

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held at the Riverhead Town Hall, 200 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York, on Tuesday, June 7, 1994, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

James Stark,	Councilman and Deputy Supervisor
Victor Prusinowski,	Councilman
Frank Creighton,	Councilman
Harriet Gilliam,	Councilwoman

Also Present:

Barbara Grattan,	Town Clerk
Robert Kozakiewicz,	Town Attorney

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

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "I would ask the Board to join me up front. At this particular time, I would like to introduce the Chief of Police who will introduce to our audience here tonight and the general public through Channel 27, our recent graduates of the Police Academy. Chief Grattan?"

Chief Grattan: "Last November I had the privilege of swearing in Kerry Trenton (phonetic) and David Frieborn (phonetic). They've been with me six months now. They've successfully graduated from the Suffolk County Police Academy and they are working, in fact, they are working four to twelve right now. And I'd like to introduce them to each and every one of you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "At this time, I would ask the Board to entertain Resolution #414."

Resolution No. 414

Councilman Prusinowski: "WHEREAS, three positions exist with the Town of Riverhead Police Department; and

WHEREAS, applicants were thereafter interviewed in accordance with

the provisions of the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Edward J. Frost, Timothy McQueeny, and Mark F. Robert (phonetic) be and hereby appointed to the position of Police Officer with the Town of Riverhead Police Department. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Stark, yes; Prusinowski, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Chief Grattan: "Okay, gentlemen, raise your right hand, please.

I, (state your name), do solemnly swear to uphold the constitution of the United States, the constitution of the State of New York, the laws and ordinances of the Town of Riverhead, the rules and procedures of the Riverhead Police Department, and to faithfully discharge the position of Police Officer of the Town of Riverhead, to the best of my ability, so help me God."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Resolution #427. Councilman Creighton?"

Councilman Creighton: "This Resolution appoints part time police officers to the Riverhead Police Department.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead to appoint Daniel Brezny, Shawn Ackerly, and Charles Jakonowitz III, to active duty as part time Police Officers with the Riverhead Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Daniel Brezny, Shawn Ackerly and Charles Jakonowitz III be and are hereby appointed to active duty as part time Police Officers at the rate of salary of \$10.50 per hour. Said appointment to be effective May 28, 1994. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It is the Town Board's privilege every now and then to do a Resolution of commendation and acknowledgment to one of its citizens who has worked tirelessly for the Town in the capacity of appointed position (inaudible).

This is Resolution #376, from the Riverhead Town Board signed by all the members. It goes as follows:

WHEREAS, it is proper that the Town of Riverhead acknowledge the accomplishments of its citizens who give of themselves to serve the Town of Riverhead; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead appoints members to the Riverhead Zoning Board of Appeals who are willing to take on the task of preserving the character of the Town; and

WHEREAS, thirty-four years ago, Kenneth Wells, Jr., was appointed to the Riverhead Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead wishes to express its deep appreciation for the contributions of Kenneth Wells, Jr. has made to the Town of Riverhead;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead hereby bestow its heartfelt thanks to Ken Wells, Jr. for 34 years of service in the Town of Riverhead as a member of the Riverhead Zoning Board of Appeals, and thereby preserving the way of life for its residents.

IN WITNESS of the great seal of the Town of Riverhead, has been caused to be affixed this 7th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred ninety four.

Ken, -- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Great job. Thanks a lot."

I guess we're going to move that by acclamation."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded. Moved by acclamation.

Is there a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting of May 17, 1994?"

Councilman Creighton: "So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Minutes are approved.

REPORTS:

Open Bid Report

Snack Vendor Bid for Reeves Park Beach which was opened on May 31, 1994. One bid was received from Hildreth Booker of 737 West Main Street, Riverhead

CORRESPONDENCE:

Girl Scouts

Invites the Town Board to attend the Gold Award ceremony for Jenna Grant of North Babylon who received this award which is the highest recognition a girl can achieve in Girl Scouting

Office of the Town Clerk,
Southold

Notice of Public Hearings: Local Law in relation to Relation to Accessory Buildings or Structures

Notices of Public Hearings: A Local Law amending Chapter 111, Beaches and Waterways
Local Law amending Chapter 23, Ethics

Gregory Blass, County
Legislator,

Sends an Introductory Resolution No. 1502-94 which was tabled on the May 10, 1994, meeting of the Suffolk County Legislature. If adopted, this Resolution will accept and appropriate grant funds from the New York State Department of Health, to increase services at the Department of Health Services' methadone maintenance clinics.

Mr. Blass requests that the Riverhead Town Board immediately act to adopt a Resolution in opposition to the expansion of the methadone maintenance services at the Riverhead clinic that may result from the acceptance of these monies.

County of Suffolk, from
Gerald G. Newman, Chief
Planner

Notice of Enactment for Amended Zoning Ordinance, regarding the Town of Southampton, Local Law #9

Notice of Enactment for Town of Southampton, Local Law #21 of 1994

Mary Horne

Writes a letter in regard to the safety of all people in Grangebel Park, because there are no barriers near the water

Andrew J. Zambelli,
Secretary to the Governor
of New York

Acknowledges receipt of a copy of Resolution No. 345 which was adopted on May 3, 1994, by the Riverhead Town Board

H. Carl McCall, NYS
Comptroller

Invites local government officials to a series of statewide Regional Forums

Riverhead, Jamesport and Wading River Fire Districts	Letter discussing fire hydrant rentals
Office of the Town Clerk of Southold	Notice of a new law enacted, Local Law No. 9-1994, A Local Law in relation to formula food restaurants."
Eyes on Riverhead Merchants Assoc.	Letter fully endorses the Riverhead Trolley Corp. in its efforts to enhance Riverhead with a new trolley service
Miller Environmental Group, Inc.	Request to petition the Town Board of Riverhead to extend the boundaries and service area. This request is being made to include and serve the MEG property located at 460 Edwards Avenue in Calverton, New York
Southold Town Clerk	Local Law in relation to accessory buildings or structure
Southampton Town Hall	Notices of adoption of Local Law No. 22, 23, Local Law No. 312, Local Law No. 25
	Notices of Public Hearings for a Local Law amending Chapter 267, Racing and Exhibitions
	Local Law amending Chapter 312, Vehicles and traffic limiting parking on Narrow Lane
	Local Law amending Chapter 312-38 sub (A-15), Vehicles and Traffic
	Local Law amending Chapter 325, Wetlands
Office of the State Comptroller	Asking for the annual financial report for the fiscal year ending in 1993

Public Hearing Opened: 7:12 P.M.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the time is now 7:12. Will 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 at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 1994, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding an amendment to the Equity Sharing Covenants and Restrictions of the Subdivision Entitled Silver Linings, to reduce the period of the restriction of the resale of the premises to 10 years from the date of purchase."

Robert Kozakiewicz: "This Public Hearing is designed to hear all people who wish to be heard concerning the Silver Linings affordable housing project. This was the first project which was sponsored by the Town of Riverhead. The project, which is a 22 lot affordable housing project, required each lot owner to sign a covenant which encumbers the property so that upon a resale within 15 years-- well, it restricts their ability to recoup within a 15 year resale period."

Subsequent to the Silver Linings project, the Town also sponsored two other affordable housing projects, Two Bears or Bear Estates, and the Osborne Meadows project, and in each one of those instances, the time period encumbering the resale was a 10 year period.

The Board has been petitioned by particular individuals in the Osborne Meadows project to consider reducing that recapture period or the time for the resale so that it's in conformance with all the affordable housing projects, namely, that all three would be 10 years."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anyone wishing to be heard on this particular Public Hearing? George?"

George Schmelzer: "Just what defines affordable housing?"

Robert Kozakiewicz: "Well, they have to qualify, George. There's certain criteria."

George Schmelzer: "I said what defines affordable housing?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "All right, George. I'll have that

answer. Andrea, would you come to the microphone and answer that question for us, please? George, if you will just step back a little bit, she'll give you the proper answer."

George Schmelzer: "Okay."

Andrea Lohneiss: "Andrea Lohneiss, Community Development Director. The projects that the Town Attorney is referring are projects that receive subsidy from the State or Federal government to make them affordable to families with incomes below a certain level."

George Schmelzer: "What level? What price?"

Andrea Lohneiss: "For the Silver Linings and Osborne Meadows projects, it ranged from about \$25,000 a year to \$35,000 or \$40,000. The Two Bears project ranged from approximately \$32,000 to \$50,000."

George Schmelzer: "You are getting close to teacher salary, don't you?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "George."

Councilman Prusinowski: "You know something? Not tonight."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Wait a minute."

George Schmelzer: "Close to \$50,000, that's affordable? All right."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George. Is there anybody else wishing to be heard on this particular Public Hearing? Yes, sir?" Please state your name and address for the record, please."

John Grazianno: "Good evening. My name is John Grazianno. I live in the Silver Linings development at 32 Constable Drive, in Riverhead. I was fortunate enough to meet the gentleman who, I don't know your name, sir, I'm sorry, but the gentleman who was describing Mike Reichel, who has taken a big concern into the Silver Linings development in reducing the amount of time. I moved in recently, about a year and a half ago. I married my wife right now-- I moved and then we ended up getting married and we live there together now."

One of the things that I see in the development, is that a lot of the people are taking a lot of concern to make the development a very nice habitable place for everybody within the community. I agree that the Resolution is a good and well needed Resolution. It's something that-- I don't feel that I'd like to move out of Riverhead Town. I believe Riverhead is a great place to live. I've been here for about 15 years now.

But at the same time I think that it's a great idea that-- to keep the equality from one development to the next, that we have this Resolution passed. It just eases the minds of all the homeowners that live there knowing that the equality is actually, you know, prevailing through Riverhead Town, so, I agree that the Resolution should be passed."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Very good. Thank you. Is there anybody else wishing to speak on this particular subject in this Public Hearing?"

If not, I declare the Public Hearing closed."

Public Hearing Closed: 7:16 p.m.

Public Hearing Opened: 7:17 p.m.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Let the record show that the hour of 7:17 p.m. has arrived. Would the Clerk please read the notice of Public Hearing for 7:10?"

Barbara Grattan: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting of Public Hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall at 7:10 p.m., on Tuesday, June 7, 1994, to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the special permit petition of Frank Beaulieu for the development of a bus terminal/park and ride located on Edwards Avenue, in Calverton."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody wishing to speak on this particular topic?"

Lyn Gordon: "My name is Lyn Gordon with the firm of Wickham,

Wickham & Bressler, Mattituck, New York. You are going to be spared the eloquent half hour because as you can tell, this is not my normal speaking voice. You probably don't object to that at all.

This is a special permit request for a park and ride facility. I believe you have the site plans in front of you. Basically, it asks-- it conforms with Industrial Zoning A, which is the area in which it is located. As to everything other than the special permit, it falls within the site-- within the distances required, etc. We have had a negative declaration. We have the-- the Town Planning Board has approved this and requested that you approve it subject to conditions.

This is a park and ride facility for approximately 68 automobiles. We expect the duration of the parking time to be somewhere between 24 and 72 hours. The idea is that people will take this for short term rides to McArthur, Kennedy, or to the city, and leave their automobiles there.

I have with me, and if you will permit me, both Mr. Ingengo and Mr. Mensch. Mr. Ingegno prepared the site plan and Mr. Mensch is the proposed operator. I think they can answer probably better than I can any questions. There are only those two reservations of the Planning Board which I would like to address very quickly with you.

The one reservation was that only that area of the six acre parcel be given the special exception permit shown on the site plan, and if you-- do you have the site plan? You don't have the site plan."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Not particularly-- not in front of us right now."

Lyn Gordon: "Okay. I only have one of them but if I give it to you I think it will show you why it's important. At this point in time, only the front area of the parcel with the frontage on Edwards Avenue is intended to be immediately used and that's what the site plan covers. However, should this facility grow, we'll have to come back and go through all of this again. And, as you know, this has been four, five, six months already.

The other recommendation of the Planning Board is that there be a certain area of Edwards Avenue dedicated to the Town for widening. I don't know what the size that you're asking for is. My client, of

course, is amenable to a reasonable offer of dedication. My understanding is that you wish to widen Edwards Avenue to a four lane highway. So I presume that you're asking from somewhere between a 10 and 50 feet. I don't know what you're asking for."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Who said that?"

Lyn Gordon: "The Planning Board recommendation."

Councilman Prusinowski: "The Planning Board said that?"

Lyn Gordon: "Yes. May I ask that Mr. Mensch-- okay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Time out on that one. Who said that we were widening Edwards Avenue?"

Lyn Gordon: "I believe that's what the Planning Board recommended, that there be an offer of dedication for widening of Edwards Avenue. At some point in the future, it may certainly not happen now. Okay."

Okay. Perhaps Mr. Mensch and/or Mr. Ingegno can answer any general-- any more special questions. Obviously, we're open to any kind of questions."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody wishing to make a comment on this particular Public Hearing? Steve?"

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. I'd just like to see if I can pin down a location. So far, I haven't heard the exact location. Is it the old I.M. Young building, by any chance?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "No. It's north-- let me see that site plan over there. Is there a key map on that, Joe?"

Joe Ingegno: "Yes, there is. It's just north of the (inaudible) house. Basically, it's-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It's on the west side of Edwards Avenue."

Joe Ingegno: "In front of where the ball dropped from the driving range of Calverton Links."

Steve Haizlip: "Oh, okay. Okay. I got you."

