

Minutes of Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, November 18, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

James R. Stark,	Supervisor
Victor J. Prusinowski,	Councilman
James B. Lull,	Councilman
Mark A. Kwasna,	Councilman
Otto Wittmeier,	Councilman

**Also Present:**

Barbara Grattan,	Town Clerk
Robert Kozakiewicz, Esq.,	Town Attorney

Supervisor Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of November 5th?"

Councilman Lull: "So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Madam Clerk, Reports, please."

**REPORTS:**

Juvenile Aid Bureau

Monthly report for October, 1997

Police Department

Monthly report for October, 1997

Open Bid Report

Replacement of Well No. 3, opened on 11/13 at 11:00. Five bids were received

Open Bid Report

Replacement of Well No. 3, general construction. Opened on 11/13, three bids were received

Open Bid Report

Electrical also for the well, was opened on 11/13/97, five bids were received

**APPLICATIONS:**

Polish Town Civic Association

To construct permanent pavilion structure to replace the tent

AdChem

Expansion of existing facilities to include 80,000 square feet by dry product storage and office space

Sky Materials

located on Route 25, south side of Route 25, adjacent to the eastern portion of the former Grumman property, restoration of a farmhouse

Site Plan

McDonalds Restaurant, Route 25A, Wading River, to erect a McDonalds restaurant

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Melissa White

Letter of resignation effective November 14, 1997

Warren McKnight

Thanking Supervisor Stark, Councilmen Prusinowski and Wittmeier for their hard work, dedication and long hours as members of the Riverhead Town Board

L.I. Farm Bureau	in regards to the 1998 budget
Mid-Atlantic Race Complex	three postcards in favor of
Jamesport-South Jamesport Civic Association	requesting the Town Board to respond questions regarding Lebanon
Town of Southampton	Notice of adoption of Res. #1184  Public Hearing scheduled for the Comprehensive Plan Update and Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement
Town of Southold	Notice of adoption of a Local Law #26 of 1997
County Legislature	Notice of adoption of Res. #914-97

Public Hearing opened: 7:08 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 7:08 has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, at 7:05 p.m. on November 18, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the establishment of Ashley Homes lateral water main to be constructed at no cost to the District in the total amount of \$31,700."

Supervisor Stark: "First before I start, I'd like to introduce our Assistant Superintendent of the Water District who doesn't really get the pleasure to come here too often, Mark Conklin, who is here in the absence of Gary tonight. And, Dennis, I believe you can start."

Dennis Kelleher: "Good evening. My name is Dennis Kelleher from the consulting engineering firm of H2M. We are the consulting engineers for the Riverhead Water District. Back in February of this

year, the developer of Ashley Homes subdivision in Wading River petitioned the Town Board to extend the public water mains to service the proposed eight unit subdivision.

On June 8th of this year, a Public Hearing was held and the Town Board approved the installation of water mains to the subdivision for a total project cost of \$31,700. The construction contract was bid in July of this year. The final design required the (inaudible) of Sound Road. However, the original cost did not include this jacking. The new project cost based on the bids plus, including the jacking was \$35,222.28. This is approximately \$3,500 more than the original estimate that was presented in the earlier hearing.

At this time, we ask the Town Board to approve the new total project cost of \$35,222.28, all costs to be paid by the developer."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you. Is there anybody who would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular Public Hearing? Without any response, I'll declare the Hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:10 p.m.

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Public Hearing opened: 7:11 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 7:11 has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York at 7:10 p.m. on November 18, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the increase and improvement of the Water District, detailing additional improvements to the high pressure line, including instrumentation for controls and monitoring, flow metering, easement acquisition at an estimated cost of \$65,000 to be paid from existing district funds."

Supervisor Stark: "You got away cheap on that one. You usually give us a separate one for each project."

Dennis Kelleher: "Good evening again. My name is Dennis Kelleher

from the consulting engineering firm of H2M, and we are the consulting engineers for the Riverhead Water District.

During the hot and dry weather conditions that occurred this past summer in mid-July. There was a small section of the Wading River area that experienced excessively low water pressure. They had normally low water pressure all the time, however, during this extreme hot weather, all the water levels in the tank dropped so actually the condition became serious.

A Public Hearing was held and the Town Board declared the situation an emergency and authorized the design and construction of a booster pump station and some water main to establish a separate high zone to service approximately 100 homes. In a very short period of time, the system was designed and constructed and placed on line. The system is now working effectively and has raised the water pressure on these homes by approximately 40 pounds.

The Town Board approved the project at that time for a total cost of \$157,000, with the monies to be taken from the key money reserve account which was established by the Sound Breeze developer. Almost all of the homes that were part of this project were located in the Sound Breeze development.

Now that the emergency situation has been corrected, several additional items and expenses are being proposed in front of the Town Board for approval. These items include a water main easement that we need to obtain to install some water mains across one private piece of property. The homeowner is asking for a payment of \$5,000 to grant us the easement.

In addition, the pump station construction contract because it was an emergency included a bonus clause for every day he was done early as well as a penalty clause for every day he was done late. The contractor did a great job and completed the job 22 days early, so we could satisfy this emergency condition. The bonus payment would be \$11,000.

The project was also designed to include some optional instrumentation, flow metering and controls that would allow the system to be fully monitored back in the main office on Pulaski Street, of the Water District. When the prices came in, in order to keep it on

budget, at that time, we did not award the additional work was (inaudible) which was approximately \$37,500.

At this time, we are asking-- at the request of Superintendent Mendzick and his staff, they would like to include this at this time.

So if you total all of these items including some additional engineering and some contingencies, the additional expense is approximately \$65,000. Adding this to the original approval of \$157,000, it brings the new project cost to \$222,000.

We ask that the Town Board approve this new project cost with the funds coming from the key monies of the reserve account of the Sound Breeze subdivision."

Supervisor Stark: "What was the average psi in that particular area?"

Dennis Kelleher: "During the hot-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Prior to the-- "

Dennis Kelleher: "Prior to the emergency condition, maximum 40 pounds."

Supervisor Stark: "Closer to 25."

Dennis Kelleher: "During the emergency we were right around 20."

Supervisor Stark: "Twenty. What's the average psi throughout the town?"

Dennis Kelleher: "That's a very loaded question because it depends on what elevation you're at. It varies anywhere from-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Anywhere between 40 and 60."

Dennis Kelleher: "Forty to 80, with an average of about 60. So right now the people have the minimum pressure in this area-- would be 60 pounds."

Supervisor Stark: "Good. Mark, could you give us a little briefing on how it's working up there. Just state your name for the

record."

Mark Conklin: "Mark Conklin, Assistant Superintendent. So far since the plan has been on line, we've had, knock on wood, no problems at all. We've had a couple power failures where the station has been knocked off due to a power situation and, thank God, we've gotten no calls so the people in the area that night, we have operators monitor the station twice a day they actually go there. It's been maintaining 60 pounds plus or minus one or two pounds since it's been on line. So it's working great."

Supervisor Stark: "Good. Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular Public Hearing? If not, I will declare the Hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:16 p.m.

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Public Hearing opened: 7:16 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 7:16 has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, at 7:15 p.m. on November 18, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the increase and improvements to the Water District to make the necessary improvements to the Palaski Street tank building, at an estimated cost of \$95,000 to be paid from existing district funds."

Dennis Kelleher: "The good news is this is my last one tonight. Again, for the record, my name is Dennis Kelleher from H2M. We're the consulting engineers for Riverhead Water District."

Supervisor Stark: "Lori, in the meantime, could you find Rick for me?"

Dennis Kelleher: "In May of 1996, our firm conducted a routine inspection of the 150,000 elevated water storage tank located at the Palaski Street plant site. The tank was originally constructed back

in the early 1920's and the tank is now over 75 years old.

Our inspection revealed that the tank is nearing the end of its useful life and would require significant repairs to allow the tank to remain in service for another 15 years. We use 15 years whenever we paint the tank; that's usually a useful life of a paint job.

