

1 VILLAGE OF GREENPORT

2 COUNTY OF SUFFOLK : STATE OF NEW YORK

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4 VILLAGE OF GREENPORT

5 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

6 REGULAR SESSION MEETING

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8 Third Street Fire Station

9 June 26, 2025

10 8:15 p.m.

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12 B E F O R E:

13 KEVIN STUESSI ~ MAYOR

14 MARY BESS PHILLIPS ~ DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEE

15 PATRICK BRENNAN ~ TRUSTEE

16 LILY DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON ~ TRUSTEE

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18 CANDACE HALL ~ VILLAGE CLERK

19 JARED KASSCHAW, ESQ. ~ VILLAGE ATTORNEY

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22 All other interested parties

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1 (Whereupon, the meeting was called
2 to order at 8:14 p.m.)

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Folks, we're going
4 to go into the regular Village meeting.

5 I'm going to make a motion to open
6 the regularly scheduling meeting of the
7 Board of Trustees. May I have a
8 second?

9 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor.

11 (Aye said in unison.)

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Please stand for a
13 moment of silence for the following
14 Villagers: William R. Pell, III;
15 Halsey Gordon Tuthill; Virginia
16 Dickerson; Paul Mellas; Susan
17 Malinauskas; John P. Nugent, Jr.;
18 Joseph Borrelli; Marion West; Leroy
19 "Lee" Fitting, Sr.; Michael James Kane;
20 and I'm also going to repeat the
21 Village's loss of Southold Town
22 resident Eleanor Lingo who we spoke
23 about earlier this evening at the joint
24 meeting between the Village and the
25 Town Board. She was a special member

1 of the community, participated in
2 Greenport at AME Zion Church also with
3 coming to the table and was the recent
4 participant and honoree at the
5 Greenport pride parade, which will be
6 on this Saturday.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mr. Mayor,
8 could we also acknowledge the fact that
9 William R. Pell, III is a former
10 Southold Town Supervisor and a former
11 Village Mayor.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, thank you.
13 Please be seated.

14 Village Hall will be closed on
15 Friday, July 4th in observance of
16 Independence Day.

17 The carousel is reopened after
18 months of work to rebuild and repair
19 the Greenport attraction, it is now
20 open. It has been open on weekends.
21 This weekend as school lets out, it
22 will be open seven days a week starting
23 on Saturday, 11:00 to 7:00 daily and
24 open extended hours to 8:00 p.m. on
25 Saturdays.

1 As mentioned earlier, the
2 Juneteenth parade and celebration will
3 be held on Saturday, June 28th. The
4 parade kicks off on Third Street in
5 front of Clinton Memorial AME Zion
6 Church to Mitchell Park where the
7 celebration will continue.

8 With that, we'll open it up to any
9 public comment. Mr. Fisher. Grass is
10 looking good around that museum, sir.

11 MR. FISHER: Don Fisher, president
12 of the Railroad Museum of Long Island,
13 440 Fourth Street, Greenport. And I'm
14 here this evening from my Board and our
15 membership to thank all of you for the
16 support that the Village has shown to
17 that whole north ferry line realignment
18 and the work that went on down there in
19 the Historic District.

20 I also want to give credit to
21 Randy Wade. This has been seriously a
22 15 year journey for me. We started in
23 2010 dealing with the Village about the
24 ferry line and the property around both
25 of the museums that are down there.

1 And Randy really pushed with us and the
2 committee to have it a walking area,
3 and quite honestly, I thought she was
4 making a mistake to do that. I saw it
5 as an industrial area and not an area
6 that our residents and our guests would
7 be walking through, but I can tell you
8 it is so nice down there. With your
9 support and the work that you've done,
10 the other people that have been in and
11 out through committee, it's amazing to
12 see people with strollers and children
13 walking between the two museums safely
14 on that sidewalk. There is walking
15 traffic through there. It really has
16 become an extension of the Mitchell
17 Park area from the boardwalk across.
18 And that was Randy's vision, and I
19 couldn't imagine it when we were in
20 committee, but I really want to -- she
21 was here earlier, I didn't get a chance
22 to talk to her, but thumbs up to Randy
23 and thank you for your work and support
24 of this because it's really made a big
25 difference around the museum, so thank

1 you.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you, Don.

3 And I think really important to mention
4 as I have prior, Corazzini Construction
5 did an absolutely phenomenal job. They
6 managed to get this ferry open prior to
7 Memorial Day, which I will remind the
8 public was 56 days ahead of schedule on
9 this project. This is a New York State
10 Department of Transportation project,
11 as Mr. Fisher mentioned, it has been in
12 the works for well over a decade and,
13 you know, we got everything pulled
14 together and got it done. They're
15 putting on final touches right now to
16 get it signed off by the State.
17 They've been phenomenal. And there's
18 additional beautification that's going
19 to happen over there with some other
20 planting we're taking a look at adding
21 beyond what's in the project once we
22 get the State sign off, but it's just
23 been phenomenal. And to your point, to
24 see all the folks walking between the
25 two museums is really special.

1 MR. FISHER: It's wonderful.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Is there anybody
3 else from the public that would like to
4 speak this evening?

5 MS. WALTON: Francis Walton, 171
6 Central Avenue, Greenport. Following
7 up on last week's working session, I
8 wanted to amplify the importance of
9 updating the Village's LWRP. It is an
10 important planning document for the
11 Village. It informs the actions of the
12 Trustees and the Planning Board and
13 other Village boards. I was heartened
14 to hear the discussion at your work
15 session, but that is just the start.
16 There is a lot of work that needs to be
17 done on this. The first step is to
18 submit a grant application to the State
19 of New York through their consolidated
20 funding application or CFA process,
21 which is due at the end of July, and
22 that will help fund the hiring of a
23 consultant to prepare the updated LWRP.
24 Are the Trustees and Mayor willing
25 to make this a priority for the Village

1 grant writer? I believe you said last
2 week that you would, and I was
3 wondering whether the meeting with the
4 grant writer did take place, I think
5 that was for last Friday.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: There were a
7 couple of meetings. So there was an
8 initial one that I had done prior and
9 then we were supposed to be doing a
10 follow up with them, that one got
11 moved, it actually took place this
12 morning. The Deputy Mayor can speak to
13 that. They are working diligently on
14 it. A consolidated funding application
15 was opened. We had a lengthy
16 discussion. I'll let Deputy Mayor
17 speak about some of the work that he's
18 done in soliciting request for proposal
19 on cost estimates, which is the big
20 thing that we need in order to submit
21 for a dollar figure.

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Yeah, so
23 I'm happy to update you on this. We
24 did have -- I say we, the Mayor and I
25 did have the call with McBride this

1 morning, and we kicked that off so
2 we're actually quite a bit of
3 communication today. They are off and
4 running on trying to get this grant
5 opportunity for us.

6 I did submit questions last Friday
7 on the deadline, which was June 20th
8 for the grant application. So I got
9 those in, so we'll see answers for
10 those on July 11th. I have met with
11 the LWRP committee and we have
12 developed a list of potential
13 consultants that could assist us with
14 the grant writing, and this is
15 important that we do this now because,
16 as the Mayor mentioned, we have to
17 begin vetting these potential
18 consultants so we can get an
19 understanding of the scope of work as
20 well as the cost for their project
21 because we're going to have to build
22 those costs into the ask in the grant
23 application. And it has to be detailed
24 in terms of what they're going to be
25 doing for us and what we're asking of

1 them.

2 I've had conversations -- so we
3 developed list of six potential
4 consultants, but it's a list in
5 progress. I've had conversations with
6 two of them. I had a very interesting
7 conversation last week with one of the
8 consultants who was very generous with
9 his time and helped me to formulate
10 some questions for the grant as well as
11 gave me some additional things to think
12 about in terms of what we want to build
13 into our planning process here and what
14 might be most cost effective for the
15 Village. I've begun the process just
16 this afternoon of providing information
17 back to McBride, so we've given them
18 the questions, the list of our
19 consultants, and I've began creating a
20 list of the supporters for our
21 projects. So it's important that the
22 Village get support letters as part of
23 our grant application, so we developed
24 a list of agencies, municipalities,
25 businesses, not for profits, other

1 things that we could reach out to to
2 gather support for our application,
3 which I gather is important. And we've
4 also -- in terms of that list -- I'm
5 sorry, I've asked for contributions to
6 the list from our LWRP committee, so
7 those are coming in now. So I'll
8 continue to update that and provide
9 McBride with that.

10 My next steps with McBride is to
11 really develop who is going to be our
12 team on the Village end so that we have
13 the proper resources in place whether
14 that includes the treasurer, the clerk,
15 or legal counsel, that's something I
16 want to work out next so that we have
17 answers for the consultant as quickly
18 as possible. It's a lot of work to do
19 in a short period of time. I was
20 pleased with the response from McBride
21 today. So I was anxious to get to
22 speak with them, but then I was pleased
23 with how quickly they picked up the
24 project and the flow of information
25 back and forth has been dramatic today,

1 and I hope we can carry that forward
2 and get them all the answers they need
3 so we have a good opportunity to get
4 this grant. It's super important. We
5 will have to really nail down with the
6 scope of work for the grant
7 application, so we have to hit it just
8 right, and we have to tailor our ask so
9 that it's competitive among other
10 municipalities of our size. We don't
11 want to overshoot or undershoot it.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: As you know,
13 there's past history that's published,
14 so we have the ability to look, as the
15 Deputy Mayor has done, at other
16 communities and what they ended up
17 receiving and sort of gauge it relative
18 to some of the responses on --

19 MS. WALTON: I agree, that's an
20 important point.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is it possible,
22 the questions that you sent to the
23 State, could you share them with the
24 rest of the Trustees?

25 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Absolutely.

1 So I think that's another thing,
2 another mechanism that we have to come
3 up with is how we share information on
4 this so you all have it, but at the
5 same time not being overloaded with
6 drafts of information that are going
7 back and forth. I think I've already
8 sent McBride two or three drafts of our
9 consultant letter already. McBride is
10 actually preparing a sample letter that
11 we'll use to solicit support, so
12 they're preparing it for us now, I hope
13 they'll share with us soon.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: And they have
15 specific recommendations on
16 constituencies that we're going to want
17 support letters from beyond what may be
18 put together. And the same thing for
19 the New York Forward program that we're
20 working on right now as well. And then
21 next week we've got a big follow up in
22 regards to sewers too, which will
23 interestingly sort of tie into all
24 this, and then the study money that we
25 talked about earlier from New York

1 Forward.

2 MS. WALTON: In other years, I
3 don't know if they're still doing this,
4 but in other years, the State has
5 actually started publishing answers to
6 questions prior to that final question
7 deadline. So something to --

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Look out
9 for.

10 MS. WALTON: I can look into it
11 too. Something to look out for
12 possibly being able to get some of that
13 information a little earlier.

14 That's wonderful to hear the
15 progress even in a week. Thank you
16 very much for your efforts on that.
17 Very much appreciated.

18 Also critical is, as you
19 mentioned, having the staffing right
20 now to work with the consultant, but
21 also what will be critical, assuming we
22 are successful in getting the grant, is
23 having a Village Administrator in place
24 to work in developing the LWRP once we
25 get to that stage. And I was also

1 happy to hear the discussion of that
2 last week and to see the resolution on
3 the agenda for this evening. Hoping
4 that's still on track.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: I think the
6 important thing too is not just having
7 an administrator but Board commitment
8 to getting it done because, as you
9 know, it sat on the shelf for a long
10 time.