(Unidentified): (inaudible)

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, sir. Well, at this present time, do you have a comment on it? Joe, if you can help-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "If you want, you can take it in the back and discuss it, and hold it and look at it. Yes, take it back."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Anybody else wishing to-- we try to get everybody else before we get to George. George, go ahead."

George Schmelzer: "What's this for somebody to get approval? They have a new form of extortion? Give part of your land to the Town for widening of the road? When did they think of that form of extortion? Is that something new?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It's not coming out of this Town Board that I know of."

George Schmelzer: "Well, it was just mentioned by the lady. I understood as meaning-- as a condition for approval, the Town wants to slice off a few feet of land."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, that's not the way it works."

George Schmelzer: "Is that true?"

Councilman Creighton: "George, that was the recommendation of the Planning Board, George. And I assume they did it at a public hearing, and we just have to consider their recommendations."

George Schmelzer: "Oh, they are the paid instigators of this extortion?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "George, do you have any comments on this particular site plan or special permit?"

George Schmelzer: "No. I don't care what they do. It's their land. If they don't steal any land from them as a condition. How wide is Edwards Avenue now?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Right off the top of my head, George, you would have better knowledge of that or Steve would have better knowledge. I would probably say it's 50 feet, with probably, I guess that's the width of it."

George Schmelzer: "It would be three rods, that's forty-nine and a half."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Are you in favor of this particular project?"

George Schmelzer: "I don't care what they do. It's their land."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you very much."

George Schmelzer: "I'm not in favor of having any extortion though tied to it."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Okay. Thank you. Yes, sir?"

George Schmelzer: "You're welcome."

David Mandrackia: "David Mandrackia, Baiting Hollow. I hate to sound naive, but I'm not certain what a park and ride is. What happens there? Do I address that to the lady in red?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Would you give your name and address first, sir?"

Barbara Grattan: "Spell it."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Sir, would you give your name and address for the record first, please?"

David Mandrackia: "Okay. David Mandrackia, Baiting Hollow."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

John Mensch: "John Mensch, Hampton Express."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "John, if you'd speak up a little bit."

John Mensch: "Okay. The park and ride is basically an area where you can put your car in a secured area, it's lighted, and take a form of public transportation or private transportation to the airport or to work in New York City. Anywhere from 24 hours to 72 hours. When you come back, your car will be there, hopefully."

David Mendrackia: "I'd like to know if this is going to be attended by any type of parking-- a person of the establishment that will make sure that the cars are okay, and also I don't know the feasibility of taking a bus to Manhattan or-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "It's done everyday."

David Mendrackia: "It is."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, not-- it's not to do with his business, but the Omni has great business in Southampton. Every single day-- I belong to that health club. They have scheduled rides every single day. Commuters come there at 5:00 in the morning. They take the bus into Manhattan."

David Mendrackia: "They do. Okay, because I know we take the Whitney into Manhattan and from our area, the only stop is Exit 70 in Grace's parking lot, and there's only three people every evening that leave from the area, because it just takes too long to get-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "If you're going to the Omni during about -- if you get there 9:00, sometimes I'll go to the health club-- by 9:30 the parking lot is about half full and those are all the commuters going into Manhattan. Especially in the summertime, a lot of people want to make three day, four day weekends, so they'll commute like Friday and Monday just to make it-- or go back Monday night, so."

David Mendrackia: "Right."

Councilman Prusinowski: "They say they do a good business."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Maybe Mr. Mensch can kind of clear up our questions on that."

John Mensch: "The answer is yes, there is a new need, especially on the new HOV lanes that have just opened by the state. We, right now,

my company, we transport about 859 people a day to and from New York, McArthur, and Kennedy Airport. And we're hoping with the new service on the Long Island Expressway, there will be that more of a service we can offer the public. And there will be security. Twenty-four hours a day. And we're hoping to create that atmosphere so people can feel secure that they can leave their car there."

David Mendrackia: "One final question and that was, I'd like to know about the 800 people a day and where that is from. Is that currently from out here or is as close as McArthur? And do we already have some type of schedule set for the existing bus company?"

John Mensch: "There is no schedule at this present time because, again, we're still months away before we can actually open up service. At the present time, that 800 people ranges anywhere from 30 and 40 people a day in Manorville by Grace's Diner, to Ronkonkoma, to Hampton Bays, Westhampton. We are a competitor of the Jitney which runs out of the Omni. And we both offer that type of service."

David Mendrackia: "Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Councilman Creighton: "May I make a comment?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Sure."

Councilman Creighton: "I think that it should be noted as part of this Public Hearing that the Federal Clean Air Act requires governments and businesses to take specific actions to reduce the use of privately owned vehicles and I think this project tends to fit into that category where it encourages the movement of individuals from privately owned vehicles into common carrier transportation such as buses and carpooling. And I think that that fact has to be considered when this project is considered for approval."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else who wishes to speak on this particular Public Hearing? Yes?"

Carla D'Esposito: "Carla D'Esposito, Flanders. In regard to what Mr. Creighton just said I'm wondering, is this going to hurt the Long Island Railroad and taking commuters away from them? Because I'd

like-- I love the Long Island Railroad. To me it's a landmark of Long Island. We don't ever want it to die. And if the buses are going to be taking all of the people, it's going to kill our railroad and I don't want to see our railroad die."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you."

Lyn Gordon: "I don't know if she's tried to get to New York on the railroad in any business sense, but you can't get there from here. You got to drive to Ronkonkoma at 6:00 in the morning to catch the train to get to the city. You can't get to McArthur, you can't get to Kennedy without private transportation. Hopefully, this will be an accommodation in addition to the Long Island Railroad, but right now, the railroad just doesn't work for me."

Councilman Prusinowski: "They only have one stop a day out here."

Lyn Gordon: "That's correct."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else wishing to comment on this particular-- "

Councilman Creighton: "I'd like to respond to the question about the railroad."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Sure."

Councilman Creighton: "I think you'd be pleased to know that we're embarking on major redevelopment plans for the entire area of downtown Riverhead. One of the key areas targeted for redevelopment and an urban redevelopment plan is the Railroad Avenue area of Riverhead. We anticipate that in the not too distant future, you'll see a tremendous increase in the availability of parking and other facilities associated with the railroad coming in and out of Riverhead. So, the Long Island Railroad is a key part of our future plans to encourage tourism and recreation kind of use of the Town of Riverhead for commercial development. And your point is well taken. We do want to continue and see improvement in the use of the Long Island Railroad in and out of western parts of Long Island and New York City for tourist purposes."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else

wishing to speak on this particular topic?

If not, I declare the Public Hearing closed."

Public Hearing closed: 7:32 p.m.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody in the audience who would like to address the Board on any topic? Michael?"

Michael Hill: "My name is Michael Hill, African American Leadership Council. And I would like to address an issue to the Board that's I think very important to the Town of Riverhead that is to tear down all the rotten bulkheads, crosswalks, bridges, whatever it is in Grangebél Park located on West Main Street at Peconic, behind the Riverhead Savings Bank.

The reason why I'm making that request is that a 10 year old youth recently drowned in that park. There are no safety barriers at all in the park to keep anyone from falling in the water. There's no signs or any indications that would let anyone know that the water is dangerous if you do fall in. There's no-- not even a life line or any type of safety measures in case someone does fall in to that water.

We took pictures, video pictures, of approximately 20 to 25-- I would say infractions of the town code. I'm sure if the members of the Board were to go down to that particular park, take a walk, there's one little bridge where the whole railing-- you can just shake the whole railing. Any little child that's walking across that little bridge, the railing stands almost three feet from the base of the bridge with nothing in between to keep any child from just falling right into the water.

There's all types of holes, cables, all along the land area of the bulkhead. Anyone can trip over, break their leg, fall into the water.

I would like to see-- make a request to the Board that new construction would come forth soon to that park so that there would be no more needless loss of life. Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Michael. Is there anybody

else wishing to address the Board?"

Tanya Simmons: "Hi, my name is Tanya Simmons. My son drowned in Grangebél Park and I, as Mike said, you can go down and take pictures or either look and see. I have pictures right here to show how unsafe the park is and I would like something done. And I want to know how long it's going to take."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Certainly, if you'd like to turn those pictures over to the Town Clerk-- "

Tanya Simmons: "And I have a list of signatures for people stating that they feel that the park is unsafe, too."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "No problem. If you would like to turn that over-- it will become part of the record. The pictures will become part of the record and certainly we will address it immediately."

Tanya Simmons: "Okay."

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

Carla D'Esposito: "My name, again, is Carla D'Esposito. I live in Flanders. My children belong to Riverhead School District. We do use the park often. Also, a lot of wedding parties go there for pictures and a number of you people have been on the Town Board for more than a year. I expect you to be creative minds and you to see the problems. Not for the people to come up and say that there's a problem. The problems are very evident. They've been evident for years. No one should ever drown there. Tax dollars, tax dollars, simple wooden unit that's not locked, open the lid, long rope, with one of those nice rings that they have on big ocean liners. Toss it out, walk it out, swim it out to whoever needs it. Have a simple law. If you tamper with it, you are going to be in trouble. You will get a ticket. But it's basically an unlocked unit, surrounding all water, on the edge. It doesn't cost a lot. I think if you hopped on it tomorrow, if you hopped on it tonight, made a Resolution, ordered your Parks Department to come up with a design within 24 hours, submit it to the high school students, they've got 10 more days of school. Don't let them party, let them cut some wood and nail it. We could have nice constructed units like our garbage and planters all along Main Street. It's not a lot of money. It could be put up in three days. That would

be my request. Don't wait for next school season for the next set of kids to come in and make it their woodworking project. Catch them now, right before they are leaving school.

There are sinkholes all over the place. Wedding parties do go down there. My little kids do go down there, you can trip and break your ankle. You're opened up for a lawsuit. You got a park and it's not in good repair.

He's right. Railings are wobbly as ever. Gaping holes that any child could just fall into the brink and it's a fast current water. Bulkheads have to be straightened, stairs are all crooked. The sidewalks are not even smooth for wheelchairs or elderly people. It's too gravelly stuff. There should be gardens like you have now over where our ferry boat things are. You got nice sculptured gardens. We need them on these steep hillsides so that it will deter children from kind of running down and possibly tumbling and falling in the water.

Install railings. Hopefully nothing too intrusive because wedding parties do come down for pictures. You don't want to put a barrier up where you can't see the water. You don't want a brick barrier, a rock barrier. Something there. A sign should be good. I don't have that written down. But life preserver locker compartments because I don't know exactly what happened-- exactly with Derek Brown's drowning except that he did die.

The newspaper articles said something with the police-- whether they didn't work fast enough-- that's why I say locker compartment. Maybe this compartment can be a two level compartment. A cement base that a policeman could lock up his holster in and then jump in the water, and-- with a wooden compartment on top. These are my suggestions. It's 1994, I don't want to see any more drownings anywhere in the world."

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

Donna Montez: "My name is Donna Montez. I am a Flanders resident. My children go to the Riverhead School District. I've been a resident of Riverhead Town for 22 years and I was a part time resident of Riverhead Town three years prior to that. Twenty years ago when I moved here, Grangebél Park was a very nice place to enter and to go into.

I would say it has been now 19 years since the inner bridges of Grangebél Park have been touched or painted. I have three children that visit that park every week. I have a son that fishes in that park; it could have very well been my son.

I am very upset. Last week I was walking through the park and I am scared to death. My daughter who is three years, like Michael had said, stands hip high. She tripped on one of the holes in the bridge and if I was not holding her hand, she would have been in that water. There is no middle rod, like the beautiful bridges that the tourist can see from Peconic Avenue. There is no beautiful middle guard, so that young children could be protected from falling in the water.

I am appalled at the condition of the inner section of Grangebél Park. And I think that something really needs to be done and it's such a shame that a young man's life had to be wasted. Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody else who wishes to address the Board? George?"

George Schmelzer: "Is this park wholly within the Town of Riverhead?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes."

George Schmelzer: "It is? Well, what bureaucrats for you. Bureaucrats are the same all over. Maybe you should implement the suggestions and also any kid 12 and under should be accompanied by an adult at all times or otherwise he can't enter as a safety measure. Because kids don't watch each other too well. If there was just a playground, with no water, it would be different. You got water around there, it's almost impossible for a little kid to (inaudible) without an adult watching over. Just a suggestion."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "Any maybe if-- pardon me, if some of this water is too deep, maybe you could fill it in with gravel so it's only a foot deep. Water could still flow. Think about that. I'm not saying sand, sand would wash away. But suppose gravel wouldn't; it would stay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "Okay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Steve?"

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. Last week when Mr. Bill Kasperovich spoke about the roads in Timber Park, it struck a nerve with me, and I mean hard. But, I wanted to wait until I did a little investigation and some checking.

I went-- I took an inspection of the roads, I took a ride to check them out. The roads have been repaired but when, I don't know. But they're passable. But what I want to go back to is I was appalled to find out from October, well, actually it goes back to October the 16th, 1978, when attorney Hauggaurd (phonetic) went to court to get these roads put into the Town. Mr. Horton wanted to take the roads with conditions attached. Mr. Hauggaurd and my son, Robert and Wendy Windelkin (phonetic) did not want no conditions attached. Photographer Bob (inaudible) worked with these two young people, taking photos of the conditions and the deep tank holes, as they called them. And I even spoke here at the Town Board with Mr. Smith. And I mentioned at the time that the fellow that developed that park up there took a Mexican hayride because some was heat was put on him and he had to wait seven years to get back.