Noting that the District has lease agreements with a cellular phone company-- carrier, for another five years, we recommend that minor repairs be conducted on this tank to extend the useful life of the tank for at least another five years. The minor repairs would include some structural repairs to the roof supports and the ladders and several repairs to comply with the new OSHA safety requirements. Major repairs to the tank would cost approximately \$200,000. We estimate the total construction costs for minor repair to be \$100-- excuse me-- \$900-- excuse me-- \$95,000 including construction costs, design, inspection and contingencies. The funds for this work will be taken out of the District reserve account. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Is there anybody that would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular Public Hearing? Mark, why don't you give us a description of the kind of repairs that will be done?"

Mark Conklin: "The repairs are going to be done on some of the painting on the riser, the ladder that goes around the tank is going to be affixed to the tank. Right now, it's just about hanging off. The height of the rails according to OSHA now have to be higher than what they are that are on the tank. The ladder cage that's going up to the tank has to be updated to OSHA specifications. That's basically what it's going to be, brought up to OSHA specs."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you. Bill, did you have your hand up?"

William Kasperovich: "Let's see. I think I've got to say that I am 75, same as this tank. I do think-- "

Supervisor Stark: "You may have outlasted the tank."

William Kasperovich: "Well, I need repairs and the tank needs repairs. I usually pay close attention to the things that go on to

All the civic involvements of engineering and construction work and I can't know why this was not impressed upon the people when the painting job came up, when the major repair came up, to consider that we are going to be facing this in the very near future. I think the-- somebody is lacking in watching our pennies. Granted, you built up some key money, but our future is in need of that key money and I think we missed the boat in giving this consideration at the time of the painting which was a major amount of money and the repair job that was passed through not too long ago is also a sizeable amount of money and here we get the impression that this tank is going to fall down if we don't take care of it.

Certainly if this is the shape of it, we didn't appraise this tank adequately when we let the electronics people come into the scene. Now, granted in public works engineers come in and they have to be conservative. They can't take a risk or a narrow margin. But this sort of thing has got to be avoided in our township because we're not that big to push this from one side to the other. Now, if this tank is facing replacement, it would be appropriate at this time to give some indication of what we are facing when this goes kerplunk or when somebody draws the line that we can't go any further than this date. So if we see that this tank has got to be replaced, this is the time to show what and where and how much for its replacement.

I think a hard look should be taken on this and it should be extended to a maximum period. It's not located in a densely populated area. It is a reasonably sound structure, the tank itself, well, I've never been up there, I don't know its shape or condition. But knowing Gary, he takes good care of his equipment. So the life of this should be appraised with a more clinical eye. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "I believe in the master plan, that the H2M has done has done for us, that has been taken into consideration right now. But I'm going to let Dennis Kelleher respond to some of your questions, if you don't mind."

William Kasperovich: "The master plan-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Bill, I'm going to let-- "

William Kasperovich: "All right. All right."

Dennis Kelleher: "Just to clarify because I think there's some confusion on the two different tanks that the Water District maintains, the elevated tanks, the tank that is in question as part of this hearing is the tank that is located on Pulaski Street. It's 150,000 gallons. It was last painted in 1982, so it's been over 15 years since it's been painted."

Supervisor Stark: "Bill I think was referring to Route 58."

Dennis Kelleher: "Bill was probably talking about the Route 58 tank which was painted about three years ago at a very high cost of approximately \$300,000."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? If not, I will declare the hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:25 p.m.

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Public Hearing opened: 7:25 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 7:25 was arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, at 7:20 p.m. on November 18, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the special permit petition of Rick Forcella to allow for the re-establishment of a residential use at premises lying within the Business D Zoning Use District located at 111 Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead."

Supervisor Stark: "I'm going to call Rick up first and then I'll have you. Rick."

Unidentified: "Mr. Supervisor, the word of the Lord to you tonight, the word of prophecy to you. Be not discouraged. Be not afraid."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. I can't-- I'll have to bring you to

to the mike."

Unidentified: "I want to deliver it for the Lord said-- "

Supervisor Stark: "No. I can't let you right now, Reverend. It's not the procedure. I'll call you up in a minute. Thank you anyway, because I need all of that I can get."

Unidentified: "I'll deliver the word of the Lord."

Rick Hanley: "I'm not sure I can follow that."

Supervisor Stark: "I don't know if you can or not either."

Rick Hanley: "Richard Hanley, Planning Director."

Supervisor Stark: "You might give Chris a little bit, too, because he's going to need it, too."

Rick Hanley: "As the Clerk-- "

Supervisor Stark: "At least we agree on something."

Rick Hanley: "As the Clerk read into the record, the petition relates to a special permit petition from the applicant to re-establish a single family residence on a second story space on-- in the Business District which, I think, is probably vernacular-- the Java house building?"

Supervisor Stark: "The old Java house, yes. Originally (inaudible) according to Councilman."

Rick Hanley: "That's right. That-- those premises were used sometime in the past as a single family residence. The residence was not used for a period of one year and that use lapsed legally and the application is to re-establish that use. The only way that can be done within that District is to make a special permit application to the Town Board. This petition was referred to the Riverhead Planning Board who reviewed the application and made a recommendation that the Board consider the premises given its location within the Arts District newly created, that the use not be approved as a single family residence without some control, however, that it be within the control

of the Arts District.

As this Board is aware, we've adopted a new overlay district in the area which provides for artists in residence as a residential use within some of these commercial buildings as well as gallery space. That's the petition as presented and those are the recommendations of the Planning Board."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Mr. Chiarmonte."

Vincent Chiarmonte: "Good evening folks. My name is Vincent Chiarmonte. I'm the agent for Nick Forcella."

Supervisor Stark: "I never did pronounce that."

Vincent Chiarmonte: "It's actually Chiarmonte, but it sort of lost its flavor over the years. As you know, we've been involved with this for several months and recently Mr. Forcella has met with a prospective tenant. His name is Reverend Napy (phonetic). He is a pastor of this area and represents the Universal Life Church of Angels. I'm sort of speaking a little bit for him tonight, too, because he was called off to a bishop's meeting which he just could not avoid and he called me this afternoon and said I tried to get out of it, but I couldn't, so, you know, you're on your own. So here I am.

In any event, I wanted to tell you-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Usually when the bishop calls, you come."

Vincent Chiarmonte: "You've got it."

Supervisor Stark: "That's right."

Vincent Chiarmonte: "Okay. So, he gave me an explanation of what the purpose is of what his church is looking to accomplish there and that's what I want to share with you tonight. The purpose is to use the downstairs for sales of religious items such as bibles and things of that nature and they also want to use part of that downstairs as an outreach program to the extent that they are going to set up some telephone hot lines to help facilitate people's needs in the town, whether it be food, housing, and other type of counseling. The Reverend made it clear to me that there would not be 20 people

sitting around the door waiting for it to open at 8:00 in the morning to get their needles or whatever it is that some of these organizations do. It is simply an outreach program to connect people with other people to meet those needs.

And I guess because of the involvement with this business of the outreach program, this pastor feels that there is a need for him to reside in the upstairs apartment. And the church as I'm told recently, Reverend Napy had indicated to me that the church is actually interested in buying the building and I believe the lease may be drawn up, you know, as a rent with an option to buy.

When I spoke with him this afternoon, he said that the plan is basically to purchase the building within a two to a three year period. He assured me that no one would live in that upstairs apartment other than he or a deacon of the church and it was not going to be a type of a thing where it's a revolving apartment. Whoever gets assigned the responsibility of what goes on downstairs is the one that is going to be living upstairs.

You know, I think this idea of the artist district is a wonderful idea. It's a vision that I had and I spoke to people about many years ago and I think it is a good idea, but I think-- I don't think we can just put the blinders on and say this is what it is. I see a lot of empty space. I'm an accountant. I have clients that are artists, they struggle, they work hard. I don't know if they can afford some of the rents that are out there today. And I think that in general this is something that will help the town, not hurt the town. I don't think they're going to attract any large groups of people or wacko people or anything like that. I think they are there just to, you know, help or relay the needs of one person to another person.

It also has something to do with youth programs. I didn't quite get an understanding but I guess that, again, that has to do with this outreach thing where there are youth out there that have a need to get off the streets or seek counseling or whatever and that's one of the other things that they're going to do.

