Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Town of Riverhead held at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York, on Tuesday, August 5, 1997, at 1:00 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 1:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bill Summerville: "Good afternoon. The fellows you see in the back are part of-- are spending this week at Baiting Hollow Scout camp. They're involved in a (inaudible) Eagle program in which we (inaudible) some of the required merit badges. As part of those merit badges, these gentlemen have come here to observe the functioning of a nice quiet peaceful town meeting in Riverhead.

At this time, I would like to introduce the Senior Patrol Leader of our troop, Joe Goland, who I believe will lead us in the Pledge."

Supervisor Stark: "If everybody would please rise."

(Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.)

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. And welcome to one of the best Town Board attendances we've had in the afternoon. Chief, if your group would come forward, the Board would join me down front, Lt. Boden."

Chief Grattan: "Lieutenant, if you would take the honors and explain what we're doing here today."

Lt. Boden: "Thank you, Mr. Supervisor. We realize this is a busy day for everybody so we're going to try to make this as brief as possible. In addition to the Symphony Wind Orchestra that will be going on tonight, we also have National Night Out which the Riverhead Town police department and its neighborhood have participated in for the last 14 years. This is the 14th Annual National Night Out and this is where we as a group try to give crime a going away party for the whole town of Riverhead. We have block parties and we have (inaudible) and we have Bob Donegan (phonetic) from Schwin Electric and his group come out and we visited the neighborhoods that participated in National Night Out and we try to go out and meet people and encourage everybody to be outside, put their lights on. So tonight with the Symphony Orchestra being downtown also we are hoping that there's going to be a lot of people out in the streets tonight.

That's the whole idea of crime prevention, that everybody get outside and enjoy yourselves, put your lights on, lock your doors and have a good time.

In conjunction with out National Night Out, we always have a poster contest and this year we've had the poster contest for about the fifth year, I guess we've done this, and it's for the children at the Jamesport Community Center recreation program. So we have the winners of the poster contest here. I am going to go right into that?"

Supervisor Stark: "Sure."

Lt. Boden: "Okay. We have two groups-- "

Supervisor Stark: "That's why we pay you the big bucks."

Lt. Boden: "Thank you. We have two groups here. I'll introduce you, you come on up and Mr. Donegan from Schwin Electric who has been our biggest supporter over the years and who has donated the prizes again for this year for the poster contest winners. So you come up and bring your poster and come up and, you know, get your certificate here and maybe shake the Chief's hand, he likes that, and we will try to introduce you.

In the six to eight year old group-- they also have their posters with them, so bring that with you. I'm told that the first place winner was Colleen (inaudible) is not here today. Oh, she is here. Okay, Colleen come on up."

Supervisor Stark: "How about a little round of applause?"

Lt. Boden: "Colleen's poster has a dog on it as a good crime prevention tool and it's the first place for six to eight.

Second place-- Colleen, do you want to stay up here for the other winners and then maybe we can get a group photo if anybody wants to and then we will be finished.

Second place in the six to eight year old group is Jamie Conklin."

Supervisor Stark: "We are going to give you a few minutes to get some group pictures. Congratulations."

Lt. Boden: "Third place in the six to eight year old group is Casey Koroleski.

All the posters are alongside the back of the Town Board meeting room here and I have to say being one of the judges, it's never an easy choice to pick the winners and I think everyone did a great job. Thanks to Kelly (inaudible) the recreation staff at the Community Center also.

The nine to 12 year old age group, first place is Melissa Kess.

Second place winner is Leslie Miller.

And the third place winner in the nine to 12 year old age group is Jeff Sendlewski."

Supervisor Stark: "Congratulations. We're running out of room."

Lt. Boden: "I just would like to thank the Board and all the participants and hope that everyone gets out tonight and enjoys a nice evening."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Lieutenant. If any of the

parents would like to quickly come up, we can get a group picture. Come on up; don't be bashful. Just like church. Anybody who wants. Come on up. No more film? How's that? I, too, would like to thank-- on behalf of the Town Board the Recreation Department and the Chief of Police and his staff, Mr. Schwin. Congratulations again for running another successful program. Come visit us down at the American Wind Symphony tonight. Nice round of applause. Also I have a proclamation which declares today National Night Out. I'd like to present it to you, Bob, and Lt. Boden and the Chief, and anything we can do to continue the success of this program we certainly will. Thank you.

Again, there are seats if anybody wants-- there's two or three, four of them right up from here if somebody wants a seat. Don't be afraid. We'll let the youngsters get out. In the meantime, is there a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of July 15th?"

Councilman Wittmeier: "So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried.

Madam Clerk, Reports, please."

REPORTS:

Receiver of Taxes	Total utility collections for July, 1997, $215,892.56
Town Clerk	Monthly report for July, total collected, $8,827.39
Police Department	Monthly report for June, 1997
Sewer Department	Discharge monitoring report, 6/97

Vail-Leavitt Music Hall	Financial report dated 3/31/97
Petition	Residents of Second Street, Jamesport regarding the dedication of Second Street
Bid Reports	Installation of water main and appurtenances for Ashley Homes, opened on 7/22/97, 4 bids were received
Bid Reports	East Creek Nonpoint Source Pollution Abatement, opened on 7/25/97, 8 bids were received
Bid Reports	Edwards Ave. and Riley Ave. road and drainage, opened 7/25/97, 6 bids were received

APPLICATIONS:

Special permit	Riverhead Revitalization & Preservation Corp. on 632 Roanoke Avenue
Site Plan	Guippone, Inc. (Huntington Learning Center) Twomey Ave., Calverton
Site Plan	H.R. Talmage & Son, Sound Ave., Riverhead for temporary greenhouses
Exhibition Permit	Joseph & Doreen Cobis, Prospect Place, Riverhead, block party, August 10, 1997, from 10 until 11 p.m.
Exhibition Permit	Stadium Jumping, Inc. at Big E Farm, Inc., Jamesport, August 19 to 23, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Exhibition Permit	Doc's Tavern, 424 Pulaski Street BBQ and Karoke, August 15, 1997, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Fireworks Permit	Herbert Hermsdorf, 18 Forest Lane, Wading River, display to be held on August 9, 1997, at 9:00 p.m., rain date is August 10th

CORRESPONDENCE:

Molly Roach	Writing to the Town Board regarding the Wading River 90 home and community center development, thinks it should be disallowed, we need industry, not people
H. Milleiser	Opposed to the 90 homes in Wading River
Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Alexander from Southampton	Strongly opposes the bond in support of the Riverhead Foundation for Marine Resources
Erin Duffy	Opposses the guaranteeing repayment of $10.9 million in bonds for Riverhead Foundation for Marine Resources
The Inn at Medford	In support of the Mid Atlantic Races
American Diabetes Association	Thanking the Town Board for allowing them to use various roads in the Town for their Tour de Cure cycling event
Anne Lowry, Pres. of the NFEC	Praising the Town Board for their consideration of a zone change that would permit a multiplex in downtown Riverhead

Regal Cinemas	Writing in support of the application submitted by Riverhead Centre for designation under the Town of Riverhead's Planned Development District Zoning
Town of Southold	Regarding Local Law No. 22 of '97
County of Suffolk	Regarding the Town of Southold's Local Law No. 22 of '97

Public Hearing opened: 1:17 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 1:17 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 1:05 p.m. on August 5, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the consideration of the change of zone petition of the Riverhead Centre to provide for the Destination Commercial Planned Development District upon property located at Route 58, Riverhead."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Charlie, you are going to start on behalf of the applicant?"

Charles Cuddy: "My name is Charles Cuddy. I have an office for the practice of law at 445 Griffing Avenue, Riverhead, New York. I represent the applicant, Riverhead Centre. This is hearing about whether the Destination Commercial Planned Overlay District is to be placed at the site the Riverhead Centre wants to develop, which is the northeast corner of Mill Road and Route 58.

I think it's a hearing also about whether the Town is going to have consumers move east from Tanger because they're now at Tanger and certainly all of Riverhead would like to get more commerce moving from Tanger to various sections of the Town. Our site allows that to happen. We have Mill Road; we have Osborne Avenue; they're north/

south; they allow vehicles to come down. If we can get them to move in the direction east from Tanger, I think we can help all of Riverhead.

But more importantly and in the immediate sense that once this site is developed with 420,000-- 427,000 square feet, on this 50 acre site, there will be jobs produced, there will be construction jobs and there will be permanent jobs for many, many people. It will produce together with Riverhead Landing which is the apartment complex, 156 units to the north and east of the site, it will produce $1,000,000 a year in taxes.

This site will have at it a Home Depot, it will have at it a theater, a super Waldbaums store, it will have a Barnes & Noble, a Staples, a Circuit City. The applicant has actually signed leases with those tenants. It will be something that Riverhead not only will be proud of but will produce as I say a lot of revenue that will go in a lot of directions in this town.

We meet all the requirements. We are in the Sewer District. We have more than 10 acres; we have 400 feet frontage, by far we have close to half a mile of frontage. We have not 20% coverage but less than 20%, which is the maximum. And we meet all the setbacks and we are going to show on the site plan that we do meet all the setbacks.

I would like to offer to the Board just so that there's a record of it, copies of several documents which I believe to be in the record. These include the original resolution approving the Overlay District, the Planning Board recommendation from the Town of Riverhead, the staff report from the County of Suffolk Planning Commission, and also the findings from SEQRA made by this Board. I believe all of those endorse this particular application.

What we're doing, in short, is taking a vacant field which is somewhat of an eyesore and which is certainly the gateway to Riverhead and making it into a revenue generating site. We believe that this type of hearing has benefit for the Board and the community to know the sentiments of the people in the community. Time and again people have approached this Board and said they have conducted polls and they have given you the results of the polls. We have commissioned the poll because we felt that the samplings that were presented were

inadequate. We believe we have a very adequate poll and I would ask you to permit Cheryl Heather who can describe that poll to you and I would ask one other thing of the Board if I may. I identify myself and all of the people who are supporting us will identify themselves. I would ask the opposition to also identify themselves because one of the things that's occurred-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Counselor, it is a matter of fact that everybody that comes to the podium identifies themselves and I will handle that. I really don't-- I don't need to be instructed on that."

Charles Cuddy: "But I just would hope that they would."

Supervisor Stark: "Just move forward."

Charles Cuddy: "Okay. And at this point, I would like to have Cheryl Heather come to the microphone and give you the poll results."

Supervisor Stark: "No problem. Any speaker who may rise to talk pro or con or converse about this, it is the customary practice because we record these sessions and then they're transcribed, so state your name and where you live and if you have a very difficult long name, last name, please spell it for us. It's very difficult for the girl to listen to the-- transcribe I mean and pronounce some of the names, or spell them correctly. Cheryl."

Cheryl Heather: "Thank you. I'm Cheryl Heather. I'm a resident of Westhampton Beach. I'm here as a partner in the Sandpiper Group, which is an advertising and marketing firm located in Westhampton Beach. I'm being assisted by John Gallo, who is my partner in the Sandpiper Group."

Supervisor Stark: "You need a tripod, John? Okay."

Cheryl Heather: "We were retained by East End Properties to do market research on their Riverhead Centre project. In turn, we retained National Marketshare, Inc. of Manhattan which is a very well known and well respected market research firm which conducts surveys and polls on a regular basis. Some of their other corporate clients include AT&T Wireless, Federal Express, Pizza Hut, USSB, the satellite broadcasting company, ADP Bell South, Cigna. Our client

asked us to reach every single person in Riverhead to conduct this poll and that's physically impossible. National Marketshare estimated that we needed to reach 1,000 Riverhead residents to have a scientifically accurate poll.

In fact, we contact more than 7,500 Riverhead residents-- or National Marketshare did. The list of who was called was a compilation of several lists including registered voter lists, commercially available marketing data basis, taxpayer registeries, and these were combined in what's called merged and purged to try to come up with a list that would at least hit every household. And we know that we duplicated some households, we try not to do that.

National statistics for telephone surveys show that 30 to 35% of all the people called will refuse to answer. Our refusal rate was 31% so we're within the normal range and in the low range. So we had a good high response rate. And National Marketshare also estimates their degree of error 5% either way in the poll, any poll, and that's a national statistic that most marketing companies will quote.

We've been using this company for six years and found that they're usually more accurate than that. But that's what their claim is, 5% one way or the other.

So the survey consisted of three questions. Each question had a yes, no answer. Question one is a straightforward yes or no. Plans have been submitted to the Town of Riverhead to construct and open an entertainment and shopping center at the intersection of Route 58 and Mill Road, known as Riverhead Centre. This Centre would feature a Home Depot, Barnes & Noble, Staples, family restaurants, and a Regal Cinema multiplex. Do you favor this project? The yes was 2,897. No, 1,545. Undecided, 712. So we have 56% on straight yes and no and if we're comparing just yes and no, it's almost two to one in favor of the project on a simple yes or no.

Questions two and three were designed to determine what factors are important to respondents who had answered no or undecided. So those who answered no were asked to answer the next question and the numbers will drop because when you're doing a poll, a certain number of people will maybe answer the first question and will say,

I don't want to answer anymore. So the totals are going to drop as we go along minutely.

In question two, where tax contributions were discussed, and these were the estimated tax contribution of the Centre. If you knew the Centre would pay almost $1,000,000 in taxes thereby reducing your taxes, would you then favor such a Centre? And then we picked up a few more yes, going up to 63%. Obviously no's dropped and undecided dropped and now if we take yes and no together, we are at about two and a half to one in favor versus opposed.

Question number three, we're exploring if people knew that Riverhead Centre was putting up mitigating funds and helping the Suffolk Theatre, would that make a difference? If you knew that the Centre would create 1,200 year round jobs, that owners would be required to give $1,000,000 to the Town for revitalization and that Regal Cinemas have pledged key support of the Suffolk Theatre on Main Street, would you then favor such a Centre? Again, we have slightly fewer people responding but when we have yes versus no, we are three to one in favor of Centre.

Corporate America conducts ongoing market research on a regular basis to better address the needs and wishes of American consumers. Private corporate research results are normally not divulged and at the onset this survey was not conducted to become part of public record. But for your careful deliberations we feel that the information is very helpful and the results clearly indicate that the people of Riverhead understand what the Riverhead Centre project is about and that they are in favor of this type of balanced economic growth that's currently happening here as Riverhead is moving forward. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Just to interject at this particular time, the eagle has landed. The barge is tied up to the dock. I have to give it to the boys who brought it up. Is there anybody else? Bobby."

Bob Gianos: "My name is Bob Gianos from East End Properties and we are the sponsor-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Bobby, if you could hold that microphone a little-- the one of your left-- right down to you so that everybody

can hear in the back. Thank you."

Bob Gianos: "Either that or get a new telephone book."

Supervisor Stark: "Again, I have a tripod up here if you gentlemen would like to use it. It might give the audience and the Town Board the opportunity to see what you're-- you want to grab that one right over there. We will put it over here to our left and then the audience is probably interested in this, too."

Bob Gianos: "While we set up the tripod, I'll introduce myself. My name is Bob Gianos from East End Properties. We are the developer sponsor of the Riverhead Centre project which is approaching almost two years old since its initial conception.

What we'd like to do today is present to the Board and to the public a series of renderings and elevations and site plans which show the design and go over the objectives that were achieved in-- incorporated into those designs. Riverhead Centre is a strategic and important piece of property within the Town of Riverhead. It occupies 50 acres on the corner that is an intersection that draws north, south, east and west, is approximate to the expressway, and is a natural sequence from the existing development on Route 58, particularly around the expressway terminus.