So it couldn't wait for him to come back to take care of the roads. Now, there was a couple of Resolutions that adopted the roads and to the Town Highway, the Highway rather to take them over. But, now, what hasn't been done is an order. The order is to be placed in the Town Clerk's Office and the Town Attorney's Office to-- for the layout of these roads and to the Highway system.

Mr. Horton never did this and I guess he intended to, but he never did it. Then there was other Supervisors that came through the system since him but as being locked in a cabinet, you can't very well go scrutinize every file and find out what needs to be done. So, I would like to see that this highway get the order that's required in the Clerk's Office and Attorney's Office, because I thought from October the 28th of 1978, the day they put my son away, and that's when they started the roads, that this thing was all approved and in the highway system and had the orders and all Resolutions, maps, and everything that's required. So for my son's sake and Wendy Windelkin who worked very hard with him, that this ought to be done.

I would also like to mention that any future development that may take place up in that area of roads, that possibly two of those roads could be called Haizlip Lane and Wendelkin Path or something of that nature in honor of-- in memory of those. Okay.

I want to go into what I read in the local newspaper. I read in the local newspaper that the Town Board has mentioned about going into Peconic County. They say they didn't-- hadn't received enough information from the Supervisor. But he went on to say that anybody that's been around 20 years knows what goes on and what's there. I've been around 20 years. On October, I think it was about the middle of October, 1979, myself, Joe Janoski, John Behan, Fred Thiele, and Greg Blass attended the meeting on the discussion of creating Peconic County in the County Center. Now, why that County-- why all the discussions and everything was dropped is simply because Perry Dureau had a lot of power from Albany and he wants Suffolk-- all of Suffolk County as a power base. Buzz Schwenck (phonetic) he was the Republican Committeeman, or leader, or whatever you want to call him, and he wanted it to remain because he wanted to get \$450,000 out of the Republican Club. He later went to trial on it and I can remember as vivid as today, those very words from the Judge. Well, what you did was wrong, but not criminal. Boy, do they take care of them.

Now, as far as this money, \$11,000 going in for a Feasibility Study, I don't think that any money should go in for a Feasibility Study. I'm going to tell you where \$486,000 went for Feasibility Study for a jetport. You know and I know and everybody in this room knows that that was twisted information. It was not accurate and precise to the "T". Now, if the five towns I think could petition the governor and get this thing worked out, get it over to Peconic County.

Right now, Suffolk County is killing us with sales tax and you just wait. They're not through yet. They are going up to 9% from 8 and a half. Then pretty soon, they are going to be nine and a half, because all these legislators are picking up all these space cadets and putting them in there and they want us to support them. Now, I can't see where any of these space cadets-- where any of these legislators in there are doing us any good at all. I don't think they done any people in this County any good. Even Mr. Blass. I have called his office three times and I have tried to get information where this Court ruling stands, why if there has been a ruling on this here fining the people \$100 more on their taxes."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Steve, I would ask you to-- "

Steve Haizlip: "Is the five minutes up?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "You can come back, but I know there are other speakers here. If you would like to sum up your comments now."

Steve Haizlip: "Jim, I am very obliged and I think you are, too. So, I'll come back."

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

Desiree Blair: "My name is Desiree Blair and I live in Riverhead. First of all, I'd like to know, like these policemen that was just sworn in, are they-- do they know how to swim? I was the woman that tried to-- that almost lost my life doing their job in Grangebél Park. All right. So, first of all, I'd like to know, do they know how to swim?"

Chief Grattan: "I can't answer whether they know how to swim or not. They are taught some swimming and life saving efforts in the academy when they go full time to the academy. It is my understanding that they are not taught that at the part time academy. And it's not a state law-- it's not a state requirement."

Desiree Blair: "Okay. Now, if you do know how to swim and somebody yells help, what do you supposed to do? I yell help in this water and one of your officers, the one which I hate now, did not come and help me and I watched him and there's nothing wrong with my vision and there's nothing wrong with my mind. And he did not jump in the water. Help means help. That's what it means. H-E-L-P. He came there the same time I came there. All right? I jumped in the water."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Ma'am, you are going to have to go over to the mike because this has got to be recorded on the record."

Desiree Blair: "I came over just before him in the water. All right. He was there when I was swimming out. I figured that he was in there with me and we was going to do this together but evidently we didn't. I had the boy and I looked at him and I yelled help. I yelled help twice before I almost drown myself and the officer did not respond."

Doesn't help mean help?"

Chief Grattan: "What is your question to me? I'm sorry."

Desiree Blair: "The question to you is if somebody yells help and they are drowning in the water, shouldn't that Officer respond by getting in the water then?"

Chief Grattan: "In answer to your question, yes."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Wait a minute. Mr. Brown, we have a forum here, please."

Desiree Blair: "So I want to know also, what is being done for the Officer that did not help me?"

Chief Grattan: "The case is under investigation. We are still conducting our investigation. It's almost completed. And we have been advised by our attorney-- we have spoken to some of our witnesses and we have been advised by them not to speak to us. We have also been advised by our attorneys that we are not to debate the case."

Desiree Blair: "Okay. Now, I want to know also, if you spoke to your witnesses and you have this investigation going, why haven't anybody come and speak to me?"

Chief Grattan: "I don't know that anybody didn't come speak to you. You haven't talked to any police officers?"

Desiree Blair: "No."

Chief Grattan: "Okay. I'll have someone see you."

Desiree Blair: "Anyway, also, I'd like to know why the people, like half of the park, the front part for the tourists is the only thing that's fixed up when they do fix it up. Because I broke some of that wood because it is so rotten. Second of all, the police officers didn't even help the people that were stranded in the water. And something needs to be done about police reform also."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. May I remind the audience that this particular tragedy is now under litigation and until that

litigation comes to form, we have been advised by legal counsel not to debate as the Chief said. Yes, ma'am."

Tracy Lab: "My name is Tracy Lab. I'm the aunt of Derek Brown."

Barbara Grattan: "Tracy, what's your last name?"

Tracy Lab: "Tracy Lab. I just wonder-- because I'm a taxpayer also. I just wanted to know how long will it take to fix that park?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "I can't answer you that question right now. There has a local engineering firm has volunteered to come up with the recommendations to this Town Board. This offering was made about three weeks ago. I would presume that they will be into see us very quickly not only on the bulkheading or on bridges, but also lighting, correcting paths, and stuff like that. I cannot answer that question to you right now."

Tracy Lab: "Well, I also want to make a comment. My mother was 13 years old and she fell in the same spot my nephew fell in. Luckily, she didn't die. But he had to. Thank you."

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

Anthony Durham: "Hi. My name is Anthony Durham of 134 Maple Avenue. My question is directed to the Board. Does anyone in the Board in, let's say, the last three months, have been through the Park?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, sir."

Anthony Durham: "You have. Okay. That brings me to my next question. Who is responsible for the safety, the maintenance of Riverhead's property, let's say, the Town property itself? You know, the upkeep, you know, when there's a hole?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "The Buildings and Ground Department."

Anthony Durham: "Buildings and Ground Department. For me, I've noticed in the last year more so, being that's when I really became a resident-- but I always frequent Riverhead very often-- in the last year, I noticed that it's been an eyesore and the same kind of things that you will see in the pictures I've noticed. My question is, has

this been brought before you before, as far as the conditions of the park?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, very much so."

(Unidentified): "What happened? Nothing was done."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It is in the process. We have-- I am not going to debate the issue tonight. We are under litigation. There has-- "

(Unidentified): "There is a Town Board meeting. We ask questions."

Anthony Durham: "Excuse me, that brings me to my next concern. It's been all this time-- my point was, after, I guess it was the Buildings or Superintendent whoever is in charge, that particular person? I mean, did he not notice this? This has been an eyesore for the longest. I think Stevie Wonder could see this. No pun intended. I mean it's of grave concern and it makes me more concerned when I feel that the Board is, going to like, pat their foot and go along with this. This is a concern of Riverhead Town."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Is there anybody else wishing to address the Board?"

Tanya Simmons: "Well, if the Board has been addressed before about the issue about the park, how come nothing has been done? I said, if the Board has been addressed before about the park, how come nothing has been done, and how long have they been addressed about the park?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "The park was addressed, Andrea maybe you can come up and explain the first improvement-- first half improvement to the park."

Tanya Simmons: "And also, how come only one-half of the park has been fixed up, knowing that the whole park-- the wood is rotten?"

Andrea Lohneiss: "Andrea Lohneiss, Community Director. As long ago as the early '80's, the Town of Riverhead began obtaining federal money to improve Peconic Avenue and the park. If you recall, at that time there were many buildings along Peconic Avenue that were acquired and over time they were demolished and that area was opened up to

encourage people to use the park. I think that the Board considers that to be Phase 1 and is in the process, as Mr. Stark said, of preparing plans to pursue additional sources to improve the inner area of the park."

Tanya Simmons: "How long has it been since the other two women has addressed the Town Board about this?"

Andrea Lohneiss: "I'm not aware of others addressing the Board about this."

Tanya Simmons: "Well, it was in the newspapers."

Councilman Creighton: "I'd just like to comment for what it's worth. I think that the things you raised are all important and will be addressed. I received a call today from an irate citizen from another part of Town, specifically addressing the condition of Iron Pier Beach, the boat ramp up there where the storms have crumbled it and that sort of thing.

And it, in fact, the allegation is made that is a very hazardous condition up there. We have a design done, a plan to repair-- to do the repairs up there. It's been in existence probably for two years now. It's-- we have applications for permits and from the DEC and we have not received a permit to do any of the work.

The point I want to make is that we expect that project alone to cost us somewhere in the neighborhood of a million and a half dollars to complete it. In addition, at Meetinghouse Creek, you probably have heard discussions here over the last few months or so about \$30,000 of private money being contributed by the Riverhead Townscape Association in conjunction with \$30,000 from the Town to repair crumbling bulkhead at Meetinghouse Creek, a public park area down in Aquebogue. And I think-- I don't recall the number, but we put something like \$200,000 in the Grangebél Park last year alone, so."

(Unidentified): "On what? The flowers?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Please. If you want to address the Board, you will have to come to the microphone and ask. That is our forum. I will recognize you anytime you want to have anything to say. Please, come to the microphone so we can maintain order. Yes, ma'am?"

Tanya Simmons: "Okay. So you said you got a certain amount of money to fix up half of the park. Now, the part that they fixed up, how come there is no safety along that way."

Councilman Creighton: "All I'm saying is that the bulkhead and bridging and things that were repaired in that location are now in good order when they were not a few years ago."

Tanya Simmons: "But even if you walk up to the-- along the gate, a child could still fall in there. Not even a child, even an adult."

Councilman Creighton: "And I said that, you know, your comments are well taken and we do have a lot of work. All I'm saying is there are limits to how much money the Town can spend at any one time to get repairs done. So, it's not just a matter of-- we want to do it, you know. We'd like to fix all of this stuff up this year. But the only problem is we got to have-- we've got to get the money somewhere."

Tanya Simmons: "Okay. So, she said they started in '85 to fix up the park, right, or put in a bid to fix up the park? So, now, it's 1994, so as of last year they just got this money to do the park last year, so that means they are going to take another five years or more for them to fix up the other half of the park, too?"

Councilman Creighton: "I don't know that. We get money every year and we allocate it as best we can to do different repairs around Town. There is a Recreation Advisory Committee that meets periodically and they come up with priorities to spend money on the parks and things like that. And, it's made up of citizens who volunteer to contribute their time and effort to give us advice and assistance on where we should spend our money. And, this has been the norm and the routine that takes place all the time here. We deal with these things almost on a daily basis, you know. So, there is no question there is a lot of work to be done, not only in Grangebél Park, but in many other places in Town, and the question is how much money are we going to have to spend?"

Tanya Simmons: "Okay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Ma'am? There is a gentleman in the back. We have to go through the crowd one time-- one at a time."

Carol Williams: "Good evening. My name is Carol Williams and I am a resident of Riverhead and I've been sitting in the back and I wasn't going to get up to say anything, but I've heard different opinions of what about this and Grangebél Park. Derek was my cousin, and I am deeply concerned about the fixing of Grangebél Park. And I'm hearing Councilman Creighton talking about Iron Pier and Meetinghouse Creek. That's not the issue right now. We're talking about Grangebél Park.

Grangebél Park is mostly utilized by the black people and I hate to make it seem like it's a black and white issue, but if you can always find money to fix up the places where the other people go, why can't you fix up Grangebél Park? I heard Sir George talking about-- say something about children under 12 shouldn't be in the park maybe. But, if it's a park, why children can't be in the park? Children go in the parking lot by Swezeys and Peconic Riverboat, whatever the name it is. Why is it that you always try to put us on the back row?

And I also am a member of First Baptist Church of Riverhead where Pastor Coverdale is my Minister. I remember when we came here a couple of years ago trying to get grants to build a Life Center, if you all had help us to go through with this Life Center, maybe Derek would have been at the community Life Center instead of at Grangebél Park where he died.

It's a shame that a life had to be lost. And I'm tired of it. I myself don't utilize the park because I know that it is unsafe. I remember when I was growing up, living in a house on First Street, which is now torn down, when we used to go to the laundromat, my mother always forbid us to go in that back parking lot to go across the river. But sometimes, you know, being disobedient, we went anyway. And it was unsafe then and it's unsafe now. And I demand as a taxpayer that the Town Board of Riverhead fix that park and fix it now.

