. HORTON: Stirling -- oh, I'm Gail Horton,  
9 I'm from Greenport. The Stirling Historical Society  
10 is having its annual dinner --

11 MAYOR NYCE: Wednesday.

12 MS. HORTON: At Wednesday night, or Wednesday,  
13 12 to 8 p.m., \$20 a ticket, fish or chicken. It  
14 helps us with our Archive Center that we're working  
15 on. So we'd love to have y'all come. Thank you.

16 MAYOR NYCE: Thanks, Gail. I should have had  
17 it under announcements, Gail. I'm sorry.

18 MS. HORTON: Oh, that's okay.

19 MAYOR NYCE: Is there anyone else who wishes to  
20 address the Board?

21 (No response.)

22 MAYOR NYCE: If not, that will conclude the  
23 Public Portion.

24 I will offer a Resolution adopting the March  
25 2015 agenda as printed. So moved.

1 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Second.  
2 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?  
3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.  
4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.  
5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.  
6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.  
7 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.  
8 Any opposed or abstentions?  
9 (No response.)  
10 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.  
11 I'll ask Trustee Murray to read Resolution 2.  
12 TRUSTEE MURRAY: RESOLUTION #03-2015-2,  
13 RESOLUTION accepting the monthly reports of the  
14 Greenport Fire Department, Village Administrator,  
15 Village Treasurer, Village Clerk, Village Attorney,  
16 Mayor and Board of Trustees. So moved.  
17 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Second.  
18 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?  
19 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.  
20 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.  
21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.  
22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.  
23 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.  
24 Any opposed or abstentions?  
25 (No response.)

1           MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

2           TRUSTEE HUBBARD: RESOLUTION #03-2015-3,  
3 RESOLUTION accepting with regret the resignation of  
4 Wayde Manwaring, effective March 3, 2015, as  
5 Administrative Assistant in the Greenport Fire  
6 Department. So moved.

7           TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

8           MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

9           TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

10          TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

11          TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

12          TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

13          MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

14          Any opposed or abstentions?

15          (No response.)

16          MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

17          TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-4,  
18 RESOLUTION approving the attendance of Village  
19 Administrator Pallas at the NYAPP Annual Conference  
20 in Saratoga Springs, New York from April 7th, 2015,  
21 through April 9th, 2015, at a conference cost of  
22 \$225.00 and a room rate, inclusive of meals, of  
23 \$375.00 total. Conference fees, lodging costs and  
24 all applicable travel costs are to be expensed from  
25 account E.0781.100 (Executive Dept.). So moved.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

2 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

7 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

8 Any opposed or abstentions?

9 (No response.)

10 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-5,  
12 RESOLUTION approving the revised conceptual design  
13 received by the Village of Greenport on February  
14 21st, 2015 prepared by Dvirka and Bartilucci, for the  
15 NYS EFC GIGP Wastewater Retention Project, to include  
16 additional swales and pervious pavement at Sixth  
17 Street, and eliminating the swales along Johnson  
18 Place. So moved.

19 TRUSTEE MURRAY: I second that.

20 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

21 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

25 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

1 Any opposed or abstentions?

2 (No response.)

3 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: RESOLUTION #03-2015-6,  
5 RESOLUTION scheduling a public hearing for the  
6 2015/2016 tentative Village budget on April 14th,  
7 2015; and directing Clerk Pirillo to notice the  
8 budget hearing accordingly. So moved.

9 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Second.

10 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

11 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

15 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

16 Any opposed or abstentions?

17 (No response.)

18 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

19 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: RESOLUTION #03-2015-7,

20 RESOLUTION approving the following:

21 Whereas, the Village of Greenport Recreation  
22 operations and facilities are, and have been in the  
23 recent past, accounted for in the Rec. Fund, (R)  
24 Fund, which is separate and apart from the Village of  
25 Greenport General Fund, the (A) Fund;

1           And whereas, Sax/BST, the audit firm of the  
2 Village of Greenport, has determined that the Village  
3 Parks and Recreation operations and facilities are  
4 general governmental activities and would more  
5 appropriately be reported and accounted for in the  
6 General (A) Fund.

7           Now, be it resolved that Treasurer Brandt is  
8 directed to consolidate all operations and facilities  
9 of the Recreation fund into the General fund  
10 beginning retroactively with the 2014/2015 fiscal  
11 year budget close. So moved.