In the interest of time, just for the record, I know most of you know that Mr. Forcella, the owner of the building, is now 100 years old and going on 101, and Mr. Forcella has set me on this mission to try to put some of these things in order for him. He for some reason

other, I guess he feels the Lord is going to take him soon and this is one of the things that he needs to have resolved. And I have been with the Planning Board and some of you gentlemen, and the Building Department, and I have never really done this before and I don't know what all the procedures are but on his behalf I would respectfully request that you take this up and vote on it and let's move on with it. I think this is an issue that is small in comparison to what I've heard about just in the last few minutes and with all these people behind me I don't think they came here to listen to this issue; there must be some larger one. So, if we can just get on with this I know Mr. Forcella would greatly appreciate it. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular Public Hearing? Yes."

Councilman Wittmeier: "Vinnie, where is the church, Universal Light of Angels?"

Vincent Chiarmonte: "I don't believe that they are based here in Riverhead. I believe that is where the base is going to be. He had indicated to me, this Reverend Napy, I don't know if any of you gentlemen know him. He says he's a life long resident of Riverhead. I have never personally met him. And I don't know where the church is based. I know he went into the city today for this bishop's meeting. He, I think he's a newly ordained priest. As a matter of fact, he said to me tonight, he said, when you see me I'll probably be the only guy with the white collar and the black suit on. And that was the extent of that."

Where they are actually located, at this point, I honestly couldn't tell you."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Barry?"

Barry Barth: "My name is Barry Barth. I received notice of this application by registered mail. My property is I guess within the boundaries that's required. I support the Planning Board's recommendation that this property be used within the Arts District. The Town Board, the Supervisor and Lori Talmadge and Vicki (inaudible) from the BID have worked very hard to try to put together a program whereby we can offer this second floor space as artist work space and the

properties that border Roanoke Avenue and Main Street as display areas for the works of art that are created within Riverhead.

I understand Mr. Forcella is 100 years old and I appreciate the urgency of the situation but we-- and I'm sure that Lori and Vicki and the East End Arts Council represented by Denise Civiletti would work very closely to try and find someone to use that space. So as an individual owner, I support the Planning Board's recommendation that this space be used strictly for furthering the Arts District. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. I believe also according to Lori that we have artists in residence now on Peconic Avenue. Sure. Why don't we see if there's anybody else-- is there anybody else that would like to make comment at this particular time?"

Vincent Chiaromonte: "Mr. Barth raised the issue of the East End Arts Council and Denise Civiletti. Reverend Napy in my conversations yesterday afternoon indicated that he personally met with Denise Civiletti to explain what their position was and what they wanted to do with that building. And according to Reverend Napy, and I did not speak with Denise about this, but according to Reverend Napy, she had no problem at all with what he was looking to do."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Vinnie. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? If not, I will declare the Public Hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:37 p.m.

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Public Hearing opened: 7:37 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 7:37 has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, at 7:25 p.m. on November 18, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the increase and improvement of the facilities of Riverhead Parking District consisting of the re-

construction of the driveway at the District parking lot. Maximum estimated cost is \$95,000."

Supervisor Stark: "I'm going to ask Councilman Lull to brief the audience on this because he is the liaison between the Town Board and the Parking District."

Councilman Lull: "The Riverhead Parking District is assuming the responsibility of resurfacing the road along the river-- Riverfront Drive if you wish. It's part of the parking area behind the stores. The parking area that's going to be resurfaced, the road area that's going to be resurfaced is from the river-- from the Peconic River-- from Peconic Avenue to the East End Arts complex. And that resurfacing will be taking place within a couple of weeks. It is being paid for by the Parking District itself."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "If I can add to Councilman Lull's comments. This is coming out of the Parking District funds. The reason we have a Public Hearing is because there's a special improvement district, a hearing is required by law to hear all comments since it is an extension or improvement to a special improvement district. In this case as pointed out by Councilman Lull, the proposal is to improve that area along the waterfront, along where the paddlewheels are to provide a better road, a thoroughfare. Anyone who goes through there has noticed that on occasion the road tends to have a lot of potholes; it's not got a good stabilized base and, therefore, the proposal is to make that more stabilized so that it will stand up to the increased traffic that has been occurring over the years and the flooding as well. So there's going to be some drainage improvements as well. So that's the reason why the hearing is being held today."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bobby. Thank you, Councilman. Is there anybody who would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular project? Bill?"

William Kasperovich: "William Kasperovich from Wading River. What was it, two days, three days ago, when the water backed up to the buildings, over the parking lot, the entire parking lot was under water. If you saw that miserable sight, you would have second thoughts about resurfacing. Certain repairs are in order, yes. But they're small matter. But to go to this extent knowing that something has to be done to keep this water from backing up-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Nothing is going to be done. When the water-- when the storm-- when you have a 30 years storm, Bill, nothing can be done to have the parking lot go under."

William Kasperovich: "Mr. Prusinowski, all my life I've known that two things apply to everything: either you don't know what to do or you don't know how to do it. Now-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "In this case, we know how to do it; we don't have the money and it's really-- "

William Kasperovich: "Yes, but I heard this situation 30 years ago."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Right."

William Kasperovich: "This has been something that has been avoided continually and that to overcome this is a major project. At the time time, resurfacing doesn't improve anything. It doesn't help anything. The winter season is upon this. This is certainly not the time to resurface a large area at the best price. I say this is not appropriate at this time nor for the conditions that exist. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? If not, I'll declare the Hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:41 p.m.

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Supervisor Stark: "There are no more Public Hearings. I will invite anybody who would like to address the Board on any given subject at this particular time."

Pastor Woodson: "Mr. Supervisor, forgive me for being out of order."

Supervisor Stark: "That's quite all right, Reverend."

Pastor Woodson: "I believe in order."

Supervisor Stark: "If you would just identify yourself so the person who is going to write the minutes on this-- "

Pastor Woodson: "Oh, okay-- "

Supervisor Stark: "They're being recorded."

Pastor Woodson: "Okay, Pastor Woodson, New Life Ministry, River-  
road. Forgive me again for being out of order. I believe in order.  
Just that I didn't understand the proper procedure."

Supervisor Stark: "It's all right. No problem."

Pastor Woodson: "But the word of prophecy to you tonight, Mr.  
Supervisor, is from the Lord and the Lord says not to be discouraged  
and the Lord says he forgives your sins and the Lord says you will do  
more not as Supervisor, you will do more not as Supervisor for this  
community, you will do a lot more not as Supervisor for this community.  
And the Lord says that He is with you; He is on your side. He's going  
to bless you and your name will be remembered as beloved in this  
community."

Supervisor Stark: "I appreciate that. Thank you."

Pastor Woodson: "That's the word of the Lord."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. George, you want to speak? Mason."

Mason Haas: "Yes. I'm just back before the Board just as a  
reminder, it may have been overlooked that nobody has contacted our  
chief regarding going over the budget. He asked me to stop by. He's  
out-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I believe I'll let Councilman Kwasna answer  
that question for you."

Councilman Kwasna: "I believe, Mason, last time we met we had  
mentioned to you to speak with the chief and set up a time that is  
appropriate for him to be able to sit down and meet with us."

Mason Haas: "It was my understanding Mr. Stark directed you to  
contact the chief and set up the meeting for you to sit down."

Supervisor Stark: "I know exactly what Mr. Kwasna is saying. That's the way we left it. We knew you'd be here tonight. We request you be here tomorrow. The process of the budget is still going on and we have not heard anything. Because every day I've been asking Councilman Kwasna, have you had your meeting with the ambulance corps? Nobody has returned my phone call or nobody has contacted me."

Mason Haas: "Thank you. Just a misunderstanding then."

Supervisor Stark: "All right. Would you please, before you leave tonight set up a time and a date, preferably tomorrow morning because we're probably going to have another budget meeting again tomorrow afternoon. I apologize to the press who was here today. We were talking basically personnel (inaudible) to get into any open portion of the meeting. Is there anybody else who would like to talk? George?"

George Schmelzer: "(inaudible) what Riverhead once was. We had a big duck industry; we had a feed mill and a fertilizer factory. I still got the building, maybe you can consider it a historical building; should save it. We had extensive farming, machinery dealers, potato dealers, duck processing factory, Grumman. We've got none now. When the cauliflower auction closed up. Machinery dealers are gone. Duck farming is gone but one. Most of the potato farming is gone. Nothing left. All we have for the future of the town is to make this town the retail center of eastern Long Island. It's been done quite extensively lately. I think you should continue on the utmost. Whatever is wanted to bring this to be the retail center of eastern Long Island. I think it should be done."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "And happened yesterday, I-- "

Supervisor Stark: "All right, ladies and gentlemen. Ladies and gentlemen, please. Don't encourage him."