This lady here said money was given to fix it up back in '85. Here it is '94. What's going to be done about it? The Superintendent you say of the Highway Department is in charge of the park? Well, who did you say was in charge of the maintenance of the park?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Buildings and Grounds."

Carol Williams: "Okay. Buildings and Grounds. Did Building and

Grounds know that it was in bad condition? Question. Do another life have to be lost."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Ma'am."

Carol Williams: "Yes."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Jimmy said that an engineering firm in Town has volunteered to give us a plan. That plan might entail permits with the DEC. We have to have a plan. The Town Board will discuss it, we'll do whatever we can as quickly as we can to further improve the park. We have spent tens of thousands of dollars there the last couple of years."

Carol Williams: "In what area?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm talking about Grangebél Park."

Carol Williams: "In what area? You might have fixed up the front of the Grangebél area where tourists going by can see Main Street or whatnot. But the tourists don't see the back part."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Actually one of the reasons why we opened up the park was to make it safer for people to go in there because with the buildings there in the front-- "

Carol Williams: "Well, what did you do to make it safer?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "You are laughing. I've lived in this Town all my life, too. By the way, if you want to say something, Mr. Brown, come up to the microphone and say it. Okay."

Carol Williams: "Councilman Prusinowski, I- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "All right."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, you know something? That's all I'm going to say in the matter and the fact of the matter is we're going to address the issue. You have a lot of good concerns and it will be done."

Carol Williams: "Okay. Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Michael?"

Michael Melcash: "My name is Mike Melcash and I'm the owner of Video Breakthrough in Riverhead. I moved to Wading River in 1978. In 1983, I opened up Video Breakthrough. I found out a couple of months ago that Blockbuster Video is coming to Riverhead. The Board has approved a site plan. Besides affecting my business, it's affecting all the video stores in Riverhead Township. Besides Blockbuster itself come in, I think that we have an overall big picture that is starting to take place, namely, the Wiz, Home Depot, Price Club, and a lot of big corporations are all looking and have applied or in the process of coming to Riverhead.

I was up west today. I drove around several towns, basically Middle Country Road, Selden, Centereach, then I went down around the south shore. On my way back here tonight, I saw many things coming up Route 58 that reminded me of what it looks like up west. Vacant buildings, the Meat Farms building that's there, various buildings along the way. Taco Bell, Wendys. I'm trying to visualize the overall picture of how Blockbuster Video is going to fit in and the Wiz and Price Club. And all these different things, and all of a sudden, I see the identity of Riverhead being lost. And I see businesses being lost.

We're talking about money not being available and in turn my business will probably close the doors. Other video stores in town will close the doors. More vacant stores. If we have to close the doors, we're going to have to move out of Riverhead Town. I don't know what that's going to do to the tax base and everything else. I don't think it's ways to move forward with where the Town should be going. I think it's a wonderful Town. I think until this Blockbuster blunder, a lot of wonderful things have been taking place. I think there's a lot of great things that could take place in the Town of Riverhead, but by bringing Blockbuster in, what we're going to have is the loss of jobs.

I don't think Blockbuster will pick up what we're going to lose from the small Mom and Pop's closing up. We are going to have vacant stores. We have an over building that's taken place. I read in News Review last week that they got the approval so quick because they had an existing parking lot. I drove past there and there is no parking lot there today. It's been ripped up. There's cesspools that are being put in. There's a foundation that's being built. I understand

they don't even have the complete building permit, although what I understand is they have a foundation permit and they have to get an easement to get the building permit. And I hope that the Town finds ways to not give them that building permit.

Thank you very much."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Anybody else? Yes, sir? Okay, I'll take this gentleman first."

Robert O'Kane: "My name is Robert O'Kane of Wading River. I'd also like to address the Board in reference to the matter that was just discussed in reference to Mega Corporations coming into the Town of Riverhead.

I've been a resident of the Town of Riverhead since 1972 and moved into Riverhead Town because of the way of life here. I wanted to get out of western Suffolk because what I saw was the uncontrolled building that was going on and it was ruining the way of life in Suffolk County as I saw it where I was living. I came into Riverhead and I've been very comfortable living here until recently.

What's been happening recently is plans that I've been reading in the newspaper as to Mega stores coming out here, mega corporations building mega stores which is going to put countless number of Mom and Pop stores and even larger stores in Riverhead out of business. Ruining the downtown area.

Riverhead Town as you know, and most people in the audience know, basically had a zero population growth over the past 10 years. Such unwarranted growth would not-- due to the population growth and the increase amount of spending here. I've seen other downtown areas in the County go down, in particular Bay Shore and Patchogue. Patchogue was just recently faced with a problem down there. An article in the Long Island Advance, dated Thursday, March 26. Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce leaders are bitter and angry over Brookhaven Town Board's approval last week of a new 200,000 square foot Bellport outlet center opening. In its statement, the Chamber reiterated its concern that the outlet center would increase the empty store problem afflicting the Patchogue downtown and other town shopping areas.

The statement issued-- also listed stores that had gone out of

business recently including the Gunny Sack, Gubins Running Ahead, and the Pace Setter (phonetic).

Why would I be concerned about this problem happening here? I'm concerned over what I see has happened as far as Blockbuster which, again, is a mega corporation based in Orlando which is going to put nothing back into the area. Except some more empty stores. Put some residents of the Town of Riverhead out of business. I don't think it's a very good price to pay. I don't appreciate the idea of the Town of Riverhead bending over backwards to accommodate them.

Now, one of the items that was in the site Resolution which was approved by the Town Board dated April 19, 1994, was an issue involving an easement. Egress between two shopping centers. The smaller shopping center where Blockbuster is going and the Waldbaums/Pergament shopping center area. It doesn't take a mental giant to figure out that a cut there would enable and be to the benefit of Blockbuster by having increased parking spaces and more accessible traffic to be able to get into Blockbuster. Because Blockbuster is a high volume business.

Yet, the Town has gone out and part of the proposition which was put before by Councilman Creighton and Councilwoman Gilliam, we have part of the site plan, the possibility that the Town of Riverhead may spend money to get this cut."

Councilman Prusinowski: "The Town of Riverhead is not spending money to get the cut."

Robert O'Kane: "I will read your own proposition."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay."

Robert O'Kane: "The first part of the proposition states that the landlords will basically try and work this out. If within 60 days from the date hereto said easement cannot be obtained at a cost in excess of \$7,500, the Town of Riverhead shall begin to acquire said easement by eminent domain. (inaudible) Associates shall pay the first-- shall pay the Town's legal fees for eminent domain for the first \$7,500. The first \$7,500. If it goes over that, the Town will then pick up the rest."

Councilman Prusinowski: "That's not what that says. It doesn't

say that though."

Robert O'Kane: "(inaudible) Associates shall pay the Town's legal fees for the eminent domain proceedings and the first \$7,500 of any award to the owner."

Councilman Prusinowski: "By the way, that clause wasn't in that Resolution. They would have a building permit today and so what you're trying to make the acquisition here-- this accusation here, is actually the reverse of what the reality is. The reality is the developer did not want that clause in there. I'm just going to bring that to your attention."

Robert O'Kane: "Well, again-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Because it held it up for like four or five weeks. And they were here and that's why-- "

Robert O'Kane: " Rifle (phonetic) Associates will be responsible for the first \$7,500."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Right."

Robert O'Kane: "Anything after that the Town is responsible for."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, maybe we won't go-- "

Robert O'Kane: "Unless the Town, which there is an option in here, which you can withdraw from it. And then, this part of the site plan approval by the Town of Riverhead will be deleted and not be a requirement for the people at the site there. But that cut there is a very sore thing, because that cut then opens up the parking area between where Blockbuster will be going and where the other video store is."

Councilman Creighton: "Sir, may I tell you the real reason that I voted for that? And it is because of the safety hazard that currently exists in the mall that's there on Route 58. To get into that small segment of strip stores that were put on 58 years ago by somebody else, you have a very unsafe access road. And we have wanted for some time to reduce that hazard by opening up the access from the-- what amounts to the Pergament parking area into the back of that-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Waldbaums."

Councilman Creighton: "-- right next to Pergament-- into the back of that store complex. And that's the reason we did that for the safety of people driving on Route 58 and trying to get in there.

I'd like to make one other point. I don't know whether our Planning Director has this figure on the top of his head or not but my recollection that what we're talking about here is the expansion of an existing building in that pre-existing shopping mall. The expansion, if you would like to go look at it, for those other people who might be interested in seeing what we're talking about, is approximately 50 feet, I would guess, by 70. So, we're expanding an existing building by an additional, I believe, about 3500 square feet.

We are not-- we did not approve yet a 100,000 square foot mega store such as Home Depot or Price Club or that sort of thing, even though we do have applications before us. We are talking about the expansion of an existing building by about 3,500 square feet, and it's in an existing mall development where the owner has the right and, in fact, has approval from the Town Board approximately five years ago to do what he's doing now. Because it expired, he had to reapply and modifications and limitations and restrictions were put on him by this Board and the Planning Board, they were not put on him five years ago.

So, you know, there's a lot to this and I just don't want people to think that we, in fact, approved some huge monster here and did something devious by opening up the-- or making provisions to open up a cut between the existing parking area and Walmart shopping center and the back of these stores. We did it-- we did that part for safety."

Robert O'Kane: "Well, from what I had seen the plans that you are talking about that was approved were different plans. They called for the expansion of a building and the addition of a two story building, which has since been changed and went before the Architectural Review Board which included the expansion of that building and the addition of another building on that property site."

Councilman Stark: "Which, by the way, he still has a right to do that, by the way."

Robert O'Kane: "Yes, I'm not saying he doesn't have a right to

do it."

Councilman Creighton: "We can't arbitrarily deny it."

Robert O'Kane: "I'm concerned about things that just don't seem in place. Which-- what will happen when Home Depot or Price Club wants to come in? Now, I have asked around as far as procedures within the Town on certain things that are done, and people told me that a certain set of circumstances has never happened that they recall in the Town of Riverhead. In which the Town of Riverhead voted for approval of a site plan on April 19th of 1994 and they voted on it before the Architectural Review Board voted on it. The Architectural Review Board voted on the plan site and approved it on May 11th after the Town Board voted on it and approved it. At which point, after-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "But the Resolution that we passed prior to that, excuse me, I'm not going to let this go because-- let me tell you something. I've been here a long time. They didn't get any special favors. Number two, you have a shopping center right where you are in, Video Breakthrough now, where that easement was put there because of the Town Board. Not because Waldbaums wanted it. Because they fought it. In fact, the owner of the Harrows shopping center, which is now Aid Auto Stores, didn't want to do it either.

We did it for safety reasons. In the April 19th Resolution, we put in there that all the conditions have to be met from the Architectural Review Board with their approval before the application can proceed in the Building Department or the Planning Department. It's in there. It's right in one of the things there. And I'm telling you, they-- "

Robert O'Kane: "I agree with you. It's in there."

Councilman Prusinowski: "You know something? If we didn't do this easement, they would have had the building permit a long time ago."

Robert O'Kane: "After the vote, but I haven't had a chance to go out and get the paperwork on it from the various offices, but I was told that a foundation permit was issued on April 19th. The same day that the Town Board voted on it. I don't know if that's true-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "No. That's not true at all."

Robert O'Kane: "But, I do know-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "I had a long message on my tape from a guy complaining-- "

Robert O'Kane: "But I do know that construction began on the site before the Architectural Board approved it."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, maybe inside the building. That could be."

Robert O'Kane: "Outside. They started doing cesspool work. And clearing of the property. Now, I've lived here a long time. I like the Town. But we're creating a smell here that shouldn't be here. I don't know whether there's anything there for it, but it concerns me. Blockbuster is not going to ruin the Town of Riverhead. It's going to close Mom and Pop stores here. I think they have an unfair advantage on what has transpired. My concern is further on down the road. I would not like to see Blockbuster get the preferential treatment that they seemingly are getting. And I'm more concerned about what may happen down the road. I wish you reconsider what is going on with Blockbuster and not give them preferential treatment because they have more than enough of a size company that they can take care of themselves. Thank you."

Councilman Creighton: "Mr. Deputy Supervisor, I would really like to hear from the Director of Planning on the process that this whole project went through."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Well-- "

Councilman Creighton: "I think it's only fair that the facts on this thing be straightened out."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is there anybody else here who is going to comment on Blockbuster?"

(Unidentified): "Oh, not Blockbuster. I have-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Well, let's get all this subject. And then I can call up Rick. Is that Eddie? You're in the shadow there."

Ed Zebrowski: "My name is Ed Zebrowski. I'm part owner and manager of the Entertainment Emporium which is located at 136 West Main Street in downtown Riverhead. While we would not be probably as directly affected by the opening of Blockbuster Video, certainly we are going to feel some effect from it. Certainly, I join with the other prior speakers that we are distressed about some of the Town Board's recent actions and such, and I don't pretend to understand all the zoning and legal aspects of it, and what could or couldn't have been done to prevent it. I think we can all agree that progress is inevitable in any Town. I think a larger question is what kind of progress you have? How much can this Town handle? And, you know, how it affects the existing businesses of a similar type that may be in a Town.

Certainly business competition is not easy. Certainly the businesses-- similar video businesses much like similar businesses of any kind in a certain Town, compete against one another. I think all the video stores in Town now relatively co-exist with one another. I think one thing needs to be understood about Blockbuster is that they come in with a corporate mentality. You know, they don't want any of us around. They don't want to co-exist with us. They want to eliminate us. That is their bottom line. Their president goes around to video conventions everywhere and it's in many of the magazines predicting the end of the Mom and Pop stores. And, you know, that's just the corporate mentality.