As Charles said, it's also-- will hopefully achieve continued eastward movement of all the traffic that is now coming to Riverhead. Riverhead Centre was had set out to create something that hadn't been done that much on Long Island, which was to match architecture and the area that that architecture was going in and we designed Riverhead Centre to encompass an east end theme using east end colors and east end architecture that we are all familiar with seeing and also devoted a great deal to the landscaping of the project. So we are going to put these on the easelboard now for you to see.

As previously mentioned, the tenants within the property that have committed today include Home Depot, Waldbaums, Regal Cinemas doing a state of the art stadium seating, full sound and visual packages theater, Barnes & Noble with a cafe, Staples, TGI Friday, NTV Circuit City, Modells and Party City. Definitely a group of tenants that are interested in coming to the east end and are

interested in bringing their jobs and their revenues here to Riverhead. I'm going to take a walk around-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Just pick it up and bring it with you. As a matter of fact, if you could hold both of them because I want to record it at the same time."

Bob Gianos: "I'm sure this is a little tough to see from the back of the room but we'll do our best to go around. The first thing we did is that we decided that typical of the east end were various signature lighthouses and forms that you see over and over again and a series of colors including whites and light grays, typical of a weathered, shuttered, New England look. That became the theme for the Centre. And we're using teal greens and various shades of grays and whites, lattice work, and lit cupolas and lit towers that will be accent lighted to create a feature. One of the-- and, you know, I would like to put up the site plan, too, on an easel so we can guide everyone around the Centre.

Taking a look at the way the Centre flows, we spent a lot of time working with Suffolk County DPW to develop the absolute best ingresses and egresses and signalization and the Centre flows wonderfully from various directions. There's numerous ways in and out coming from both east and west and the Centre clears wonderfully. We've positioned the Home Depot in the northwest segment, the supermarket, Party City is here, Modell's is down here. There's various tenants now negotiating for the balance of this building. Regal Theaters is prominently featured in front as is Barnes & Noble here, Staples here, NTB here, TGI Friday's here, Circuit City here, and this pad is being negotiated on by other national restaurant chains and some banks as well.

The-- one of the things that we designed into the Centre that we wanted was a public space that would act seasonally and would act as a focal point for the Centre and a marquee element and what we created was a public plaza here at the end of the theater that would incorporate the people who would be coming to the theater, the people who would be shopping in the centre and make it a visual element coming in that would be striking and would be something that the Town could be proud of. So what we designed was a public plaza that's featured here in this middle elevation and it has a working clock tower in it that will be focus lit and will be seasonally

landscaped and would be available for not for public groups to do fund raising, charities could go there, tourist information could be set up and it could be an area that would integrate various aspects of the real estate community with the tenants and access to the tenants and the traffic that this centre would enjoy.

One of the other interesting things about the Centre, East End Properties actually purchased 100 acres here and half of the acreage is devoted to the development of a shopping center under the Planned Development District. The other half of the acreage which fronts on Osborne and Middle Road is the subject of a 156 unit senior citizen project. It's affordable rentals for 30 years and what we did is we connected that project which has already been approved by the Town Board and we would love to be able to start construction on it very quickly, to the shopping centre to give the first truly integrated live consume situation for senior citizens on the east end. So a senior citizen living in this affordable community would never have to get on a public road in order to access food services, entertainment services, and other needed goods. They can walk or they can drive. And it is a secured entrance. It's only-- it's computer accessed only for site residents.

At this time, I would also like to present some of the renderings because it's nice to see the elevations like this but I think that the renderings on the project which unfortunately are a little small scale for the size of the room and we'll leave these up here for people to look at after the meeting, do a very good job presenting the extent of architecture, extent of landscaping, planning islands that went into the overall design elements of the project. In comparing it and going around photographing various centers in Nassau and Suffolk county, I think it was important for us to present to the Town Board for their consideration what could arguably be called one of the nicest centers, entertainment power centers, to be developed on Long Island today.

If anyone has any questions, I would be happy to answer them."

Supervisor Stark: "I'll take care of that. Are you done?"

Bob Gianos: "I'm finished."

Supervisor Stark: "Good. Can you put those back. I would

appreciate that. Is there anybody else that would like to be recognized for making comment on this particular application? Sir? Jack."

Jack M. Kennedy: "Supervisor Stark, Members of the Board. I'm here to represent the Nassau/Suffolk-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Jack, just state your name, first, for the record."

John Kennedy: "Sure. My name is John Kennedy. I reside at Willow Terrace in Orient Point in the summer and I move to a warmer climate in the winter in St. James, which is on Long Island, too. So I'm a hometown boy. I've lived on Long Island all my life. And one of the nicest things about raising a family on Long Island was I always could work. And there was always plenty of work. I raised six kids. They all-- I raised them and they turned out great. And one of the reasons why was I always had the ability to work. What this project here offers to the Nassau/Suffolk building trades is a union job. We've gotten a commitment that it will be all built with union construction workers and that's why I'm here today.

We have a tremendous amount of unemployment. As much as you see going on around us, a lot of it is fast track. This here is more of a permanent nature. It's not a temporary type of facility. It looks to me like it's a great looking job. I came out here this afternoon on behalf of those 60,000 men and women that work in construction to ask you to please consider it. We need jobs. That's the most important thing to the people that I represent, the ability to work. We need jobs. Just plain and simple. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Jack. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? Jeanine."

Jeanine Nebbins: "My name is Jeanine Nebbins. I'm General Manager of the Tanger Outlet Center. On behalf of Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., we support the proposed Riverhead Centre project. Riverhead Centre does appear to be poised to make a commitment to the Town of Riverhead that would support the creation of another destination facility in the Town that would be of enormous benefit to the surrounding communities as well. This project will create both construction and permanent jobs, generate substantial

property and school taxes and help alleviate some of the burden the Town faces in recovering the costs incurred in the financing of the Sewer District.

We would welcome the addition of Riverhead Centre as an adjunct facility to support the movement of people out of the Outlet Center into the Riverhead area.

Since we've opened Tanger II in May, our traffic counts have done pretty much what we had hoped would happen and that is that we're delivering twice the amount of traffic and that's exactly on schedule. We're also delivering 50,000 copies of the Tanger Times to visitors and we would love to be able to have more places in the Town of Riverhead to send them onto continue enjoy their experience on the east end. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to-- yes, ma'am."

Jean Hudson: "Good afternoon. My name is Jean Hudson. I'm here from Riverhead. To the Town Board members. Several years ago, I was appointed to serve on the Riverhead Hamlet Study and I am still a member. One of the issues that I was concerned about is the proper planning for the future growth of our Town. We all know that change is coming; however, the critical issue is how do we address the change. I see planning as a key ingredient in making sure that we can properly handle the change and the development as they come. In this regard, the PDD overlay zone is a good planning tool.

I view the Riverhead Centre's application for a PDD overlay zone as a way to address change and meet the demands of today's consumers in a responsible fashion. The quality of the proposed tenants, combined with the conditions imposed under the PDD will ensure that this now vacant land will be put to a valuable use and not become another half empty strip mall.

From my involvement with the Riverhead Hamlet Study, I know that many people have legitimate concerns about traffic and congestion but these conditions are already confronting us. The county and the town must come together to address them. This project can be a catalyst for this cooperative effort.

Also, the fact that this project is totally driven by private investment dollars, but will yield substantial public benefits in terms of additional tax dollars for our town and our school district, and will produce many jobs and will help finance projects for the downtown area cannot be ignored. I, like many of my fellow residents, am tired of seeing my tax dollars finance stalled public projects, which to date have yielded no tangible returns on our costly investment. Let's give private enterprise a chance to do what it is designed to do, generage jobs and monies.

For these reasons, I support this application and urge you to do the same.

I live on JT Blvd. and I'm-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Know it well. Thank you very much. All right, ladies and gentlemen, please. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment? Yes, sir?"

Robert Burke: "Good afternoon. My name is Robert Burke. I'm a member of Local 25, International Brotherhood of Electric Workers. I'm here to endorse-- "

Supervisor Stark: "It's a little short for you right now."

Robert Burke: "Yes. I'm here to endorse the construction and I would like to thank-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I think you turned that mike off there. That's it. Thank you."

Robert Burke: "There you go. Okay. I'd also like to thank all the fellow union members here today who came out to support this project. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Needles? That's an old nickname we grew up with. You'll find out his real name right now."

James Golden: "Hello, Jim."

Supervisor Stark: "State your name for the record, please."

James Golden: "I'm James Golden. I've lived here all my life. Same as Mr. Stark. And we've seen Main Street, Riverhead like slow down, like all the supermarkets that left us, King Kullen and A&P, Bohack, they all moved out or relocated. And the same way with your 5 ¢ 10 stores, Woolworths, just being the last one. Well, the village has just-- it's like drying up. You need the business down here. You really do. And I think this Riverhead Centre is a great, great idea because the reason Riverhead slowed down is because of the parking mostly. And up there, you'll have all the parking in the world.

You'll bring a lot of business in and you'll bring more taxes like the lady ahead of me said. And I think it's great. Wonderful. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thanks, Needles. Sounds like a stacked audience here. Go ahead."

John Fields: "My name is John Fields. I live in Wading River. And I'm just here to let you know that I think that Riverhead Centre is a great idea, too. I get tired of traveling to Selden or Patchogue to go to Home Depot. I'd just as soon drive right here and pick up whatever I need. Going to Exit 64 or over to Mattituck to go to the movies is kind of a drag. It would be nice to go right here in Riverhead and go to TGI Fridays for dinner or lunch right afterwards. So as a resident here in town, I just want you to know that I support it."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. And if you would bend that microphone over for this young lady coming up, I know she wants to speak next. Just bend it right on down. That's it. Thank you."

Lorraine Wells Mitchell: "Thank you. Good afternoon members of the Board, you people in the audience. I just want to say-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I need your-- yes, ma'am."

Lorraine Wells Mitchell: "Oh wait, my name. My name is Lorraine Wells Mitchell and I live in Wading River. I just want to say I think it is a marvelous idea. I'm tired of taking my hard earned money, taking it to Brookhaven, Islip, burning all my gas when I could come right here and be so nice with everything you're

offering. And I think we should go ahead with it and I think everybody should be for it. And that's about all I've got to say today."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else that would like-- yes, sir, way in the back. Steve, if you'll start wandering up, you'll be right after this gentleman. I know. No more grunts there, Steve."

James Kelley: "Good afternoon. My name is James Kelley. I live in Riverhead. I just bought a house about six months ago. For the plain fact that I've been in Riverhead since I was 12 years old, I went to high school here, I went to college, I came back. I think Riverhead is going in the right direction with things like the Riverhead Centre.

There's a lot of people talking and there's a lot of trouble with this and we don't want this because of that and we don't want that because of this. I walk down Main Street at 5:00 on a Friday and there's nobody down there. To bring people to Riverhead, I'd like to put my money back in Riverhead; I'd like other people to come to Riverhead. Okay. I go to Brookhaven movie theatre at least twice a week because there's no theatre in this town. I would like to stay here. I look around this room. Besides the cub scouts and the boy scouts in this room, I'm probably the youngest one in here.

The only reason why I'm here today, to take time off, is because the 20 or 30 friends that I have in my age group, which Mr. Stark is Riverhead's future, would like to tell you that this is a good idea. And we support it. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton."

Supervisor Stark: "Might be one of the oldest guys in this room."

Steve Haizlip: "Oh yes. My birthday was yesterday. Seventy-five. And still going strong for the town of Riverhead. Mr. Cuddy mentioned about that this would raise almost $1,000,000 in taxes. Andso does the billboard. Now I think Bob Holmes, he likes to hear words like that because I'm pretty sure he's going to anticipate

trying to get a little richer this coming year. So my question is what is the difference between the taxes that this would yield when it's completed and to what the vacant land is now? Can anyone take care of that?"

Supervisor Stark: "I certainly-- Steve, I will have that answer, one of the Assessors is going to the office. We will answer that on our behalf."

Steve Haizlip: "Okay."

Supervisor Stark: "Bobby, I'll give you an opportunity to respond if you differ with our response from the Assessors. Show me the money. Yes, ma'am. And I believe somebody in the back had their hand up. You will be right after this lady, please."

Grace Lulejian: "Good afternoon. My name is Grace Lulejian. Members of the Board and the audience."

Barbara Grattan: "Could you spell the last name, please?"

Grace Lulejian: "Oh, yes, I'm sorry. It's not short, but it's difficult. L-U-L-E-J-I-A-N, Lulejian, Grace."

Barbara Grattan: "Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "See what I mean? It's not easy."

Grace Lulejian: "I have owned a house in Wading River for the last 10 years. Now that I'm retired, I'm spending a lot of time out here. And I have been very concerned seeing the condition of Riverhead and very encouraged to see the growth that has-- dramatic growth that has taken place in just the last few years. This program sounds very good, very promising to me, but I have just a couple questions and I couldn't hear all the details in the back. Number one, how much in real estate taxes could the Town of Riverhead expect after let's say 85 or 90% of the available commercial space has been rented? Do we have any idea of that figure?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes. Well, one, the real estate taxes would be based on the assessed valuation which taxable status day is March 1 of let's say 1998 is the next time. Whatever appears on

that property in real asset or real building, that's what you're-- whether it's rented or not, it does not have in any way a reflection upon the taxes."

Grace Lulejian: "It doesn't. Thank you. Well, then-- "

Supervisor Stark: "If you can't-- if the developer could not rent or I'm sure that they would be in sometime the first Tuesday in July for grievance day and say, I want a reduction in my taxes based on that, but taxes are based on fair market value and cost of building."

Grace Lulejian: "Well, at this point, don't we have some sort of guess if it were there today? I mean I would think that we would want to have some idea of that simply because we would like to compare what we would get from this project-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Absolutely. When the project is fully completed, I'll have the attorney for Mr. Gianos give you their estimation. I can also have our assessor come up. But the one thing you have to remember on any project, whether it be this one or any other project, that what is on the property as of March 1 for like '97, at the close of the books, that's taxable status day, that will reflect in taxes charged in 1998. Now, this project has not even broken ground. If it was to be broken ground and completed by March 1 of 1998, that would reflect in taxes really for 1999. So you have a lag period."

Grace Lulejian: "Oh, I understand that."

Supervisor Stark: "You have a lag period."

Grace Lulejian: "Of course, but of course. But I was just wondering, can't we make some sort of estimate at this point?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes. I think we'll have that information supplied for you."

Grace Lulejian: "When would that-- how would that become available to me?"

Supervisor Stark: "It's going to become available through just

general conversations, you know, somebody will come up and give you that answer."

Grace Lulejian: "When is that going to be?"

Supervisor Stark: "During the course of this public hearing."

Grace Lulejian: "Oh really?"

Supervisor Stark: "Oh, yes."

Grace Lulejian: "Oh, I like your style."

Supervisor Stark: "Well, see you in November. But if you have other questions, if you would give them and then we will have the people respond to them so we will be able to give you that information for you."

Grace Lulejian: "Yes. Right. My next question is, again, staying with real estate taxes and whatever other taxes the town should be collecting from these businesses, not only the developer. Are we offering a tax break to the-- a real estate tax break or any other tax break?"

Supervisor Stark: "No. This application is for a-- the Riverhead Centre which is completely privately financed. There is no-- unless you've made application to the IDA for sales tax abatement, there is no tax abatement on this."

Grace Lulejian: "I'm talking real estate taxes and any other business taxes."

Councilman Prusinowski: "There is no real estate tax abatement."

Supervisor Stark: "None whatsoever."

Grace Lulejian: "That sounds better all the time."

Supervisor Stark: "As a matter of fact, the applicant has stated to-- present to the town a check for $1,000,000 for economic impact remediation for the downtown area."

Grace Lulejian: "Well, that brings me to my next question."

Supervisor Stark: "That's over and above any taxes that would be gained."