George Schmelzer: "They're encouraging you aren't they? Not me. (inaudible) You're the one that's getting encouraged."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George. See what I told you guys?"

George Schmelzer: "Wait a minute. I didn't say I was done yet."

Supervisor Stark: "It's amazing what a round of applause will do for your stamina."

George Schmelzer: "For you?"

Supervisor Stark: "No, for you."

George Schmelzer: "I don't know."

Supervisor Stark: "You're even keeping Rich awake tonight."

George Schmelzer: "I had a bit of luck yesterday. I was leaving the parking lot to the north here, I passed those big rocks, those two big rocks to get onto the sidewalk and see a fellow coming out of the doors here. I looked again, it was Ken LaValle. That's the guy I want to see. He's been weaseling away for months. So I buttonholed him. I had this paper in my pocket, the same one showing the disparity of taxes in this overgrown school empire we have between Southampton and Riverhead and Brookhaven. He said, well, I'm in a hurry now, I can't stop. It only takes a minute. I put it right under his nose. And he ended up, he says, I don't know what to do, I have no solution for it. Don't know what can be done. Thanks, I'll tell that to the Riverhead School Board. That was the end of it."

Supervisor Stark: "I hope so."

George Schmelzer: "So, after all this time-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I think they're meeting tonight if you want to go over there quick."

George Schmelzer: "What are you trying-- I know you're trying to get rid of me."

Supervisor Stark: "No. I wouldn't do that to you, George."

George Schmelzer: "I know you wouldn't. I guess that's all, I think. I've got a lot of other stuff-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

George Schmelzer: "You are very welcome. I'll bend to your wishes and clear right now."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "You are going to say something to me, Vic?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I said save it for the new guys."

George Schmelzer: "Gee, don't be so despondent."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm not being despondent. I've been listening for 16 years. I've heard everything you've had to say."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "You didn't hear anything I wanted to say through."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "So long."

Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody else that would like to make comment to the Board right now? Bill? Eileen, why don't you kind of wander around, work your way up?"

William Kasperovich: "William Kasperovich from Wading River. There is some resolutions that are going to be acted upon tonight and I'm sorry to say that I haven't been able to get a copy of the resolutions. To the people that are going to come here in January the 1st, I beg for them to correct this arrangement so that when you come here to the Town Hall you know what is going to be finally acted upon. The agenda does not-- the subject does not indicate what, where and how and what for. In the printed matter, you have here applications at the bottom of the page, site plan, and yet resolution 931 is going to be acted upon and who knows what is going to be done? And when I say so, I mean the public, I mean the taxpayer, I mean the people that acted last time."

Coming to the point in time where the Town Board acts is entirely too late for the public. Now I keep a sharp eye open and ears to the

ground about what happens in my home area of Wading River and you are going to approve a McDonalds on 25A. First conclusive action that I've seen or heard about. Now, I don't have any major objection to McDonalds, that's a fairly open area. But I do have some what you might say objectionable attitudes from the Highway Department, that is the DOT, about stores being built alongside main roads and their entries and exits in this township. In other areas they pay a hell of a lot of attention how the cars come in and out. In other areas, all they say well, we did a 50 foot radius curb, that's all they're going to ask. And that's all right on their part. But on our part, this is our township. We know what we want and what we don't want when it comes to vehicular safety and manner of vehicular traffic. We know what we consider good to get in and off a high speed road. And yet it gets whizzed by us and nobody pays-- says boo. Well, I'm here to say that this might be expedient in certain directions and for some other reasons but this doesn't justify the public to have a hard look at what's to be done so that whoever is interested in whatever aspect of a new installation for the public interest is given a look at it."

Supervisor Stark: "Diane, could you find me Lori, please? Thank you."

Councilman Wittmeier: "Mr. Kasperovich, can you hear me out there?"

William Kasperovich: "Yes, I can hear you."

Councilman Wittmeier: "Regarding the McDonalds in Wading River. We had two work sessions where this restaurant was discussed and there was a great deal amount of input from the community and it took a long time for it to get on the agenda because they finally complied with what the community wanted as far as the style of the building, etc., etc. This wasn't something that was done overnight. There was a lot of time put into this project by this Board. Now if you don't attend the work sessions, we can't send you a personal note telling you what happened."

William Kasperovich: "And yet, with taking everything into consideration, whenever I would try to get on the agenda to speak to the Town Board at a work session, I got no in many different fashions. So I would come here and wait for an appropriate time and I wouldn't

get an edge into say anything. Now, in my younger years I would pull way in and you would have to listen to me but I'm getting a little older and weaker and maybe a little smarter. But I say the aspects that different people take, interested in what should be mine is getting off and on to a high speed highway."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Actually that's been taken care of because of this particular property was zoned in a particular way. We created a new Main Street up there and the next development or the next project that comes along that's placed next to McDonalds, the access on Route 25A will be limited. We agree with you. And that's the right-- that's why the access has been restricted to a new Main Street which will be behind McDonalds. I agree with you, Bill. We want to restrict the access on Route 25A and the town has adopted a zoning code that will allow that to happen as soon as the next development comes through.

In the meantime, McDonalds will be allowed to have one access on Route 25A. One entrance. Only an entrance. No exit. Onto Route 25A. We've taken that into consideration, the Planning Department, previous Town Boards, the Wading River Hamlet Study which we passed a referendum which stopped all building up there until that was put in place. And I think you remember that, because that was done in 1987."

William Kasperovich: "All right. But you can go through many entrances and exits off highways in this township that you would think we had no engineering talent in the whole township. We have some miserable things that have been built."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yes. And I agree and a lot of was prior to zoning and previous-- "

William Kasperovich: "No, no, no, no, no. No, no, no, no. Getting on and off the highway has nothing to do with zoning. The manner-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "I beg to differ. It has everything to do with zoning."

William Kasperovich: "The manner of getting on and off at high speeds-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "It has everything to do with zoning."

William Kasperovich: "Well, that's your opinion, Mr. Prusinowski. My opinion is that this town has experienced enough bad design of highway traffic on and off and we have examples of that that we should have learned by. And I have no way to know whether this is going to be another one added to the list or not. But I don't think it's to the best interests of everybody to have the application listed and at the same time have the project passed."

As far as expecting people to be here at the work session, the people that come here to the work session aren't necessarily accommodated and on occasion have been refused."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you."

William Kasperovich: "Now this gets my blood pressure up because I spend a lot of time to get acquainted with what's being done so I could talk with some degree of intelligence and apply my lifetime experience to it. But, you can't use that as a way of showing-- indicating to the public what is going to be concluded and what is going to be done prior to the night that it is going to be approved."

The last time I got up here and talked about the Building Department, I looked at the very general terms anticipating that the Town Board would take some action that would be an improvement. Granted you only have two more Town Board meetings to go, three, this one and two in December."

Supervisor Stark: "Two in December and a meeting that will probably take place either the 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st to close out the books. That's always an annual special Board Meeting of the Town-- Town Board."

William Kasperovich: "Okay."

Supervisor Stark: "You can be guaranteed there's three left."

William Kasperovich: "So there is time for not all the improvement but some of the improvement. The Building Department--"

Supervisor Stark: "Excuse me. I correct myself again. There

will be a special Town Board Meeting Thursday for the purpose of passing the budget."

William Kasperovich: "Well, that means if you want to say something or get something in or out of the budget, now tonight is the night to do it."

Supervisor Stark: "We haven't finished the budget process, Bill, and we don't expect to finish much into Thursday."

William Kasperovich: "All right. But this is not going to solve the budget is not going to solve the problems and difficulties with the Building Department. The policies adapted for many years are continuing and they're inappropriate and some actually illegal and wrong movements on-- by the Building Department. I don't know what possesses the Town Board to say that we could act as consultants to the construction world. We are not here as taxpayers to pay people to do the architects or the consulting engineer's work. People come here and we expect them to show us what they plan to do. This has not been done. They come in and put on paper what they think they can get away with. And as I've been harping a very basic simple situation on the street that I live on, I find it hard to swallow the conduct of the Building Department. And yet it seems that all we are concerned with is the cost of the Building Department.