Certainly Blockbuster already has about 20% of the market for videos and they have their hands in many other media related aspects, not just the video business but the music business, sports teams. Certainly, you know, Blockbuster is well known name and, you know, they are a global industry. They could care less about smaller businesses. It certainly, you know, is going to be difficult for us to exist certainly as Mike mentioned, Video Breakthrough within eyesight of where Blockbuster will be, is probably going to be the first to go. You know, obviously, you know, a new business comes to Town, people will flock to it and check it out. I think it's more a matter of is it fair or not. I mean, we could argue that probably, too. But, usually in business they say, you know, competition is good, which we can't argue that. But when there's no competition, that's bad. And I think when Blockbuster comes to Town, it may not happen right away, but ultimately as it happened in Hampton Bays, Blockbuster opened there and it just sucked up all the other video stores there and now, as far as I know, there are no others. Just Blockbuster. And, as we all know,

when there is a monopoly around, you can look at Lilco or any of the utilities, you have to pay whatever they ask you to pay. You don't have a choice. And, I think a lot of these corporate monsters, like Blockbuster and others, have their corporate mentality and it's just very difficult. To use a movie analogy, they're like the shark in Jaws and we are the swimmers in the water. You know, they come along and they are going to feed on us and just suck the blood, the business blood, out of us, and then won't be here. There may be other businesses come along, you know, to replace this or different types, perhaps so, but I think the small stores definitely are going to suffer much like what will happen when Home Depot, if that opens, or any of the other big stores.

While it's a good thing for the consumer certainly. I know if I am a consumer, you know, going to a Price Club or Home Depot, it's nice to have that as well, but I think we have to balance that with what other existing businesses there are and how it's going to fit into the mix and are we going to lose a lot of businesses by putting one, you know, corporate type of business in an area.

The bottom line, I guess, is-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "That's why we have rezoned most of the Town. Wading River, you can't have Blockbuster up there. Jamesport, Aquebogue, Calverton, office service from Fleet Bank to 105. These things have all been rezoned. I voted for many rezonings in this Town. I lost an election. I have an attorney saying you ruined your-- you want to do that, you have to change the zone. I cannot say that Mr. Brooks in Polish Town, we cannot allow any more video stores in this Town when that shopping center is zoned for retail, we cannot say because there's another video-- there's against-- the state-- there's a constitution of the United States. But what you can do is you change the zone.

That particular parcel happens to be zoned Business B. Like Waldbaums. And as I said at the last meeting, let's take Hampton Bays. Good example. You know what they needed from the Town of Southampton in Hampton Bays? They need a sign permit. They didn't even need a site plan review. None of this. Because they went into a shopping center, they probably needed a building permit to do some-- you know, for handicap requirements and stuff like that. They could have opened up right behind the shopping center if he doesn't-- I don't know what

the lease says because it's a common owner. But it could have opened up a Waldbaums next store. And unfortunately you are talking about zoning and to stop that kind of stuff like Home Depot-- we can stop Home Depot. Because they are looking for a special exception from the Town Board to change the zone. And all we have to do is vote no and they're done. And we only have three parcels left on Route 58 where Business B is allowed and that's something we have to consider. And I take your comments and I think a lot of people are concerned about it. You're right. It is tough competition. I wish I could pass a Resolution to make Newsday go away. Or This Week. A lot of my competitors. Because, you know what? They're cutting my prices in half. I don't like it. And it's hurt us financially, personally financially. The -- unfortunately that's the business that we're in today. It's a tough, tough market out there."

Ed Zebrowski: "I understand that."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Now, the only question here for me is did the Town of Riverhead do something to give somebody a special favor, at taxpayers expense, over another business? And I say we-- I know we didn't. Okay. And that's the question that's before us really tonight."

The rest of it, the planning and zoning decision, and Mike is correct. You don't want that to be-- well, in fact, in most of the Town you cannot be in (inaudible), because we have changed the zone, we've created an office service and we've had hamlet studies and country rule and we've cut down-- we've eliminated a lot of Business B. So I don't think it will ever be like Selden. But Route 58 is pretty jammed up now and we recognize that and I think, you know, we have to take a look at that."

Ed Zebrowski: "Yes, I just one last comment. Just I understand that in many incidences the Town Board's hands, you know, may be tied, in legal-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "I read this a year ago in the News Review that Blockbuster Video had a thing and I asked Rick because I wasn't aware in '89 they got approval, plus they were even looking at one time where Taco Bell is, they were going to build over there."

Ed Zebrowski: "Yes. We had been hearing a lot of rumors ourself

before they opened in Hampton Bays that they were going to be locating somewhere in Riverhead, at different sites at one time or another and I imagine they were going through the legal process or zoning processes back then."

Councilman Prusinowski: "In '89 they had an approval. They were going to build in the back of where the front one was."

Ed Zebrowski: "I guess I just want to say, you know, I think whatever is as far as zoning goes, I think a lot of us out here probably don't even know what any of us can do about getting things rezoned."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, what you are doing tonight."

Ed Zebrowski: "Sure."

Councilman Prusinowski: "You are saying how you feel and that's important because that's important."

Ed Zebrowski: "And not even just for this particular incidence because it directly affects, you know, the business I have, but for other smaller, the Mom and Pop stores that will be affected by other larger corporate stores like Blockbuster opening. I guess the question is, you know, what price progress for us here?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "You know, Home Depot has no lock on us. In fact, they're losing support real quick if they ever had it. Because they are going around western Suffolk, and I go to Chamber of Commerce meetings in Patchogue and they say, well, they can't stop us. Well, I got news for them. We can stop them. We control the zoning out here. They are not vested and I don't like that kind of wise guy talk. You take your corporate Home Depot and go back to wherever you come from. Because this is still the east end. And it's unfortunate that maybe the Blockbuster Video approval got-- I'm telling you. This guy, for what he poured into this building, because he did not want to do the easement. The Town wanted this easement because of the traffic problem. I'm telling you. Because I got called-- excuse me, Jimmy, because an accusation has been made here that we did something not right. Okay. And I just want to clear that up. That really bothers me. I've been up here a long time and I don't like that. You know, I was called on the row because Jimmy was on vacation and there wasn't anybody here and

they came in here and the guy did not want-- it held up this application for four to six weeks. We made him go back and try to get. And we did the easement on the other side between Waldbaums and Aid Auto Stores, that easement is there. That's for the benefit of the public, not for the individual stores. Proper planning. We have a light on Route 58. That Route 58 is jammed up. The purpose of our new zoning and office service, we expanded the frontage. We used to have narrow lots. Now, we want less ingress and egress on Route 58 like we approved in Wading River. They have a build up there. There's one entrance in and they have a roadway in the back between the shopping centers. That's the proper way to do it. And that's what this goal was here. It's not necessarily to give them benefit. Unfortunately, it's a direct competitor of yours, and that's where, you know, I can understand where you are a little suspicious."

Ed Zebrowski: "Sure. I've been a life long resident of this Town; I know many members of the Town Board and the audience. And you see the Town's face change over the years and you like seeing new businesses come in and hope, you know, that they are going to do well, too."

Councilman Prusinowski: "But fair competition, I agree with you. Not unfair competition."

Ed Zebrowski: "Sure. And I've been up west, too, as Mike mentioned, and it's very difficult. You see the big corporations come in and you just wonder if there's enough business for everybody to survive. And in Blockbusters case, I seriously question that."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I make my living on the smaller businesses, so there's no, with me it's-- I'm working against my own, you know, livelihood. So it's a tough thing."

Ed Zebrowski: "All right. Thank you for your time."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Eddie. Alice? Michael, I'll have to go through anybody that hasn't spoken, and then I can come back to you."

Alice Graff: "Alice Graff, Riverhead. I-- talking about getting put out of business, that ugly, ugly, ugly shopping center, mall, up there, that's not fully opened yet. Oh, I can't-- it makes me shudder to think how ugly it looks. But anyway, I know of a person who has a

small business, a Ma and Pa type of business, and they can no longer-- the company-- their products are up in this new place, and this Ma and Pa business cannot get the products anymore to their store. The company will not deliver anymore to them. They are going to end up closing up because of that monstrous thing up there. That's just one place."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Alice. Sharon?"

Sharon Demerest: "My name is Sharon Demerest. I've been a resident, and I want to quote that. A long time resident all my life, in Riverhead. First of all, thank you Vic, thank you Ms. Gilliam, and thank you Mr. Creighton for being Blockbuster into Riverhead. Do you realize that we have five video stores, Video Breakthrough, Video Express, Entertainment Emporium, Square Video and Calverton Video. Video Breakthrough will be in Riverhead 11 years in August. And I've been manager of that store. I'm kind of nervous, but, it kind of hurts to think that I've lived in Riverhead all my life. We pay taxes, somebody like Whitey Ford, who some of you know who he is, a baseball player, comes to Riverhead, gives out an autographed baseball picture to Mrs. Grattan, who I voted for. You are elected officials. I voted for every one of you. Ms. Gilliam, you went and put your car right in front of our parking lot, vote for Ms. Gilliam, your old fashioned car in the parking lot. Nothing was said about that. I even told people how good you were. I thought you were for the small town business, for a female also.

And I don't think anybody should be taking autographed pictures, any elected official. To me, that's bribery. And there's an autographed baseball also. I don't know who that went to, also.

To show you how the video-- the Blockbuster works in Hampton Bays. These are from customers that work in Riverhead, they come to my store and rent movies. They come in and they say, Sharon, I come here, I've gone to local video stores in Hampton Bays. Blockbuster had the same price as every other store. As soon as they went out of business, they raised their prices. They're up to \$3.99 a rental. Their attitude is, ma'am, if you don't like it, go to another video store. Well, guess what? There is no other video store. Think about it. We're just a little person. Somebody like Whitey Ford comes in, and you all bow down to him."

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, that's not true."

Sharon Demerest: "That's true."

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, that's not true Sharon."

Sharon Demerest: "Yes."

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, that's not true, Sharon. I'm sorry. That's not true."

Sharon Demerest: "Yes, it is."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay, you want to believe it. You can believe that. Believe me, I live in this Town, too, and I understand that, and that is not the case. I mean, come on. I want to pass a Resolution tonight that says, Newsday, go away. I got competition on the street, too. And I've lost thousands of dollars in business. And you know something? I resent-- I didn't get an autograph from him. Let me tell you something. Sharon, he would have gotten a building permit. You have to change the zone. You've got to change the zone."

Sharon Demerest: "Okay."

Councilman Prusinowski: "You know something? We have five video stores."

(Unidentified): "Vic, what Sharon said as far as-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Michael, please."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay. You know, I mean, this is the thing. This accusation of they got something special, they got something and it's spread by somebody in this building. Some of the people who got the autographs. And that's the thing that outrages me. Yes, my picture is in there, the reporter was here. Because they called me in because the guy was here trying to talk the Town out of doing-- and you know something? You know what I wish? I should-- we should have dropped the easement and said, forget it. You don't need the easement."

(Unidentified): "(inaudible) -- I was told by-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Michael, Michael, you're wrong. Michael, you are wrong."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "The speaker has the podium."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay. Fine."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Please. You want to be recognized, you will come to the podium."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I mean, come on. They were here-- "

Michael Demerest: "Without the easement though, they-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Michael, I will not remind you again."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I mean-- those are the facts. I don't care. Somebody in this building is tell you that is not-- and I don't care who is telling you. I think you have a beef with your landlord, by the way, because I think you got double dealt by them."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Sharon, do you have any other comments?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "To intentionally to have you lose your-- we don't want that."

Sharon Demerest: "I'm saying, just come November, if I find out we find any kind of variances were given, any kind of stuff was given out, come October, I'm going to make sure, because you guys are not voted in again. We vote for you. Whitey Ford who lives in Port Washington could care less about Riverhead. He's going to come and make two or three visits to the people of Riverhead. He could care less about Riverhead."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm not saying he cares about Riverhead. And, by the way, the file is completely open. You can come in and look at all the documents."

Councilman Creighton: "Since my name was brought up, I feel compelled to say I have never met Whitey Ford, either here or at Yankee Stadium or anywhere else. I wouldn't know him if I tripped over him."

Councilman Prusinowski: "And I wish they never called me that day."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, sir?"

Greg Demerest: "My name is Greg Demerest. I've lived in Riverhead all my life. On a point of the Blockbuster. Number one, the easement. I'd like to make this perfectly clear, that the owner of that land and Blockbuster have to have that easement. The concept that they don't want the easement is ridiculous. I know for a fact-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "We have a letter."

Greg Demerest: "Just a minute."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay."

Greg Demerest: "For 11 years, the owner of that property, two different owners, have wanted to get an easement. They wanted an easement. And now all of a sudden, we hear they don't want an easement. Not true. If they can't get access to that street light, if they can't get access into that other parking lot, they're not going to come to Riverhead.

This idea that Riverhead-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "You want us to call your bluff? You want us to repeal the easement and see what happens?"

Greg Demerest: "Yes, tell them they can't have it. Exactly. You tell them they can't have the easement. No Blockbuster."