Grace Lulejian: "That's like a contribution to the town?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes."

Grace Lulejian: "However, what is the cost of developing this project?"

Supervisor Stark: "Firstly I don't know but I can have that question answered."

Grace Lulejian: "Well, the thing is we're going to be bringing in-- there's going to be a lot of business brought in here, and I sort of think that $1,000,000 for what we're talking about here, is 50 acres, and we're going to have such anchors as Home Depot, Barnes & Noble, Waldbaums, etc., etc., etc., that I thought that that $1,000,000 could be improved a bit."

Supervisor Stark: "I like your style. I love your style."

Grace Lulejian: "I thought you might."

Supervisor Stark: "I absolutely love it. Show me the money. We'll get an Academy Award for that one."

Grace Lulejian: "But it-- so nothing has been approved at this point? So this is something that I hope will be included in the negotiations."

Supervisor Stark: "Absolutely now."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Do you have a number in mind? I do."

Grace Lulejian: "I'm sure you do and you would probably come up with a very good number. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Charlie, if you would come up.

There's three basic questions. We're going to get those off right now, Shelly, and then I'll come to you. I think question number one, what was the estimated taxes that would be generated by the project once completed in its full state."

Charles Cuddy, Esq.: "We showed the project to the Town Assessor and the Town Assessor believes that for this project, it will be $850,000 in the first year. That was based on the current rates; that was based on his assessment of the project at that point. We also added when I said $1,000,000, $150,000 that would come from the apartment units that we refer to the northeast. And that's where the $1,000,000 came from."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Question number two, I believe the young lady had the question was, all right, Laverne, if you would come up. I will ask you to answer question number two, and the third question, we'll come back to you, Charles. The question was, Laverne, right now the property is vacant. What are the taxes being paid on the property now and what would your estimation of difference be for a completed project to the present taxes as of right now. Would that be correct, ma'am? Okay."

Laverne Tennenberg: "Laverne Tennenberg, Assessor. On the seven parcels currently, taxes are approximately $90,000 in the state that they are."

Supervisor Stark: "All right. And in your deliberations over there when this project was brought, it's estimated tax revenue $850,000?"

Laverne Tennenberg: "$850,000 right."

Supervisor Stark: "$850,000. So the difference would be about $760,000, if I subtracted correctly. Okay. And question number three was, again, remediation, economic impact remediation money. Maybe Bobby wants to answer this himself, unless you want to answer for him. It might be cheaper for you to answer."

Charles Cuddy, Esq.: "It was our proposal to give to the Town under the incentive zoning section of the Town Law, $1,000,000 as a impact remediation fee and we were going to do that at the time that the building permit was issued. And that proposal was made and is

still being made now and I'm continuing it forward. So it's in existence and that's our proposal to the Town."

Supervisor Stark: "In previous discussions and in previous public hearings so it is part of the record, I believe there was a commitment made by Mr. Gianos from the multiplex aspect in a relationship with the Suffolk Theatre. Maybe you would like to explain that, Bobby."

Bob Gianos: "In our lease that has been signed with the Suffolk-- with the Regal Theaters, the third largest theater chain in America, we had brought them here on a site visit and brought them around the Suffolk Theatre and explained to them the town's desire to restore and have live theater, music and film events there. Whereupon we took it upon ourselves to negotiate into this 20 year lease with options thereafter that they would provide film and operate on film evenings the Suffolk Theatre on behalf of the Board of Management so when they needed special events, openings, things like old movie nights, things to help the revenue generation of the theatre so it could support itself and generate cash flow to cover its operating costs and debt service, that the Suffolk Theatre would be its film big brother. And that has been signed, sealed and delivered and I believe reiterated in a letter to you, Mr. Stark."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you. Shelly. Oh, I'm sorry, Shelly, ladies first. You're right behind her. I'm sorry, I forgot. My apology."

Eileen Miller: "Accepted. Thank you. My name is Eileen Miller. I live on Mill Road in Calverton. And just so this shouldn't be a one-sided discussion, I guess that's why I'm here.

When I first expressed opposition to the creation of the PDD and to the Riverhead Centre project, it was because of my concerns for the environment, the character of the town, the existing businesses, and our quality of life. But my concerns have gone way beyond any of those things.

It has seemed to me the Riverhead Centre is being forced upon us whether or not we want or need it. I am now concerned that this particular project has been given special consideration despite opposition from many, many sources. This application was accepted

even before the zoning amendment was adopted and is now being considered despite pending litigation which seeks to nullify that amendment.

I am further concerned that those involved in this project have been wielding too much influence over this Board and through it, over the Town itself. And I'm especially concerned because it frightens me to even speculate as to why.

So aside from the inevitable destruction to the environment, to the character of the town, to our quality of life, and to the existing Riverhead businesses, I feel at this point that no one should be allowed to exercise as much control over our Town as the proponents of the Riverhead Centre seem to have. I believe that no one special interest should be able to dictate the future of this entire Town but that is exactly what the Riverhead Centre, if approved, would do. And the welfare of the community be damned.

As a resident of Riverhead, for the sake of the Town and the entire north fork, I am adamantly opposed to the application before this Board and to the Riverhead Centre as it has been proposed. In my opinion, the Riverhead Centre does not belong on Route 58 or at any part of rural Riverhead. It is simply too big and too potentially devastating an enterprise for this area.

If you grant this application, you will be doing so in spite of the fact that this project will destroy all that we know and love about Riverhead and in spite of all the opposition the project has had since it has been proposed. Unfortunately even now, the Riverhead Centre seems to be a done deal, already approved regardless of whether it obtains PDD zoning or not and heedless of other public opinion.

Though purportedly non-existent at this point, the Riverhead Centre has been named in two of our newspapers as one of the local businesses contributing at the request of our Supervisor to the cost of the American Wind Symphony concert being held tonight. The Riverhead Centre is not a local business. And in view of its pending application before this Board, I find the solicitation and acceptance of its contribution to this event to be not only presumptious but unethical and an unconscionable act on the part of everyone involved.

This Board has been endowed with the power and the privilege to speak for the People of Riverhead. I would suggest that before it speaks in favor of this application, it should listen to the people that are speaking for and to the murmurs of dissent from one end of town to the other. To grant the requested change of zone is tantamount to a green light for construction of this mega-mall that will continue to impact Riverhead and the rest of the north fork long after the construction workers have moved on to other jobs.

Thank you for your time."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Shelly."

Shelly Gordon: "My name is Shelly Gordon. I'm a resident of Westhampton and also of North Woodmere, both towns on Long Island. I'm a property owner. I have several properties downtown and whereas I don't want to impede progress, I think this project is going to cause devestation downtown and the one thing that nobody has addressed is that the Town had to take back buildings like Rimlands building and other buildings and potentially if the devestation downtown continues, other owners are going to give up buildings and there's going to be a loss of tax base.

At one point I asked Mr. Gianos, who I consider a fine gentleman, to throw a bone downtown and have the movie theater put downtown. If the movie theater was put downtown, we would have some evening traffic; the town would be revitalized; there would be restaurants coming downtown, and I get no response from him. I don't think removing the movie theater from that project would destroy the project. I think that responsible people like Mr. Gianos has to create a balance. If he expects to get his project approved, he has to do something concrete other than give monies down as mitigation fees. If he creates the movie downtown, it would be far more beneficial than any mitigation fees.

I think the answer is that if we give him approval we have to do something concrete so the downtown does not die because if it does, part of the additional taxes that Mr. Gianos' project is going to create will be lost downtown and right now we have Rimlands on our hands, we really don't know what to do with the Suffolk Theatre. We don't know what to do with Woolworths. There's going to be big problems downtown unless there's a proper balance created. And I

think if we take a stand now, we can allow the project to go forward but there has to be something done that will continue downtown. Unless that's done, we're going to be sitting here in a couple of years and we are going to say, gee, we got a million bucks here but we lost $800,000 in taxes downtown. So please let's consider this if you can."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Yes, sir."

Henry Bookout: "I'm Henry Bookout and I've lived in the Town of Riverhead for almost 27 years now. I'm the monitor for the North Fork Environmental Council just for the record. In deference to my friends in the back, I'm an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood honor member."

Supervisor Stark: "They just left."

Henry Bookout: "And a member of the Order of the Arrow. The North Fork Environmental Council wishes to express its-- recommends to the Town Board to deny the Riverhead Centre's petition to have the PDD zone apply to them. The grounds is-- the Council also applauds the Town Board as you've read in the paper recently and in Mrs. Lowry's letter to the Town Board-- its decision to consider disallowing zoning for multiplex theater anywhere in the Town except in downtown Riverhead, and to encourage a smaller developer who will keep the flavor of Riverhead alive in the downtown.

The NFEC applauds this Board's decision even to consider this and asks that this Board take a first step in this direction by denying this application. I have a three page letter from the Council which I will not read. I'll give it to the Clerk and I'm sure that will encourage (inaudible) towards our request."

Supervisor Stark: "Very good. Thank you, sir. Somebody in the back there, with the red sweater on. Faye, I'm sorry."

Faye Anderson: "I'm Faye Anderson. I live on Mill Road in Riverhead. My husband is part owner of the Anderson farm which is also proposed for development. I stand opposed to a change of the zone for the Riverhead Centre. Riverhead has already had approximately 50 acres zoned business which is currently undeveloped in the Route 58 corridor. Anderson's 22 acres, Rollie's 20 acres, and 10

acres already business zoned in the Riverhead Centre parcel. Why rezone another 40 plus acres before currently business zoned property is developed?

It's quite apparent that the PDD was proposed specifically for the Riverhead Centre and passed in the express lane. So express it is now in the court. It's no wonder you don't have more people here in opposition because part of them are in court in opposition and the other part are home working, trying to keep their small businesses going today. This is a rather unfortunate time.for a hearing.

Everyone who is involved in the Riverhead Centre, had the opportunity to purchase these other business properties but declined due to price. They want less expensive land, zone change to allow business development. What about all of the business owners in this whole town who paid their fair dues for business properties? This is totally unfair to existing established businesses as well as prospective businesses and tenants. There are lots of empty stores in this town, downtown as well as Route 58. In all the shopping centers there's plenty of room available to anyone who wishes to establish a business. Equal opportunity and an equal price. If you allow another 50 acre shopping center by change of zone you will not only have to revitalize downtown, but the rest of Route 58 as well.

Whatever happened to the equal opportunity in this town? I'd also like to note that the Tanger Outlet Center has been in for what? Three years now? And that was supposed to revitalize downtown, etc. Do you see any revitalization? Spit that one out.

I went to the Planning Department and I asked for a map of the PDD. I was told there is no map. It's all over town. Since Roanoke Avenue was a major highway just as well as Route 58 when this zone was created, does it mean that we can apply for PDD on a 68 acre farm parcel on Roanoke Avenue and put a shopping center in there? It doesn't even make sense to me.

We have 22 acre zone business for years on Route 58. We've had a 15% building capacity. The PDD has a 20% building capacity. There's no equality there either. I received a phone call concerning the survey also, which was hysterical because I not only got one phone call, but two. To the wrong person, right? And one of the

questions was, you know, would you say yes if you knew Riverhead Centre was going to donate a million dollars to the Town? And I said no. And I just want to bring up the fact that as far as I'm concerned, I think you've set a very bad precedent for the Town of Riverhead with these-- call the mitigation fees, call them incentive zoning, call them impact fees, in my book it's a bribe. A bribe is a bribe no matter what kind of a tuxedo you put on it. And I feel that-- I just don't feel it's right. I don't feel it's fair and I feel you've set a very bad precedent with it, and I also think now you have another situation where the proposal in Wading River for housing in exchange for senior citizen what was it? Center. They want one acre zoning."

Supervisor Stark: "That's just an application. It's an application which we are required to entertain application. It does not necessarily mean that applications are passed. The process we're going through here right now is an application which requires a public hearing so that people can come, such as yourself, and convey their feelings to us. This project has not been voted on as a previous speaker has said. It's got to go through a process. That, anybody is entitled to; it is our obligation to do it through that process."

Faye Anderson: "I understand that but what I am seeing is that more and more, well, we will give you a certain amount of money if you will rezone this or that or whatever. I have one request to make of the Town Board and that is when the day comes that you vote on this issue, I would like to see it on the Town Board agenda at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. I have been attending work sessions and Town Board meetings during the winter and spring. Issues were discussed on Thursday, I have come here on 2:00 p.m. the day of the Town Board meeting, had to form a search party to find out what was being voted on, and I feel that the issues weren't on the agenda. I even came in here at 7:00. They still were not on the agenda and after all the rest of the resolutions were voted on, Mr. Kratoville and Mr. Hanley or somebody would come running in the back door with three more resolutions to be voted on. I don't feel it's fair. I feel if they are discussed on Thursday, they should be on the agenda and when someone comes in here to a Town Board meeting, that they should be listed and they should have the opportunity at the open session to say whatever they want to say before the vote goes through. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Faye. Is there anybody else at this particular time? Yes, sir. We'll get you next, Bill."

A.J. Traffis: "A.J. Traffis. I live in Riverhead. I moved to Riverhead 14 years ago. I own a business in this town. I'm raising two kids; a single parent in this town, over in Polish Town and live in a historical house. Riverhead is very important to me. I plan on spending the rest of my life here. I'm trying to raise my two kids and go to school here.

I was attracted to Riverhead for the convenience of living and a diversity of stores. No need to travel west for basic needs like the rest of the east end has to do.

As kids in Hampton Bays, we always had to go to Smithaven Mall for school clothes and Christmas shopping, for anything we needed. We would get in dad's station wagon and head up west to Smithaven Mall or something. Now I do mostly all of my shopping in Riverhead for clothes, fertilizer, plants, yard stuff, car repairs, food. There is basically I need to leave the Town to spend my money on. I like it that way. When they say buy American, whenever I can I buy New York State whenever I can and I buy in Riverhead whenever I can. I like to keep my money local.

This project could only enhance that attraction by adding features that are not now available, like a movie theater, an office supply house, a Barnes & Noble, an Olive Garden or TGI Fridays, whatever upscale restaurant there would be there. That if I wanted to take my friends that came down from Rochester last week out for dinner, we're not stuck between someplace for the kids, like McDonalds, or take the kids into a bar like the Rendezvous. I think there's a lot that this project offers that Riverhead could take great advantage of.

When there was only one tyepwriter or a few plows made, maybe one small store could bring all of the options to consumers. Now with so many choices of products available, whether it's sneakers or computer programs or hardware or whatever, consumers should be entitled to stores that offer them a wide selection of these items on the market. These stores that offer us that diversity as Riverhead residents. They would also offer Riverhead residents added tax revenue. Like I said, I do have two kids now. I've

watched my property taxes increase dramatically in 15 years while Main Street is still the same cultural attraction it was when I moved here.

Now my children are in your school system and Roanoke School is no palace. The dirt oval track at Pulaski Street is an embarrassment and the outside play area looks largely like a school shop project which should be plowed under with the tennis courts and redone. I realize these things take money and that's one thing that keeps coming up here is the amount of revenue this is going to offer the town. I'm sure there are countless enhances that we can make inside the school building as well, I'm just not familiar with and a lot of people keep bringing up, especially the newspapers, that there are certain (inaudible) that are watching out for the preservation of Riverhead by suing to stop this project and I was kind of curious how come the only businesses that are mentioned over and over as being so concerned about Riverhead, Riverhead Building Supply, Griffing Hardware, Schwing Electrical and Paints Plus. Are these building supply trades really concerned about the Town of Riverhead? I don't imagine these businesses contribute a fraction of what Riverhead Centre would be putting into the town and as a matter of fact since you were asking Laverne how much (inaudible) would be coming in, I really would be curious now since she can get the answer so quick, exactly what Riverhead Building Supply, places like Caldors and Schwing Electric to pay just so we have something to compare what these companies are putting into the town. Can we do that while we're here?"