But what they're doing and how they're doing it, nobody is around to see or say. Now, this to me has got to cease. The Building Department is being criticized that they take too long or they haven't got the wherewithal to do what should be properly done. Some of this is true. But most of it is their own doing. And we have a reputation in this part of Long Island that you can get away with things if you try. And on the street I live, this guy tried and he got away with all these things. Some of them he got nailed for. But when you nail a contractor of a speculator or a developer for knowingly doing wrong you just don't let him continue on. You put his back to the wall and straighten him out. Now that's the only way we're going to improve our reputation, that you don't get away with shoddy, illegal, improper kind of workmanship."

Supervisor Stark: "All right. Thank you, Bill. Eileen? Sorry I brought you up so early."

Eileen Miller: "Eileen Miller of Calverton. Am I on the right side?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, pull that one down towards you?"

Eileen Miller: "This one?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, thank you."

Eileen Miller: "Jimmy, Victor, Otto, the first thing I wanted to do is offer my sincere condolences on your loss."

Supervisor Stark: "My wife says congratulations."

Councilman Wittmeier: "So did mine."

Eileen Miller: "Okay. I have suffered losses in my life and I can't remember one that I enjoyed."

Supervisor Stark: "I don't consider it a loss. I consider it a new life. And, frankly, you know, for the last week, 10 days I've been able to sit down at the dinner table and talk about things with my wife rather than say, I've gone through that all day. I don't need to talk about it anymore. It's been very relaxing. I look forward to working with the new administration and helping the transition well. I wish them luck. As I told Vinny the other day, we met for over an hour and I certainly will cooperate to keep this town going forward. I've lived here all my life and this town is the most important thing besides my family and my grandchildren and my children and my wife and God, as the Reverend says. But, I will continue-- I've worked in this town all my life and I will continue to work for it. And I will work with the new administration and make sure that this town is successful."

Eileen Miller: "Well, let me see if I can help you a little bit."

Supervisor Stark: "I'm sure you can."

Eileen Miller: "I want to remind you of something that you said in a post-election Channel 12 interview. You said, I guess the people wanted Riverhead to stay rural like it was, which is part of the truth. But only part of it. And I think the other part of it is that this

particular Board has been propelling us helter-skelter into a future that we're not sure we want. One man's view of progress can be another man's foreboding of disaster and I think there are a lot of people, especially ones who I've spoken to and who voted in this election, who are sensing disaster.

We want you to slow down. Please. Slow down. Okay.

The second thing I want to say, Victor, to you personally I want to publicly thank you and to support your position on the vote on the Riverhead Centre. I think it takes a lot of guts to say what you said and I think you really have the right attitude. I thank you for that. I think Victor's position is and a lot of people in this town position is that no vote should be held by this Board. There are too many things to be resolved. There is a lawsuit that may or may not declare the PDD invalid. That decision has not been made. There is a master plan that has been commissioned by this Board but has not been completed. There is a traffic situation on Route 58 which is unbearable. It needs to be addressed and corrected. And there are many, many people in this town who feel that serious consideration should be given to the impact that the Riverhead Centre would have on the Town and whether that impact will be good or not good.

This thing has been moving too fast and I think it's a lot of the reason why there will be a new administration. Unfortunately, nobody has been listening to us. We don't want you to stop, change your plans. We want you to just slow down, give us a chance to see where this Town is going and if that's where we want it to go. If Mr. Gianos can't wait for this project, maybe he's really not so interested in the welfare of this Town and maybe he should take his project someplace else.

I was thinking tonight that (inaudible) center sounds terrific to me. Better than Riverhead. Well, that's the one thing and I just -- Victor, I want you to know how I feel about that. I really appreciate where you stand and that you had the guts to stand up and say something. I hope somebody else is going to join him before this thing goes to a vote.

The second thing that I wanted to do before you have your budget meeting is to support the Supervisor-elect's position on a reduction in taxes. I have a similar situation to what's going on here. In

April when I started my new budget with Lilco, they wanted to reduce my monthly amount, which, you know, I don't make a lot of money, I could have used the money. But I thought well, what kind of summer is this going to be? Is my airconditioner going to be on all the time? What kind of winter is this going to be? Is my heat going to be on all the time? So I called them up and I said, don't reduce the budget amount. You raised it last year, leave it alone. You know, just let's see what happens. So I kept the same budget amount that I had last year which I had planned on and gotten kind of accustomed to. Now eight months into my budget year, I have \$36 to my credit. If I had allowed them to reduce the amount, I would have been over \$200 in the hole and I would have been paying more than I paid last year to make up for that difference.

We don't know what's going to happen in Riverhead. We don't know what kind of winter we are going to have this year. The El Nino thing might take all the snow to the Pacific northwest; it might not. We don't know yet what's going to happen with the Grumman property. And the taxes we will or will not have paid by that property. The people have been paying a certain amount of taxes that you raised last year, maybe they're high, maybe they're uncomfortable. But they're used to them. They're kind of expecting them this year. Why not, again, slow down, leave it alone, let it stabilize, wait and see. These are things that this Board has not been willing to do but how many people in this election have been asking you to listen, to hear us saying please slow down, wait, wait until we see what kind of Riverhead we're going to be in in the future. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. We're going to take a short recess and we'll be back in 15 minutes."

Recess: 8:11 p.m.

In session: 8:30 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "We're back in session. Let the record show the time of 8:30 has arrived. Is there anybody else that would like to make comments to the Board at this particular time? Barry?"

Barry Barth: "Barry Barth. As I reviewed the resolutions that were prepared for us tonight, are there any additional resolutions that are going to be brought forth?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, there are."

Barry Barth: "Could you elaborate on what they are?"

Supervisor Stark: "One, reduces the certificate of deposit. There's two or three on that, Bobby, on the Sound Breeze."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "I have two more prepared but I'll-- either bring them in tonight or you want to bring them in Thursday. Do you want to hold-- if you have a budget meeting on Thursday?"

Supervisor Stark: "You will have a budget meeting on Thursday."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "There's some question on a couple of them."

Supervisor Stark: "There's some question. There's one of reducing the certificate of deposit and two there will probably be a vote tonight on Riverhead Centre."

Barry Barth: "If there's going to be a vote on the Riverhead Centre, how is it that all these folks knew about that vote on that resolution, and that resolution doesn't appear on our agenda?"

Supervisor Stark: "Because those resolutions have not been totally completed."

Barry Barth: "But word must have gotten out that these things

Supervisor Stark: "I think word got out that there was a possibility of a vote tonight. Yes."

Barry Barth: "Well, if that's true, as President of the Business Improvement District and representative of the seven property owners and a number of private residents, I would like to raise issue with this Town Board voting on the change of zone or applying the overlay to the property. The lawsuit that we brought before Justice Lloyd in our estimation has some significant merit and we feel that the message that this Town Board would send to the Judge is wrong. We were felt from the beginning that this Town needed a master plan. You had taken that under advisement and authorized the request for proposals for master plan and we appreciate that. I stand before you

this evening requesting that the members of the Town Board whether you be here next year or not take to heart what impact this will have on all of Riverhead. We as the business community, the people that I represent, feel very strongly that this Planned Development District was created illegally and I'm not here to argue the legal ramifications if that's necessary for this evening we have legal counsel here who can certainly do that. But I do feel that our case has merit and it's important that it be resolved. Win, lose or draw, our concern is about Riverhead and the project as proposed, I think, will have a significant negative impact on what we've tried to do in this town and it forebodes us into the future to be burdened with unusually high traffic, with retail development that we don't really need. And I hope that this Town Board will have the courage and the foresight to either table this motion or at best vote it down and I thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment? Kenny? Let's hear from Kenny first."

Kenny Zahler: "Thank you very much. Regarding Riverhead Centre. A couple of comments have been made earlier this evening, one, slow down, you're moving too fast. I believe and correct me if I'm wrong, that the first time this was discussed in this forum was over a year ago and I believe this is the fourth time that this is discussed in public session. I know it's the fourth time I've been here and there may have been others."