Councilman Prusinowski: "And then when they open up-- "

Greg Demerest: "No Blockbuster. Tell them they can't have the easement and we will see how fast Blockbuster backs out of this deal. Absolutely. And the other concept of the safety factor. This idea that we have to give the easement to make it safer out on the roads? That's where cars belong, out on the road. You make it a highway through parking lots. That's what you are doing. There are people trying to get from their cars to the stores and cars are racing through this parking field as if it's a parking-- as if it's a highway. I mean,

come on, we're talking about safety? You see old people even trying to get across. They can't get from the parking field to the stores, let's say Auto Aid, Dunkin Donuts-- bing, bing, bing, they're riding like it's a highway. Come on. A parking lot is supposed to be a parking lot. You're supposed to drive in, park your car, go in the store. We're not trying to-- if you need a new road or wider road on 58, do it. But don't tell me you're going to make a lot of easements to make it easy for Blockbuster to come to Riverhead and then the idea is it's safety? Safety? Give me a break."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, it's unfortunate that you-- "

Greg Demerest: "If someone wants to get from the west to the east, let them take the road. If they want to park their car, let them park their car. And on one other subject, people who work here in the Town Hall should not, when someone comes here to conduct business, take from them an autograph. That is absolutely unbelievable that I hear that people took autograph pictures and baseballs. Whitey, Whitey. Oh, Whitey's coming to Riverhead. I mean, come on. Are you professional people or aren't you? I mean, I realize that everybody didn't do this and it was just some people, but-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, there's no Town Board member up here that did that, so-- "

Greg Demerest: "Okay, fine. Then let it be known to all your subordinates that this is inappropriate behavior. When one person comes here to do business, and he gives you an autograph, he's giving you something. He has-- now, there's an unspoken understanding that you need to give him something. Maybe it's something he needs. Yes. Okay, yes, I understand, okay. A cop goes into a store and he gets a free donut and coffee and it's okay, right? He's not going to give you-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm not saying it's okay. I'm telling you-- "

Greg Demerest: "He's not going to give you any extra special treatment, but it's unprofessional inappropriate behavior."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay."

Greg Demerest: "All right?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I don't disagree with you."

Greg Demerest: "I think you ought to let everybody know that who works here."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Okay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, sir. George?"

George Schmelzer: "The people get their money's worth out of you tonight."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "George, would you identify yourself for the record, please?"

George Schmelzer: "My name is George Schmelzer. I'm from River Road, Calverton."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, sir."

George Schmelzer: "I said before about 12 year old kids not being allowed in the park. I said they should be accompanied by an adult, 12 years and below. That's what I said, just to make it clear."

And competition, only duck farmers had competition with each other. So did potato farmers. That's the way it was. Why shouldn't the stores? Why? They can't stand competition. Should we close up Waldbaum and King Kullen so everybody goes to the delicatessens to buy food. Would they want that? No. So let come what may.

Some farmers went out-- the duck farmers went out, a couple survived. That's the way it is. As far as newspapers, Suffolk Life. Didn't Suffolk Life get a special tax exemption deal where they are now?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yes."

George Schmelzer: "Well, so, they didn't put it in the paper though, did they? Didn't mention in the paper?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "It ended May-- yes, not only mentioned in the paper, it was-- "

George Schmelzer: "No, naturally, they wouldn't. Like years ago the News Review was delivered within the County for nothing. That was a federal law. They didn't mention that either. So anyway, that's the way it is."

So as far as an easement for parking, I think it's safer. When Waldbaum shopping center was first there, I suggested you have the break through so traffic could go from there to the original one on the east. Well, Joe Janoski said we can't tell people what to do with their land. I said you tell them everything else. Two weeks later it was opened up and too bad the Town didn't think of opening a driveway from there right to Harrison Avenue along the tower line. Would have made everything much safer. Taking the traffic off 58. But it wasn't done, so I say anybody that wants to come to Riverhead Town, let them come."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "Yes, and wait a minute. How about this Pine Barrens stuff? Isn't that meeting tomorrow? Is the Town Board going to go there?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, sir."

George Schmelzer: "Good. We hear nothing. How come we hear no noise about that? Nothing at all said. Been going on for months. Now I see that the Long Island (inaudible) Institute, they got themselves married to the environmentalists now. I suspect very much that the plan is for all these owners of thousands of acres within the Pine Barrens that can use the land, will get screwed. They'll be forced to sell their TDR's to the builders very cheap. So the builders can come to Riverhead Town and make sardine cans with those TDR's, mostly from the woodland in Brookhaven. I would suggest that the Town Board seriously consider turning thumbs down on the whole damn thing next year even now. It would be a benefit to the Town. We got on River Road, Calverton, three dozen houses to Edwards Avenue. In a core area. Who's crazy? That's nutty. And beyond that to the westerly crossing, there's another dozen houses, maybe more so. Right in the core area. And you don't complain about that. Not a word said. What's the matter? Wake up, wake up."

Councilman Prusinowski: "George, we're getting (inaudible) time. We'll deal with it later."

George Schmelzer: "Okay. That's about it. I would like to say something else, but I won't."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "Okay, good enough."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Michael?"

Michael Melcash: "Yes. Mike Melcash again from Video Breakthrough. I spoke before and after listening to other people speak, my blood was boiling-- I could use a Bud. Listening to certain things that were taking place and everything. I think everybody has to know that Video Breakthrough was in the location that we're talking about where Blockbuster Video is going into. We were there. We opened up in 1983. We had a 10 year lease. We were there until November of '93. Vic Prusinowski before mentioned that Blockbuster had the approval in 1989."

Councilman Prusinowski: "For the land."

Michael Melcash: "I had a lease giving me exclusivity to that location and I can't understand how they had an approval to build directly behind me with the same landlord several years before my lease expired. It doesn't make sense to me, but I don't want to get into that right now because I have too many things here."

I spoke to Mitch Draizen (phonetic) who is a gofer for the landlord. The landlord by the way is the landlord for Blockbuster Video, or the lawyer, I should say, for Blockbuster Video. Okay. We were-- our rent was raised an astronomical amount if we wanted to renew our lease. Yes, we were pushed out. They couldn't push us out years before my lease expired, but they didn't make it easy for us to stay there.

I am disappointed that the Town made it easy for them to change the site plan, to approve it so quickly. I'm in agreement with the easement because I was told by Mitch Draizen that if they didn't get the easement, Blockbuster is not interested anymore in that property.

Rocky Point has problems with the location. It's tough getting in and out there. They saw what it's like at Rocky Point. I think

that if we put enough pressure on Blockbuster, if we make it difficult, they will get discouraged, just like they did in Southampton, West-hampton, and Bridgehampton, and this is a way that we could keep the east end looking the way the east end should.

I still feel we should keep our identity and Blockbuster will not help it. Thank you."

Councilman Prusinowski: "We can amend the site plan, if that's what you-- . We can amend that April 19th site plan. We will talk about it."

Michael Melcash: "Okay."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Dick?"

Dick Benedict: "Dick Benedict, Fanning Blvd., in Riverhead. I understand how competition works because I work for Grumman. They can't afford competition either. But let me tell you, the last nine people we laid off, four are going to Pennsylvania, two went to North Carolina, one to Delaware, one to Florida, and one to Massachusetts. And that's been within the last two months. So somebody ought to take a look at what competition does. My neighbors drive to Home Depot, up west. They drive to Sam's Club. They drive all over the place. They take all their money out of Riverhead. These people can't afford to stay here. Somebody ought to look at that than worry about competition."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Yes, sir?"

William Kamber: "My name is William Kamber, Jr. I own-- part owner of Entertainment Emporium on Main Street. I was listening to everybody here, of the other video stores about competition and everything. I had just bought this store a year ago. I could open up another business in any other town, but I decided to open up in Riverhead, because I live in Riverhead now for the past five years. And now it seems like if Blockbuster comes in, all my investments I put into this store, is down the drain. There's another vacancy right next to my store that's empty. So now there might be another one empty, so now we are going to have another vacant building. Thank you. That's all I have to say."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, sir. Way in the back, please."

Buddy Brooks: "Buddy Brooks from East Avenue Extension. I'm the owner of Video Express in Polishtown. I also work for Grumman 21 years and I open the paper and I see Councilman Prusinowski with Whitey Ford and my future in Riverhead doesn't look very bright all of a sudden. My family, my father, my grandfather, my brother, myself, have given over 110 years of service to Riverhead Fire Department. Okay. We give back a little bit. We get a lot, but we give back a little bit. Okay. It hasn't been fun; it hasn't been easy. Working at Grumman and owning and operating a store, but I'm proud of it, and I worked real hard to get where I am.

The day my mortgage was approved, five years ago, we were tickled pink. When my wife was looking for a house, a place to live, I told her you are limited to Riverhead Fire District. Because I wasn't moving. Okay. As far as the future of my two and a half year old twin girls, I don't think they have a future in this town. We have more vacant buildings in this town right now than you can shake a stick at. And if you want to condemn something, let's condemn the Scot station that's been vacant and an eyesore for over 10 years. It's by the post office annex. Somebody (inaudible) it. The kids come along and paint it up and this is what we live with. When are we going to say no?

All the money that's going to be made at Blockbuster Video is going down south. And in relation to competition, I understand the video world, because my brother is affiliated with it down in Florida. He's affiliated with a business that is ranked 48 in the nation. And he gives Blockbuster Video a pretty good run for their money. Okay. So he does a lot of looking into competition.

One thing he's done, he's down in Florida and he's making a better way for him and his family than I am. Now all of a sudden after working as hard as I've worked, everything is coming to a close. I open up the paper and I read comments like the Tanger Outlet is going to bail out Grumman and make up for Grumman leaving, I don't see it happening. I'm not a financial analyst. I'm not a politician. But I know that people aren't going to travel two or 300 miles to pay eight and a half per cent sales tax at an outlet mall. That I do know. That's the reason the people go to Jersey, Pennsylvania and where have you.

As I said, I'm not a politician. Vic, you made a good statement before. You said it was something about something coming from this building?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, that's not-- "

Buddy Brooks: "Well, I don't come down here that often, but let me tell you. When I do come down here, I don't get a real comfortable feeling. Because the people I'm talking to are looking over their shoulder to see who's walking down the hall. Now I got to worry about who I am being seen with. I got to put up with all the little-- the digs from people in Brookhaven Town, Southold Town, Southampton Town I work with because the local newspapers are having a field day with this Town.

I'm hearing things that this one said, that one said, this one denied it. These are allegations. This is this, this is that. This is not fun."

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, this is not fun."

Buddy Brooks: "This is not going to enhance our future in this Town of Riverhead."

Councilman Prusinowski: "You're absolutely right. And let me tell you something, that's a whole other matter. But in this particular case, what it comes down to, did the Town of Riverhead and the taxpayers subsidize one business over another or give an advantage to one business over another."

Buddy Brooks: "It's not a matter of that. My question is, these other townships are saying no. Not only to Blockbuster, these other big conglomerates."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, Hampton Bays-- Southampton said yes to Blockbuster."

Buddy Brooks: "What we're looking for, if we are going to go down and we're going to-- I pay off a note with a local bank in March and April I open up the papers and I see Blockbuster Video coming to town."

Councilman Prusinowski: "But don't you understand that they could go to any vacant location that's zoned retail and open up just like the other video stores?"

Buddy Brooks: "That's fine. I've heard you mention that at the work session. I've heard you mention it two times tonight and you also mentioned that you've been here the longest out of everybody, I presume?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "Exactly. Right."

Buddy Brooks: "I keep hearing it's a zoning problem. It's a zoning problem. The zoning has to be changed."

Councilman Prusinowski: "It is."

Buddy Brooks: "What have you done as a Councilman to change the zoning? Anything?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'm the only up here who has voted to change the zone in the Town about 10 times, office service, eliminate retail in Wading River, Calverton, Jamesport, Aquebogue, four acre zoning in Manorville. I am the only one up here serving right now who has-- about 10 times change of zone. Yes, I have. Because the rest of Route 58 from Garsten Motors west to the Tanger Mall, is all Industrial "B". From Fleet Bank to 105 is change office service. We took the retail out of there, made it very limited. All of Wading River has been changed. Yes, I voted many, many times to do that and that's why I know that's the way you have to do it."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "I'd just like to add something in terms of the issue about zoning. Since I've been on the Town Board, I initiated and called for the Town Board to do a Hamlet Study of the Hamlet of Riverhead, specifically looking at the 58 corridor and the downtown area and looking at issues of future land use. I can't get the rest of the Board to agree that we need to do this right now. Maybe you can have some influence in that area."

But I think that with all the concerns that are coming up about land use and zoning issues, that one of the first steps in doing that is to have a plan and looking at what do we want the future of 58 to look like. What do we want the future of downtown to look like. And doing a Hamlet Study is a critical part of that. But, I was told in so many words by the Supervisor that because of my political affiliation in so many words, that this wasn't going to happen right now."

Councilman Creighton: "Sir, if anybody has led you to believe,

including the comments that were just made, we have the legal authority to stop Blockbuster Video from going into the Waldbaums shopping mall or any of that retail space that's already paved over up on Route 58, they are flat lying to you. We do not have and did not have the authority to stop this video-- corporate organization as you describe it, from coming into Riverhead and occupying retail space as it has and is doing. We just don't have the authority to do it. If somebody led you to believe that, it's not true."

Buddy Brooks: "Councilman Creighton, you made a statement before I believe that this easement was being looked into for a safety factor?"

Councilman Creighton: "I'm telling you the truth. The reason I voted for it, okay."

Buddy Brooks: "When was this easement addressed as far as a safety factor? What time frame are we talking about?"