12           TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

13           MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

14           TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

15           TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

16           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

17           TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

18           MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

19           Any opposed or abstentions?

20           (No response.)

21           MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

22           TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-8,  
23 RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform  
24 the attached Budget Transfer #1270, to adjust  
25 appropriations in the Fire Department expense

1 accounts, and directing that Budget Transfer #1270 be  
2 included as part of the formal meeting minutes for  
3 the March 23rd, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of  
4 Trustees. So moved.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

6 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

7 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

8 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

10 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

11 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

12 Any opposed or abstentions?

13 (No response.)

14 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-9,  
16 RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform  
17 the attached Budget Transfer #1271, to increase  
18 appropriations in the Water fund account (F.8320.401,  
19 SCWA Water Purchase), and directing that Budget  
20 Transfer #1271 be included as part of the formal  
21 meeting minutes for the March 23rd, 2015 regular  
22 meeting of the Board of Trustees. So moved.

23 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Second.

24 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

25 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

1 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

4 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

5 Any opposed or abstentions?

6 (No response.)

7 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

8 TRUSTEE MURRAY: RESOLUTION #03-2015-10,  
9 RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform  
10 the attached budget amendment #1272, amending revenue  
11 and expenses for the Recreation Fund, and directing  
12 that Budget Transfer #1272 to be included as part of  
13 the formal meeting minutes for the March 23rd, 2015  
14 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. So moved.

15 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Second.

16 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

17 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

18 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

20 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

21 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

22 Any opposed or abstentions?

23 (No response.)

24 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

25 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: RESOLUTION #03-2015-11,

1 RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform  
2 the attached budget transfer #1273, to fund  
3 additional expenses for Zoning and Planning, and  
4 directing that Budget Transfer #1273 be included as  
5 part of the formal meeting minutes for the March  
6 23rd, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.  
7 So moved.

8 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

9 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

10 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

11 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

13 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

14 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

15 Any opposed or abstentions?

16 (No response.)

17 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

18 TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-12,  
19 RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to execute  
20 the proposed agreement between Showclix and the  
21 Village of Greenport for ticketing services for the  
22 Tall Ships 2015 event. So moved.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

24 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

25 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

1 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

4 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

5 Any opposed or abstentions?

6 (No response.)

7 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I thank Clerk Pirillo for  
9 getting the price back down to 2002 fee. That was a  
10 nice surprise

11 MAYOR NYCE: Yes.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-13,  
13 RESOLUTION accepting the report of the Greenport Fire  
14 Department for member year-end points for the  
15 calendar year 2014, for the Greenport Fire Department  
16 Length of Service Awards Program. So moved.

17 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Second.

18 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

19 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

20 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

23 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

24 Any opposed or abstentions?

25 (No response.)



1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I would just like to say  
2 that I have been watching the growing of this  
3 educational class on Saturdays. I think Dave Berson  
4 should be really given a wonderful round of applause  
5 for taking on this challenge, and I hope to see it  
6 continue in the years to come.

7 MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely. It's a great program.

8 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: RESOLUTION #03-2015-15,  
9 RESOLUTION approving the proposed assignment and  
10 assumption agreement whereby Suffolk County is  
11 assigning its rights to the lease between the MTA as  
12 lessor and Suffolk County as lessee for the Railroad  
13 Dock and associated property to the Village of  
14 Greenport, and the Village of Greenport is assuming  
15 the obligation of the County of Suffolk under the  
16 lease. So moved.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

18 MAYOR NYCE: Yes.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I would appreciate if it  
20 were listed what the other associated properties are  
21 in this resolution.

22 MAYOR NYCE: They're listed in the agreement.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I know they're listed in the  
24 agreement, but I just think it needs to be included  
25 to the public what other properties we're taking over

1 there, other than just the Railroad Dock.

2 MAYOR NYCE: It's the entirety, with the  
3 exception of what the North Ferry leases directly  
4 from the MTA for their landing site. All the rest --  
5 and what the Long Island Railroad maintains on the  
6 north side of the tracks. It's all of the other  
7 leased grounds that the County held.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Which is including the  
9 parking lot?

10 MAYOR NYCE: Includes the parking lot, both  
11 north and south of the tracks. It does not include  
12 the property just north of the tracks that the Long  
13 Island Railroad still retains.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I just would like it  
15 noted in the minutes so that it's clear.