Supervisor Stark: "There she goes."

A.J. Traffis: "A few things I noticed today-- "

Supervisor Stark: "That answer you will have to stay tuned for when she gets back."

A.J. Traffis: "Okay. I can wait."

Supervisor Stark: "No problem."

A.J. Traffis: "Some things that did come up today that I thought were pretty interesting (inaudible) planning of Riverhead, I think Bob Gianos has done an excellent job of planning this out.

This, to me is, I can't think of any place even outside of Riverhead that would be as cool as this place is the way it's laid out, the structure and it's location in the Town. Most of the traffic on Route 58 is just further east. This is before you get into the heavy traffic and the intersections and stuff. I think that worked out pretty well.

And people keep asking about the additional taxes and stuff that are brought up. In a small construction company, we have five or six employees at any given moment. We pay, as a small company, $3,000 in 941 taxes alone. I can't imagine how many millions and millions of dollars in additional taxes that these businesses would be putting into the economy.

Some other person mentioned the environment, that this is going to destroy the environment of the Town. It's an abandoned lumber yard. There's nothing now. You can say what's really attractive to drive by, some old buildings, some scrappy wood in the front, scrapy metals in the back. It's an abandoned lumber yard. There's nothing going to be destroying the environment by putting these things up.

As far as, I know people talk about maintaining the rural character of Riverhead and that this project has been in competition with the Serota people on the Anderson properties, go back and forth in the papers as well. And I think that the Anderson farmstand is a much better example of rural Riverhead and that should be maintained as a little farmstand and that this project go ahead. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen, please. Bill."

Bill Roberts: "Bill Roberts, Baiting Hollow. There are a couple, three things that bother me about this project. There has been a sign on Route 58 for weeks, Cinemax-- multiplex Cinemax to be constructed here soon. But there's been no-- "

Supervisor Stark: "That's not on this project's property."

Bill Roberts: "I believe it is."

Supervisor Stark: "No. It's on another piece of property-- "

Bill Roberts: "I'm sorry. Maybe Serota's."

Supervisor Stark: "It's Serota's."

Bill Roberts: "I apologize for that."

Supervisor Stark: "There is-- to my knowledge, my passing, there are no signs on this particular property other than Adopt a Pet and Buildings for Sale."

Bill Roberts: "Okay. All right."

Supervisor Stark: "Am I not correct?"

Bill Roberts: "Let's talk about cinemas. Serota can build a cinema. Right now. He has the zoning for it to put a cinema. He has expressed interest in doing it-- I don't know when. Riverhead Centre says that Regal would be building a Cinemax there and now Rimland building, which is crumbling, someone wants to buy it and put a Cinemax there. Now how many Cinemax theaters is Riverhead going to approve?"

Supervisor Stark: "If you're asking a question, again, Mr. Gianos has included a Cinemaplex in his complex."

Bill Roberts: "I know. I know that."

Supervisor Stark: "I believe Mr. Serota, if I'm pronouncing that correctly, is in some kind of association with (inaudible). Am I not correct? Or some Cinemaplex outlet. We have been approached by another individual, Clearview, and investors to the possibility of locating a Cinemaplex downtown. And, again, it is our duty to entertain any application or project that comes in front of us. Now, that's where we are. It would seem logical to me, Bill, that if one of these Cinemaplexes gets to the finish line before the other, that probably in lieu of competition. I don't know that Route 58 would outlive downtown, but that's yet to be seen."

Bill Roberts: "Okay. In other words, the one that gets across the race-- the finish line first, gets it."

Supervisor Stark: "It sounds logical to me."

Bill Roberts: "Traffic has been mentioned, glossed over very rapidly. Traffic, I don't know, but I hate to cross Route 58 unless I can get to an intersection where there's a traffic signal, especially on any weekend, but especially more so on a Saturday or Sunday or during the summertime. Now people say there's (inaudible). I can be at the Riverhead traffic circle and I'm traveling east-- west to Edwards Avenue, and that is a single line of traffic, all the way from there to exit 73. Now, let's say Riverhead Centre is approved and mention was made well, the village and the county will have to widen 58. Now, that's going to give Osborne Avenue-- that's going to be very close to where Tanger was wide and narrowed down. Now we have to widen it again. At Tanger, they took all the properties off the west side-- I'm sorry, the north side of Route 58. That means any widening of Route 58 will mean the loss of certain footage of this Riverhead Centre property.

But, anyway, let's say you put in four lanes there with a traffic lane there, it's still going to be I'll use the word "bitch" when you have that traffic there, Splish-Splash, summer, people coming out in the fall for the pumpkins, for the fall vegetables, and that convergance of LIE onto 58 is one of the most dangerous areas that I've ever seen in my life.

Now, mention was made about jobs. Traffic, tradespeople love them. They've got three years of ensured work here at high wages, I'll use that term. The mention was made about permanent jobs, (inaudible) that there will be 1,200 a year permanent jobs at Riverhead Centre. Sid-- Stanley Tanger said by the time Tanger II is completed, Tanger II will employ more people than used to work for Grumman. Are these people that work for Tanger or for Riverhead court, would they be earning what Grumman people were working for?"

Supervisor Stark: "I don't know where you read that or heard that, but I have never heard it. I mean Grumman's in Calverton. Steve, maybe you can correct me. They used to on a three shift basis, have probably 24,000 people up there. Three thousand, anyway at Grummans in Calverton on a three shift basis. Maybe at the height of their employment. I don't believe you're going to have that many employees at Tanger I and II. I believe right now that their employment is in Tanger I is approximately 400 to 450. During the holiday season that jumps up to close to 700. If Jeanine is still here, maybe she can confirm it."

Bill Roberts: "I'll see if I can look that up."

Supervisor Stark: "And then Tanger II, there was an estimation of a job creation of upwards to 800 so there would be 1,200 between both centers. I don't know what the estimation is on Riverhead Centre. That certainly could be answered during the process of this public hearing."

Bill Roberts: "Now, these jobs are not the types of jobs that will enable people to get married and buy homes. This is similar to the same problem that UPS has with the Teamsters. The part time workers, they get $8.50 an hour which is what the average clerk would be getting at Tanger or at Riverhead Centre, versus the $19.65 that the full time employees get. So this still does not resolve a problem if we approve Riverhead Centre plus another big (inaudible) and so forth, we're still going to be losing people, young people who cannot make a future in the Town of Riverhead."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I just want to say one thing to follow up on the Tanger thing. They have over 250 or 350 management and assistant management jobs there and those salaries range from $30,000 up to $80,000 depending on the pay plan. The biggest problem I had with Tanger is that they can't find enough people to work up there. I agree with you on the retail jobs. Nobody is pretending that they are going to replace the, you know, high tech or engineering jobs, or some of them like at Calverton. But some of these properties will. I don't know how many full time management or assistant management jobs will be coming out of here, but up here there's like 250, 300 of them, on a regular basis."

Bill Roberts: "Will these people be living here? No, they probably will be living somewhere else."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, they're having touble recruiting people everywhere on Long Island, because the unemployment is really down almost to 3.1%."

Bill Roberts: "I know that. I see the ads for A&P in Southampton is looking for workers. They will bring the people in by van or car from areas further west."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bill. Way in the back."

Joan Marshall: "Joan Marshall, business owner on Route 58. I'm speaking strictly as a business owner and of no organization that I belong to. As you all know, I've been in the Town for 27 years on 58. I have seen the changes come and go. I get involved in the Town because I like the Town. My biggest-- I think, on this project is that the owners are local. The people that are trying to put this together are local people. The money stays here. I know a lot of controversy was happening with Tanger that they take the money out, but they've been very good about keeping it into the Town. Other people, the other people that are coming up to put a movie theater around, they want to bring it in, and then they're gone. They're not interested in what is going on.

We've gone around many a times to collect for different functions that go on in this Town that we support. The managers go home; they don't care about it. They don't care what goes on in the Town. I feel we need people that are going to be in here, that are going to help support us all the time, not occasionally. I know you have a very big job right now looking at which one you are going to approve. Just take that part a little bit into consideration that how they're going to help the rest of us. Route 58 is a corridor and it will be commercial no matter what happens.

I am very concerned about downtown. I understand how the merchants downtown are concerned. The movie theater could be a plus down there. I believe more so a playhouse will bring more downtown than people hanging around-- children hanging around because you can see what happens in Bellport. Westhampton Beach put in their movie theater. You can check with the people over there. It has not increased downtown traffic whatsoever. They're still leaving the town.

Take into consideration a lot of what these people want to bring into the town opposed to someone leaving the town, building it and leaving it alone. Most of the stores are not small retail. They're big stores which will stay opposed to leaving. I've seen-- I have six stores at my center. So I know it's even going to affect me. But there's a landlord that's not around and if I ask my landlord to help, for the Chamber, for Rotary, for East End Arts Council, I get no. So I'm asking to try and consider who wants to put what were. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you. We're going to take a 10 minute recess. We're going to take a recess."

Recess: 2:34 p.m.

Re-opened: 2:48 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Is there anyone else that would like to make comment on this particular public hearing? Yes, sir."

James Hayes: "I'm James Hayes, from South Jamesport."

Supervisor Stark: "Excuse me one second. Somebody want to get the Cablevision guy, unless you know how to turn that one, Victor." Why don't we-- Vic is our video guy. Former cameraman at ABC and NBC. Rich, I think you've got an intern here. Former ABC cameraman that doesn't know how to turn on a VCR. Yes, sir. State your name."

James Hayes: "James Hayes, from South Jamesport."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

James Hayes: "I've heard a lot of pros and cons. Just a very basic question. Suppose this project raises $1,000,000 more in tax revenue than we have now. Does that mean that the town goes to a higher operating budget by $1,000,000? Or is there tax relief for the individual taxpayer?"

Supervisor Stark: "Not necessarily mean that we go to a higher spending rate. I have stated publicly and I'm in the budget process right now that I will present to the Board a 5% tax decrease on the general fund. I cannot answer for the school districts. The school districts will take 58% of whatever tax revenue any particular business or residence in this town generate. So in lieu of that, as the town grows, so do the services. Contractual obligations when they're done by negotiation or arbitrator, those are the things that will control our taxes.

Hopefully, we can level out, get a lot more product out of our employees, and maintain the same level."

James Hayes: "Well, we all knew that when Grumman left, the

tax base went down. We all had to pay more."

Supervisor Stark: "About $11,000,000."

James Hayes: "But it doesn't correspond that when we bring something in to replace Grumman, that the taxes might go somewhat back to where they were before."

Supervisor Stark: "Pretty much. We've wiped out the loss of assessed valuation of Grummans by the addition of Tanger II and a few other-- and just normal increase in assessed valuation. Again, that's what's going to dictate your tax rate for 1998. Again, I am in that process. All budgets were supposed to be in I believe by today or yesterday. Their wish list. Certainly my financial advisor, Jack Hanley, and I will go over it. We will sit with each individual department and make sure that the necessity for funding is legitimate, and it's not luxurious or just a wish list. I will present-- hopefully, I don't have to present the budget until September 30th. I would like to get the budget into the hands of the Town Board prior to that so they can conduct their own investigations of the budget with each department in the Town of Riverhead."

James Hayes: "Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Irwin. It is so nice to see you back. Healthy. With a smile on your face."

Irwin Garsten: "Thank you, Jim. My appetite is getting better than my energy bill. Supervisor, Councilmen. I'm Irwin Garsten. I'm the owner of Garsten Motors and Apple Chevrolet here in Riverhead. I've been in Riverhead for this is my 40th year, 38 as an owner of an automobile dealership. I've served the community in many capacities. I've been past president of the Chamber; Chairman of the hospital; and I've been a supporter of many activities here in town, including working for the Town on various committees."

Supervisor Stark: "Several, I might add."

Irwin Garsten: "Several, yes. I've seen-- early on I was very active in the Chamber of Commerce. As a matter of fact, I headed the merchants division in trying to stimulate growth downtown and in the early years of the '60's, we were somewhat successful. But

as the years went on and more and more absentee landlords and owners were in business downtown, it seemed that the influence of the downtown continued to fade. And it was harder to accomplish anything. And so downtown deteriorated and downtown to be perfectly honest in my opinion, there's nothing to save at this particular point.

I heard a discussion about four or five years ago by Bill Breslin, I think that's the realtor's name, Breslin. Yes. Wilbur Breslin."

Supervisor Stark: "Many people refer to him as Willy's World."

Irwin Garsten: "Okay. Willy said that until you take downtown and you look at it from the reverse angle, nothing is ever going to happen and by that he meant that you've got to take all the stores that are facing Main Street and face the water, and develop it from that end. That's when you'll start seeing downtown in a different light and you'll maybe be able to develop it.

Well, it's all economic. Isn't it? We live in a capatalistic society and if the economics is such that it's going to work, there will be people there to try to capitalize on that and the economics are not working for downtown. But they are working for Route 58.

I happen to have a piece of property contiguous to this Riverhead Centre. So I'm obviously prejudiced. However, I think I would have supported this PPD development regardless because it does offer what everybody has been saying. It does offer jobs. It does offer increased tax revenue. And you know, the thing that you're not even addressing or somebody is not addressing, is that it can act as a catalyst. When this-- if this does occur, this will in turn make other owners of property develop their lands around and close to this. This will in turn create even more jobs, even more taxes for the town. I, for one, am going to consider building an automobile mall next to this center if, in fact, it becomes a reality.

I listened to somebody talk about the jobs, the low paying jobs that supposedly Tanger is creating and this may be creating, but let me just tell you what happens when you get all these low paying jobs. Eventually you have to have management, as Vic said, and eventually these low paying jobs-- all these people drive cars, and they have to get their cars serviced, and I, in turn, have to then hire a $20

an hour mechanic and that's not a low paying job anymore. That goes one step and I get enough of those guys, I have to hire an assistant service manager and he makes a good deal more than $20 an hour. So you have to start somewhere. And I'd rather have some of these low paying jobs than no jobs at all.

And, true, right now we happen to be in a situation where the economy is really great. You have to, you know, fight to get people to come work in your place, but that's also really good.

In any event, I support the planned development and I support the Riverhead Centre and I think the Town would be going backwards if they didn't, in turn, vote for it. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else that would like to make comment? Kenny? I have polled the Board. This is an afternoon meeting and I do recognize as Faye said that this might be an inappropriate hour to hold an important meeting like this. We are going to leave open for one week written comment by anybody who wants to-- and we'll close-- today is Tuesday, the close of business day next Tuesday at 4:30, which is the 12th. Okay. I just want to let you know in case somebody leaves early. Yes, Kenny."

Ken Zahler: "Good afternoon. Ken Zahler. I agree with Irwin. I agree with everything that he said. I think this is-- the PDD is a good idea and there's-- as I've sat here and I've listened to a number of people get up to the microphone and speak to the Town Board, it's impossible to avoid addressing the specifics. What kind of a restaurant? The fact that it's a multiplex movie theater. It's impossible to avoid that, but I ask you to refocus on the fact that what you're voting on, of course, is not that. What you're voting on is the PDD. And it-- there is no good reason to not vote for it that I can think of.

I think I said this once before that if you were to ask most people who live in the area what do you think the zoning is from the traffic circle to the entrance of the Long Island Expressway, do you think there is a change at a particular location? Most people would agree that they're under the impression that it's all the same useage, the same zoning, and the fact that it isn't, I think is just something that was an error and needs to be corrected. And I'm in favor

of the project. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who would like-- "

Rick DeMicco: "Good afternoon. My name is Rick DeMicco. And I live in Coram, New York. I will be residing as a Store Manager at the Home Depot if this project is approved. And I would like to address some of the concerns that some of the people have brought up.