11 MS. WALTON: Yes. And it's
12 obviously not just the Village
13 Administrator by themselves that will
14 play that crucial role, it's the
15 coordination of within the Village of
16 getting all the information from the
17 various parts, departments of the
18 Village, and so having somebody in that
19 kind of coordinating role is very
20 helpful in preparing a document such as
21 that.

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I agree.
23 Sorry to interject. It's absolutely
24 essential. I don't think we can do
25 this LWRP process without the

1 administrator.

2 MS. WALTON: I agree. And it will
3 still take a Village.

4 Then I also wanted to just
5 reiterate the importance of the LWRP
6 update addressing coastal resiliency in
7 the process of identifying key Village
8 projects to help guide the scope and
9 implementation of the infrastructure
10 investment in the Village and the
11 surrounding area.

12 The building out of the east side
13 waterfront in New York City is a
14 perfect example of what happens if
15 these needs are not addressed up front.
16 I witnessed, you know, sort of a major
17 project was undertaken in revitalizing
18 the waterfront just to be dug up a few
19 years later after Superstorm Sandy. So
20 just want to give that as an anecdotal
21 example of what can happen if the
22 proper planning and research and
23 efforts aren't undertaken at this
24 stage.

25 So thank you in advance again for

1 moving this forward, and as I and
2 others have said, it's a crucial
3 planning document for the Village and
4 useful to all of us, so thank you.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you. And I
6 think an important thing to mention, we
7 unfortunately just touched on it very
8 briefly with the Supervisor and the
9 Town Board. When he noticed we hadn't
10 yet talked about coastal resiliency, he
11 mentioned a couple of roads that need
12 to be raised. I think we as a
13 community, not just the Village but
14 together with the Town need to develop
15 a climate resiliency plan like other
16 folks have done in many different
17 places, the city, East Hampton on the
18 south fork because if we don't have
19 that plan -- and I know some of the
20 civics are speaking for this as well,
21 there's a lot more things we need to be
22 addressing.

23 MS. WALTON: Agreed. And I was
24 also wondering whether we could get
25 Southold to help support this

1 application, the grant application,
2 whether that would be helpful.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: We will be
4 asking them for a letter of support,
5 they'll be part of that for sure. I
6 think most people who just sat through
7 the last joint meeting were thinking we
8 need a plan for that, we need a plan
9 for that, everything we talked about,
10 right? Whether it was -- well, we
11 didn't really talk about resiliency.
12 Housing, sewer, this all intersects
13 with the LWRP and our comprehensive
14 planning, so understood.

15 MS. WALTON: Thank you.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else that
17 would like to speak this evening?

18 MS. GORDON: The Mayor just spoke
19 -- just referred to, again, to the Long
20 Island Forward housing program that I
21 spoke about also, and I'm just
22 wondering is the Board ready to sign on
23 for the application for this because
24 why not?

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It's

1 for studying housing opportunities,
2 correct?

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, this was the
4 plan that --

5 MS. GORDON: It's technical
6 assistance, which means you don't get a
7 grant and hire your chosen experts.
8 They send their experts. And there's a
9 great variety, economists and
10 sociologists and social workers and
11 geographers, and, you know, they decide
12 after consultation obviously with us
13 whom they're going to send and what
14 kind of analysis they're going to do.
15 There's a very wide variety. Somebody
16 suggested that we should all be looking
17 at that or that you all should be
18 looking at this long list of things
19 that they put out, and Yan did a
20 one-pager about the various elements of
21 the program. So maybe I should send
22 that around to everybody on the Board.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: That would be
24 great if you could share that because
25 the Board has the full program, which

1 was shared.

2 MS. GORDON: Oh, you already --

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I haven't
4 seen it yet.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: It was attached to
6 our meeting. We discussed it the month
7 before.

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I have not
9 reviewed it. Speaking for myself, it
10 sounds like a great idea. I know we
11 could use the help. Obviously I have
12 to see the plan or see what we're
13 signing on to, but I'm all for it.

14 MS. GORDON: I'm pushing for speed
15 partly because there was a webinar
16 about it maybe six weeks ago, which I
17 participated and the Mayor did too, and
18 they were really ready to go and ready
19 to help us, so I'm just pushing.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We need to
21 catch up a little bit, Dinni.

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Thank you
23 for your presentation this evening.

24 MS. GORDON: Thank you.

25 MS. HAMMES: Good evening.

1 Patricia Hammes. I reside on Main
2 Street, I also am -- in the interest of
3 full disclosure -- am the chair of the
4 Planning Board. I appreciate the
5 opportunity to speak to you all tonight
6 and I was really happy to hear,
7 Patrick, everything you had to say on
8 the LWRP. I thank Francis for bringing
9 that up because it was one of the
10 several points on my list, so I don't
11 have to spend a lot of time on that.
12 It sounds like things are proceeding in
13 the right direction. I would just
14 reiterate how important this all is.
15 And I don't think -- obviously we want
16 to be competitive on the grant
17 application, but I wouldn't
18 underestimate the scope of work that
19 needs to be done. Based on the
20 conversations that I've had, there's a
21 tremendous amount of additional
22 community outreach that needs to be
23 done. There's going to be a lot of
24 facilitating, I think, with the Board
25 of Trustees on working through the

1 various policies that have to be
2 analyzed. And you guys have a lot to
3 do with just the day-to-day running of
4 the Village, and I think that unless
5 you got some really significant help
6 both in the form of a consultant and
7 people within the Village Hall with
8 substantive experience that can help
9 move things along, we're going to keep
10 spinning this wheel. That's all I'll
11 say on that.

12 All right. My next topic of
13 discussion, which I anticipate you will
14 not want to engage with me on this
15 evening but is I have historically kind
16 of when people brought up the Mitchell
17 Park bulkhead grant, we've kind of
18 said, oh, I'm sure that's all under
19 control, the Board is progressing it,
20 I'm not worried about that. And then
21 I've started to dig more into it and
22 talk to more people, and I realized
23 that these bonds were issued for four
24 and a half million dollars last August,
25 which presumably they were issued

1 because the Board anticipated being
2 able to draw down on the grant money
3 during this past 12-month period
4 because we're coming up on that as I
5 understand it. And we're paying a
6 \$135,000 in interest on the three
7 million bond, I think that they're two
8 separate bonds, but I couldn't find the
9 resolutions because the link is broken
10 on the website for those, so I couldn't
11 do all my research. But we're paying
12 interest on the one that I believe is
13 the one that's for the reimbursable
14 amount, and then there's another
15 million and a half, as I understand it,
16 that's just as a backstop if we have --
17 if the project comes in over.

18 So I assume when that was all done
19 by this Board last August, there was an
20 understanding of what needed to be done
21 in order to draw down on this fund.
22 It's not clear to me what that was, and
23 it's obvious to me that it wasn't done
24 because we're now here and there's talk
25 about needing to reissue those bonds.

1 So the taxpayers bore the cost of those
2 bonds for the last year, so I guess as
3 a taxpayer, I'd like to know what was
4 supposed to have been done, what needs
5 to be done, and what the plan is for
6 getting it done, and why it wasn't done
7 for the last 12 months? Because to me,
8 this is no different than fingers that
9 have been cast at other people for not
10 paying bills and things like this.
11 This is taxpayer dollars. So I'm sure
12 you don't want to talk about this
13 tonight, I think probably the treasurer
14 needs to be here. If you want to talk
15 about it tonight, I'd like love to hear
16 the answers. But if not, I would hope
17 at the next work session this will be a
18 priority item because a lot of people
19 aren't here that are interested in this
20 because last week's meeting went so
21 long, and this week's meeting went so
22 long. The things that you guys are
23 talking about are really important, so
24 it's frankly great that the meetings
25 are going long, but it's making it hard

1 for the public to really engage in
2 these things and understand what's
3 going on. I'm getting lots of
4 questions, and I'm, like, I don't have
5 the answers. And if I don't have the
6 answers, I can tell you most of the
7 people in the community don't have the
8 answers. And if most of the people in
9 the community knew about this and
10 understood the costs that the Village
11 is bearing for some of these
12 activities, they'd be really upset.

13 And to go to your point, Patrick,
14 last week when you said you were
15 concerned about the fact that there
16 doesn't seem to be a lot of trust from
17 the fire department, that's the
18 situation in the community as a whole
19 because there's not enough information
20 on these things and then the things
21 trickle out.

22 So again, if you want talk about
23 it tonight, fine. I get that I'm
24 putting you on the spot, but I just
25 felt I was going to say all this last

1 week, you know, but you had to go to
2 the executive session, which was
3 understandable, but this is something I
4 really think that the Village residents
5 deserve an accounting and understanding
6 why you're so sure that that money is
7 going to be there for the bulkhead
8 grant and what the plan is to get this
9 done.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Tricia, if you
11 give me a minute of your public time,
12 Mayor, there was a discussion that you
13 were going to be reaching out to get
14 the process started for the application
15 series that we have to go through to be
16 able to start, you know, claiming the
17 money. Have we reached out D&B for an
18 updated proposal?

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, and they're
20 coming here for a visit. Date is to be
21 coordinated. It will be right after
22 the July 4th weekend and working on
23 that.

24 Relative to some of the other
25 things, I want to speak with Adam, and

1 to your point, have the treasurer here
2 as well, and we can follow up on those.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So my
4 understanding, as I happen to have
5 researched a fair amount of this, which
6 you're all aware of because I've been
7 bringing it up for a while, there is a
8 system that we need to start entering
9 information. Is McBride going to take
10 the lead on that, is D&B going to take
11 the lead?

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Together with D&B,
13 yes.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right. I
15 am very interested in it, as you know,
16 I'm concerned about it, so I would like
17 to -- if there are any opportunity to
18 be involved in just backtracking or
19 keeping track of it, I would like to be
20 involved in that.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: The whole Board
22 will be kept apprised.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. Because
24 I have been saying something about this
25 for months. I'm concerned about it.

1 It's an important infrastructure. It
2 not only it's one of our biggest assets
3 in the Village, and it's a lot of money
4 that I hopefully is going to come and
5 we can move it along and get it going
6 because it has a lot of components to
7 it. We have to renew our DEC permits
8 because they expired in '24, December
9 of '24, there has to be a plan put
10 together, there has to be engineering,
11 there has to be a new SEQRA, if you
12 want to know, Tricia, what's going on.

13 MS. HAMMES: What did we do for
14 the last 11 months?

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I can't answer
16 that one.

17 MS. HAMMES: That's my question.
18 I'm sorry, I don't mean to -- but I --
19 really, like, again, I guess it makes
20 me concerned about all kinds of other
21 things I might not know about honestly.
22 I mean, you issued four and a half
23 million dollars in bonds that the
24 taxpayers are responsible for,
25 presumably you should have had a plan.

1 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I don't
2 have any satisfactory answers for you.
3 But I think we do need to provide more
4 information so the public can
5 understand better what's happened. I'm
6 not going to be taking a lead on this
7 because I'm going to try to be
8 disciplined and focus on the LWRP for
9 the moment.

10 MS. HAMMES: Again, I'm not
11 speaking for myself on this one. I
12 think if we'd have this conversation at
13 6:00, there would have been more people
14 in the audience asking these questions.
15 I think, again, the final thing I'll
16 say about it is the Village residents
17 deserve an accounting as to what
18 happened for the last year and what the
19 plan is to resolve this going forward.