Councilman Creighton: "From the moment it was mentioned to me. We have discussed the same kind of easement in Wading River. We've discussed them on Route 58 in other locations."

Buddy Brooks: "Maybe I'm not making myself clear. When did this Town Board officially address the problem, the safety problem, down at Video Breakthrough and Route 58?"

Councilman Creighton: "When the application to do this came before the Town Board at a work session."

Buddy Brooks: "But it wasn't a safety factor when it was Video Breakthrough?"

Councilman Creighton: "We didn't have an application."

Buddy Brooks: "But we had a safety problem?"

Councilman Creighton: "We didn't have a cause to act on it. We don't control Route 58. We can't put a stop sign up there. We can't put a red light up there. God knows we've tried. But it's a County road. And we have to ask the County to do it. They do a traffic study. If they don't think there should be a red light there, they won't do it. We tried to do it on Harrison Avenue and failed just a few months ago."

Buddy Brooks: "Well, I sat home in my living room and I watched the cable transmission of-- "

Councilman Creighton: "Let me finish. We do have the authority to change things within those parking lots because that does come under the jurisdiction of the Town of Riverhead, and that's why we wanted that curb opened up. And, you know, I don't have-- as I said before, I never met Whitey Ford."

Buddy Brooks: "I don't care about Whitey Ford. This isn't a Whitey Ford matter. I'm a Red Sox fan by the way, so you know where I'm coming from."

Councilman Creighton: "Others have made it that way, you know."

Buddy Brooks: "I sat home in my living room and I watched people come up to the microphone and address the safety problem with Taco Bell going in, people that live on Harrison Avenue and all in that general vicinity. Okay. There's people now that are out on 58 that are causing a traffic problem, they're trying to get into Taco Bell and they're lining up on 58."

Councilman Creighton: "We tried to get a red light put in there."

Buddy Brooks: "Now we're going down there and we're cutting people out of cars with the Fire Department."

Councilman Creighton: "We couldn't-- you know, we asked the County, we made a big fuss over it to put a light in there. And we couldn't get them to do it. This is a continual fight we have. We don't control the County roads and we don't control the State roads. The parking lots, we can control. So we-- I honestly believe that we made a decision to put this cut through there as a safety factor. I have-- I get-- I don't know anything about this video operation and we don't have the authority to block this particular company from coming in here and selling videos. We just don't have the authority to do it."

Buddy Brooks: "Well, we're not looking for you to block anybody. What we are looking for is maybe a little bit of realism in the Town in regards to what do we do? Just keep putting businesses out of business and then somebody else comes in, he's a little bigger, so the other one goes down and somebody else comes along, he's a little bigger

and he goes down? I mean where is it going to stop?"

Councilman Creighton: "In this case, we couldn't do anything about it."

Buddy Brooks: "We couldn't do anything about it?"

Councilman Creighton: "We could not do anything about it."

Buddy Brooks: "Oh, Councilman Prusinowski said we can do something about it. We have to change the zoning."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Right. We have to follow a process."

Councilman Creighton: "We can't turn the Waldbaums shopping center and change it from retail to something else."

Buddy Brooks: "I understand that there was an offer made by Waldbaums-- I understand that the people representing Blockbuster Video were told that they would put the easement in at a rate of \$2,000 a month, I think."

Councilman Creighton: "It's \$25,000 a year."

Buddy Brooks: "\$25,000 a year. Well, if Blockbuster feels that Riverhead is an ideal location, then I think they would be willing to spend the extra money to be here. And if they don't, then let them find somewhere else to go. Thank you very much."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Buddy. Yes, sir?"

Mr. O'Kane: "I talked in length about numerous things before and I'd like to sum up some of the things. My concern is about Riverhead Town turning into what western Suffolk was and I think I covered some of those points. We then move on to Blockbuster and the Resolution that the Town Board passed on April 19th, approving the site plan. There was a portion in that Resolution that included discussion on easements which I covered.

I also do not set procedure in the Town in which normal procedure from what I've been able to find out is that a building plan site goes before the Architectural Review Board, becomes approved, and then goes

before the Town Board and is approved or disapproved by the Town Board. I don't do that. I didn't do that. I didn't tell the Town to do it this way. Nor did I tell the Town Board to vote on it this time before the Architectural Review Board voted on it. And then the Architectural Review Board voted on it afterwards. And I resent the idea of people arguing with me-- affirming something that I'm creating. I didn't create this. This is all out of your paperwork.

The main reason I came down here tonight is because last week I was here and I asked two Town officials in this room in the afternoon, did, in fact, the Town Board, and I didn't have the documentation at that time, did, in fact, the Town Board approve the Blockbuster site before the Architectural Review Board approved the site? Both Town officials told me emphatically, yes. That the Architectural Review Board approved it first and then the Town Board voted and approved it afterwards. Not the way it happened. That's why I'm down here expressing my concern as to not only Blockbuster and what's going on there, which I don't know exactly what is going on, but it certainly does smell, and the future things that may happen to the Town of Riverhead.

I don't see why Town officials should stand in this room here and tell me something happened different than what it actually did. It gives an air that they are trying to cover something up. Thank you."

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

George Richard: "My name is George Richard. I am a visitor to your Town. Has any inquiries been made with Northrop Corp. to move some of their heavy duty, maybe, (inaudible) Manufacturing units to Calverton?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "On the contrary, they were at the-- Congressman Hockbruckner's information meeting last night. They are moving out of Calverton lock, stock, and barrel by December of '95. They are going to negotiate with the Navy as far as what to do with the property and the gentleman from Northrup said, who's from I guess corporate headquarters that they are even willing to disassemble all the buildings and move them off the property if that's what the Navy wishes to do. They are leaving as of December '95, out completely. No jobs. Nothing. They're gone."

Councilman Creighton: "Sir, to answer that question, Congressman Hochbrueckner met with the new corporate leadership of Grumman Nortrup and asked them that specific question, and said he was aware from his position on the Armed Services Committee, that there were places they were manufacturing in California where the cost of living and the cost of labor was higher than it is here. Therefore, he asked them to bring some of those projects to Calverton. And, as of last night as Vic pointed out, it appear that he was unsuccessful in getting them to do that."

George Richard: "My only comment or insight would be, pardon me, would be that a few years ago I was asked by a descendent of the one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence from New York, to do some research on some of these four men that signed the Declaration and maybe project what their will might be as we finish out the millennium I guess, and I remember being in East Hampton looking at William Floyd's will. And for what you may be able to do with this information, whether it is appropriate or not, but it is historically accurate, most of William Floyd's will mentions, oh, a house and a piece of land and a thousand dollars to his kids. But it does mention the surveyor's name. And the surveyor's name, not alluding too much to it, but the name of Joshua Northrup.

I was out in California many years ago and I ran into someone who was a consultant for some people from Washington and I was planning to live out there, places like Dana Point looked very attractive at the time. And they said, George, I'm going to tell you something. The silver screen is out west but the projection booth is back east. You go back to Long Island. Go back to Port Washington. Go back to Southampton. Go back to Riverhead. These people-- this is where it's all coming from. This is where the (inaudible) first came aboard.

So you have terrific power here. If you want to scale somebody back and say you open a Mom and Pop shop. You don't need to open what you do elsewhere. You want to be part of this city of refuge, which it was for the English settlers when they first came here. It looks to be it's becoming more of a city of refuge for these times. Anyway, I just wanted to make the comment. Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, sir. Bill?"

William Kasperovich: "William Kasperovich from Wading River. It seems like it's a long night tonight and a lot of emotions and thoughts have been stirred."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "George, please, we have a speaker at the podium."

William Kasperovich: "To me this name bothers me, Grangebél Park. Back in the early '80's the Town was trying to develop for appearances, for conditions, to mention but two, using minimum adequate construction. Trying to accomplish the most with the bottom lowest possible dollar.

This, I believe was done, a reasonably safe appearing park was accomplished. But what was put out of the picture was that when you build something cheap, you got cheap and you got high maintenance. This has held true for centuries. The maintenance along the Peconic River has just been practically non-existent. A touch here and there. Why? Because when you get close to water, your construction and maintenance becomes very costly.

And Riverhead Township did not want to face that. And this should not be forgotten that we continually try to patchwork, to patchwork, and forget how long does that patch exist? How long does that survive? How long before you have to throw more money into it just to keep in reasonable.

Now I could understand the emotions and the concern of the people that came here, but it took a fatality, it took a death, to bring them up here to these microphones. Taking-- discounting the presentation made here because of emotional emotions, you still have a gross hazard, a safety-- a danger that was not tucked away in a corner, was known by many people, and we did nothing. Shameful situation. Shameful in the sense that even now sections are not closed off. Sections are not barricaded.

We have studies forthcoming. Well, if anything exists in this Township that's dangerous and hazardous to public safety, it should be acted upon now. When we got a man in this building with the title of Public Safety Officer, I was elated, but we have not accomplished the right attitude towards public safety.

Now, I had to scratch my memory back to the late '70's and early

'80's and I have reviewed some of these areas of construction because I have a natural curiosity about how long things last or how good is good in construction. And we got-- we accomplished what we wanted to for that point in time. But here, a decade has gone by, and we are still turning away from it.

Let me go back to construction. I've been up here many times for two decades complaining about Building Department approvals. I have opposed partial approvals the best I could. Partial approvals always lead to no good. Always comes to a disastrous end for the public. Building with partial approvals starting from excavating without plans is something I've lived through for 50 years. And I've seen what it does. And we practice it here.

Partial approvals in plans should not be permitted. Developers always like to make detailed drawings such that when things don't go their way, they can show somehow that they have a vested interest in architects and engineers and developers' costs and fees and commissions. So that they can show that they spent money and yet to hold to a simple schematic type of presentation that can be accomplished cheaply to show what the intent of the owner is, is not what we look for.

We've got enough people now to look but I don't know that they see the whole picture."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Bill, if I could ask you to summation your remarks. There are other people that wish to speak tonight?"

William Kasperovich: "Well, I guess if I had a video store, you'd let me stay here for half an hour, but that's all right, too. The priorities of values to the people that live here in Riverhead cannot all be with a denominator of dollars and money. We have people here and people constitute Riverhead. Not the merchants, the peddlars, the corporate stiff shirts that come in, and the more people we put in Riverhead, the more sophisticated people were employed-- had been employed by the developers that come in looking to do something in Riverhead.

Let me not pursue this, but, well, that shows I'm talking too much. Brought to the attention of the people that we have such a bureau called the Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals have been in my mind since day one of zoning in Riverhead. The Town zoned my home as Residence B

when it was physically impossible to hold Zone B. The Town Board's answer to that was that the Board of Appeals will resolve the differences that come up. And the differences have been many. However, it starts in the Building Department before it goes to the Board of Appeals. And if the Building Department doesn't know what they're doing or doesn't pay any attention, it never gets to the Board of Appeals. And for the public, the Board of Appeals is the only place that they can get to. Consequently, the picture that should have been shown here tonight, is that where we start and how the steps are taken in progress that all we have accomplished with more people is difficulties to keep focus on what Riverhead is and how the people want to live here. I think that will be enough for tonight. Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Bill. I am going to call a five minute recess. The Town Clerk has to get some more tapes for her recording machine, so we will resume in five minutes."

Recess - 9:27 p.m.

Meeting resumed - 9:32 p.m.

Alice Graff: "My name is Alice Graff, Riverhead. We talk about D-Day and the importance of World War II. I think it should be noted that in this Town we have a man who did get an award from Rensselaer College but didn't go, in place his brother went. And his brother worked on the Manhattan project. I believe that had the other gentleman gone, he would been the man who worked and this man that worked on the Manhattan project is John Schmelzer. It would have been George Schmelzer had he gone to college. I think that's a historic importance to this Town."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you very much. Steve, let me get Steve. I told Steve I'd call him back to finish up. If you could make it as brief as possible, Steve. We've got some more speakers still to come. It's their second turn around, so it's your first at bat."

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. Back up for the second time. Part 2 to finish my part about the Suffolk-- about the Peconic County. I know that Gov. Cuomo as long as he's in, he'll never issue an executive order to put Peconic County out in the five east towns. And don't put it up for a vote to the people because western

Suffolk, they don't want all that bulldoggle up there on them. So at the same time, I'm going to strongly recommend that we won't get nowhere without a study. Now, if Lee Koppelman can throw away \$486,000 and nothing is going to come of it, then I'm going to strongly recommend that you go along with the other towns and put up the \$11,000 and let's make a study and get a Peconic County. Because it's getting to the point like all these people have been saying here tonight. It's getting to the point to where government is costing and I know you don't want to hear me blow my horn, but Alice talked about D-Day. I was there on D-Day. I'm lucky to be standing up here tonight and talking. And it gave me hope-- the right to freedom of speech. So I'm for giving the Peconic County study.

Now, as I close, when you cut me-- sorry, I was going to say you cut me off when my five minutes was up-- this here county legislature, they haven't done nothing for us except they take everything from us and add on burdens. This \$100 for taxes because people are late. People are late because it's tough times, but with them guys sitting over there, it's come easy and go easy. So let's make a study, let's recommend, I'm going to recommend that we go and spend the money with these other towns and get a study and as the guys were saying from the Blockbuster, let's keep this rural east end towns free and countrified.