On the issue of whether or not this should happen, the very same people who will show up at the polls every single year and vote down the school budget because they don't want their taxes to go up will stand here and say they want to maintain a rural atmosphere in the town. They don't want the construction, they don't want their taxes to go up and you know and everybody knows if you think about it, you can't have it both ways. You either accept the fact that your taxes will become confiscatory or you accept the increased commercial construction. One or the other. I don't want my taxes going up any more."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen, please. We've got a lot of business to do here tonight and let's just hear from each side and please hold applause."

Richard Leelan: "Yes, I'm Richard Leelan. I'm one of the counsel for Riverhead Centre. Just in response to what Mr. Barth said,

would like to remind the Board that Mr. Barth and his Co-Petitioners brought an action-- brought a motion before the Court to stay the Town from proceeding any further and that was denied. So the fact that the lawsuit is pending should have no bearing on the action the Town takes on my client's application."

Supervisor Stark: "All right. Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? Yes, ma'am?"

Jean Hudson: "Jean Hudson. I'm speaking for myself, my husband, and one else. I have a letter I would like to read to the Town Board."

Supervisor Stark: "Sure."

Jean Hudson: "Dear Town Board Members: Once again I stand before you as a concerned taxpayer and resident in the Town of Riverhead to urge you to approve the Riverhead Centre application. Many months have passed since I was last here and much time has gone by since this project was first proposed. The project has been reviewed, studied, revised and fine tuned, but yet there has been no approval of the application.

Now the latest tactic that some of the opponents of the project are using is the baseless argument that the election results are a referendum to stop the project. From what I recall, the question concerning the approval of the Riverhead Centre was not on the ballot. It is wrong for a few self-serving opponents to try to expand the election results to imply that they state that the people don't want the Riverhead Centre. I and many of my neighbors continue to view this project as a plus for our Town in terms of tax dollars and jobs.

I hope that you will allow the voice of the majority to be heard and allow the people the right to have competitive shopping, and the opportunity to increase our tax base and create hundreds of jobs.

I, myself, do not like paying higher taxes."

Supervisor Stark: "I agree. Please, ladies and gentlemen. Please. I lost that district, too. Rolph?"

Rolph Kestling: "Rolph Kestling, Wading River. You look behind me here in the audience, you don't get such packed house, only time

when people have vested interest, they show up. You are going to hear the pro and the con but if you talk to each one of them, they all have vested interests. Now, I'm going to let you hear from somebody that doesn't have a bit of vested interest. I live in Wading River. I believe we should have our industrial zoning, our business zoning, and our residential zoning. I think that the Riverhead Centre will be a plus for Riverhead. It will provide a lot of jobs for some of the entry level people that need it. You have nothing else going in Riverhead. Once you get that Grumman site, you get it approved, you are going to be up to here in bills before you see a penny of it. So as one that is not vested in anything and when I talked to some of my neighbors that are just the same, they don't come to the meeting no matter how much I bug them. They all feel the same. Put the business there, it's part of Riverhead like it was mentioned before.

It's not all of Riverhead. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

A.J. Travis: "Hello, my name is A.J. Travis. I live in Riverhead and I have no vested interest in the project. I read an article in the current issue of the News-Review this week. I want to express my feelings on this, particularly since I was one of the many people who spoke in favor of the Riverhead Centre project at the Public Hearing.

At the Public Hearing which was held back at the beginning of August, I recall that most everybody spoke in favor of it, even the newspaper articles that followed admitted that there was an overwhelming support for the project. The newspaper also recounted a poll of 7500 residents of Riverhead that showed a three to one ratio in favor of the Centre. I was also at the previous Town Board meeting before that where this project was also discussed. It is my understanding that both the Architectural Review Board and the Planning Department were in favor of this as well and I can't imagine how many times Bob Gianos and the people from the Centre have met with you at work sessions, other meetings, in addition to these two Board meetings and negotiated changes to the project to get the most favorable conditions for us residents. But I think it's time to put an end to the delays.

Now I read in this week's paper that one Board member doesn't

think it's proper to vote before this Board. With the amount of time and money that these people and yourselves have already put into this issue, I feel you owe it to the Riverhead residents to complete this process. You've worked long and hard on this for the last two years and owe it to us and to them to complete what you started, not turn it over to another Board to start the whole thing over again. August was not that long ago, if you had no intention of voting on this, you never should have had that public hearing back in August.

This same councilman, who now wants to block the vote, is the same person who, at the public hearing said that's our job, to listen to the community. You've got your million dollar mitigation fee lined up, you've tweaked these site plans to make it most appealing for Riverhead, you know it's going to bring \$850,000 annually in tax revenues into Riverhead, and it would seem that you have community support for this centre, through the three to one polls and the overwhelmingly number of speakers that have spoken before.

It has been my experience through other political issues that you only get a public response out of people when they're opposed to something, not in favor of it. This only adds to my resolve that you have the community behind you on this, and you owe it to us to finish this up tonight and vote in favor of Riverhead, and the Riverhead Centre."

Supervisor Stark: "A.J., if you have a copy of that, would you give it to Barbara? It will make it easier for the transcriber. Please, please. Larry? Rick."

Larry Oxman: "Good evening. Larry Oxman. I find it a little amazing that I guess this is the first that we've learned that there is going to be a resolution passed tonight at about 8:35."

Supervisor Stark: "There's going to be a vote."

Larry Oxman: "A vote, I'm sorry. Yet there are people that have just come up here with prepared statements, written statements in favor of Riverhead Centre. Just-- it's kind of very curious. What I wanted to talk about was I think that Eileen Miller's comments were very appropriate and I would urge the Board at this point in time not to take action, to pass the baton onto the new Town Board. The people of Riverhead have said a message I think very loud and clear. Jim

Stark, in your-- as Eileen Miller had said, on News 12 you talked about retaining some type of a rural character. I understand the pressure-- "

Supervisor Stark: "You only saw about 20 minutes of comments-- "

Larry Oxman: "Okay. About two seconds of comments."

Supervisor Stark: "You want to analyze an election, I gave several reasons which could be potential reasons why I was defeated (inaudible). That may be the only reason why that they used on that particular-- so don't-- "

Larry Oxman: "Okay."

Supervisor Stark: "All right."

Larry Oxman: "All right. I understand the pressure-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Also, could you state where you live, please?"

Larry Oxman: "I'm with Riverhead Real Estate."

Supervisor Stark: "And where you live, please?"

Larry Oxman: "I live at 17 Club Lane in Remsenburg, Town of Southampton."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Larry Oxman: "I understand the overwhelming necessity to talk about taxes. I firmly believe that the Calverton property, the former Navy site, is really the solution to the tax dilemma that faces this town. And racing ahead with commercial development and I represent commercial developers, I represent property owners throughout the Town. I don't have a vested interest in seeing things come to the downtown versus Route 58. I firmly believe in my heart and as a matter of planning that you should slow down and enact a master plan to take a look at other alternatives."

If you look at today's cover of the New York Times, the quote is "Cities are fostering the arts as a way to save downtown." It's a

very good article. It talks about prospects of revitalization by using the arts. You have created an Arts District. It also talks about a retail mix that comes to the downtown in conjunction with the arts. It also talks about how malls are basically pulling business away from the downtowns.

Another article that is from the November issue of the Downtown Idea Exchange talks about what type of retailers are coming to the downtown. There are many more retailers that are looking at the downtown for the first time but they won't consider the downtown in favor of the mall. We're letting mall expansion happen on Route 58.

I don't think we've seen the full outcome of Tanger. Tanger is partially built and I don't think that we've realized all of the impact that it's going to have on the community. To build another 400,000 square feet at this moment I think is premature and, again, I would just say you can slow down. If a developer is going to-- if it's a good site for development, it's going to be a good site for development tomorrow. It doesn't have to be today."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Anybody else who would like to make comment? Bill?"

Bill Talmage: "Bill Talmage from Riverhead. Excuse me?"

Supervisor Stark: "Which shoe?"

Bill Talmage: "I am-- I do have a vested interest. I am a partner in the Riverhead Centre project."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Bill Talmage: "I don't know, maybe Eileen Miller is a very wealthy woman, I don't know. But my taxes-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I don't think so."