We will be currently employing approximately 250 to 270 employees, which 60 to 75% of them being new applicants residing in the area and probably approximately another 10% will be people that already live in the Town of Riverhead, transferring back to the Home Depot closest to their home.

And one of the things I'd like to address is the concern about low paying jobs. Home Depot pays well above minimum wage. Not only that, we employ experts and we pay them based upon their experience, based upon their merits and based upon their performance. We currently employ people that come from Grummans and Fairfields and they are capable of residing and staying and thriving on Long Island based upon the compensation package that we pay for them.

We have turned high school graduates, college graduates, the Home Depot has a track record from the last 15 years of turning some people into millionaires based upon their compensation package. All of our employees are shareholders.

Also the concern addressed by Miss Mitchell about the money staying in the community. I'd like to let her know that-- and everybody else to know, that the Home Depot has an impeccable record of community involvement. Home Depot comes and responds with disaster relief. We help the youth at risk. We donate to various charities. We continue to help children, Board of Education projects. And the reason why is because Home Depot is a community home. The people that will be working at the Home Depot are community. So their concerns are our concerns. This is not someplace where we're going to be just taking the money that we bring in and taking it back out of the community. If this is approved, we're here to stay and we're here to help the win-win effort for the Town of Riverhead. Thank you."

Barbara Grattan: "Could you state your name, again, please?"

Rick DeMicco: "Rick DeMicco."

Barbara Grattan: "Thanks."

Supervisor Stark: "Do you want that spelled?"

Barbara Grattan: "It would be a good idea."

Supervisor Stark: "Would you spell that Rick?"

Rick DeMicco: "D-E-M-I-C-C-O."

Barbara Grattan: "Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Joe."

Joseph Ingegno: "Good afternoon. My name is Joseph Ingegno. I'm a 26 year resident of the Town of Riverhead and also one of the design professionals working on the Riverhead Centre. But more importantly, I'm a resident of the Town of Riverhead where I am happy to say that years ago we would have been thrilled to have someone wanting to build a gas station in this town and now we have choices of beautiful centers, employment opportunities, tax relief, and I think it's a great thing. We were the laughingstock of many of the towns for years gone by where development and prosperity passed us by. It's our turn in the driver's seat now. Other towns are looking enviously upon us with the prospects of millions of dollars in tax revenue coming to relieve the homeowner of taxes that own a house in Riverhead that could sell for $200,000 is probably $600,000 and a $1,000,000 house in the Hamptons pay $3,000 because they have many, many residents that only have summer homes and don't use facilities so their tax base is their homes and we don't have that luxury here so our tax base has to be industry and commercial and business development.

Low paying jobs-- we had a man come up here and these jobs don't pay what Grumman does. That's right. Grumman pays nothing. There are no more Grumman employees in this town. There are no more jobs and there won't be any more jobs. So people that keep coming up here and saying we want the jobs that Grumman paid, that's gone.

And you have to face reality and new ideas that come forward. There are people in management here that will make enough money to support a family and build homes. People who work part time and make the $7.00 or $8.00 an hour. Fine. That's their second income, whether they be night workers or day workers, husbands or wives. But that gives them disposable income to spend money in your shops in other parts of the town. Extra money to go out to dinner. Extra money to buy a little better car. Extra money to take a vacation. Where is these jobs weren't here, they would only have the main income just to support their family.

I've raised my family in this town and my family-- my children -- had to leave this town because there were no job opportunities, five, eight years ago when she graduated. And many other families in this town had the same problem. Now there are opportunities. Sure you may start out at the bottom as a clerk, but most of these companies have executive training programs where you can work your way up the ladder and get into management. You have to start somewhere.

I think this is a good project for the Town. I think that PDD where it's located is an excellent location, near the terminus of one of the major interstates that bring traffic to and from here. It's not where you are going to congest local roads or small back streets to get to this project. You get off the expressway; you drive approximately a mile and you are there. The road in front of this project is going to be increased to handle the traffic from it. The road in front of Tanger was done the same way. Eventually the road in between will be filled in to make it all flow evenly. For a while probably not so good, but once this is developed, if it is developed, the other properties in the PDD stretch from here back to the expressway will develop.

I think the PDD is good because it plans a center that only has larger stores so that you don't compete against the mom and pop pizza shop or the card shop or whatever else is in town. And it also draws people from surrounding towns to come to this town and spend their money and that's what we need. We have to start picking the pockets of the outsiders rather than keep, you know, hitting on ourselves to do this. And I hope that the Town considers this project and goes forward with it. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Yes, ma'am."

Margaret Quinn: "Good afternoon. My name is Margaret Quinn and I reside in Calverton within the Town of Riverhead, New York. And I'd like to read this.

From what I understood about the PDD and the Riverhead Centre there will be many major stores and restaurants in one central location with a multiplex theatre. I think this is a terrific idea to have shopping, dining and entertainment opportunities all in one spot, instead of having to go from place to place.

In addition to the convenience, there is the safety issue, especially for us senior citizens. We won't have to worry about driving west of here to see first rate movies and to have a variety of dining and shopping opportunities.

I have also noticed that the land where this project is being proposed has remained unused for some time. I believe it will be good to put this land to use that will generate more property taxes for the Town, create jobs and provide a variety of stores and restaurants.

I have spoken to many of my friends about this project, and like me, they are very excited about it and support it. I hope you gentlemen will do likewise and approve Riverhead Centre's application. Thank you very much."

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

Larry Oxman: "Good afternoon. Larry Oxman. I reside in Remsenberg, Southampton Town. Just south of Riverhead and I work in Riverhead Real Estate selling commerical property, leasing and selling commercial property and managing their residential division. I have both leased and sold property up on Route 58; I've leased and sold property on Main Street. So I'm very much in favor of controlled and planned growth and to see Riverhead grow commercially and economically.

Some questions that I have-- one question, but let me just make some observations. Jean Hudson had come up here before saying that

she was on the Hamlet Study. Actually, I'm on the Hamlet Study and I believe that I've attended almost all of the meetings with the exception of one or two since the inception of the group almost three years ago. I still even though it was read into public record for the PDD, I still do not recall many of the other members, but speaking strictly for myself, I do not recall us being in favor of this proposal.

Putting that aside, if you do agree with the fact that the Hamlet Study did, in fact, endorse this, we also endorsed, with the exception of one voting person, at a meeting, having a multiplex not located on Route 58, not in a power center or a stand alone destination. They wanted it to go downtown. That was a very strong feeling of the Hamlet Study.

There was a gentleman that came up here before and supported the Riverhead Centre. He spoke about going to Brookhaven. Brookhaven has a stand alone destination. He didn't go-- I don't know what he did after he left, but the point is that if you drove to Brookhaven, you would probably go anywhere that was more convenient. I am very much in favor of not seeing a multiplex take route on Route 58. I think that it belongs downtown.

Bob Gianos talks about trying to emulate the rural character and feel of the east end. If we talk about a multiplex again, let's look to other towns on the east end that's-- and follow their example, namely East Hampton where the multiplex fuels the downtown, and let's also look to Hampton Bays where they're building a new one. I think it's very important; it's a different type of a use. You spent thousands-- excuse me-- quite a bit of money on the Suffolk Theatre and you're trying to build an arts and educational base downtown. A multiplex deserves to be down there.

Comments of people that are coming up here, talk about this being a self-contained development. Bob Gianos talks about having a public plaza but, you know, people are going to come to the Centre and grant it, they'll go shopping, but they probably won't go anywhere else. A person wants to eat so that he doesn't have to take his kids to the Rendezvous, where are they going to go? I mean they are just going to stay here? They're going to leave. I think that you really have to spread this growth, proper planning throughout the community.

I'm concerned about if this becomes part of the PDD and their application with the cinema, that you will knock out a current proposal for downtown. You talk about a horse race and who gets there first. I think you're kind of clearing the way for this to become first or certainly to knock out anyone from competing against this. Downtown is clearly in my estimation the location for a multiplex.

The only question that I really have is I'm concerned about if this is accepted, this is a public hearing, really to talk about this being accepted and the PDD not an issue of the stores or the other types of use. If you allow this to be the first parcel to go into the PDD, what about the pending litigation? I just wonder-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Larry, also it's a public hearing for you to say that you would like the Town Board to go back and consider taking the multiplex use out of the PDD, which is consistent with your thought about downtown Riverhead. Anytime you are doing zoning, that's an improper approach. You should-- you know, you can say Town Board go back, deliberate, the PDD should be changed and this is what we'd like. You can over so many retail uses like we did in the Hamlet Studies, in Wading River, Jamesport and Aquebogue. We changed the uses, for example, you can't build a Pathmark shopping center in Jamesport; that's not allowed anymore. But you can have a farmstand and things like that. So, that's consistent with what you're talking about."

Larry Oxman: "Right."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Which is what I'm hearing you say."

Larry Oxman: "Okay. But I'm just wondering-- I'm concerned about now moving ahead with any project and bringing it into the PDD, whether it's this one or someone makes another proposal while there's still outstanding litigation. What happens if it's overturned?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, the litigation hasn't stopped anything because there's been no injunction, but to answer that question, is that-- it's our job up here to listen to the community and to weigh what we think is the best for the long term growth and the future of the Town. I believe in economic balance in planning. And that's our job. And Bobby Gianos might not be happy with our

final decision. The Serota people might not-- Tanger certainly might not be happy because he wanted to put a multiplex on number three. But if there was going to be a number three. There's no number three right now. I don't want to get everybody going on that. Or four, five, six or seven. But, you know, seriously, that's our job and the fact is that our job is not to make a developer happy. Our job is to do what's in the best interests of the Town of Riverhead first and foremost. Okay. And I don't want to get confused. I heard a little thing, if it was 10 years ago, get a little blood boiling about, you know, back room deals and corruption and all that. That's not going on here at all.

By the way, the mitigation money is long overdue. I believe that on Long Island, especially in Suffolk County, too many developers were allowed to develop and rape Long Island without putting anything back into it. So, yes, we started it with the Tanger money, but if we didn't have the recreation fees which is a form of mitigation money that we passed in 1987, we'd never have the millions of dollars that we have to upgrade our rec-- so I think it's proper that if developers want to develop in a community they should be made to pay over and above. So that, you're never going to-- it's not a bribe. It's the cost of doing business because unlike 20 years ago, there are different types of costs of running government today and they have to be recognized."

Larry Oxman: "I agree with your-- with the fees absolutely. It should be a cost of doing business in the town and the woman who spoke about maybe the million dollars isn't enough, maybe it should just be addressed on a percentage basis of the overall gross project rather than some offer from the developer. But I appreciate your time and yes. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Barry. I knew you weren't standing up for nothing."

Barry Barth: "My name is Barry Barth. I live in Aquebogue. I'm speaking as an individual at this time. I'd like to commend Victor Prusinowski because Victor stands up, says what's on his mind, whether you agree with it or you disagree with you. You have a sense of where Victor is coming from and what Victor feels is right and wrong. And I think it's time that the other Board members took an opportunity every once in a while to speak their mind."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'll see you after the meeting."

Barry Barth: "But, you know, I just think, you know, you sit there and you wonder what's going through everybody's brains at this time. I think that you gentlemen have before you an opportunity and this is the first time in my short tenure in Riverhead that we've seen this much interest in doing anything in this community. And I think it's great.

I also think and I've spoken to this issue before that this Town Board needs to reevaluate the master plan and I know that Supervisor Stark has commissioned the various agencies within the Town Board to begin the process of, I guess, seeing if the master plan update is appropriate at this time and determine what the cost would be and the timeframe."

Supervisor Stark: "What they're doing, Barry, is preparing an RFP that will be in here within probably the next couple weeks, Rick, to present it to the Town Board at which time we will send it out to the different consulting firms that do these projects and then you get a better idea (1) what the all of the technicalities, all of the work that has to be done, much similar to the Wading River Hamlet Study. To what it's going to cost, etc., etc."

Barry Barth: "In a meeting I had once with Rick Hanley, I remember he said that nothing changes if nothing changes and nothing is going to change in Riverhead unless we take the initiative and cause it to change. This project as it's proposed I think will have a devestating affect on what we've tried to do in Riverhead, not only on Main Street but on Route 58, on Middle Road, on Ostrander Avenue, on Roanoke Avenue, on all the streets leading up to this.

I would like the Town Board to go back and reevaluate if, in fact, this PDD is an appropriate zone, if it's appropriate for this community, and I also would like them to go back and evaluate this project as it's going to affect our community and the life that we have all anticipated being able to live in Riverhead. And I don't think that this is to the benefit of all the residents. It certainly will add to our tax base and this is your problem. I mean, you know, taxes are things that you guys are concerned about and I guess us on this side of the podium are more concerned with the quality of our life and raising our children and retiring and staying in this

community that's been very, very good to us and we in turn have tried to be good to this community. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Billy."

Bill Talmage: "Bill Talmage, I'm a real estate consultant, farmer, trolley guy, and-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Which hat do you have on tonight?"

Bill Talmage: "Right now, I'm a partner in the Riverhead Centre project, so that's the hat I've got on at this moment. Riverhead Centre has got a lot of benefits. It takes a development we know is coming, Home Depot, and puts it in a place that makes the best sense for traffic and the environment. I've said over and over the debate is not whether Home Depot should come to Riverhead. They're coming. The debate is should they be part of Riverhead Centre and to minimize the traffic and (inaudible) to the revitalization of downtown, which you guys know I care very much about.

It's foolish to think that Home Depot, after becoming convinced enough that the market exists here, that they would sign a lease, that they would just forget about the market and go away if this one location is blocked. They are going to come anyway; find another parcel with worse traffic impacts, and downtown will get no financial help at all. The delay might be beneficial to some businesses, but it would be at the expense of downtown and the taxpayers.

Eileen Miller said this project will destroy all we know and love about Riverhead. This is 50 acres out of what, 50,000 acres in the Town. Riverhead Centre say is a mostly cleared piece of industrial and shopping center zoned property. Part of it is a large abandoned lumber yard and was an automobile junkyard before that. It's mostly devoid of forest and is located on Route 58 in a five way intersection, and has public water and public sewer to the site. It's not a wetland; it's not viable farmland; it's not pine barrens. Because it has public water and sewage (inaudible) to the drinking water aquifer.

The five way intersection allows traffic to (inaudible) off in all directions. That will help Polish Town because Polish Town needs to be more visible to shoppers. It doesn't have an insolvable

traffic problem like the Anderson piece. In short, Route 58 is hardly a pristine area and if there ever was a piece of property that's right for development, this is it.

This is a very expensive project. I, frankly, thought we were talking about a brown box with orange letters on it that said Home Depot, and I was shocked when I saw this. And this is a very, very expensive center.

Competition-- there's a group suing Riverhead Town over the Planned Development District and some of them are retail businesses in the home improvement area in all the normal anti-development groups. So opposition from the groups such as the NFEC, I expect because I've never seen a development project that they like. Interesting, go back to the minutes of the hearings on the zone for Tanger, when we created the factory outlet overlay zone. Read the NFEC's predictions of doom and gloom that would happen if Tanger was built. It's very interesting. They were dead wrong. They wanted Tanger to be built in downtown Riverhead. Now that you've seen the traffic from Tanger, imagine what that would look like. Just consider the source and when you hear what they're saying now, Shelly Gordon said the same kind of things back then. Look at-- go back and read the minutes and then hear what they say now and you will understand.