16 MAYOR NYCE: It's all of the land that had been  
17 subleased to the County. The County is just out of  
18 that portion of it.

19 Any further discussion on the motion?

20 (No response.)

21 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

22 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

23 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

24 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

25 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

1 Any opposed or abstentions?

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm abstaining only on the  
3 portion that's dealing with the Railroad Dock, but  
4 I'm abstaining from the whole vote.

5 MAYOR NYCE: Okay. Noting Trustee Phillips  
6 abstains.

7 TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-16,  
8 RESOLUTION adopting the attached SEQRA resolution  
9 regarding the proposed Local Law of 2015 creating  
10 Chapter 63 of the Village of Greenport Code -  
11 Filming; adopting Lead Agency status, determining the  
12 adoption of the Local Law to be an unlisted action,  
13 determining that the adoption of the Local Law will  
14 not have a significant impact on one or more aspects  
15 of the environment, and adopting a negative  
16 declaration for purposes of SEQRA, as stated in the  
17 attached resolution. So moved.

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'll second, but I have a  
19 question.

20 MAYOR NYCE: Uh-huh.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: When we get to the next  
22 resolution, and should it be tabled, this SEQRA is  
23 also going to be tabled, or point of --

24 MR. PROKOP: No, you can adopt the SEQRA  
25 separately.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

2 MAYOR NYCE: So we wouldn't have to do it the  
3 next time.

4 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Do that and then we don't  
5 have to redo it.

6 MAYOR NYCE: Right.

7 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: We can change -- make the  
8 changes on the other.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I just want to be  
10 sure. Okay.

11 MAYOR NYCE: Any further discussions?

12 (No response.)

13 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

14 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

15 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

18 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

19 Any opposed or abstentions?

20 (No response.)

21 MAYOR NYCE: Before you read that resolution,  
22 there are two ways we can go about this. One is to  
23 table it. One is to go through the resolution and  
24 make the recommendations for the changes and send it  
25 directly back to Code Committee for a redo. It seems

1 easier to just have them redo it first, right?

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what was brought to  
3 my attention.

4 MAYOR NYCE: So I would offer a motion to table  
5 Resolution 03-2015-17, and send it back to Code  
6 Committee for consideration of the changes, as  
7 suggested by Dena Zemsky at our meeting tonight. So  
8 moved.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'll second that.

10 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

11 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

12 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

14 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

15 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

16 Any opposed or abstentions?

17 (No response.)

18 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And you want me to do the  
20 next one?

21 MAYOR NYCE: Sure.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION #03-2015-18,  
23 RESOLUTION approving an increase in the annual salary  
24 of Treasurer Brandt, from \$65,875.00 to \$72,500.00;  
25 effective April 1st, 2015. So moved.

1 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Second.

2 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

3 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

4 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

6 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

7 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

8 Any opposed or abstentions?

9 (No response.)

10 MAYOR NYCE: The motion carries.

11 I'd like to thank Robert. He's taken on a  
12 great deal, and I'm glad that we're rewarding him for it.

13 TRUSTEE MURRAY: RESOLUTION #03-2015-19,  
14 RESOLUTION approving an increase in the annual salary  
15 of Deputy Treasurer Gaffga, from \$41,600.00 to  
16 \$45,000.00; effective April 1st, 2015. So moved.

17 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Second.

18 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

19 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

20 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

22 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

23 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

24 Any opposed or abstentions?

25 (No response.)

1           MAYOR NYCE: My comments would mirror that of  
2 Treasurer Brandt. Stephen has been a real -- a real  
3 asset to --

4           TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Yes, he has.

5           MAYOR NYCE: -- the Village.

6           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They've both have. They've  
7 been -- truly come up to the plate --

8           MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely.

9           TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- with getting us on board  
10 with the current KBS system, getting us on board with  
11 the property tax system, and keeping the Departments  
12 on balance with their budgets.

13          MAYOR NYCE: Absolutely.

14          TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Okay. RESOLUTION  
15 #03-2015-20, RESOLUTION approving all checks per the  
16 Voucher Summary Report dated March 20th, 2015 in the  
17 total amount of \$404,788.23 consisting of:

18           o All regular checks in the amount of  
19 \$347,835.60, and

20           o All prepaid checks (including wire  
21 transfers) in the amount of \$56,952.63. So  
22 moved.