Bill Talmage: "-- my taxes certainly-- "

Supervisor Stark: "She's a very hard working woman."

Bill Talmage: "-- my taxes certainly are high enough. There's

lot of people in this town whose taxes are high enough. And there's a lot of people who want their taxes reduced now.

Larry lives in Southampton; he pays Southampton taxes on his house. So I don't know, maybe he doesn't have the same prospective as a lot of people in this town. I've worked with a lot of developers as you know, including Tanger. The job done by the Riverhead Centre people in my opinion has been exemplary. The final environmental impact statement of Riverhead Centre has addressed traffic studies, has addressed economic impact to downtown. The master plan that's being talked about is going to be years away. And we know it. The stores that we have lined up to come into Riverhead are destination retail; they are stores-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I would only disagree with you on that master plan. If, in fact, the new Board gets the opportunity to converse on the RFP's that are coming in, I think they have the opportunity to accelerate that master plan because a lot of hamlet studies have been done, the Wading River hamlet study has been done, the study has been done on Grumman. So, if the future Board looks at it in your perspective, I'd be very disappointed. It sounds good, looks good, the facts are and I think a great deal of that work has been done and if, in fact, the Board elects to accelerate without imputing the integrity of an updated master plan, they can do it rather rapidly. Don't scare people-- "

Bill Talmage: "I hope you're right but a bunch of different hamlet studies trying to meld them together into one, to me has lawsuits written all over it and I hope you're right. I don't know, but the tenants that we have are destination retail tenants. Destination retail tenants are tenants who are people who come from other places to leave money. That is something of great value. Other towns recognize this value. Willy Breslin recognizes the value of these. I'm afraid we may have lost one of our-- one of the tenants of people in Riverhead like the most to Yaphank, to Willy Breslin, because they realized the value of something we had in our hands for some time now. The work's been done; the Planning Board's been consulted, the ARB was consulted, ad nauseum, they've changed things, they've changed things, they've worked out things for the Suffolk Theatre. I believe it's time to make the deal.

A lot of people need lower taxes. We need it. We need it now.

we don't need it in the future. And just one other comment. I think the people who came up here with prepared statements, it's a little insulting I think to them that maybe they didn't write them. I think these are wonderful people, perfectly capable of putting their own statements together and I don't think-- I just wanted to say that that wasn't a very proper statement in my mind. Thanks."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bill. Augie? You've got to raise higher, Augie."

August Groeber: "August Groeber, Augie Groeber from Union Avenue., Quebec. First, I'd like to-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Nobody would know you by August. You've got to say Augie."

Augie Groeber: "First, I'd like to thank the Board for all the work and dedication they put in. I happen to know that they really worked real hard and they were truly dedicated and for that I'd like to thank you. I think the Town would like to thank you as well."

I tend to agree with Pat. I'd like to congratulate you. I tend to agree with Pat, that's the toughest job."

As some of you know, I'm on the transition team, and tonight I'm speaking on behalf of myself. But I'd also like to say that part of the process was to work with the Supervisor the last week or so and Jimmy has been an absolute gentleman. He said anything we can do to help and he's really been very gracious in that and I'd like to thank you, Jim."

Supervisor Stark: "You're welcome."

Augie Groeber: "Because he really has the town at heart. One thing I'd like to bring up, it doesn't have any vested interest; it's not about the project that most of the people are talking about, but I'd always like to-- I'd like to bring up the theory of rumors in this town. It always seemed to bother me how many rumors were going and how many things were happening."

Supervisor Stark: "Talk right in that direction, right over there to my good friend over there."

Augie Groeber: "Well, since we just had an election and I think a lot of it was based on rumors, certain things that were done by the board, the incumbent Board, that maybe they should have got praised for in people not knowing and things getting out of hand. One thing if somebody pointed a finger at somebody the next thing that was out was that somebody slugged somebody and the next thing is the person is in a coma. Before you get the real facts, it's way out of hand. My sister-in-law happens to live in a town up west and all is beautiful in that town. I don't want to mention its name but the school is wonderful, the children are tremendous. She happens to teach in the school and their SAT's aren't as good as ours and they don't send as many kids to college as us. But they have different rumors. They have positive rumors. And rumors are a very, very powerful tool and I just like to say, you know, for the people of the town to be on public record that we should really, really stop being a naysayer, stop the negative rumors because they really do have an impact.

The next thing I'd like to mention is-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I want to give you the latest rumor, and I have to talk to Ruth, I was going to be the Commissioner of Parks for Suffolk County. I said that's absolutely false but I wouldn't mind being the Commissioner of golf courses for Long Island. That job doesn't exist, so I don't think that's going to happen either."

Augie Groeber: "One other thing is as a member of the IDA and Jim you happened to grace me with that. He called up one day and said I'd like you to be on that board and I said no more boards. But this is the Industrial Development Agency and we're actively pursuing getting quality business in town. Monique Gablenz is doing a terrific job and I did my research and I said you know, Jim, this is really what I'm passionate about. Because business really does contribute to a town. Everybody, you know, not only with the tax base which, again, some politicians got lambasted for Tanger. Tanger is paying-- is it \$2,000,000?"

Supervisor Stark: "It will be when it's finished."

Augie Groeber: "\$2,000,000 a year in taxes. I mean the business in town pays 75% of the school taxes which is the major part of the budget or thereabouts. They pay a large portion of the school taxes.

But also what we have to realize not only fiscally, these businesses are providing a service. I don't know about you. I have to drive 45 minutes to get to a good movie theater. And not that I'm in favor of it or against. But we do need services in this town. We do need businesses that we don't have to go up west for and I just like to make that point.

One other thing in closing that it's been mentioned many times that we're at a crossroads; Riverhead is at a crossroads. Well being a business person when you get to a crossroads you either get rear ended or you have to go left or right. Evidently there's people tonight that maybe want to go forward, some want to stay backwards, but, you know, you can have progress as long as it's done properly. We need the services; we need the tax base and, again, I'd like to thank you for your work on the Board."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Augie, and, again, I promise you the cooperation is here until December 31st. New Year's Day I think I'm gone. Anybody else who would like to make comment to the Board? Yes, ma'am? Marge?"

Margaret Quinn: "Good evening. My name is Margaret Quinn and I'm from Calverton."

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, Marge, if you will just kind of pull that-- speak into that one for me."

Margaret Quinn: "This one?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes. Thank you."

Margaret Quinn: "Thank you. Okay. Good evening gentlemen of the Town Board. I'd like to share with you a recent experience I had. Last Sunday evening I and some of my friends drove to a Home Depot store in Patchogue where the store hosted an evening of arts and crafts and home improvement workshops. And even provided us with refreshments and it was all free. I and my friends really enjoyed the evening. The only bad part was having to drive from Riverhead to Patchogue. If we had a Home Depot here right in town we could enjoy the same types of workshops and recreation without that long drive. I have come before you before and I stand before you now and urge you to approve the Riverhead Centre. It will bring tax dollars, jobs,

movie theaters and shops to our area. If we don't have it here, another town may snatch up this golden opportunity and I and the other residents will have to continue to drive west for shopping and recreation we could have right here in town.

I have one question that I'd like to ask. Has the court told the town that it cannot approve the project at this point? And if not, there's not reason to further delay the approval. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Marge. Marge, if you've got that written out, Barbara could use it for the stenographer."

Margaret Quinn: "I have a petition here with 62 signatures on it and I'd like to submit that."

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, would you please?"

Margaret Quinn: "Anybody else who would like to make comment today?"

Tony Schroeher: "Good evening. My name is Tony Schroeher. I live at 18 (inaudible) Court, in West Islip. I have a business here in Riverhead right on West Main Street. I'd like to thank you gentlemen for all the businesses you have brought to this town. It's really helped me and it's helped my business. The Tanger Mall has probably added about 200% traffic to my store. As a businessman who pays taxes in this town anything that's good for Riverhead is good for me. I think you have to understand that if you don't go forward, we all would still be on the other side of the ocean. Forward is progress. Now it's up to you gentlemen to decide what's good progress and what's bad progress. But I hope this town doesn't shut down. It's become dynamic. It's become interesting. It's a place for people to do business. It's a place for people to come to. And it's still a beautiful town.