20 My couple of other points that I
21 wanted to address are -- hopefully
22 you'll be less upset about them -- the
23 parking program. So I think it's great
24 that they reinstituted the paid parking
25 this year. I know you guys put it in

1 as part of the budget. I think it's
2 \$125,000 for parking fees and \$10,000
3 for parking code violations if I recall
4 the numbers correct in the budget. I
5 guess, my concern on this is now that
6 it's part of our budget as opposed to
7 just extra money that we may or may not
8 get -- never mind the enforcement
9 issues, we had also taken down all the
10 time limitation signs because we had
11 the paid parking -- is I've noticed
12 that the signage is inconsistent. For
13 instance, if you start at where the
14 parking begins on Main Street on the
15 west side where Stirling Sake is, the
16 sign for the paid parking is right here
17 at the corner where nobody is parking,
18 right, there's no parking spot there,
19 and then there's not a sign on that
20 whole side for a block and a half. And
21 so anybody that parks from that corner
22 all the way down to probably the hotel,
23 whatever it's called now, Gallery
24 Hotel, whatever it is, may or may not
25 know that they are supposed to be

1 paying for parking. And in fact, I
2 walked down there last weekend a few
3 times, saw people get out of their cars
4 and just wander off. And that may have
5 been because they didn't see the sign,
6 nobody had their phone out, nobody was
7 doing what they were supposed to be
8 doing. It may be they didn't see the
9 sign, it may also be that the word is
10 out that we're not enforcing. So I get
11 that it's probably too late this summer
12 to hire somebody to enforce this, but
13 if we're going to do something like
14 this and we're going to put it in our
15 budget, then we should be enforcing it.
16 So that's just my point on that.

17 Related point which was partly
18 tied into the conversation today,
19 again, at least for next summer,
20 please, try to have a part-time code
21 enforcement officer on the weekends in
22 the Village. We all know that there's
23 a particular restaurant that has been
24 interfering with traffic on Main Street
25 to advertise their business. There are

1 other things going on. We need
2 somebody who knows the community
3 wandering around on the weekends. It's
4 too crazy for there not to be somebody
5 who understands things and knows what
6 kind of is more or less supposed to be
7 going on and what's not. And it's
8 really effecting, I think, residents'
9 quality of life and it will just get
10 worse as we go further into the summer.
11 So I would really hope that next year
12 you'll make this a focus point before
13 we get to July.

14 And finally, although I'm very
15 glad that Mayor Kevin brought it up at
16 the meeting, is my final point, which I
17 wanted to talk about at last week's
18 work session was to encourage you all
19 again on this lodging tax idea. I
20 don't support coupling it with the Town
21 of Southold. I don't really care what
22 the Town of Southold does. I don't
23 think they're going to take action on
24 this any time soon with that moratorium
25 on hotels. They're going to be

1 lagging, it may delay short term
2 rentals in the Village, that's a
3 different question, that's an
4 outstanding question that I have in to
5 Counsel about there's a date deadline
6 for registration in the State law that
7 was passed that I've never gotten an
8 answer on. But I don't think the
9 Village should wait. As a taxpayer, my
10 taxes go up every year. We don't have
11 money for basic quality of life issues
12 in the Village, like hiring part-time
13 inspectors. We talk about other
14 Village improvements that fall to the
15 bottom of the list because there's no
16 money for them. We as residents of
17 this Village bear the cost from May
18 through October of the traffic that
19 comes in and out of here and does wear
20 and tear on our infrastructure, has all
21 kinds of other adverse effects on our
22 quality of life, and that is what it
23 is. But we should get some value for
24 that and we don't. And so this is
25 something the State has to approve, and

1 if you don't start now, it's not going
2 to happen for next summer.

3 So again, as a responsible matter
4 to the community, and I think most of
5 the community -- I mean, this is
6 something that's been banding around
7 for years, right? Rich Vandenburg ran
8 on this when he ran for mayor. I mean,
9 I didn't think it was a possible until
10 I did research and I realized there's
11 got to be at least 15 similarly
12 situated villages and towns in the
13 State of New York that have this tax
14 approved by New York State. 3 to 5
15 percent lodging tax, hotels, short term
16 rentals. Why would we not do this?
17 How could that not be a responsible
18 governance in a village of this size
19 with our financial constraints?

20 So those are my points for
21 tonight. I'm sure that there are other
22 things. I appreciate you, as always,
23 listening to me, and I really do
24 appreciate all the work that all of you
25 do. I know sometimes I'm probably a

1 pain. I know this isn't an easy job,
2 and I don't mean to imply when I make
3 the points that I do that I don't
4 really appreciate everything that you
5 all do and that I don't recognize that
6 it's a tough job and you have a lot of
7 demands. So that's it. Thank you.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you. Just
9 on a couple of items, the parking
10 signs, your points make sense. I'm
11 going to get our parking sign company
12 to come back out and take a look at it
13 with us. Because they were originally
14 placed based upon recommendations and
15 looking at poles and we probably need
16 to add a few more, so we'll look at
17 that with them. And then enforcement
18 is a bigger discussion, but one of the
19 things that we unfortunately didn't get
20 to get to yet again is the police
21 department, we all pay taxes to
22 Southold Town, and we pay a good
23 amount, and the two things the Town is
24 really supposed to provide us are
25 assessment, which there isn't much of,

1 other than the overall management
2 because they only assess a property
3 when there's significant construction.
4 We really don't have that many houses
5 that they need to look at. And then
6 the other one is policing and traffic
7 control, and the original agreement
8 that the Town signed with the Village
9 back in 1995 listed every single thing
10 that's supposed to be provided. It
11 includes regular traffic enforcement
12 and enforcement on things like noise
13 issues and dogs and other things like
14 this. So I think we as a Board can
15 continue to look at adding our own
16 enforcement, but we're got to get our
17 tax dollars for the items that they're
18 supposed providing.

19 MS. HAMMES: I totally agree with
20 that, and I believe in making the
21 comments that I was going to make if I
22 had spoken before about this whole
23 conversation on the CPF. But just one
24 question on that then, when you say
25 traffic control, I mean, does that mean

1 going around and scanning license
2 plates to see if they've done the pay
3 for parking?

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

5 MS. HAMMES: And realize that?

6 MAYOR STUESSI: They don't want to
7 -- I mean, you heard the Supervisor, he
8 suggested we have our own police
9 department.

10 MS. HAMMES: Well, again, if we --

11 MAYOR STUESSI: We need to work
12 around to your point.

13 MS. HAMMES: Actually, one more
14 thing I forgot to say, I'm sorry. I
15 just want to give you guys an update,
16 the Planning Board, as you know, is
17 doing a survey. We're going to have
18 preliminary results that we're going to
19 discuss at our end of July meeting,
20 some of that revolves around parking
21 and housing and things like that.
22 We'll be happy to provide that feedback
23 to you after that. But all these
24 issues are intertwined.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. Point taken

1 on the hotel tax. I think the Board
2 should consider potentially moving
3 forward without the Town if timing is
4 not going to align.

5 MS. HAMMES: Patrick, were you
6 going to say anything else?

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Yeah, we
8 can work on this at our next work
9 session, but my understanding from
10 speaking with our Counsel is that
11 parking enforcement is not the
12 responsibility of the police
13 department. That is something that
14 would fall on the Village for nonmoving
15 vehicles. So I think to Ms. Hammes'
16 point about the budget reflecting paid
17 parking as well as enforcement, in
18 order to collect that line item for
19 enforcement, we have to have to have
20 somebody, otherwise that's not going to
21 work. Maybe next meeting --

22 MAYOR STUESSI: We'll have Adam do
23 an update on what we've collected, much
24 like he's done for the train and we'll
25 be doing for the carousel as well.

1 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: We should
2 do that next week, next meeting.

3 MS. HAMMES: Just as a related
4 point, we got to stop telling people
5 we're not enforcing the parking, even
6 if we're not. The businesses are
7 telling people don't worry about
8 paying.

9 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I'm not
10 saying we're not enforcing the parking,
11 I'm just debating whose responsibility
12 it is.

13 MS. HAMMES: I totally understand.
14 I just think that we should -- the
15 consistent messaging has to be that
16 we're enforcing one way or the other.

17 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I'll be
18 curious to see how it's working as far
19 as the --

20 MAYOR STUESSI: The numbers have
21 been -- I didn't get this last weekend,
22 but --

23 MR. SALADINO: John Saladino and I
24 live on Sixth Street. I wasn't going
25 to say anything until you guys brought

1 up parking. I heard the treasurer's
2 report last week that you made \$9,500
3 in parking fees, and I was shocked by
4 that. That's a really good thing.
5 Especially if there's no penalty, you
6 know, we're kind of like tricking
7 people. Call a spade a spade. I
8 happened to be at that work session,
9 you went into executive session, and I
10 went to buy my dinner and we met
11 somebody that was from out of town.
12 She lived in Prague actually. And her
13 big concern was does anybody -- I have
14 to go move my car because I don't want
15 it to get towed, and it was like the
16 biggest joke in the bar because nobody
17 is going to tow your car and nobody is
18 going to give you a summons right now.

19 So the problem now is that the
20 \$9,500 was great last month, but as
21 soon as the word gets out even further
22 because every bartender and every
23 saloon is telling everybody you don't
24 have to worry about parking. It's not
25 going to be \$9,500 this month, it's

1 going to be less than that.

2 As far as enforcement, a previous
3 code enforcement officer, a previous
4 building inspector listed the amount of
5 money, whether it was factual or not,
6 and I didn't hear anybody dispute it,
7 so I'm guessing it was factual, the
8 amount of money in tickets that he
9 wrote was a lot of money. If we're
10 collecting \$9,500 a month in parking
11 fees, I don't know of a code
12 enforcement officer that makes \$9,000 a
13 month. Why is it too late now to hire
14 a guy? The 4th of July is not even
15 here yet. We all saw Jaws, the season
16 starts at the 4th of July. Why is it
17 unreasonable to think that we can't
18 hire somebody to write tickets? Why
19 are we putting it off until next
20 summer? I'm just not getting it. We
21 talk about doing stuff that -- we
22 promised stuff that happens, would
23 normally take three, four months and we
24 promise that it's going to happen
25 overnight, but here is something that

1 could happen overnight and we're
2 willing to wait until next June 21st to
3 hire a guy. I don't understand it.

4 The other thing -- I would like to
5 ask two quick questions, is there going
6 to be an executive session?

7 MAYOR STUESSI: No.

8 MR. SALADINO: Is there any walk
9 off agendas that you guys plan on
10 springing on us?

11 MAYOR STUESSI: The only thing is
12 the resolution for the Town housing
13 that we talked about.

14 MR. SALADINO: Okay. And the
15 other thing that I would ask, and
16 Patricia brought it up, Fran just
17 brought it up was, Kevin, at this
18 particular moment in time, you know
19 everything there is to know, you know
20 as much as the treasurer about what's
21 happening wit the bulkhead and the
22 \$135,000 in interest. Why does the
23 public have to wait another 30 days to
24 wait for Adam to come here to explain
25 it? Why can't you explain it to us

1 tonight and those people out there?