23          TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

24          MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

25          TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

1 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

3 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

4 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

5 Any opposed or abstentions?

6 (No response.)

7 MAYOR NYCE: That motion carries.

8 Before I offer a motion to adjourn, if you all  
9 would indulge me for a minute, I'd like to take the  
10 opportunity to thank not only this Board, which I do  
11 for embarrassing the heck out of me at the start of  
12 the meeting --

13 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: You said it couldn't be done.

14 (Laughter)

15 MAYOR NYCE: Clearly, I was wrong. Thank you  
16 for the support and the experience, and it's second  
17 to none.

18 I'd also like to thank the Village staff,  
19 management and the crews. It's been an amazing eight  
20 years.

21 I'd like -- I'll wade through this. I would  
22 also like to thank the public for entrusting me with  
23 an awesome responsibility, one that I never expected  
24 to have. But, as I said before being elected, there  
25 were three things I promised. I would tell the

1 truth, I would work hard, and I would work hard, and  
2 I've done all three.

3 Most importantly, to the young lady sitting in  
4 the back of the room that has stood by all of this,  
5 and would like to punch many of you and has not --

6 (Laughter)

7 -- showing that she has a great deal more courage  
8 than I do.

9 Again, it's been an amazing eight years. It's  
10 been equally invigorating, infuriating, frustrating,  
11 and absolutely amazing, an absolutely life-changing  
12 experience, and I appreciate having been given the  
13 chance to do it.

14 I'd like to thank Trustee Murray for his  
15 service to the Board as well.

16 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Definitely.

17 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Thank you.

18 MAYOR NYCE: And I could sit here and list all  
19 that we've accomplished in eight years, or I could do  
20 what my predecessor did and leave a list of things  
21 that should be done. I don't think either of those  
22 are necessary. These Boards work in a continuum.  
23 This Village is an amazing place. Each  
24 administration picks up and does what wasn't done by  
25 the last one, and continues the work of moving this

1 Village forward and to maintain this amazing little  
2 place that we have. I'm using the word amazing a  
3 lot, sorry.

4 So to that, I want to wish this future Board  
5 strength, courage, intelligence and thoughtfulness as  
6 you move forward, and I wish you the best of luck. I  
7 want to congratulate George and pass over the gavel.

8 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Thank you very much.

9 (Applause)

10 MAYOR NYCE: If I left anyone out, I apologize.  
11 At 7:44, I will offer a motion to adjourn.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

13 MAYOR NYCE: All those in favor?

14 TRUSTEE HUBBARD: Aye.

15 TRUSTEE MURRAY: Aye.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.

17 TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

18 MAYOR NYCE: Aye.

19 Any opposed or abstentions?

20 (No response.)

21 MAYOR NYCE: The motion carries. Thank you all  
22 very much.

23 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Thank you.

24 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at  
25 7:44 p.m.)

## C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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3 STATE OF NEW YORK )  
4 ) SS:  
5 COUNTY OF SUFFOLK )  
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7 I, LUCIA BRAATEN, a Court Reporter and Notary  
8 Public for and within the State of New York, do  
9 hereby certify:

10 THAT, the above and foregoing contains a true  
11 and correct transcription of the proceedings taken on  
12 March 23, 2015.

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

17 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
18 this 8th day of April, 2015.

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# VILLAGE OF GREENPORT

## Budget Adjustment Form

Year: 2015 Period: 3 Trans Type: B2 - Amend Status: Batch  
 Trans No: 1272 Trans Date: 03/10/2015 User Ref: ROBERT  
 Requested: R BRANDT Approved: Created by: ROBERT 03/10/2015  
 Description: TO AMEND REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR R FUND Account # Order: No  
 Print Parent Account: No

Account No.	Account Description	Amount
R.7020.406	CREDIT CARD FEES..	3,500.00
R.7120.401	RECREATION CENTER..	3,400.00
R.7311.400	ICE RINK.EXPENSE..	17,300.00
R.9060.801	DENTAL OPTICAL.	1,700.00
R.9040.800	WORKERS COMPENSATION.EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,900.00
R.7020.400	ELECTRIC SERVICE..	3,200.00
R.7020.405	PHONE/CABLE EXPENSE..	3,000.00
R.7320	MITCHELL MARINA REVENUE	34,000.00
<b>Total Amount:</b>		<b>68,000.00</b>