I spend more time here than I spend in my own town where I live. Actually this is my town. Although I'm not a resident, I don't get to vote. But I do pay taxes and I think that you need to bring me people so I can continue to pay the taxes which are probably going to be higher in the future. But if they're high in the future and I'm doing business, I can afford those taxes. So I'd like to encourage all of you to go forward and what you've done in the past has been

rific. It's helped me and it's helped my business and I want to thank you for it."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Tony. We can arrange for you to come here. Is there anybody else? If not-- Henry, we are going to take a short break-- go ahead, Henry, then we are going to take a short break again. I don't know about anybody else, but it's hot in here tonight. The air-conditioner is broken."

Henry Pfeiffer: "Okay, Henry Pfeiffer, Wading River. I took advantage of this beautiful day to ride in here a little bit earlier observing the foliage, how beautiful it looked and so forth and suddenly it occurred to me there wasn't a wigwam or tepee out there anywhere along the way I drove. And I didn't see any buggies. I saw horses drawing plows out in the field. I remember the difficulty we had converting to the horseless carriages. We were going to put out the whipmakers out of business, the horseshoers out of business, so forth. And remember how horrified we were at the suggestion that they bring the outhouse indoors? Remember that? What a fight we had to do that?"

The point is that there is a steady gain, a steady advance with both development scientifically, socially, and otherwise in business and so forth that causes us to advance, health wise, job wise, tax wise, all the rest of it. And I think that in the town hierarchy here that we have sufficient protection and guidance and so forth so that each of these steps that we intend to take can be done with good common sense and to the advantage of the people here and I favor the development. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Henry. We'll take another short break and be back in about 10 or 15 minutes. Thank you."

Recess: 9:00

Meeting reconvened: 9:15

Supervisor Stark: "Let us take up the resolutions."

Resolution #929

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish

and post a notice of installation of water mains. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #930

Councilman Lull: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for bids on liquid calcium chloride. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #931

Councilman Kwasna: "Approves site plan of McDonalds restaurant on Wading River. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #932

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorizes to publish bid for a mugshot

system. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? What's that for senior citizens? Or handicapped-- police station. Any other discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #933

Councilman Prusinowski: "Reduces the Suffolk County National Bank letter of credit on the 1994 Soundview Golf, Inc., (Sound Breeze Section 4). So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #934

Councilman Lull: "Approves McLean Contracting, Inc. as drainlayer for the Riverhead Sewer District. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #935

Councilman Kwasna: "Appoints LeRoy Barnes, Jr. as Zoning Inspector at the Riverhead Building Department. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #936

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorize to publish bids. This is for medical supplies. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #937

Councilman Prusinowski: "937 and 938-- we're appointing Richard Charles and Timothy Rumph to the Architectural Review Board. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? These are former members who are being reappointed. Any other discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #939

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute and submit a grant application to Suffolk County for fiscal year 1998 for Community Development Block Grant Funds. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Before we go to the next resolution, Tim, I want to thank you for your mostly volunteer service on the Architectural Review Board and all the other members, too."

Resolution #940

Councilman Wittmeier: "Reclassifies Richard Podlas in the Building Department. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #941

Councilman Prusinowski: "Approves the site plan of Thurm's Mobile Home Estates. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #942

Councilman Lull: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for automotive equipment operator in the Highway Department. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #943

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute change order for the Jamesport Main Street lighting project. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #944

Councilman Wittmeier: "Amends site plan of 865 Youngs Avenue. This is Crown Sanitation. They are doing a building for storage of materials and containers. So moved."

Councilman Kwansa: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #945

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes the Supervisor to release petty cash monies to Receiver of Taxes. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #946

Councilman Lull: "Appoints Richard A. Park and Nicole Montalbano as temporary clerks in the Tax Receiver's office. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #947

Councilman Kwasna: "Accepts the resignation of clerk typist in the Town Clerk's office, Melissa White. I would change that to part time clerk typist in Town Clerk's office accepts the resignation."

melissa is moving over to Pat Accamporara's office. She's going to be leaving us at the Town Hall here."

Supervisor Stark: "Any other discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #948

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice to consider a local law amending Chapter 101 entitled Vehicles and Traffic of the Riverhead Town Code. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #949

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes the execution of a service contract with Wiltel Communications LLC. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #950

Councilman Lull: "Appoints Alexander Anasky Provisional Dog Control Officer I to the Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #951

Councilman Kwasna: "Appoints crossing guard. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #952

Councilman Wittmeier: "Amends site plan of Riverhead Commerce Park Associates. This is Fidelity National Title. They're building a building on Commercial Drive formerly Warsaw Drive. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #953

Councilman Prusinowski: "Appoints part time Dog Control Officer Ray Newman. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #954

Councilman Lull: "954 through 961 are all budget adjustments-- through 960: 954 is a budget adjustment in the Business Improvement District; 955 Street Lighting District; 956 Town Hall improvements capital budget; 957 Mill Road improvements capital budget; 958, 53 Phillips Street demolition capital project; 959 Scavenger Waste District budget adjustment; 960 general budget adjustments; 961 Workmen's Compensation Fund budget adjustment. I'll move all of those budget adjustments."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Is there a motion to pay the bills?"

Resolution #962

Councilman Prusinowski: "So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried. On bills, one

abstention."

Resolution #963

Supervisor Stark: "Appoints members to the Riverhead Farm Preservation Committee. Somebody want to move that?"

Councilman Lull: "963 appoints members to the Riverhead Farmland Preservation Committee, landowners engaged in agricultural production, Lyle Wells, Henry Talmage, Jake Rothkamp (phonetic), and Richard O'Day, a member of the Planning Board, Barbara Blass, the Planning Director, Richard Hanley, and an at large member to be announced later. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Discussion on this, at any future date, the Director of Planning, no matter who it may be, would be a member of this Committee automatically and the Chairperson of the Planning Board would be automatically. Both of those are still with us so they are on that Committee until otherwise. Okay."

Resolution #964

Councilman Lull: "964 approves the change of zone for Riverhead Centre LLC. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Could I have a roll call vote, please?"

The Vote: "Councilman Kwasna, yes; Councilman Wittmeier, yes; Councilman Prusinowski, no; Councilman Lull."

Councilman Lull: "I want to point out quickly that the reference to the 1973 master plan of the Town of Riverhead contemplated this property as commercial industrial park. Since the adoption of the comprehensive master plan by the Planning Board, the Town Board has been presented with a number of reports and studies and other descriptive materials which identify Route 58 corridor as a regional commercial center and that the findings of the respective Boards who

have dealt with this recommend that the vote should be yes. And I vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Supervisor Stark, yes. Motion is carried."

Resolution #965

Councilman Kwasna: "965 approves the site plan of Riverhead Centre. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "A roll call vote, please. Any discussion? Roll call vote, please."

The Vote: "Councilman Kwasna, yes; Councilman Wittmeier, yes; Councilman Prusinowski."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Over the years I voted probably in the last four years for over 1,000,000 square feet of new retail space. I'm all for increasing the tax base. I campaigned on that. I'm proud that I voted for Tanger. Without Tanger I think we would have been in serious trouble. I think the new Town Board is going to face these challenges. It's not about open space. We have more open space that is preserved than anybody else on Long Island. It is about taxes. I think the Town is heading in the right direction. My vote tonight is not on whether Riverhead Centre in particular is good or bad for the town. I believe that we had an election in the town and my view is that this should be held over for the new Town Board to adjudicate. I campaigned on and was not ashamed to admit that I voted for and I think it was the right vote, for commercial development. During the campaign we had debates and apparently not that I'm saying the whole election swung on this particular project, because this project has a lot of good things for Riverhead. But based on the judge's decision that's still out there, whether or not there's going to be a trial. Right now he'll be able to clear the property and as far as getting the project completed, that will be coming down the road in the next couple of months. So I'll vote no to be consistent with my first vote."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Councilman Lull, yes; Supervisor Stark, yes."

Barbara Grattan: "That's four yes. Resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Stark: "Motion is carried. There being no further business, this meeting is adjourned."

Meeting adjourned: 9:28 p.m.

*Barbara Grattan*  
*Town Clerk*