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Because I want to
3 make sure that everything relative to
4 where we are on timing with it and the
5 funding is accurate. So --

6 MR. SALADINO: Give us the gist.
7 And if you're wrong and Adam corrects
8 you, nobody is going to hold it against
9 you. Actually I'm going to kind of
10 hold it against you if you make me wait
11 a month. Give us what you believe to
12 be the facts is what I'm saying. Why
13 is it always, well, we'll let you know
14 after the 4th of July, we're going to
15 have a meeting, we'll let you know
16 then. And you know what happens? We
17 wind up, we don't know. So again, as a
18 taxpayer, I'm not as big a taxpayer as
19 some of the folks here, but I kind of
20 feel I pay my share. We kind of have
21 the right to know. It's not like -- it
22 shouldn't be a secret. It shouldn't be
23 a big discussion that you have to have
24 tomorrow in the treasurer's office and
25 get all your ducks in a row. You're

1 here. There's no doubt in my mind
2 you're fully involved. There's no
3 doubt in my mind that you have the
4 majority of the information. In my
5 mind, you're just not willing to share
6 it, you're blowing me off.

7 MAYOR STUESSI: I honestly can't
8 speak to all the financial matters off
9 the cuff, but we're going to likely end
10 up scheduling a special meeting in the
11 next couple of weeks relative to when
12 the engineer is here because we need to
13 expend some funding for that, and I'm
14 waiting for the proposal on it and then
15 how that all ties in to where we are
16 with the bonds on it.

17 MR. SALADINO: The previous
18 speaker, one of the things she stressed
19 to you guys that she asked you guys was
20 what have you been doing for the last
21 11 months. It's a reasonable question.
22 Some of you chose to answer, can't
23 answer. And now to respond -- and I
24 bring it up again, and now the response
25 is we're going to have a meeting in the

1 next couple of weeks, and then we're
2 going to talk to some other folks, and
3 then we're going to play a little
4 pinochle, then we're going to kick it
5 around then, and then we'll let you
6 know sometime in the future. I don't
7 know how the rest of the folks in this
8 room feel, but I kind of feel like I
9 just said, I kind of feel I'm getting
10 blown off.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: John, I'm
12 genuinely not trying to blow you off.
13 I want to be able to because --

14 MR. SALADINO: Well, do you hear
15 what you just said?

16 MAYOR STUESSI: I want to be able
17 to present a timeline of where we were
18 relative to the conversation with the
19 engineer, relative to funding, when we
20 can go to bid. I had a separate
21 conversation with our State
22 representatives yesterday as I
23 mentioned last week that I was going to
24 be doing as well relative to the DEC
25 permits, and my goal is to make sure

1 that we are under construction this
2 fall for it. And there have been a lot
3 of things the Village has been
4 managing. I have personally been
5 dealing with a whole number of things.
6 If I have failed in some, I accept full
7 responsibility.

8 MR. SALADINO: That's not what I
9 said. All I said was you're the most
10 informed guy here.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: Right. And I'm
12 simply trying to say that I want to
13 present a timeline of where we are on
14 all of this relative to all of the
15 funding and going to bid so we can get
16 the work actually started. This is
17 something, you know, the Village should
18 have done seven years ago when the
19 State report was done. We got the
20 funding for it, the funding is going to
21 be coming in. We need to make sure --

22 MR. SALADINO: Wait a second, wait
23 a second. We can blame the former
24 administration all --

25 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm not blaming --

1 MR. SALADINO: Well, you said
2 seven years ago.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm taking
4 responsibility myself, John, but I want
5 to present the timeline of what needs
6 to occur in order to get us under
7 construction and be certain based upon
8 my conversation with the State and the
9 HUD fellow in New York City relative to
10 our grant for it that we're in good
11 shape with all of it in order to go to
12 bid, which we want to proceed with
13 expeditiously together with getting the
14 permit in place that needs to be there
15 for it.

16 MR. SALADINO: Okay. The last
17 thing I would mention is I kind of
18 missed a few words of the conversation
19 you had with Al, the supervisor because
20 the two women next to me wouldn't shut
21 up, so I didn't hear a lot of stuff.
22 What I heard, and please correct me if
23 I'm wrong, there's a Councilman here,
24 so correct me if I'm wrong, I don't
25 want to disrespect him, the Town was

1 kind of like whining about paying pump
2 out fees at Mitchell Park because they
3 figured that service was worth more
4 than sewer remediation -- than
5 processing waste water; did I get that
6 right?

7 MAYOR STUESSI: No.

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That was my
9 take on it.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: It wasn't whining.
11 They sent us an agreement a month ago,
12 whatever it was. We had Counsel look,
13 it was a prior agreement that's been
14 used for a decade plus, 20 years it
15 sounds like. Counsel made a few
16 changes to it, sent it back. The Town
17 Board voted to sign it. I'm assuming
18 they voted because they signed it. We
19 then voted to accept it. I signed it.
20 And then a week later, last week we get
21 an e-mail from Town Counsel saying, oh,
22 we don't want to use that agreement, we
23 want to use this new agreement where
24 you don't get any fees for --

25 MR. SALADINO: That's whining. If

1 anybody disagrees. That's whining.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: It's bait and
3 switch is what it is, it's not whining.

4 MR. SALADINO: Well, they're
5 whining about having to pay for an
6 agreement that they made. They made a
7 deal and now they're whining about
8 having to pay it. Anybody here that
9 believes the collection of municipal
10 waste water is a bigger deal than
11 processing that waste water is
12 delusional. And you should consider
13 it -- I don't want to get into the big
14 argument with the Town because
15 occasionally I leave Greenport and I
16 don't want to have to look over my
17 shoulder. Thanks for listening.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else that
19 would like to speak this evening?

20 All right. Let's move on to
21 resolutions. Deputy Mayor Brennan, you
22 starting?

23 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Yes.
24 Resolution 06-2025-1, Resolution
25 adopting the June 2025 agenda as

1 printed. So moved.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

4 (Aye said in unison.)

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
7 06-2025-2, Resolution accepting the
8 monthly reports of the Greenport Fire
9 Department, Village Administrator,
10 Village Treasurer, Village Clerk,
11 Village Attorney, Mayor and Board of
12 Trustees. So moved.

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
14 Second.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

16 (Aye said in unison.)

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
18 Resolution 6-2025-3, Resolution
19 approving the application for
20 membership of Patrick Curran, Standard
21 Hose Company #4 of the Greenport Fire
22 Department as approved by the Village
23 of Greenport Fire Department Board of
24 Wardens on March 27, 2025. So moved.

25 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

1 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

2 (Aye said in unison.)

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

4 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
5 06-2025-4, Resolution authorizing
6 Treasurer Brautigam to perform attached
7 budget transfer #6526 to transfer funds
8 from medical expenses to legal expenses
9 to fund legal counsel invoices for
10 March and April 2025, and directing
11 budget transfer #6526 be included in
12 the formal meeting minutes of June 26th
13 regular meeting of the Board of
14 Trustees. So moved.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

17 (Aye said in unison.)

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
19 03-2025-5, Resolution authorizing
20 Treasurer Brautigam to perform attached
21 budget transfer #6500 to transfer funds
22 from marina and park expense lines to
23 the carousel expense line to fund the
24 final phase for the carousel repair,
25 and directing budget transfer #6500 be

1 included in the formal meeting minutes
2 of the June 26th regular meeting of the
3 Board of Trustees. So moved.

4 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
5 Second.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?
7 (Aye said in unison.)

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
9 Resolution 6-2025-6, Resolution
10 authorizing Treasurer Brautigam to sign
11 the attached contract with NYISO for
12 the purchase of six TCC contracts for
13 the period of November 1, 2025 through
14 October 31, 2026. So moved.

15 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

16 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?
17 (Aye said in unison.)

18 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
19 06-2025-7, Resolution authorizing
20 Treasurer Brautigam to perform attached
21 budget transfer #6528 to transfer funds
22 from medical expense line to the power
23 purchase expense line to fund the
24 monthly power invoice, and directing
25 budget amendment #6528 be included as

1 part of the formal meeting minutes of
2 the June 26, 2025 meeting of the Board
3 of Trustees. So moved.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

6 (Aye said in unison.)

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
8 06-2025-8, Resolution approving the
9 public assembly application received
10 from Colin Van Tuyl on behalf of the
11 Greenport Band for the annual concert
12 series held in Mitchell Park from 7:30
13 to 8:45 to run on the following
14 Fridays: July 4th, July 11th, July
15 18th, and July 25th, August 1st, August
16 8th, August 15th, August 22nd, and
17 August 29th. The Greenport Band has
18 requested a waiver of the \$250
19 application fee and for the Village of
20 Greenport to keep Mitchell Park
21 bathrooms open for the event. So
22 moved.

23 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

24 Second.

25 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Discussion.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I have a
2 question. Go ahead, Patrick.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: No, go
4 ahead.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The Mitchell
6 Park bathrooms open for the event, are
7 we going -- what is the timeframe? Are
8 we going to -- do we have set hours to
9 close the bathrooms, or do we do it
10 event by event, or is it based on what
11 employees there left to -- in the
12 Mitchell Park office to close them?

13 CLERK HALL: It's based on each
14 event. The normal hours close down
15 before this event. I believe the
16 normal hours of operation of the
17 bathroom, they close them at 5:00, if
18 I'm not mistaken.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Correct. And then
20 for particular events, they keep them
21 open later.

22 CLERK HALL: Correct.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: Dances in the park
24 and then the band.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But okay, and I

1 understand that the 5:00 probably has
2 been for a while, but is there any way
3 we can look into possibly keeping them
4 open a little bit longer because I know
5 I've heard from several people walking
6 around Mitchell Park when it's daylight
7 still or it's just dusk or looking at
8 the sun --

9 MAYOR STUESSI: It's only money.
10 We can add additional staffing.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I'm just
12 asking what the scheduling is with it
13 or if it's possible.

14 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: We
15 think they're open 9:00 to 5:00
16 everyday; is that correct?

17 MAYOR STUESSI: They are, yes.

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And
19 then on nights like this, are they open
20 then from 9:00 to 8:45, or do they
21 close at 5:00 and then open back up
22 at 7:30?

23 CLERK HALL: I believe it will
24 just remain open.

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I

1 mean, I think it's something that
2 should be looked into somehow. I mean,
3 I understand that it's money, but I
4 also think --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: We can add
6 staffing and keep them open as much as
7 we want. It's a dollar figure.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think there's
9 another issue -- there is -- another
10 issue is when those bathrooms were
11 created, okay, the BID did a special
12 assessment to help fund the payment or
13 the construction of those bathrooms.
14 My understanding is at that point there
15 was supposed to be a discussion with
16 the BID in helping keep the staffing or
17 helping in paying for some of the fees
18 because it's benefitting not only the
19 public, but it's basically the Business
20 District was the first reason for
21 creating those bathrooms because they
22 were tired of having -- people had no
23 place to go. So that's one thing I
24 think we need to go back and perhaps as
25 a Board approach the BID board that

1 this is something that -- and I don't
2 know, I don't have a copy of the
3 agreement, but I do know it was well
4 discussed that they were supposed to
5 help in supporting that bathroom
6 situation, it wasn't supposed to fall
7 totally on the backs of the taxpayers,
8 the residential taxpayers because it
9 was servicing the Business District and
10 not just Mitchell Park participants.
11 So is that something we can look into?

12 MAYOR STUESSI: I think we're at a
13 time that it makes sense to schedule a
14 discussion with the BID board
15 leadership at our next work session on
16 a variety of different things. As
17 those of you that were at the recent
18 BID board meeting heard, there's a
19 number of issues that other business
20 owners and building owners are raising
21 that they don't feel are necessarily
22 taken care of, and I think we should --
23 it would be advantageous for our
24 Village Board to have a discussion
25 about that.