But the home improvement retailers in this group, they insist that their opposition to this project has nothing to do with Home Depot and Riverhead Centre. It's-- they just suddenly got interested in the process of planning and bringing the suit because they feel that there wasn't enough looking at the unofficial and unadopted master plan in 1973. I can understand that you can't say that you're afraid of competition, because that basically says that, you know, you've been sticking it to your customers and want to keep doing it. So the lack of competition creates a kind of arrogance. Kind of if you want to buy anything from my store, you've got to take time off work attitude. Especially in the home improvement business. A store that sells hardware or home improvement material that's not open after 5:00 p.m. on weekdays or Saturday afternoons or Sundays when people work on their homes, doesn't seem to want that business very much. It's kind of like the businesses on Main Street being closed on Sunday, even on the Sunday when the Riverhead Fair is going on. I mean that's crazy.

Saturday night my hot water heater broke down. I've got a little baby. We need hot water; I needed to get some parts for an electric hot water heater. Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m. I was at Home Depot in Patchogue. I had the parts in there by the time the kids woke up Sunday morning. You know, I support all these businesses. I live next door to Edgar Goodale."

Supervisor Stark: "I would really question that one. Knowing children, I would question that you went to Home Depot, got the parts and got it back."

Bill Talmage: "They slept late."

Supervisor Stark: "Unless you kept them up all night long. Let's get a little realistic here."

Bill Talmage: "I was very lucky."

Supervisor Stark: "I know how old your kids are."

Bill Talmage: "Yes. They've been good lately. I live next door to Edgar Goodale and-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Maybe you got it in before they got back from church."

Bill Talmage: "No, they didn't go to church."

Supervisor Stark: "Shame, shame."

Bill Talmage: "You know, Timmy Griffing, his grandmother, my grandmother were sisters. I mean I support all these businesses. I buy a ton of stuff from these guys, but they've got to be open.

On taxes, you know, whether you're motivated for anti-competitive reasons or for, you know, altruistic reasons, I believe this lawsuit deal has cost the taxpayers of Riverhead $850,000 already. I believe this project could have been completed for taxable status day 1998 and we will never make that money up. $850,000 is 71% of what Grumman paid us in its heyday. And I hope the school budget passes next year but I mean just to put that in prospective, whether it was for a delay purpose or whether the lawsuit goes away, we miss

next year.

I heard a silly comment that we've had all this positive tax base development in the Town and my taxes have not gone down. I understand how much the property tax goes to school and union contracts and you guys have very little that you can actually do anything with, but, I believe if we hadn't had all the development we've had that people's property taxes would be over 30% higher. And that would devastate the value of our homes and businesses.

All I want to say about downtown multiplexes is if the same quality project is this, with all the same positive impacts could be located downtown, I'd be in favor of it. But the deal proposed-- that was discussed in the newspaper last week, will cost the Town more than the Suffolk Theatre, Okeanos, the Ocean Research Foundation, the bulkheading project and Grangible Park put together. You've got -- they are going to want you to give them a $200,000 building by the time you trade hands, it will cost that. If you lose a million dollars-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Are you here on behalf of Riverhead Centre?"

Bill Talmage: Yes."

Supervisor Stark: "Then let's keep the comments to Riverhead Centre, all right?"

Bill Talmage: "I'm a partner in Riverhead Centre. Okay. Well, I'm just describing the-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Billy, Billy."

Bill Talmage: "Okay. Well I think it is pertinent but-- and I do think that, you know, spot zoning-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Since we're spinning here out of control, I have a great one. Isn't it true and we've done it before, that the Town Board in a site plan can say you know what, we want the center to be a certain size and that we might not want a multiplex in either site. Okay. We-- there's things that the Town could do so as planners and as people who are going to look to the future, we have to weigh what is good or bad. This thing can be built with

or without certain aspects or components of it. All developers come in here and say, I've got to have it all or nothing. Okay. Fifteen years ago when Newsday wrote the Tale of Two Towns, remember that piece that was in the paper? It was in Newsday, Part II, Tale of Two Towns. It as a horrendous piece and it made us look very, very bad. I never forgot it since I've been on the Town Board. Joe's walking in the hall out there, the former Supervisor. It was a disgrace and it was embarrassing as a Town official. We've come a long way in 15 years and I'm proud of that but on the other hand now that everybody wants to do business with us all of a sudden, that doesn't mean that everything the developers want, they're going to get. There's some parts of both plans that are very good and you can't say people are not going to go downtown and want a multiplex if the -- if without even hearing what these guys have to offer us. Don't prejudge that."

Bill Talmage: "I'm just going by what I read in the paper. What I read in the paper is very expensive."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yeah, I understand, I read a lot of things in the paper, too. You know, it makes good entertaining but the thing is that that was his proposal to the Town Board and you shouldn't say because you guys-- because you have a proposal and this is something the Town Board has got to hash out."

Bill Talmage: "Okay. Well, I just want to close with one other thing that, you know, it's arrogant to say that the jobs at these center don't pay enough. Just like Joe said, you know, Grumman pays nothing. Usually the people will say that they have a job. If you don't have a job, you know, $8.50 an hour may not sound too bad to you. And usually the people who say that are retired or have a nice job and they don't need one. But we have to think about people who do need jobs. Thanks."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bill. Laverne, do you have the answer to the second part of question two? I believe somebody asked that before. That was you gentleman here?"

Laverne Tennenberg: "Laverne Tennenberg, Assessor. The Caldor store alone pays $106,000. The shopping center itself is close to $400,000. Schwing Electrical pays $24,623. Revco, the electrical supply place off of Griffing, $8,114, Riverhead Building

Supply, close to $120,000. That includes the new parcels they bought on Pulaski Street, the Agway parcel. Those two pieces total $40,000, that's included in the $120,000. They also have property under a different corporate name and that's another $38,000, REJ."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. I forget who asked that question. Traffis."

A.J. Traffis: "Is that $40,000 that you just picked up on the new property?"

Laverne Tennenberg: "Sorry?"

A.J. Traffis: "That $40,000 in taxes that you just picked up now on the new property?"

Laverne Tennenberg: "No. The $40,000 was for the prior year that Agway owned that they paid the taxes on. It was in the name of Agway."

A.J. Traffis: "Before that-- "

Supervisor Stark: "That's before improvement. I can't have a debate because she won't pick it up on the tape. Yes, okay. She has the answers-- "

Laverne Tennenberg: "It was $120,000, that included the $40,000 if you want to take out the $40 for the Agway piece, then it's $80,000."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you, Laverne."

Laverne Tennenberg: "You're welcome."

Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody else that would like to make comment now? Harriet. Former Councilwoman Harriet Gilliam."

Harriet Gilliam: "Harriet Gilliam, from Riverhead. Before I make my own comments, I have a letter that I would like to share with the Board from a person who can't be here this afternoon for the public hearing but had asked me to read this letter into the record.

Dear Supervisor Stark and Councilmen:

As a member of the Board of Education for the Riverhead School District, I know the difficulties in meeting the challenge to provide quality services while holding down taxes. That's why when I see a project like the Riverhead Centre which is estimated to generate over $400,000 a year in school taxes, I must support it.

Until our state legislature finally acts to grant people tax relief from the school tax portion of their property tax bills, we must encourage the expansion of our commercial tax base as a way of generating more revenue. Riverhead Centre will go a long way towards meeting this objective.

In addition, the people will benefit from the construction and permanent jobs which this project will generate and our youth will have the benefit of safe, local recreational and entertainment opportunities.

I urge you to approve this application.

Yours truly, Dorothy Exum."

Supervisor Stark: "Could Barbara have a copy of that, Harriet, when you're finished?"

Harriet Gilliam: "Yes, when I'm finished I'll give it to her."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Harriet Gilliam: "Gentlemen of the Town Board, I've been sitting here and listening intently and very patiently as to the comments that have been put into this public hearing and first of all I think it's very important that we hear from both sides and weigh the issues and I have every confidence that you as a Board will do that when you deliberate on this application.

There are several issues that I would like to address based on some of the comments that have been presented thus far. One thing that disturbs me was a comment from Mr. Oxman suggesting that Ms. Hudson when she spoke was speaking on behalf of the Riverhead Hamlet Study. I didn't hear that, but I think she may have given a letter.

I didn't hear her indicate that in terms of her being a representative or speaking on behalf of that Hamlet Study. I think that her statement stands in terms of her personal views."

Supervisor Stark: "I believe she only referred that she was a member of-- "

Harriet Gilliam: "Correct. All right. We've heard many comments about maintaining first the rural characteristics of our town and preserving the rural atmosphere and that this is a place where we want our children to grow up and raise a family and that's why people move out here. Well, I was born and raised in Riverhead and since I've been here and gone away to college and law school and come back and work here now, I've seen many changes that go on but it doesn't change what's inside people in terms of their feelings, their beliefs, their values in terms of what Riverhead stands for. And I think as growth and development goes forward, that people still hold onto the values in terms of what's important and what's unique and special about Riverhead. And I don't think that will change if there is development and growth that's reasonably and properly planned.

People talk about rural area. Well, Route 58 is not a rural area and that's been pointed out by many speakers that it is a commercial zone, industrial zone. I don't see anyone going about trying to put up homes or-- on that piece of property other than the project that's connected with the senior citizen housing. But this is not a residential area; it's not a park or recreational area; it's industrial or commercial zoned area and that's what it's geared towards.

In terms of the concerns about traffic, back in 1994, I had the privilege of sitting on a committee with then County Legislator Greg Blass, Route 58 traffic study. And I think there were some people here who also participated in that endeavor. And traffic was a problem back then; it's a problem now, and it will continue to be a problem whether or not the Riverhead Centre or the PDD comes into play. It's a problem until the county and the town come together and work and cooperate and be realistic about addressing the situation. We saw the beginning of that in terms of what's happened with the expansion of Tanger II and the widening of the road there and that type of growth and expansion must continue in order to

accommodate the traffic that's going to be generated on Route 58, whether it's from the PDD development or just as a normal course of tourists, more people coming out here.

Now, with respect to downtown, you've heard some comments about preserving downtown or the flavor of Riverhead downtown. Well, as I said I grew up here and from being a child and I may be dating myself a little from when Lentins and all of those stores used to be down there, but those places are gone. And I think as evidence by the fact that tonight you're having the barge come in, is an example of the change that is occurring downtown in terms of some of the arts and recreational activities that can take place in downtown and move it more in the direction of a tourist destination, a recreational destination for people. And, in fact, later on in the Board agenda, I hope you'll get to it today, I guess you will, the public hearing on the arts council, the creation of the Arts District. Again, that's another example of forward thinking and seeing that commercial use, retail use is no longer the primary use for downtown. That you have to look at other alternatives. So when people talk about preserving downtown, there is not really much to preserve in terms of actual retail and I think that some of these endeavors are being considered now in terms of the Arts District or bringing things that will utilize the river, such as the barge. These are the directions to go in terms of the future.

And will respect to the mitigation fees, as Victor aptly pointed out, this is a legitimate cost in terms of mitigating some of the impacts, in fact, state law allows for these types of fees to be considered and to be applied in terms of development in the town. And it's completely legal. The state law recognizes it and it's-- for someone to suggest that it's tantamount to a bribe is just completely inaccurate and incorrect.

Now, with respect to the Supervisor's comment about who is going to be approved first or which project is going to get in first and some suggestions about this being a horse race, I don't think that's presents the full picture because I'm sure as part of your deliberations you're not only going to look at who's coming up first, but also what each project means in terms of the full context and planning for the town. That you're not looking at these projects in a vacuum; you're looking at how they each would impact the town. And I think when you look at the proposed location for the

PDD in this particular instance, the fact that you already have a signalized intersection, the fact that you have vacant land where there would be a substantial increase in taxes of almost $750,000 in taxes, that these are all factors that should come into play and not just who gets there first.

So, I think that in summation, I sound like I'm arguing a case here, in summation, I didn't mean to say that, in summation, when you look at the pluses and minuses, you have to look at the fact that there have been some minuses in the town in terms of properties that have been taken off the tax rolls. The property that was formerly owned by Riverhead Building Supply which was Okeanos and now the Riverhead Foundation, that's no longer on the tax rolls. Rimland building. And Suffolk Theatre. These are properties that have come off the tax rolls. Grumman is no longer on the tax rolls. And we have to look at the pluses in terms of what can we do to enhance and make up for that tax base.

The Supervisor has already indicated that Tanger has gone a long way towards making up the difference with respect to the loss of the Grumman property and I would think that a project like this will also go a long way towards making up the difference in property that has been taken off the tax rolls and property where, in fact, there is still being requests made for public monies for projects like the aquarium and the theatre for that come to fruition. And we're going to need something to make up that balance. That's where the mitigation fees come into effect and that's also where the tax base comes into effect.

So I think if you look at this in terms of weighing the pluses and minuses that the PDD application of Riverhead Centre comes out as a plus not only for the town in terms of showing and taking the initiative to have reasonable planned development that ensures that there are major tenants there, to ensure that you don't have vacant strips, but it also shows that there is an acknowledgment that we must do things to supplant our commercial tax base to ensure that the taxes for the homeowners do not go through the roof. And I think that this project will go a long ways towards enabling those objectives to be met and it will be a situation where the town benefits, the schools benefit, and the people of Riverhead benefit and it's a way of taking a reasonable approach to change rather than sticking your head in the sand and ignoring the fact that change is

going to come because not only is change going to come, but change is here and it's a question of how you choose to deal with it. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Harriet. Anybody that would like to make comment at this particular moment? If not, as I said before, we will leave this comment period open until Tuesday, August 12th, at the close of business day, 4:30. We will take a five minute break now, and then we will continue on with the other public hearing."

Recess

Meeting reconvened: 3:48 p.m.

Public Hearing opened: 3:48 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 3:48 has come and we are back in session. Would the Clerk please read the notice of public hearing for the 1:10 p.m. 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 1:10 p.m. on August 5, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the consideration of a Local Law 1997 Retirement Incentive Program."

Supervisor Stark: "Jack, could you please give us a quick briefing on this?"

Jack Hansen: "It's a-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Diane, if you would close that door for me I would appreciate it."

Jack Hansen: "This early retirement incentive that would take effect November 1st, go through December 31st for any employee aged 50 or over with 10 years or more of service. And that's really what it's all about."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Are you finding-- I know you did a kind of a survey of all employees who are basically in that category and you had a meeting with them."

Jack Hansen: "A few weeks ago, we invited all the employees that would be eligible for this retirement incentive and there was definitely some interest from maybe 10 people."

Supervisor Stark: "Very good. Is there any questions of the Board, of Jack? If not, is there anybody that would like to make comment at this particular time on this particular public hearing? Hawk, you said you want to make comment? Yes. Hawk is one of our employees. You are more than welcome to come to the podium, Hawk. Hawk and I grew up together so if he's retiring then I'm eligible."

Hawk Woodson: "Yeah, Jim and I went to school together. We was in the-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Turn that microphone on."

Hawk Woodson: "Jim and I went to school together, we was in the 8th grade class together. I'll never forget that day, that special teacher-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Let's move on, let's move on. Let's move on. Do you want to talk about the retirement program? Let's move on."

Hawk Woodson: "Yeah, I'm willing to accept the retirement program. I've been here 16 years and I'm more than willing to take it and when I do retire, what my intentions are to be is to be a school crossing guard. That's all I have to say and I hope the Board approves of it. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Hawk. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time?"

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. I would like to ask Jack, what ist he purpose of holding a public hearing on municipal employees when they decide when they want to retire?"

Supervisor Stark: "Steve, this is a program that's been

authorized by the New York State legislature and that the local municipalities have the right to adopt this and in order to adopt it, we must have a public hearing."

Steve Haizlip: "Oh. I see."

Supervisor Stark: "It's not something we do locally. It's been authorized by the State legislature, passed, signed by the Governor. We can enter this incentive program or we can elect not to enter this incentive program."