1 In addition, the Village Treasurer
2 has been trying to get copies of prior
3 BID financials, which are supposed to
4 be audited by State law and haven't
5 been. We don't as of yet have them.
6 So I think this would be a number of
7 things that would make sense to
8 discuss, and my suggestion would be
9 that we do that in our next work
10 session, and the Board can suggest
11 agenda items. If we want to cover the
12 bathrooms, it would be a very logical
13 one. Another one would be, as we
14 touched on briefly in the last meeting,
15 the visitors' dock because I know some
16 of the businesses feel strongly that we
17 should have a visitors' dock, and
18 that's a perfect example of something
19 that Village taxpayers have been paying
20 for, but it primarily benefits
21 businesses and services folks coming
22 from outside of the Village.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said,
24 there's a lot. I attended the meeting
25 as you all did. I think that there's a

1 lot of communication that can be
2 brought up and a lot of projects that
3 both the BID board and Village Board
4 can work on.

5 Leadership, we have two seats
6 that, Mayor, you need to appoint
7 somebody to the BID board, and we as
8 the Trustee need to appoint someone to
9 the BID board because those are two
10 open seats. Can we have a discussion
11 on dealing with that so that we can get
12 a resolution so that they have a full
13 board moving forward?

14 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: We should
15 discuss that at our next work session.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what I'm
17 saying.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Has anybody had
19 any potential candidates as of yet?

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I know
21 that Julia mentioned one to me, and I
22 know that you were encouraging one that
23 I think would be exciting to have on.
24 And some of those that didn't make the
25 first cut round for the appointments.

1 So perhaps that's something we can
2 have -- I know an artist that I think
3 would be great on that particular
4 board. I don't think I should put the
5 name out in the public at the moment.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: No, I think we
7 should circulate a list among ourselves
8 and have a discussion.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think it's
10 important. I think what I saw and what
11 I'm hoping that the BID board does
12 realize is that fractions and
13 disagreements are fine, but I think
14 they need to come together as a group
15 and realize that they need to have
16 general consensus on things and let
17 their officers take lead on stuff and
18 not have each Board Member take on
19 leadership factors, and that's -- as I
20 said, if they want to survive, they
21 have to be able to bring on new blood
22 as well as the old blood teaching
23 everybody what to do.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: They did and they
25 resigned. We lost all three of our

1 nominees, which is a problem.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Only two. Ryan
3 is still on there.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Three. Our
5 original treasurer's nominee was James
6 Shuford, the very first village
7 resident --

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But Ryan --

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Ryan is brand new.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I believe
11 we have to put an agenda item on for
12 renewal because he was only done for
13 the term that was left, I believe.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm just saying
15 that of the three Village Board
16 appointments that the five of us did in
17 the last 24 months, every single one of
18 them resigned.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm not
20 criticizing, just an observation of I
21 saw a board that's in flux that needs
22 to start working together and not
23 against each other.

24 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Can we
25 continue this on the next meeting

1 because we've gotten pretty far off
2 from this.

3 There was something I wanted to
4 discuss on this, and it's not a comment
5 on Mr. Van Tuyl's band or the concert
6 series, which is wonderful, but you all
7 saw the note from our treasurer about
8 our approach to waiving application
9 fees. So I'm not suggesting we do
10 anything with this particular
11 application, but it's just a reminder
12 that -- we're talking about the
13 bathroom and the financial implication
14 of keeping the bathrooms open longer.
15 And we have to be careful about how we
16 simultaneously reduce or eliminate fees
17 or ticket sales, whatever. We want to
18 give everything to everyone but we
19 can't.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually
21 perhaps at the next work session
22 perhaps we could take the mass assembly
23 permit code and take a little bit of a
24 review of it and see what changes we
25 might need to make to that, including

1 the fees, including some of if a change
2 to a permit happens in midstream, in
3 other words, in the details of
4 operation it doesn't work the way we
5 approve the resolution, we need to go
6 back on record and as a Board review it
7 before it gets changed. There's a
8 couple of items I have that are
9 concerning me, and I think it should be
10 a topic on the work session.

11 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Okay. You
12 saw Chairperson Hammes sent us a memo
13 on the matter late today. I skimmed
14 it.

15 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, no, it was
16 very thorough and it addressed a lot of
17 the things that came up during the code
18 committee of which Mary Bess was the
19 chair and, of course, Mr. Saladino in
20 the audience was there, and I
21 participated in a number of meetings.
22 I think it should all be very much
23 considered by the Board because the
24 code committee had done a lot of work
25 on it.

1 But to the Deputy Mayor's point, I
2 think we really need to give
3 consideration to this, and moving
4 forward on mass assembly permits, what
5 is the criteria? Loosely, as I
6 understand it, when we last discussed
7 it, it was for any type of call it
8 civic event, charitable event,
9 something that benefits the community.

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what's
11 been done in the past, but I think
12 everything -- as I said, you need to
13 look at the things in the past and
14 let's look forward to see what we can
15 make it better or make it a situation
16 that's for the current times, not for
17 what we did 20 years ago.

18 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Call a
19 vote.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

21 (Aye said in unison.)

22 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
23 Resolution 6-2025-9, Resolution
24 approving the public assembly
25 application received from the Greenport

1 Rotary for the Annual Halloween train
2 ride to take place at the Village mini
3 train on October 24th, 25th, and 31st
4 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. So moved.

5 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second and
6 discussion.

7 I was going to update the Board on
8 the mini railroad at our next work
9 session, which I still will do, but we
10 recently had a meeting, and just for
11 your understanding, the Rotary has the
12 opportunity to do two fundraising
13 events a year in our agreement. They
14 are asking for these three dates to be
15 considered two events. I don't know
16 how that works exactly. I'm fine with
17 it myself, I don't think it really
18 matters to me whether it's two days or
19 three days.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think
21 -- just an explanation, the Halloween
22 festivities in the Village will be on
23 the 24th on Saturday. I mean, that I
24 could understand would be one of their
25 free events. The 25th is Sunday and

1 that's -- unless someone told me that
2 the Halloween celebration is going to
3 go for two days, God help me, I'm kind
4 of a little -- we agreed to two free
5 events. It's us staffing, it's us
6 paying for it. I think there needs to
7 be maybe a re-discussion with that one.

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: And that
9 goes exactly to the point we just
10 discussed, the cost implications of
11 these things. So can we approve this
12 public assembly application and still
13 debate this?

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, let's table
15 it.

16 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: You want to
17 table it?

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I want to table
19 it.

20 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: There's
21 time.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We have plenty
23 of time as long as we get the
24 discussion in the next work session.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: I know there was

1 an e-mail from the Chair of the Rotary
2 that was concerned about making sure
3 they got approvals for things they
4 needed to order and timing, and I mean,
5 I realize it's only June and this isn't
6 until October.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Or we could
8 amend it to say subject to further --
9 how would you say it, Jared?

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: They
11 still are going to order decorations,
12 whether it's two days or three days.

13 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I think we
14 could just communicate now openly that
15 we're in favor of at least two days of
16 events at this point, but we want to
17 discuss this further with them. So
18 that doesn't actually impact whether
19 they order anything.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: We'll table it.
21 Is there a motion to table it?

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So moved. I
23 move to table Resolution 06-2025-9.

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
25 Second.

1 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

2 (Aye said in unison.)

3 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion tabled.

4 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
5 06-2025-10, Resolution approving the
6 public assembly application received
7 from Ellen Nasto on behalf of the Floyd
8 Memorial Library to host a community
9 event, Stories and Free Ice Cream and
10 Rides at Greenport mini train. The
11 requested date of the event is July 15,
12 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The
13 applicant has requested a waiver of the
14 application fee. So moved.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second and
16 discussion.

17 I connected with Margo this
18 afternoon asking her because I believe
19 this always was combined with our rec
20 program, our recreational summer
21 program that this was part of their
22 activities where they go to the
23 carousel and have free ice cream and
24 then the library's -- it was kind of
25 combined, but our rec program was part

1 of it. I also know that she expressed
2 that she didn't see or she didn't see
3 that it would be any problem to perhaps
4 instead of free tickets, half price
5 tickets, which is another suggestion
6 for the train rides because supporting
7 the whole Town of Southold for free
8 rides is a little questionable to me,
9 especially after they're asking for a
10 fee rate.

11 CLERK HALL: If I may, the
12 treasurer actually brought this up and
13 was very concerned about the free
14 rides. Another big difference here is
15 that Friends of Mitchell Park sponsored
16 what happened in Mitchell Park. So
17 this is a very different situation
18 where I believe Margo was in touch with
19 the library, and I think it was just a
20 misstep to approve -- not even approve,
21 but to say that the rides would be
22 free. It's totally different than what
23 happened in Mitchell Park where there
24 was a sponsor paying for the rides, so
25 the Village didn't lose out on the

1 funds.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, the
3 treasurer was clear about that.

4 CLERK HALL: He was very concerned
5 about it because it wasn't discussed
6 with him and I doubt with you guys
7 either.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think
9 to take it one step further, the
10 original planning for this was taking
11 place when there was an uncertainty
12 whether the carousel would be up and
13 running by that date.

14 CLERK HALL: Correct.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That was part
16 of it.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: That was before
18 the resolution got put on because the
19 Village did convey to them with
20 absolute certainty several weeks ago
21 that we would be open in time.

22 CLERK HALL: Correct.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, this
24 is why I asked the question.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: And asked them,

1 frankly, if they would like to go back
2 to the carousel.

3 CLERK HALL: Yeah, actually the
4 Mayor suggested that they should, but
5 this is what they ultimately decided
6 and how they put their application in.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Just
8 to clarify, they're asking for free
9 rides?

10 CLERK HALL: They are because they
11 were -- Margo I guess thought that
12 this -- it would be appropriate for the
13 rides to be free because traditionally
14 it was at the carousel, but again, this
15 is different because it's a totally
16 different revenue and there's no
17 sponsor that would be paying for these
18 rides. I don't think it was
19 intentional, I think it was just how
20 things have always been done, which is
21 always troubling.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: Well, and so if
23 you go back to the history of the
24 carousel and the free rides, my
25 understanding is historically the

1 Village always did pay for those rides
2 for this particular event, and I had
3 made the suggestion to the library two
4 years ago that they request funding
5 from Friends of Mitchell Park, that
6 that was the purpose of Friends of
7 Mitchell Park, and they very much would
8 likely support it as they did, and I
9 spoke to the Friends of Mitchell Park
10 about it, and they agreed to do it, and
11 so we ended up on that path rather than
12 using Village taxpayer funds to pay for
13 it.

14 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: So what are
15 we comfortable with here? Do we want
16 to approve this as free stories and
17 free ice cream?

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I
19 mean, I guess, I totally understand
20 where the Treasurer is coming from and
21 I think for the future we should think
22 about this, but I wouldn't have a
23 problem -- and I don't think -- I know
24 he sort of said it sets a precedent,
25 but this is all subject to our

1 approval, so I wouldn't have a problem
2 with doing free rides this time. But I
3 also -- discounted rides would be okay.
4 I just kind of feel like, I don't know,
5 library programs are usually free, so
6 to bring people to something and then
7 have them pay is a little bit --

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I also
9 point out that it's only an hour.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I
11 don't think it's --

12 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: The ride
13 would be staffed in any case?

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. I'm not
15 concerned about precedent setting, I
16 think we can make certain moving
17 forward that this is handled
18 differently. I feel like the revenue,
19 to your point, for that one hour when
20 we already have staffing there.

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Is
22 this a Tuesday?

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I don't know.

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: It's a
25 Tuesday, it's not usually open. So are

1 we opening just for this?

2 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That's a
3 totally different situation then
4 because then we would have to staff it.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: That
6 is the difference especially if we're
7 only opening for an hour. Do we have
8 any further into about that?

9 CLERK HALL: About what, staffing?

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well,
11 it's a Tuesday where the train, I
12 believe, is not --

13 CLERK HALL: Unfortunately Margo
14 didn't include me in the planning of
15 this, we just received the application
16 like we do others, and we did have to
17 working to correct some things already
18 that immediately were an issue, but the
19 staffing is not something that we
20 addressed.

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Could
22 we approve it pending figuring out the
23 discounting or not and/or maybe the
24 date?

25 MAYOR STUESSI: It's happening in

1 a week and a half.

2 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well,
3 I mean, we approve it but like --

4 MAYOR STUESSI: I think we need to
5 make a decision whether it's free or at
6 half price.

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Okay. I
8 got the feeling that we sort of reached
9 a consensus that we were okay with it
10 being free for this hour for this year,
11 but there's a new issue with the day
12 that they're asking for the event.
13 It's not open. Margo is responsible
14 for staffing the train at all other
15 times, so she must be aware that it's
16 not open that day.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: She's obviously
18 got it staffed. She's using her
19 part-timers to do it.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think at this
21 point because of the date and because
22 we're dealing with issues that really
23 need to be discussed, and I think we're
24 going to find more of these kind of
25 situations before we get through the

1 year, at this point I kind of feel it's
2 an hour, it's encouraging library
3 programs. Our rec program is involved
4 in it, which is probably part of their
5 fee that they pay for the recreational
6 program. I'm leading towards letting
7 it just exist and have further
8 discussions how to make a policy as to
9 what we're supposed to do.

10 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Adam's
11 suggestion on this was to maybe
12 discount the ticket.

13 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it's going
15 to be hard, I mean, I'm sure they've
16 already been advertising for this,
17 encouraging it in the library, that's
18 the other issue.

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I
20 agree with you, Mary Bess.

21 MAYOR STUESSI: I think we should
22 move forward. There was a motion to
23 approve it, we had a second, then
24 discussion. I'll call a vote. All in
25 favor?

1 (Aye said in unison.)

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
3 06-2025-11, Resolution approving the
4 public assembly application received
5 from Cameron Smith to host a community
6 BBQ at Fifth Street Beach on June 21,
7 2025.

8 CLERK HALL: This was already --
9 that's an error. This was approved at
10 work session.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what I
12 thought. Okay. I'll go to the next
13 one.

14 Resolution 06-2025-12, Resolution
15 authorizing the suspension of the open
16 container law of the Village of
17 Greenport per Section 35-3B and 35-3C
18 of the Greenport Village Code within
19 the parameters outlined in the public
20 assembly application submitted by the
21 Greenport Fire Department to host the
22 Annual Chicken BBQ at Third Street Fire
23 Station location from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00
24 p.m. on August 16, 2025. So moved.

25 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

1 Second.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

3 (Aye said in unison.)

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

6 Resolution 6-2025-13, Resolution
7 approving the public assembly
8 application received from Warren
9 Bondarchuk on behalf of the Greenport
10 Men's Softball League. The league is
11 looking to hold games at the Moore's
12 Lane ball field June to September 2025
13 at 7:00 p.m. So moved.

14 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

16 Discussion. Are they still pending a
17 schedule?

18 CLERK HALL: Yes.

19 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But we
20 can just approve without an actual
21 schedule?

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Is there
23 any conflicts, potential conflicts?

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: No.

25 MAYOR STUESSI: No, there's

1 nothing else scheduled there. This is
2 the only scheduled thing outside of
3 people just enjoying its use.

4 CLERK HALL: The only other thing
5 that happens there is during the day is
6 the kids' baseball camp.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Sounds
8 good. I just wanted to clarify.

9 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Can we just
10 say that the approval is subject to
11 them providing a schedule as soon as
12 possible?

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You could amend
14 it to that. I think I'd feel
15 comfortable with that.

16 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: So moved.

17 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
18 Second.

19 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

20 (Aye said in unison.)

21 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
22 to appoint Yan Abaladejo to the Village
23 of Greenport Affordable & Workforce
24 Housing Committee for a term of one
25 year to expire on April 6, 2026. So

1 moved.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

4 (Aye said in unison.)

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution to
7 appoint Nicki Gohorel to the Village of
8 Greenport Affordable & Workforce
9 Housing Committee for a term of one
10 year to expire on April 6, 2026. So
11 moved.

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

13 Second.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

15 (Aye said in unison.)

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

17 Resolution 6-2025-16, Resolution to
18 appoint Betsi Gertz to the Village of
19 Greenport Affordable & Workforce
20 Housing Committee for a term of one
21 year to expire on April 6, 2026. So
22 moved.

23 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

25 (Aye said in unison.)

1 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
2 06-2025-17, Resolution to appoint Ellen
3 Neff to the Village of Greenport
4 Affordable & Workforce Housing
5 Committee for a term of one year to
6 expire on April 6, 2026. So moved.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

9 (Aye said in unison.)

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
11 06-2025-18, Resolution to Rae McMahon
12 to the Village of Green Afford &
13 Workforce Housing Committee for a term
14 of one year to expire on April 6, 2026.
15 So moved.

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

17 Second.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

19 (Aye said in unison.)

20 MAYOR STUESSI: The next one I'm
21 going to make a motion to table. He
22 has not been at the last two meetings.
23 There have been evidently some issues
24 about -- Dinni is not sure, personal or
25 otherwise and just wants to have a

1 discussion with him before we appoint
2 him.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

5 (Aye said in unison.)

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

8 Resolution 6-2025-20, Resolution to
9 appoint Roric Tobin to the Village of
10 Greenport Affordable --

11 MAYOR STUESSI: I'm so sorry,
12 that's the one I meant to table.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, that's the
14 one you meant -- okay.

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I'm
16 going to go back to 19?

17 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

19 Resolution 6-2025-19, Resolution to
20 appoint Andrea Menjivar to the Village
21 of Greenport Affordable & Workforce
22 Housing Committee for a term of one
23 year to expire on April 6, 2026. So
24 moved.

25 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

1 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

2 (Aye said in unison.)

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: You want me
4 to table this one?

5 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, please.

6 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
7 06-2025-20, motion to table this. So
8 moved.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

11 (Aye said in unison.)

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
13 06-2025-22, Resolution ratifying the
14 hiring of Dulce Pineda as a part-time
15 recreational aide to work at the
16 Village of Greenport summer camp at a
17 pay rate of --

18 MAYOR STUESSI: We skipped Bonati.

19 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Number 21.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Pump out boat.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I thought
22 that's the one you tabled. Okay. All
23 right. Sorry. I misunderstood.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: We tabled Roric
25 Tobin.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. All
2 right. Sorry.

3 Resolution 06-2025-21, Resolution
4 to hire Francesca Bonati as a part-time
5 pump out boat operator at a rate of \$30
6 per hour effective June 16, 2025. So
7 moved.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
9 Second.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?
11 (Aye said in unison.)

12 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
13 Resolution 6-2025-22, Resolution
14 ratifying the hiring of Dulce Pineda as
15 a part-time recreation aide to work at
16 the Village of Greenport summer camp at
17 a pay rate of \$16.50 per hour effective
18 June 7, 2025. So moved.

19 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?
21 (Aye said in unison.)

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
23 06-2025-23, Resolution ratifying the
24 hiring of Jarred Cruz Marty Lewis as a
25 part-time recreation aide to work at

1 the Village of Greenport summer camp at
2 a pay rate of \$16.50 per hour effective
3 May 19, 2025. So moved.

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

5 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

6 (Aye said in unison.)

7 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
9 06-2025-24, Resolution scheduling a
10 public hearing for 6:00 p.m. on a
11 regular session Thursday, July 17th at
12 the Third Street Fire Station, Third
13 and South Street, Greenport, New York
14 11944 regarding the wetlands permit
15 application submitted by Dave Bergen,
16 agent of the property owners, Lisa
17 Gillooly and Tony Spiridakis for the
18 following property: 178 Stirling
19 Street, Greenport, New York 11944. So
20 moved.

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
22 Second.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Discussion.

24 We will be going over this at the
25 next work session to review the

1 application, or are we going to review
2 it after the public hearing? Because
3 that hasn't been before us. I mean, we
4 got the paperwork, but we never had an
5 opportunity to question anything on the
6 application, I believe.

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: We have not
8 discussed it with the applicant.

9 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We usually
10 discuss it at work session if we have
11 any questions as Trustees. I'm not
12 against scheduling the public hearing,
13 I just want to make sure that at the
14 next work session we'll be discussing
15 it. That's been the normal process.

16 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Can we get
17 them in here for the work session?

18 CLERK HALL: This is scheduled for
19 work session. That's the work session
20 date.

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It says regular
22 session here. That's work session
23 date? We need to change the date on
24 this to our regular work session date?

25 CLERK HALL: It's up to you,

1 however you'd like -- well, do you want
2 it as a Board discussion topic and then
3 -- because the process has been unclear
4 to me of how these wetlands permit
5 applications should be handled once you
6 guys receive the CAC comments. I will
7 do whatever you need me to do and
8 schedule it, add it to the agenda, but
9 I need clarity on what the process
10 should be. You guys in the past have
11 discussed it in the same meeting.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, this is on
13 work session, it's just a typo, it's
14 not regular session.

15 CLERK HALL: Correct, that's a
16 typo.

17 MAYOR STUESSI: This is how we've
18 been doing it.

19 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I don't
20 have a problem doing it at the same
21 meeting.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: Are you thinking
23 we have done it differently, Mary Bess?

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, this is
25 the process that I've always been used

1 to, okay, is the application comes to
2 the Board, the CAC does a report. We
3 have an opportunity to look at it if we
4 have comments to make in case they have
5 to -- in case we are not happy with
6 what we're seeing, we give the
7 applicant that information, and then
8 they go back to change the permit
9 process before getting into the public
10 hearing. It also gives the opportunity
11 for the residents to hear that there is
12 a wetlands application that was
13 discussed among us. This process of
14 doing it all at one time is not
15 something we've done before. But it's
16 up to the Board how they want to do it.
17 I just at this point had several
18 e-mails from several people who read
19 the legal notice on the website and
20 didn't know, you know, had not heard it
21 discussed at any of our meetings, so
22 that was why I'm raising the question.

23 CLERK HALL: The process has
24 evolved since I've been here. When
25 Paul was here, it was about a three

1 month process. And after Paul left,
2 the process was condensed
3 significantly. So it has been
4 happening in the same meeting, but
5 however you guys want it noticed or
6 however the process moves forward, we
7 will gladly notice it accordingly. But
8 the process has changed since I've been
9 here in two years.

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Is this not what
11 we've been doing?

12 CLERK HALL: It has. It's been
13 discussed at the same time.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: In work session.