Steve Haizlip: "All right, okay. Now I've got the picture. It's big brother dictating to you what you've got to do in your town."

Supervisor Stark: "No, that's what the law requires. They're not dictating to us at all. What they're doing to us is giving us the legislative avenue to offer an early retirement based on years of service, age. We have polled our employees; we have found some interest and this is why we're holding the public hearing because we must do this in order to come to the determination whether we will enter into it."

Steve Haizlip: "Okay. So you say the law-- "

Supervisor Stark: "They're not dictating to us."

Steve Haizlip: "You say the law requires it. All right. Now the only thing that I've got to add to it from my own experience, any employee wants to go out, I advise him to go out December the 31st. Don't never go into the next year because you will pay dear for it and I learned that the hard way."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you. Is there anybody else. Yes, Bill."

William Kasperovich: "I'm going to have to make this short because I have to host Mr. McGruff (phonetic) over in Wading River. I've got to leave in a hurry."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you. We appreciate it."

William Kasperovich: "Well, unfortunately-- "

Supervisor Stark: "I'm not saying that facetiously."

William Kasperovich: "Unfortunately I come up here it's usually to show error of your ways and not for complimenting. There are several points in the resolutions that should have your attention. In the first-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Bill, are you speaking on the public hearing?"

William Kasperovich: "Yes, okay. William Kasperovich from Wading River."

Supervisor Stark: "This is the early incentive retirement public hearing."

William Kasperovich: "Oh, is it?"

Supervisor Stark: "Yes. I'm sorry."

William Kasperovich: "Okay. Out of order."

Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody else that would like to make comment at this particular time on the public hearing for early retirement? If not, I declare the hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 3:55 p.m.

Public Hearing opened: 3:55 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 3:55 has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of public hearing. I have one more public hearing after this, Bill, too. We are still working on them."

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, at 1:20 p.m. on August 5, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the increase and improvement

of the Water District to build an additional pressure zone in Wading River, including booster pumping equipment, mains and valving, estimated cost of $157,000 to be paid from existing district funds."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Russell, find Gary. I'm sorry, I though it was the Arts District. This was brought to our attention at the last Town Board meeting. It had not been brought to the attention of the Board. I did promise the residents of that area that we would be swift and quick action and you are going to see it today. I think Dennis should quickly explain it. It has been explained to the Board already and then we will move swiftly."

Dennis Kelleher: "Good afternoon. My name is Dennis Kelleher from the engineering firm of H2M. We are the engineers for the Riverhead Water District.

In about the third week of July, we had extreme hot and dry weather and those conditions caused very high water demands throughout the entire Riverhead Water District, where Superintendent Pendzick was actually pumping water at record levels. The Water District personnel tried to have all the supply wells running during this time, however, they were unable to keep the water storage tanks full. The low water storage tank levels caused the pressure to drop throughout the entire town, throughout the Water District.

However, there's a small section of the town that it had very -- extremely low water pressure."

Supervisor Stark: "That's even before the drought."

Dennis Kelleher: "I'll get to that."

Supervisor Stark: "Oh, okay. Just want you to make sure."

Dennis Kelleher: "I'm talking about during this one weeks in July, it was extremely low. This area includes the homes of the Great Rock subdivision in Wading River. It's also known as the Sound Breeze subdivision. It includes approximately 100 homes on Great Rock Road, Pansy Court, Sound Breeze Trail, Daisy Court and Dogwood Lane. Even though these homes are adjacent to the Riverhead Water District's storage tank at plant nine, which on the map is colored in blue, the grade of the elevation of these homes are

much higher than the rest of the surrounding area in comparison to the grade elevation of the water storage tank. And you must understand that the water storage tank at plant nine is called a standpipe rather than an elevated storage tank. The elevated storage tank is like the tank that the Water District has around 58 where you have these legs that life the water up about 100 feet. The standpipe that we have at plant nine is just a long column of water and it is normal procedure to keep that tank at least half full in order to create the pressure that is needed to develop the correct pressure in the homes.

However, during the drought conditions, during this one week period where we had the bad weather, the Water District could not keep that tank more than half full. It dropped to about a quarter full. So what happened was the resulting pressure in the homes in this community actually dropped to low levels."

Supervisor Stark: "Basically my understanding, even prior to this week, the pressure in those particular areas-- this particular area was always on the low side between 20 and 25 psi where the average psi throughout the Water District is roughly 50."

Dennis Kelleher: "That's correct. It depends on where your home is located compared to mean sea level. These homes-- "

Supervisor Stark: "It is the opinion of this Board, that all residents within the Water District should have the same equal opportunity for the same psi. And we are getting to it."

Dennis Kelleher: "That's correct."

Supervisor Stark: "Would you just basically describe how you are going to bring that pressure for those residents up to that level?"

Dennis Kelleher: "In order to ensure that these homes that are in the higher elevation have sufficient pressure during-- at all times and even during a high demand period, we recommend that a high zone be created. I have outlined in yellow the areas that we're talking about to create this so called high pressure zone.

In order to do this, we need to install a booster pump station

at plant nine where the water will be taken from the tank, the pressure will be boosted up rather than just seeing the pressure that the tank is creating, we're going to boost the pressure up an additional 40 pounds, 40 psi, pounds per square inch. So if someone right now on a typical day is seeing 30, with this new system, they'll be seeing 70. No one will be seeing less than 60 pounds."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay."

Dennis Kelleher: "In addition to the pump station, we need to add some additional water main connecting the existing water main on Great Rock Drive to Dogwood Lane. That's the red line that we have drawn in and we'll need to do some-- install some isolation valves to keep this yellow area isolated from the rest of the Riverhead Water District. So when we pump the high pressure into this area, it doesn't dissipate into surrounding communities. So this area will stay with the high pressure.

We estimated the cost of this project at $157,000, including construction costs and any miscellaneous costs associated with that.

The cost of this system will be taken from the key money account that the Riverhead Water District has that was paid by the developer of Sound Breeze.

We've just recently received quotations from contractors to conduct this inspection-- excuse me, construction, and the estimated cost-- the actual cost is coming out just under $157,000, about $156,000.

If the Board approves this project, immediately the contractors are ready-- will be ready to go and complete the job within 45 days."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Is there anybody that would like to make comment at this particular time? Yes, ma'am."

Anna Surozenski: "Anna Surozenski, homeowner at Sound Breeze Trail. I was at the prior meeting to inform the Town Board about our problem. And you are quite right, Supervisor Stark. We had this problem since we moved in and I know it ranger from, oh my sister and I in January and there were some families who were there since March of 1996.

I would like to first thank you very much for responding so quickly to our grievance at that meeting. When you had indicated you would respond within 48 hours, I was rather cynical. I didn't think you would. And I will be the first to acknowledge the errors of my ways. Okay. And you responded within 24 hours and also had letters sent out to all the homeowners. And for that, I do thank you. Hopefully at this meeting that there will be a final approval so that as Dennis had indicated it will be implemented as soon as possible. Because living with 20-- we have 25 psi, our neighbors, Dominick and Joanne, we're all on a first name basis, have 20 psi, and then there are some who have 30 psi, and it would be not only safe to have the average psi, it's only fair since we pay our taxes, hopefully we do all pay our taxes. And also it would be a delight to have a wonderful shower.

So, again, I thank you, and please do approve this in a timely fashion."

Supervisor Stark: "Without any major objection today, the resolutions are sitting to be brought forth to accept the engineer's report, transfer money, and get this project started within the next 24, 48 hours. That I can promise yet, but I know they are going to start as soon as we award the contract."

Anna Surozenski: "Okay. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Bill, you have a comment?"

William Kasperovich: "William Kasperovich. Is that it? Let me say one thing here by going up to this chart. The people that live in this area unfortunately the-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Bill, I can't get you on the recording. I'll bring that chart over to you if you will go back over to the podium. All right. Gary will bring it over. Bill, I need both microphones. So why don't you go back there and then you can point to it and make comments right from there. I appreciate it. Thank you, Bill."

William Kasperovich: "The water being supplied with this group of people has to travel from the tank way around about way to get there even though as the crow flies, they're very close. Now, this

proposal to put this connect-- make a connection from here to there will get a more direct route for water to flow to these people. That isn't (inaudible). Call it miscalculation, call it oversight or what have you. It happens when you isolate a group like that so their solution is this piece of line here. The fact that you heard the man say that to keep the tanks half full, I say time has come when they've got to keep the tanks more than half full. And the instrumentation should be such and the personnel should be such that the plant is kept completely almost three-quarters full all the time.

Now we get into hydraulics we can talk about pressure. You've got a full tank; you'll get more pressure. You've got a depleted tank; you'll get less pressure. All right.

Keeping this tank more full by added instrumentation and by having it run at slack hours even if we have to have a midnight shift in order to run the pump. Okay. Thank you.

The other is we have a piece of eight inch line that we stopped at the Hulse farmhouse many years ago. I think somebody on the Board said, what's it to you? Where do you live? Well, that's how I remember it. So we have an eight inch line going to the one house, possibly a second house on the other side of the road. However, the intent of the line sizing was that this line would be run to the main on Sound Avenue. This, again, i hydraulics, would improve the overall pressure. The balance of pressures is in use and flow. All right. So this alone-- the immediate problem is by making the connection, can be easily done. Putting in the run from the Hulse farmhouse down to Sound Avenue would be more costly thing but again it would improve the system. But keeping the tank more full is a matter of instrumentation and a matter of personnel time.

On the resolutions, it is written the facilities of the District to be paid from existing funds. This should be clarified by an amendment to indicate that it is the developer's key money. Otherwise people in Jamesport might be thinking they're paying for water work in Wading River.

In Resolution 646, on the second page, to return the performance bond in the sum of-- "

<u>Supervisor Stark:</u> "Bill, is this on the public hearing on this?"

William Kasperovich: "Oh, no."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you. Is there anybody else who would like to make comment at this particular time? Steve."

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. My many years of quality control experience and reading textbooks and dealing with hydraulics in aircraft, I see what's taking place here, the pass and flow theory. The tank is going to be the reservoir, the pumps are going to be (inaudible), pressure will be equal (inaudible) in all directions. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else-- yes, sir?"

Bob Poveromo: "Good afternoon. My name is Bob Poveromo. I live at-- "

Supervisor Stark: "What was the last name, Bob?"

Bob Poveromo: "Poveromo."

Supervisor Stark: "Do you want to spell that for us?"

Bob Poveromo: P-O-V-E-R-O-M-O. I'm at 34 Dogwood Lane in Wading River. To go back to the last Town meeting, we were made aware of that meeting in reference to this particular problem only by chance, on Dogwood, in reference to the people in Great Rock. And we showed up at the last meeting. Is it very appreciative of the fact of your response to the homeowner's needs and resolving the problem.

I have a couple questions though. Bayberry, which I don't think is also on there, all right, is also one of those cul de sacs which was developed like Dogwood and Great Rock in this development. And I don't know if that's been considered and whether or not they do or do not have an existing water problem there. As I said, if we didn't show up at the last meeting, Dogwood would not be in this proposal today. All right."

Supervisor Stark: "If you didn't show up at the last meeting and bring it to our attention, you probably wouldn't be standing

here today. Absolutely correct. Not only for Dogwood, but for the whole general area."

Bob Poveromo: "All right."

Supervisor Stark: "We have had our discussions with the Superintendent of the Water District, friendly discussions because we think Gary does a great job, but at certain times we want to be more apprised than this one that just slipped by us. That's all."

Bob Poveromo: "The other concern I have is where this proposed line is going through. It looks like it's going to be going through a homeowner's property."

Supervisor Stark: "Gary, do you want to explain that one."

Gary Pendzick: "Gary Pendizk, Superintendent of Riverhead Water District. Yes, that's an easement that we're going to have to try to procure in order to connect up the crossover line between the two neighborhoods. And that does along the property line of a homeowner's property. In order to connect up to the existing water main, that's at the end of Dogwood now. With respect to his question on Bayberry, if he looks, he'll see that it is listed just immediately to the left of Dogwood on this map."

Supervisor Stark: "Have you had any conversations, Gary-- I was about to say Barry-- Gary, on where the property owner is on those easements, Dennis maybe."

Dennis Kelleher: "We forwarded all the information off to the Water District attorney and he was going to contact-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Dick Ehlers, yes."

Dennis Kelleher: "We actually need two easements-- "

Supervisor Stark: "It's going to benefit everybody and I don't believe that we are going to have a great deal of problem in getting the easement. So, again, as we get through here today and finalize and transfer funds and improve this, the sooner we can get those people moving. Okay. Sure. You all come to the concert."

Susan Poveromo: "I'm Susan Poveromo, Bob's wife. When we looked at the map, we panicked because the line the way it looks right now is going through our property. And even though they say 10 foot off the property line what I don't understand is my property is-- then there's the next door neighbor's property, so it's got to be on somebody's property. I'm just a little bit concerned there won't be trees knocked down or anything like that? That's what I'm concerned about."

Supervisor Stark: "No. I believe he's going to come right up behind you."

Dennis Kelleher: "No. My engineers have actually gone to the site and looked at the two pieces of property because we could go on one or the other and we selected the one with the minimal restoration requirement. No trees will have to be knocked down."

Susan Poveromo: "That was my concern. About the trees coming down and the property being ripped up."

Supervisor Stark: "Very good."

Susan Poveromo: "Do we, but-- I'm sorry, if it is approved, then we have nothing to say. Like if-- say this is approved and they come in and they say well, we're going to rip up this and we're going to rip up that, we just have to go along with it?"

Supervisor Stark: "Not necessarily. No you don't have to."

Susan Poveromo: "I mean, I want the water pressure."

Supervisor Stark: "If you want to cooperate with the easement, certainly that makes life a lot simpler and also expediates, you know."

Susan Poveromo: "And we do want to cooperate and we do want this to move quickly. I'm just concerned. I just really want to know exactly what they're going to rip up before-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Yes, that's no problem."

Susan Poveromo: "Okay."

Supervisor Stark: "Okay, thank you. Is there anybody else that would like to make comment? If not, let me declare the hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 4:15 p.m.

Public Hearing opened: 4:16 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 4:16 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 1:25 p.m. on August 5, 1997, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the consideration of a Local Law establishing the Riverhead Arts District."

Supervisor Stark: "Before you get started, Bobby, just we are on top of it and it's going to be moving forward. I can assure you if you want to go home this is all going to be approved today. Okay. I know it's getting close to dinnertime. Somebody has got to start to cook. Go ahead, Bobby."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "Most of you probably remember that we had a public hearing on this some time ago so as we used to say, when we were playing ball as kids, this is a do over. We are calling a public hearing to consider a Local Law. Last time Denise Civiletti from the East End Arts Council was here-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Dennis, Dennis, if you could go outside, I would appreciate it. Thank you."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "And she presented a very detailed account of how the Arts District came to be considered and how it would help with respect to the revitalization and redevelopment of the Main Street, downtown Riverhead area. This is, as I indicated, a do over. In doing the last public hearing and Local Law when the matter got up to the Secretary of State we realized that there was one technical defect with respect to the way the Local Law had been adopted and,

therefore, was republished and called for the Local Law again to hear all comments with respect to the establishment of the Riverhead Arts District."

Supervisor Stark: "That's really basically defining the boundaries. Is there anybody that would like to make comment at this particular time? If not, I declare the hearing to be closed."

Public Hearing closed: 4:18 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "I will recess the regular Town Board meeting for a few minutes because we will take up a Community Development Agency meeting."

Recess

Meeting reconvened: 4:19 p.m.

Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time of 4:19 has arrived. And the Regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Riverhead is back in session. I will entertain anybody who would like to address the school board-- town board at this particular time. I'm sorry, Bill. Yes. You've got me thinking school board."

William Kasperovich: "William Kasperovich from Wading River. Resolution 646, second page, indicates to return the performance bond in the sum of $179,000, so forth, upon submission of a one year maintenance bond in the sum of the same amount. There seems to be something wrong there. The performance bond for the project is the same as the maintenance bond, there's something very wrong there. I'm not going to ask for explanations or anything. All I say that it's my learned opinion that they should never be the same."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, you know what? I want an explanation."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "Could I just make a comment? The original

bond for this particular subdivision was somewhere between $550,000 and $600,000. As a result of improvements that were made during the time of the subdivision, that bond amount was reduced to the sum of about $179,633 as indicated in the resolution. In the interim, part of the Planning Board recommendations were that we re-visit our subdivision regulations, in particular certain of our bond requirements. And one of the bond requirements was that for maintenance bonds, we never reduced the maintenance bonds below one-third of the original amount posted. In this case that amount is approximately one-third of the original amount and that's why they're the same.

This is just a peculiar case because this one came in while the subdivision regulations were being amended and modified and, therefore, it's one of the first ones we're doing with respect to the maintenance bond now being one-third of the total performance bond amount. It did have a great-- a much larger number initially when the subdivision was being built out."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bobby."

William Kasperovich: "All right. Your Resolution 670, road improvement-- various road improvements."

Councilman Kwasna: "Which one was it Mr. Kasperovich?"

William Kasperovich: "670. Well, there's several roads. River Road, Wading River/Manor Road, Hulse Landing Road, Twoomey Road, etc. Now, do the people privileged to know they could understand what work is to be done for what money? But from the Resolution to the public, there's nowhere to know. Now, the reason I bring-- Hulse Landing Road jumps out at me is that many years ago when this sort of thing came up and I didn't follow up on this Hulse Landing Road, they did a piece of road from Sound Avenue to Route 25A and it happened to be my misfortune to come upon it while the work was being done and they sealed all the (inaudible) drains we put in in the last 10 years. So, some of this should be turned out to the public so they see on the roads that they travel on. And-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "We had a public hearing-- this is part of the $2,000,000 road bond and we had a public hearing last year and the Superintendent of Highways released a list of roads in the Town of Riverhead that would be getting the money from this

bond and these are some of the areas where he's going to begin paving shortly."

William Kasperovich: "All right. But it doesn't say which portions of the road and it doesn't say what he's going to be doing."

Councilman Prusinowski: "That is something for the Superintendent of Highways to give us detail on. He's not here today to-- "

William Kasperovich: "He's never here."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, that's-- we're here. All I can tell you is that we have a list-- "

William Kasperovich: "Excuse me. Excuse me. I don't have much time. Mr. McGruff is going to be mad at me."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Mr. who?"

William Kasperovich: "Officer McGruff. I'm hosting his group at the Wildwood Acres pavilion."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Oh, okay."

William Kasperovich: "Some of the things that our Highway Superintendent plans to do as I pointed out, sealing up the french drains, which the work was good but he didn't do any drainage."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, actually, what the Superintendent is doing right now, he's going around and preparing the roads including putting in some drains before we do the paving. That's exactly what he's doing in the summertime and after Labor Day, we're going to be starting the paving after the summer, right after Labor Day."

William Kasperovich: "But the public doesn't know what he's going to do and what he's not going to do."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, the public-- you know what? The public knows it now because we're right on TV. As we are every week. And in the newspapers."

William Kasperovich: "We have a low spot on Sound Avenue that

fills up all the time. It covers at least half the road. So if there's an oncoming car, you've got to ride through it. All right. And that's been that way for decades. And corrective measures are never included.

Drainage is something we've looked sideways at. And you people don't seem to understand that before paving, before any surfacing goes, you've got to solve the drainage."

Councilman Prusinowski: "That's exactly what we're doing on Peconic Bay Blvd. in the eastern part of Jamesport. They're working on two drainage projects now, to do that before we spend and put expensive asphalt down there. It only makes sense. I agree with you, Bill. I don't see Sound Avenue on this list anyhow, but I certainly will discuss it with the Superintendent of Highways."

William Kasperovich: "On Resolution 670, there's money being transferred from a contingency to a cost. A contingency to construction and engineering. With the time and talk that went on to that project, this is a shameful thing. I don't want to spell the items out in public and I don't want to name names that should be named. But all the time that was spent on paperwork, this is just a shameful thing and I can't let this go by without making mention of it. Now, if it would please the Town Board, I'd like to some if not all of the resolutions come forth to the public before 10 minutes before the meeting. There's no way to give an intelligent study of this many resolutions and some of which you have to ponder on, some of which you have to discuss with somebody that's here, but the public doesn't get a chance to respond to you the way it should. And I would appreciate if you would see some wat that this could be overcome."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Every work session, the resolutions are distributed to the press. I'd be happy to give you my packet every week if that's acceptable to you. (inaudible) gets the resolutions every Thursday. We do add some on Monday and Tuesday and we'll try to release them as early as we can to the press, too. And to the public."

William Kasperovich: "All right. I have to run."

Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bill. Is there anybody else

who would like to make-- yes, sir?"

James Hayes: "Mr. Stark, my name is James Hayes. May I talk on the petition for the dedication of Second Street in Jamesport?"

Supervisor Stark: "Sure."

James Hayes: "I'm the President of the Jamesport East Property Owner's Association. We have 18 members, six of which border 2nd Street. I hand carried letters to each member of the Board last week urging you to approve the dedication of 2nd Street. It was my understanding that there is a federal grant that has been granted but you can't legally use the money to-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "No. That's not true. The fact of the matter is 2nd Street is a Town Road. I discussed it with the Highway Superintendent. I don't know where you got that from. The town attorney was supposed to do a resolution today. Unfortunately, it just couldn't get done this week. At the next Town Board meeting we will have a resolution for the Town Board formally dedicating those roads as highway roads but they've been already Town roads for over 40 years because we have a map that we found that was dated 1931 or 1930. Actually, I think it was like 1920, which laid out the roads in South Jamesport there. The engineering department finally found a way to solve that problem on 2nd Street after I think one of your nice-- one of the other neighbors kept bugging me for several years-- "

James Hayes: "Yes, yes."

Councilman Prusinowski: "-- I can't remember his name offhand. They applied for a grant to the state, through FEMA, I'm sorry, and we're going to get some funding for that. We'll be able to solve it. And it's going to be done.

But I got the petition and I asked the Superintendent, I don't know where the people in South Jamesport got the idea that this wasn't a Town road. It's been a Town road, use. There's a clause-- there's a statute in the state law that says by use, certain roads become Town roads and this one applies to that. So I apologize that you had to go out and get all these petitions and stuff, but it's going to be done."

James Hayes: "The second paragraph of my letter was to notify you that the east end of 2nd Street doesn't look like-- it looks like private land."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yes, I understand that. And the Superintendent and I have talked about it again and all Superintendents have not improved the east end of 2nd Street; I think it's time we do improve the east end of 2nd Street. It is town property. We've checked it out; it's in the book, and I believe there will be some action in that in the fall."

James Hayes: "I'll show you that a quarter of one this afternoon, the flooding in 2nd Street was alive and well."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yeah, I know it is and fortunately for us we have a solution now that's going to-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Same thing on my street."

Councilman Prusinowski: "We have a solution that's going to work."

James Hayes: "Good, okay. Thank you."

Supervisor Stark: "Steve, quickly, and then we'll take up the resolutions."

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. Mr. Stark, Town Board members, I can't be quicker because I have a few items but I will be considerate due to the fact that we're running late and I will skip all the others and I will take it up at the next Town Board meeting in Jamesport."

Barbara Grattan: "It's not going to be in Jamesport, Steve. It's going to be here. It's been changed."

Supervisor Stark: "We're going to Jamesport in September."

Steve Haizlip: "Oh, it's been. Oh, when I talked to you out there things have been revised. Oh. Now, Mr. Stark and the other Town Board members, as you know very well Henry and I is on the Golden Donor Blood Drive (inaudible) Committee. We were working

very hard on it and the last time they said we were successful, got 60 pints. As tight as Northrup Grumman is, they cut out paper down from once a month to every quarter which is only four times a year and they cut our newsletter down from the Grumman Retiree Club to one every two months instead of every month. But, anyway, they did loosen up some and put a project in their last paper that stated that anyone that is doing a community service or a community advocate of the town, tell us what you are and what you've been doing. So I responded and as responding to it, the result is they gave me and certificate of recognition for the Golden Donor Blood Drive for Northrup Grumman's corporate office. But they went one step farther and the Golden Donor Blood Drive director, Nancy Mitzner, is going to be getting $100 on August 11th when we hold our next Steering Committee meeting. So I know unless the word leaks out from a result of this me speaking here, she is going to be some surprised. So I will take up the other subjects here at the next meeting."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Thanks, Steve."

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

Resolution #628

Councilman Prusinowski: "Ratify publication of the public hearing notice order calling for an increase and improvement to the Riverhead Water District, pressure zone in Wading River. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #629

Councilman Lull: "Accepts the facility plan for that same 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 #630

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorize the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice to consider amendment to Chapter 48 entitled Beaches and Recreation Centers of the Riverhead Town Code. 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 #631

Councilman Wittmeier: "SEQR determination for special permit of 801 Realty Corp. 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 #632

Councilman Prusinowski: "Budget adoption for H.O.M.E. program. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #633

Councilman Lull: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and report notice of Public Hearing for TS Haulers, Inc. That re-publication because of the change in place of the meeting back to Town Hall. So moved."

Counciman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #634

Councilman Kwasna: "Approves the site plan of Guippone Inc. which is Huntington Learning Center. 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 #635

Councilman Wittmeier: "Request New York State DOT to post a

stop sign on Phillips Street, Riverhead at its intersection with State Route 25. 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 #636

Councilman Prusinowski: "Approves application of Doreen and Joseph Cobis. 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 #637

Councilman Lull: "It's a SEQR determination for special permit petition of Riverhead Revitalization & Preservation Corp. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #638

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute an agreement between the Town of Riverhead and Thurms Mobile Home Estates. I believe this is to hold our senior citizen meetings in their rec hall. 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 #639

Councilman Wittmeier: "SEQR determination for special permit petition of Nick Forcella. 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 #640

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes Town Clerk to republish and repost notice of public hearing for Steve Giuffre. 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 #641

Councilman Lull: "Amends the site plan of Tanger I Factory Outlet Center modification of the entry on Route 25. 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 #642

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice to consider the demolition of buildings/structures owned by Vincenzo Naso pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Code of the Town of Riverhead entitled Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures. This is property at 328 Riley Avenue in Riverhead. 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 #643

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorizes publication of meeting notice regarding EDZ application for Calverton NWIRP. 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 #644

Councilman Prusinowski: "Approves application of Doc's Tavern. 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 #645

Councilman Lull: "Approves site plan of H.R. Talmage & Son temporary greenhouses. 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 #646

Councilman Kwasna: "Resolution and consent approving the dedication of highways known as Hidden Pheasant Path, Cricket Court, Pine Cove Court, Meroke Trail, Michaels Lane, Holly Berry Court, and recharge basin. 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 #647

Councilman Wittmeier: "Requests New York State DOT to post reduced speed limit and signage on Eileen Circle, Jamesport. 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 #648

Councilman Prusinowski: "This is-- adopts a Local Law amending Chapter 101 entitled Vehicles and Traffic. We had a public hearing last week in Wading River so we are adding stop signs at Farm Road East and parking prohibited on the south side of Ramsen Road, Wading River. 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 #649

Councilman Lull: "Releases the performance bond of East End Commons, that's BJ's and K-Mart. 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 #650

Councilman Kwasna: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice of public hearing on special permit of the Riverhead Revitalization & Preservation Corporation. 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 #651

Councilman Wittmeier: "Approves application of Stadium Jumping, Inc. This is for a horse show that's going to be held on the Big E Farm in Jamesport on August 19th through the 23rd. 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 #652

Councilman Prusinowski: "Appoints part time housing inspector in the Building Department. 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 #653

Councilman Lull: "Approves application of Living Water Full Gospel Church for a free gospel concert in the municipal parking lot behind Swezeys. 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 #654

Councilman Kwasna: "Awards bid for food. So moved."

Councilman Wittmeier: "And seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #655

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorization to republish bid for steel toe safety shoes and boots. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #656

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes publication of display ad regarding attendance at Suffolk County Police Academy. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Part time police academy. Any other discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #657

Councilman Lull: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice to consider an amendment to Chapter 58 entitled Dogs of the Riverhead Town Code. 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 #658

Councilman Kwasna: "Rescinds Resolution #607 of 1997 and authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice to

consider the proposed lease of Sprint Spectrum, L.P. 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 #659

Councilman Wittmeier: "Promotes clerk typist to account clerk typist. This is Joanne Krajewski. 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 #660

Councilman Prusinowski: "And 661 and 662. We're appointing part time detention attendants and lifeguards in the Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded on Resolutions 660, 661, and 662. Any discussion? All in favor?"

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #663

Councilman Wittmeier: "Authorizes Town Supervisor to execute agreement with Gary Jacquemin. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Seconded."

Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Any discussions for the BID, renewal of his contract? Any other discussion? All in favor?

The Vote: "Councilman Wittmeier, aye; Councilman Kwasna, no; Councilman Lull, no; Councilman Prusinowski?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm going to vote no to defeat the resolution so I can find out what's going on."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Supervisor Stark?"

Supervisor Stark: "I'll abstain. The resolution has been defeated. We'll go from there."

Resolution #664

Councilman Prusinowski: "Ratifies site plan approval of Country Commons at Aquebogue. 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 #665

Councilman Lull: "Returns security bond for household hazardous waste collection to Chemical Pollution Control, Inc. of New York. 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 #666

Councilman Kwasna: "Awards bid for Town Hall fire escape. 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 #667

Councilman Wittmeier: "667, 668, 669, 670, and 671. These are budget adjustments. 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 #672

Councilman Prusinowski: "Awards bid for Edwards Avenue and Riley Avenue road and drainage improvement project. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion is carried."

Resolution #673

Councilman Lull: "Budget adoption, Corwin/Benjamin houses interior renovations, capital project. 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 #674

Supervisor Stark: "Motion to pay the bills."

Councilman Prusinowski: "So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #675

Councilman Prusinowski: "Approves application of Patricia Riley. 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 #676

Councilman Wittmeier: "I move-- "

Supervisor Stark: "Wait a minute. I think we have to do the budget first. Let's call that 676. Okay. Anybody move that?"

Councilman Wittmeier: "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 #677

Supervisor Stark: "677, authorize the increase and improvement to the Riverhead Water District pressure zone in Wading River."

Councilman Prusinowski: "So moved."

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

The Vote (Collective response): "Aye."

Supervisor Stark: "Opposed? Motion carried."

Resolution #678

Councilman Lull: "Awards bid for the Riverhead Water 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 #679

Supervisor Stark: "679, retirement incentive."

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."

Resolution #680

Supervisor Stark: "Twe have two budgets here, 670-- no 680 and 681."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'll move 680, 681 Business Improvement District adjustment Bayberry Road, drainage capital project. 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 #682

Councilman Lull: "682 approves the fireworks application of Herbert O. Hermsdorf. 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 #683

Councilman Kwasna: "683 supports adoption of Suffolk County legislation resolution establishing the land preservation partnership with Suffolk County towns. 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.

Barbara, would you send that to all county legislators. And to the County Executive. Thank you.

Being no further business, this meeting is adjourned."

Meeting adjourned: 4:50 p.m.

Barbara Guattan
Town Clerk