15 CLERK HALL: Whether it's work
16 session or regular session isn't really
17 the issue. The public hearing and the
18 Board discussion has happened a few
19 times in the same meeting.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, I recall
21 there's been situations where we've
22 kept it open because we wanted to
23 discuss it further or go back and
24 review something. In fact, for Dave
25 Bergen, I'm forgetting what residence

1 it was --

2 CLERK HALL: It was open for
3 several meetings.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: It was what's her
5 name at the end of --

6 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Curran's Point.

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That's an
8 important point. So we have the
9 ability to keep the public hearing
10 open, so if something happens that
11 evening that concerns you or the public
12 that they haven't had enough time or
13 people didn't come --

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Or we wanted
15 questions answered, which was the issue
16 for her house down at the end of Bay
17 Street was we needed clarity from the
18 -- the engineer had passed away.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That was a
20 complicated one because --

21 MAYOR STUESSI: The point being is
22 this is how we've been doing it now for
23 a year and a half.

24 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I have
25 another thing to throw into the

1 conversation here. I have a conflict
2 with this application, and I'm going to
3 disclose that, and I'm going to recuse
4 myself from the actual application. So
5 does voting on scheduling a public
6 hearing have any bearing on this?

7 ATTORNEY KASSCHAW: No, it's
8 administerial. As long as you don't
9 participate in the discussion or any of
10 the substantive vote, this is just a
11 scheduling matter.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As I said, I'm
13 used to the other process. I felt it
14 worked better, but that's neither here
15 nor there. I just need to check the
16 code because I believe the code
17 somewhere does describe what we're
18 supposed to do. I got to go back and
19 check. I think it has a process in
20 there, so I need to check it to be
21 honest with you.

22 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Let us
23 know.

24 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's ringing a
25 bell because we approve the permits for

1 only two years, and then they have to
2 come back and renew them after two
3 years if they haven't finished
4 construction or started construction.

5 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Well, if
6 your research turns up anything, we can
7 discuss it at that meeting.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I just don't
9 remember off the top of my head.

10 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: We could
11 keep the public hearing open if we need
12 to comply with what you find.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: So we had a motion
14 and a second. I'm forgetting who made
15 the motion now.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I made the
17 motion.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Can you simply
19 make a correction from regular session
20 to state work session?

21 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, okay,
22 I'll amend Resolution 06-2025-24 for
23 the date of Thursday, July 17, 2025 is
24 our regularly scheduled work session to
25 discuss this wetlands permit.

1 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

2 Second.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

4 (Aye said in unison.)

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

6 Resolution 6-2025-25, Resolution

7 authorizing the solicitation --

8 CLERK HALL: Sorry. This is
9 another duplicate that got carried over
10 from the prior.

11 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

12 Resolution 6-2025-26, Resolution to

13 appoint Jack Weiskott to the Village of

14 Greenport tree committee for a term of

15 one year to expire April 6, 2026. So

16 moved.

17 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

18 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

19 (Aye said in unison.)

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Isn't Greg

21 already --

22 MAYOR STUESSI: This is a clean up

23 issue because they didn't come in

24 within the 30 days to do their swearing

25 in so we have to do it again.

1 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

2 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
3 06-2025-27, Resolution to appoint Greg
4 Rivera to the Village of Greenport
5 Conservation Advisory Council for a
6 term of one year to expire April 6,
7 2026. So moved.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

9 MAYOR STUESSI: Suggested
10 amendment, his last name is spelled
11 R-I-V-A-R-A, Rivara, not Rivera.

12 All in favor?

13 (Aye said in unison.)

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
16 06-2025-28, Resolution to appoint Paul
17 Kreiling to the Village of Greenport
18 Conservation Advisory Council for a
19 term of one year to expire April 6,
20 2026. So moved.

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
22 Second.

23 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

24 (Aye said in unison.)

25 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: This next

1 resolution, Counsel had advised that we
2 could condense this, it's a long
3 resolution. My own feeling is that we
4 should read the entire resolution
5 but --

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Please proceed,
7 whoever is reading it.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I
9 don't mind reading it.

10 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I don't
11 mind reading it.

12 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I don't mind
13 reading it either.

14 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I want to
15 do whatever the Board wants to do, but
16 I just felt like this is a resolution
17 people are eager to hear, and if we
18 condense it --

19 MAYOR STUESSI: Lily, are you
20 doing it, or is Jared doing it?

21 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I'll
22 do it.

23 Resolution 6-2025-29, Whereas the
24 Board of Trustees is desirous of
25 confirming the duties and obligations

1 of office of Village Administrator.

2 And whereas the Board of Trustees
3 recognizes the need to provide the
4 Village with the most efficient and
5 economical administration, direction,
6 and control of the daily business of
7 the Village of Greenport.

8 And whereas the Board of Trustees
9 further recognizes that such
10 administration benefits from a
11 centralize direction and control that
12 enables the Mayor and Trustees to
13 perform their duties.

14 Now, therefore, be it resolved
15 that the Board of Trustees hereby
16 confirms the position of Village
17 Administration as a Village office for
18 a term of one official year or the
19 remaining portion thereof if appointed
20 on a date not corresponding with the
21 beginning of an official year. At
22 compensation fixed by the Mayor and
23 Trustees, and that the Village
24 Administrator shall have the following
25 duties and responsibilities:

1 One, oversees the administration
2 of the rules, regulations, local laws,
3 and codes of the Village and of the
4 laws, rules, and regulations of other
5 governmental jurisdictions applicable
6 in and/or to the Village.

7 Two, supervises and coordinates
8 work performed by all Village
9 departments and Village run entities,
10 including the Electric Department,
11 Sewer Department, Water Department,
12 Recreation Department, marina, and
13 parks/road crews, and Building
14 Department, campgrounds, and carousel
15 management, and employees in such
16 departments and implements Village
17 personnel policies, rules, and
18 regulations except when serving as a
19 budget officer. If so authorized, the
20 administrator shall have no supervision
21 authority over the clerk's or
22 treasurer's departments.

23 Three, may recommend to the Mayor
24 and Board of Trustees appointments,
25 promotions, or dismissals of all

1 Village employees in accordance with
2 applicable laws and rules.

3 Four, when so designated by the
4 Mayor, subject to Board of Trustees
5 approval, serves as storm water
6 management officer and ensures
7 compliance with and necessary
8 documentation regarding the Village's
9 storm water management plan.

10 Five, when so designated by the
11 Mayor, subject to Board of Trustees
12 approval, serves as superintendent of
13 public works.

14 Six, when so requested by the
15 Mayor and Trustees, assists the budget
16 officer with preparation of the
17 tentative budget according to law.

18 Seven, supervises the purchase of
19 all materials, supplies, and equipment,
20 and the letting of all contracts.

21 Eight, may make recommendations to
22 the Mayor and Board of Trustees as
23 measures and programs to help improve
24 efficiency and economy of the Village
25 government, or promote the health,

1 safety, and welfare of the residents of
2 the Village.

3 Nine, at the request of the Mayor,
4 maintains a liaison with other
5 governments and administrative agencies
6 as a representative of the Village but
7 does not supplant the Mayor and
8 Trustees as official village
9 representatives.

10 Ten, investigates and responds to
11 inquiries by Village residents and
12 other interested parties concerning
13 Village government operations and
14 services, and reports findings of such
15 investigations to the Mayor and
16 Trustees.

17 Eleven, responsible for the
18 overseeing of the preparation and
19 submission of reports as required by
20 Federal, State, and local agencies to
21 ensure accurate and timely submission
22 by the department head responsible.

23 Twelve, prepares reports for the
24 Village Attorney and Trustees in
25 actions brought against the Village.

1 Thirteen, attends all meetings of
2 the Board of Trustees.

3 Fourteen, if designated by the
4 Mayor, serves as public information
5 officer during emergency situations and
6 special events.

7 Fifteen, when so designated by the
8 Mayor and Trustees, represents or
9 supervises the representation of the
10 Village in collective negotiations with
11 employees.

12 Sixteen, in conjunction with the
13 Village Treasurer, develops and
14 administers a long-term capital plan
15 covering building construction and
16 major repair, replacement of capital
17 equipment, road reconstruction, and any
18 other projects representing a major
19 expenditure.

20 Seventeen, except when such
21 responsibility is designated by
22 contract pursuant to a public works
23 project, plans and manages capital
24 projects, including field inspection to
25 check work progress, develops a

1 long-term capital improvement needs and
2 strategic plan for Village
3 infrastructure and assets.

4 Eighteen, plans and oversees
5 repair and maintenance work performed
6 by, A, Village employees, and B, except
7 where such responsibility is designated
8 to another person or entity by contract
9 or otherwise by outside consultants,
10 vendors, and contractors. Taking into
11 account foreseeable regular maintenance
12 for every physical asset, land,
13 facility, equipment, and any other
14 owned or leased Village asset develops
15 a five year non-capital preventative
16 maintenance, includes repair, service,
17 and maintenance plan. In consultation
18 with the Board and coordination with
19 each department head, works with
20 department heads to develop detailed
21 individual department preventative
22 maintenance plans for all assets within
23 the control of each department for
24 inclusion in the PMP.

25 Nineteen, unless the Mayor and/or

1 Board of Trustees designates a
2 different person or entity, on a
3 project basis prepares and reviews bid
4 specifications, evaluates bids, and
5 recommends contract awards and manages
6 projects through completion.

7 Twenty, if designated by the Mayor
8 and approved by the Trustees to serve
9 as the superintendent of public works
10 and/or supervising position of any
11 Village utility department, performs
12 the duties assigned to those respective
13 positions.

14 Twenty-one, in conjunction with
15 the Village Treasurer, reviews and
16 approves requisitions subject to
17 compliance with State law and the
18 Village procurement policy.

19 Twenty-two, discharges such other
20 duties and responsibilities as may from
21 time to time be assigned by the Mayor
22 and/or Board of Trustees.

23 And be it further resolved that
24 the office of Village Administrator
25 shall be subject to the provisions of

1 New York State Law applicable to
2 Village officers. So moved.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

5 (Aye said in unison.)

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Resolution
8 06-2025-30, Resolution authorizing
9 Village lease of a portion of property
10 located at 614 Third Street.

11 Whereas the Village previously
12 leased a portion of property located at
13 614 Third Street known as the Perry Day
14 Care Center, the leased premises, from
15 Clinton Memorial AME Zion Church,
16 Clinton Memorial, for a period of five
17 years.

18 And whereas the lease expired on
19 April 30, 2025.

20 And whereas the Village continues
21 to have a public need for the use of
22 the leased premises.

23 And whereas the Board must approve
24 all lease agreements of private
25 property.

1 And whereas the board understands
2 that the proposed monthly lease fee is
3 a reasonable monthly rent for the
4 leased premises and serves a benefit
5 for Village residents.

6 Now, therefore, be it resolved
7 that the Board agrees to lease the
8 leased premises from Clinton Memorial
9 for a three-year term commencing on
10 July 1, 2025 at a rate of \$1,500 per
11 month for the first year; \$2,000 per
12 month for the second year; and \$2,500
13 per month for the third year.

14 And be it further resolved that
15 the Board authorizes the Mayor to
16 execute a lease as provided in this
17 resolution subject to review and
18 approval of the Village Attorney as to
19 form. So moved.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

21 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Discussion.

22 Do we have any background on the
23 rent escalation?

24 MAYOR STUESSI: It was a simple --
25 unfortunately this didn't come up at

1 work session on timing wise, and so I
2 had a conversation with Reverend
3 Natalie, and the church made a request
4 to raise the rent. They've been at
5 \$1,000 a month for apparently somewhere
6 close to 12 years, and we discussed
7 what might be fair to them and how the
8 Village could manage it over time
9 because obviously we didn't have any
10 increase in our budget. I frankly
11 think, as Mayor and not being aware of
12 this that, you know, shame on us that
13 it wasn't increased at some point over
14 the prior 12 years. I think this is a
15 very fair and modest increase looking
16 at it over the next three years for the
17 rent of that really nice facility over
18 there on their property. I think it
19 benefits underrepresented community and
20 obviously the church. And it's also an
21 important thing for the Village to have
22 for our residents and children to
23 utilize for the summer camp and other
24 activities. If we didn't have it and
25 had to look elsewhere for it, we'd

1 certainly be paying a lot more than
2 this number.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That's
4 helpful. I just wanted to get the
5 background. Did they indicate to you
6 where they ultimately want to be? Is
7 it \$2,500? Did you mention \$3,000?

8 MAYOR STUESSI: I think they would
9 ultimately like to be there.

10 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: And so we
11 had budgeted a thousand dollars per
12 month.

13 MAYOR STUESSI: For this year,
14 yes. Adam is comfortable he can cover
15 the additional \$500 for this budget
16 year.

17 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Which would
18 be \$6,000.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Finish,
20 Patrick, first.

21 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That's all
22 I wanted to know.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay. As
24 far as the maintenance, the Village has
25 I believe the original reason for the

1 thousand, which -- and I'm reaching in
2 my memory, is that we did some major
3 improvements inside of that building,
4 which is at the Village cost, so I'm
5 now asking are they -- is this anywhere
6 in here saying that they're taking any
7 responsibility for maintenance of the
8 building, or is that all falling on us
9 now?

10 MAYOR STUESSI: We always take
11 care of the inside of the building.
12 They own the structure, we're the
13 renters. If there's some larger
14 capital expenditure --

15 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: It seems
16 like you're talking about two different
17 things because you said major
18 improvements and maintenance, which are
19 separate. It's possible that if we did
20 major improvements, that that has run
21 its course.

22 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's why it
23 was the 12 years.

24 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Wasn't
25 this briefly mentioned at work session,

1 wasn't there maybe like a grant that
2 got that built?

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, the Perry
4 Day Care Center was part of a grant
5 process under the community development
6 grant that built that. There was
7 Village funding that was put into that
8 building originally, but it was a grant
9 process where it was shared between
10 Perry Day Care and the Village, but
11 that's many --

12 MAYOR STUESSI: But if we had to
13 go elsewhere to go find the space, it
14 would be unimproved space, we'd have to
15 go spend money on it.

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, no, I'm
17 not disagreeing, I'm just giving you
18 the history because originally it was
19 over -- the Day Care Center was over
20 behind the op shop, there was a section
21 there in the back where the program
22 was, and then the opportunity shop or
23 the hospital took the space, they took
24 the space back, and that's when we
25 moved over to the Third Street site.

1 So it's an important program. And they
2 deserve more money because they should
3 have gotten more actually.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: Rent is more than
5 fair for the space. We would pay
6 significantly more elsewhere and have
7 to find capital improvements.

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I'm not
9 disagreeing with you, I just wanted to
10 get the background since we hadn't
11 discussed the details.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: Any other
13 discussion points before we vote? All
14 in favor?

15 (Aye said in unison.)

16 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Resolution
17 06-2025-31, Resolution approving all
18 checks per the voucher summary report
19 for fiscal year 2024/2025 dated June
20 24, 2025 in the total amount of
21 \$346,478.56 consisting of all regular
22 checks in the amount of \$330,505.48 and
23 all prepaid checks, including wire
24 transfers in the amount of \$15,973.08.
25 So moved.

1 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

2 Second.

3 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

4 (Aye said in unison.)

5 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

6 Resolution 6-2025-32, Resolution
7 approving all checks per the voucher
8 summary report for fiscal year
9 2025/2026 dated June 24, 2025 in the
10 total amount of \$1,400,842.38
11 consisting of all regular checks in the
12 amount of \$1,305,142.38 and all prepaid
13 checks, including wire transfers, in
14 the amount of \$95,700.

15 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Second and
16 discussion.

17 I think -- I'm not sure if this
18 applies to this resolution or the prior
19 one, but during the phone call that the
20 Mayor and I had with McBride Consulting
21 today, I took the opportunity to
22 express my displeasure in the quality
23 of their invoicing. So we're receiving
24 invoices that simply say services.

25 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, because

1 Adam -- to just clarify, I asked for
2 that a couple of months ago, and Adam
3 did request it from them, and we've
4 never gotten it. So if you were able
5 to encourage that over the phone call,
6 thank you, because we have no idea
7 what's been transpiring.

8 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Right, so I
9 just want to let you know, so we'll
10 see.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: I don't have any
12 reason to believe that they won't
13 follow through on clearly stating it
14 just as when we made the request of
15 legal counsel to better separate out
16 billing and code everything properly
17 that that was done as well.

18 There were a couple of different
19 things that I think are worth
20 mentioning. I know on legal our
21 expenses were higher. There were a
22 number one off things as the Board is
23 aware that weren't necessarily budgeted
24 for. And then in regards to Corazzini
25 and the payment for the Sixth Street

1 payment, Adam didn't note it in his
2 summary to us, but my recollection is
3 that we came in under budget on that
4 piece by close to \$30,000, I think it
5 was about \$28,000 less than what had
6 been planned for the cost of Sixth
7 Street.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For Sixth
9 Street?

10 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

11 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. All
12 right. You mentioned, just a note on
13 the North Ferry project that we came in
14 early on the days for the project. Are
15 we going to get an overall cost from
16 Adam as to what the total project cost
17 us?

18 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, so there's
19 been a significant amount of work done
20 over the last couple of weeks as they
21 sort of wrap up the project and
22 different things have to be measured
23 and compared to original scope, and so
24 they're going through that right now.
25 We're supposed to be getting -- I was

1 told yesterday the contractor and our
2 construction management company has
3 sort of the final review on everything
4 to date, and so it appears that we will
5 have two final payments coming. One
6 should be coming to the Board here
7 within the next week and then one more
8 shortly thereafter.

9 I know Deputy Mayor Brennan had a
10 question about one of the storm water
11 retention basins. I actually saw
12 before we walked in, I've got an e-mail
13 on that, I'll send a summary around and
14 talk directly with LKMA if there's any
15 questions. The long and the short of
16 it is that one basin that is up at the
17 top of the Kiss and Ride Parking Lot is
18 essentially tied into all of the
19 infrastructure, but the forming of it
20 is rectangular, and so it could have
21 been just a normal manhole cover, but
22 they made the decision just to make it
23 an open one rather than fabricating a
24 special rectangular flat cover for it,
25 but I'll send you the summary on it and

1 you're welcome to talk to Bob.

2 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The other thing
3 is before we start approving payments,
4 do we have any change orders that we as
5 a Board have to pass because they need
6 to be done before the checks are
7 issued.

8 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, there's some
9 in that final summary as part of that
10 winter work that we discussed at a
11 prior Board meeting, it's in there, and
12 somebody got electrical issues that
13 came up in the meeting. So everything
14 will be very clear in the summary.

15 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right. It's
16 just that we have to have resolutions
17 to authorize those change orders.
18 That's one of the things technically
19 according to the controller's office
20 they're supposed to be done before the
21 work gets done, but in this case we
22 just need to get it completed so we can
23 start filing for funding.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: So filing -- the
25 initial filing has been done for I

1 think it's two payments total with the
2 State. We don't have anything back on
3 that yet, but I think Adam checked in
4 with them a couple of weeks ago.

5 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I just want to
6 make sure the process.

7 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: I take your
8 point because a change order when it
9 happens --

10 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Is a change of
11 monetary.

12 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: It's a debt
13 obligation for the Village, so this
14 Board should be reviewing it at that
15 time or in that month. Because the
16 work is done now.

17 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We could, you
18 know -- as I said, change orders have a
19 monetary amount to them, so that's why
20 it has to come to us.

21 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Agreed.

22 We have a resolution that's been
23 seconded.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

25 (Aye said in unison.)

1 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion carries.

2 I'm going to read a resolution,
3 this is in regards to the discussion
4 with the Town Board who said that we
5 needed to authorize participation in
6 the housing plan. As I understood that
7 with this they should be sending you
8 draft of the IMA tomorrow.

9 I will make a motion on Resolution
10 06-2025-33 to authorize the Village to
11 opt in to the Southold Town Community
12 Housing Plan, including its subsidy and
13 implementation components and
14 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an
15 inter municipal agreement with the Town
16 in relation thereto subject to the
17 review and approval of that IMA by the
18 Village Attorney. So moved.

19 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.

20 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: Discussion.
21 So I know you're eager to get this
22 going, it was one of the things we
23 talked about tonight, but I'm not
24 really clear, what are we obligating
25 ourselves to here, anything?

1 ATTORNEY KASSCHAW: I think it's
2 just an opportunity to participate in
3 the program.

4 MAYOR STUESSI: We don't have the
5 opportunity to participate without
6 this.

7 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And we
8 are going to see the IMA, I mean,
9 because that kind of sounds like you're
10 just going to sign an IMA without our
11 approval. But to me.

12 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: So the
13 details --

14 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The details of
15 the IMA we need to see.

16 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: The other
17 thing that the resolution included said
18 something about participating in a
19 subsidy program or something.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, we're
21 built into that already because we
22 agreed to be part of that program way
23 back when this all started with the
24 housing. There was -- there is a
25 resolution that authorized us to start

1 the discussions for that. I have to
2 find it to be honest with you.

3 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: This Board?

4 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, I think it
5 was a previous Board because Steven
6 Gaffner was the representative from the
7 village on that whole discussion of the
8 creating the plan. The Village was
9 included in that and we passed a
10 resolution on that. I have to find it.

11 MAYOR STUESSI: That's long since
12 happened. That's all done.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That included
14 us in their discussions and in their
15 thought process.

16 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I'm
17 fine with opting in, I just did want to
18 make it clear that we'll see the IMA
19 before it gets signed by the Village.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: Absolutely.

21 DEPUTY MAYOR BRENNAN: That's the
22 important part.

23 ATTORNEY KASSCHAW: Yes.

24 MAYOR STUESSI: When Counsel gets
25 it, they'll forward the whole --

1 ATTORNEY KASSCHAW: As it stands
2 now, it says it's subject to review and
3 approval by the Village Attorney, but
4 we can make it subject to review and
5 approval by the Village Board.

6 MAYOR STUESSI: So I'm going to
7 amend this to subject to review and
8 approval of that IMA by the Village
9 Attorney and Village Board. So moved.

10 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
11 Second.

12 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

13 (Aye said in unison.)

14 MAYOR STUESSI: Motion passes.

15 And that is the end of a lengthy
16 evening. I'll make a motion to close
17 the meeting.

18 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:
19 Second.

20 MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

21 (Aye said in unison.)

22 (Whereupon, the meeting was
23 adjourned at 10:00 p.m.)

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1 C E R T I F I C A T E

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3 I, AMY THOMAS, a Court Reporter and Notary
4 Public, for and within the State of New York,
5 do hereby certify:

6 THAT the above and foregoing contains a
7 true and correct transcription of the
8 proceedings held on June 26, 2025, and were
9 reported by me.

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

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
15 hand this 23rd day of JULY, 2025.

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