And now, quick to sum it up, on your Resolution 367, on the 17th of May, I made a follow up on this two plus two. All this boils down to is because we've got too many (inaudible) over there in that county with these legislators that want to spend money so damn fast, they want to get it in two more times in a year, instead of the two times they are getting it. So if they can't manage with the budget-- if I'm working on a month's pay, I can't go running back to my boss and say, hey boss, I ran out. Give me another two weeks. It don't work. So let them live with what they're getting now. And I am informed our Assembly lady that she's going to go along with this, I want to get a hearing on it, and I think the people should be able to.

Now, that Route 58 divider that's up there by Tangers, I'll tell you one thing what that thing has done and what it's good for, it has kept all those people from coming down off of the exit and pushing us into the fence because they are a little too lazy to put on the brakes and they don't want to slow up and we got to get over there to that fence down there and move over for them. Well, that stopped that.

And, Jim, I'm glad to see you show up at our blood drive and I want to inform, 52 pints we made. And I appreciate you gave me the opportunity to speak. Thank you very much."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "You are welcome, Steve. Michael?"

Michael Melcash: "It's been a long night and I'll be very brief here right now. I just want to sum a couple of things up that we spoke about tonight. I hope we made a point as far as Blockbuster and some of the different merchants. If not, there were an awful lot of customers of ours that also could have been here and have voiced their opinions and everything."

I have-- my feeling is that if you had a vote tomorrow on the site plan for Blockbuster, I think that more people would have voted against it. And if there's anything that can be done at this point, you could all come out smelling like a rose as far as stopping Blockbuster and I really think between the Councilmen up there, the attorney, and all the other officials, you know what the paperwork is like, what the politics is like. I'm sure that there's still loopholes that are in there and in your next executive session or meeting or somewhere along the way, throw a couple of roadblocks in front of them and you will be surprised how quick they find a different location. Thank you very much."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, Michael. George, brief please, George."

George Schmelzer: "Can't walk good. About this Peconic County, about 30 years ago Perry Duryea, he, oh yeah, he's going to help, he didn't care for it anyway. Was only a farce. Now we have this County Legislature, we have nothing to say here. I suggested one time they keep the County Board, they vote twice, once as a Senate, the other time in proportion to representation. Oh, they can't do that. So we got what we got."

The County of Suffolk has bought vast areas of land in the eastern towns, so if we separate, we got to buy that from them. With our population, we're going to buy that? And so maybe you can get the four western towns, Smithtown, Huntington, Babylon and Islip to make their own county. Maybe that would work. Of course, if they do that, Brookhaven will still be the boss anyhow, so I don't think there's much hope."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Make Brookhaven their own county."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah, they don't want to make their own county because they're big enough and what can you do, so, I think that it's an impractical issue at this stage because the county Legislators that we've had are not better than the others. They're a bunch of moochers including the one we got now. And he was before. They are all alike, I don't see any difference between any of them. So that's the problem that we have. And, so, that's about it. And, sorry, that's the way I feel about it and you can act accordingly. If you think it does any good, spend your money. If you don't think so, don't spend it. You could spend your money on Grangebelle Park instead. Yeah."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you, George."

George Schmelzer: "Okay, thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Rick?"

Rick Hanley: "Rick Hanley, Planning Director. Just a couple of comments on the record for Blockbuster. There was an implication made that there was some short circuiting of a process here relative to the ARB on this petition. Just for the record, I'd like to make clear that it's the job of the ARB to make recommendations on elevations of buildings through the site plan process."

The ARB in April sent to the applicant under my signature a listing of all the comments that they had on the elevations of the structure. Each one of those elevations or comments was offered by the applicant at a work session of this Board to be included in the site plan, i.e., all recommendations of the ARB were consistent and included in the site plan resolution of the Town Board.

Secondly, with regard to the question about Mr. Ford. In 1989, the original site plan approval of (inaudible) which is the developer here, required a cross easement. Mr. Ford came in as franchisee in order to negotiate that easement away. Vic's attendance at that meeting was to ensure that that easement would be in place and to find a way to do it.

There is no question that the easement was necessary for proper site plan review in terms of safety on the site and safety on Route 58.

Thank you."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. Anybody else wishing to address the Board. If not, we will take up the Resolutions. Oh, I'm sorry. Didn't see you hiding over there in the corner."

Carla D'Esposito: "Carla D'Esposito, again, Flanders. I'm just coming up to-- so that I can be a little bit more educated in understanding for myself and to reiterate some of my points because I don't know how much that I say is officially-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "It's all on the tape."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It's all official."

Carla D'Esposito: "And that if I request that you make any sort of resolutions or pass any laws tonight, that my request can be honored. That you-- if I requested that you pass a law right now, right after I get off the mike-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It would have to go through a process of a public hearing to pass laws, the whole bureaucratic system."

Carla D'Esposito: "Oh, you would have to put the notices in the paper."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "That is absolutely correct."

Carla D'Esposito: "You see now, that's-- this gentleman here-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "That's government at its best."

Carla D'Esposito: "What was this man's name, Phil? Kasper-- "

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Kasperovich."

Carla D'Esposito: "Kasperovich. He was saying that priorities are the values held by the people who live here must be put in proper order, that's a little bit of a paraphrase. He's talking about partial improvements are no good. I think that that's true. Full presentations and activities are good, but if it takes along time for it to be formulized and manifested, that's what stinks. That's why I would love

to approach you right now and ask that you do pass a law, instantly, with your own intelligence for the good of all the Town. The Town-- a public hearing could be with whoever is here now. Your arms are tied behind you. You have to do a newspaper, that is terrible. Because that means that locker compartments couldn't be put up in 24 hours or 36 hours or in two, three or four days."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "No. That's not what you asked us. You asked us if we could pass a law tonight. And we are governed by the laws that anytime that you pass a law, an ordinance, or a code, that you must call for a public hearing, advertise it for two weeks, have a public hearing so that the general public may comment on that particular change, and then after-- "

Carla D'Esposito: "Well, not change, maybe an addition."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Then after the conclusion of that public hearing like we had earlier tonight, then this Board could act."

Carla D'Esposito: "Then what's a resolution?"

Councilwoman Gilliam: "I think the concerns that you raised can be addressed in the form of a resolution that can be brought from the floor tonight. For example-- "

Carla D'Esposito: "The floor is us?"

Councilwoman Gilliam: "No. When I say from the floor, it's a resolution that's not formally included in the package of resolutions to be voted on by the Board tonight. That it's not a written resolution at this time. That is something that is introduced verbally by one of the Councilpersons."

Carla D'Esposito: "So, if I requested one of you Councilmen to reiterate the sentence I have here and-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "We will consider it, ma'am."

Carla D'Esposito: "Right. If I requested it and you consider it and says, yes, thumbs up for it, and then you offer it all and then you all yeah it, it is so resolved? No? I don't know any of this process. Anyway, well, can I read this off and for what's it worth. What I

wanted to ask is that a two phase process be instituted for these locker-- these wooden locker units. They cost pennies to build. You can go down to, where is it, Riverhead Lumber, they got scrap piles, get the wood for free. For Pete's sakes. Doesn't cost anything to build these little things, 12 by 12.

What I-- I might be using the wrong terminology, so bear with me if I say law, I might mean resolution, whatever. You put the right terminology in. What I wanted to ask, could a law-- what I do want is that you pass a law that requires all Riverhead police personnel this night, I want you to pass this law that requires all Riverhead police personnel to know competently how to swim as a prerequisite to being hired. Two, this night also resolve to direct the Building and Grounds Department to come up with a wooden locker compartment plan within 24 to 48 hours. Three, approach Woodshop classes in Riverhead High School to construct one-half to one dozen six to 12 wooden locker unit compartments immediately. If not, do it in the summer school sessions. But, I would like to see it before summer school comes in and regular school is dismissed. Four, place wooden life rope locker compartments around waterside park immediately after construction. At the same time, pass a law to have police check the locker contents daily to make sure that the life rope and the preserver is in preparatory order and further pass another law to make it illegal for citizens to touch rope and preserve unnecessarily.

And then the second phase would be design and install a cement locker compartment that wooden locker compartment can be mounted upon that will give police personnel a safe lockable place to place his gun holster, whatever else.

And, I want to know your process to know how expediently-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "We'll consider it."

Carla D'Esposito: "-- this can be created."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "I'd just like to address your concerns that you mentioned. Some of those issues involve enactment of local laws to either amend or change existing laws or policies within the Town and those require the notice period. As I said before, other action can be taken in the form of a resolution, for example, there can be a resolution or a commitment from the Board to take into

consideration the issues that have been presented by yourself and others who have spoken this evening and to work with Buildings and Grounds and the engineering firm that has been mentioned tonight as having volunteered to work on this, and to have some identified course of action in terms of addressing immediate concerns and we have a special Board meeting coming up on Friday morning. Perhaps the Board can between now and Friday, we can have Buildings and Grounds start working on this with the engineering firm and have some preliminary report for the Board members for Friday when we have our special Board meeting."

Carla D'Esposito: "I don't know if that satisfies what I am actually trying to ask."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Well."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Excuse me. Hold on. Stop right now. Stop. We're not prepared to vote on this tonight. It involves an expenditure of money. We want to see a plan from the engineers. Harriet is correct. We have some time before the next Board meeting on Friday. We'll take everything you said under consideration. We want to make it nice in the park and safe. And I think that's about all we are going to say tonight."

Carla D'Esposito: "One other thing then. Does anybody-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Besides, we have-- excuse me, ma'am. Besides, we have a cloud of litigation hanging over us, which is not an-- "

Carla D'Esposito: "Well, I'm-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, I'm sorry."

Carla D'Esposito: "I'm not talking about that."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, I am and I'll tell you why. You live in the Town of Southampton. We live in Riverhead and unfortunately the litigation is not coming from the Town Board. We are about to be served and we don't know what the scope of that lawsuit is right now. So what I'm going to say to you is that we'll take that into executive session, and Harriet is correct. We'll try to get some things going."

Carla D'Esposito: "You hit a word-- that's what I was thinking. Is there anybody sitting up there now that has any sort of power like, you know, the President of the United States, who can make an executive order that we will just do this now because it is for the good of the people, we have just-- we know this in our own knowledge. And then we'll go through regular process and we'll-- "

Councilman Prusinowski: "You don't seem to understand. You know something? Please, we are going to take it under consideration. We are going to fix-- we have fixed the park."

Carla D'Esposito: "Yes. I enjoy the front of it. I like the tables, and checkerboards, backgammon. That's good."

Councilman Prusinowski: "And the safety concerns are real issues and we have a logical process to follow here on spending money and getting it done."

Carla D'Esposito: "Okay. Then the last thing I want to say is--"

Councilman Prusinowski: "By the way, the Board has to authorize all these things."

Carla D'Esposito: "Okay. Then the last thing I want to say, may I leave these with you?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "Sure. We'll make it part of the record."

Carla D'Esposito: "Okay. And just to reiterate what Bill Kasperovich said, why is not the dangerous part of the park cordoned off? I think it should be. Thanks."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Thank you. If there are no other speakers, let us take up the resolutions."

Resolution #377

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes Town Clerk to publish and post a public notice. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #378

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Order calling a Public Hearing in accordance with Section 202-b of the Town Law reference rehabilitation and painting of Route 58 water tank. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #379

Councilman Creighton: "This ratifies the publication of help wanted ad for lifeguard for the Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #380

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Establish redemption fee of \$25 of impounded dogs. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #381

Councilman Prusinowski: "Extends contract for Grainger bid. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #382

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice of Public Hearing for an amendment to the Building Construction Code of the Town of Riverhead, Chapter 52. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #383

Councilman Creighton: "This authorizes the publication of a bid for copy paper. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #384

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorization to publish bid for homogenized milk. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #385

Councilman Prusinowski: "Declares lead agency and determines environmental significance of change of zone petition. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #386

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "If the Board has no objection, I'll move 386 through 391 which is summer appointments to our Recreation Department."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolutions are adopted.

Resolution #392

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorization to publish bid for janitorial supplies."

Councilman Creighton: "So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark,

yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #393

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorization to publish bid. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark,
yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #394

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Appoints Automotive Equipment Operator to the Town of Riverhead Highway Department in the name of Mark Griffin. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark,
yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #395

Councilman Creighton: "This appoints William Fink, Automotive Equipment Operator to the Highway Department. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark,
yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #396

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Appoints a 90 day temp in the name of Robert Hubbard to the Sanitation Department. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #397

Councilman Prusinowski: "Declares lead agency and determines environmental significance to amend the Zoning Map. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #398

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Supports application of the Riverhead Trolley Corporation. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #399

Councilman Creighton: "This awards bids for the first aid supplies. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #400

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post the annual financial report of the Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #401

Councilman Prusinowski: "Amends Resolution 363. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #402

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Accepts amendments to the Water Conservation Plan. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #403

Councilman Creighton: "This releases the bond of Reg Tuthill Funeral Home, Inc. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #404

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Awards bid for the renovation and improvements to the existing pump stations located at Cranberry Street, Howell Avenue, East Main Street, Elton Street and the DeFriest station on Route 25. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #405

Councilman Prusinowski: "Approves application of Sweezys Department Store. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #406

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Resolution for the acquisition of four properties from Suffolk County for Home Program. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #407

Councilman Creighton: "This declares lead agency and determines significance of action John Calabrese, special permit and site plan application. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #408

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice to bidders for installation of water mains for Ext. 14A - Rollin Hargis Mobile Home Park. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #409

Councilman Prusinowski: "Appoints Account Clerk Typist to the Accounting Department. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #410

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for bids, construction of Pump Station No. 7-3, Riverhead Water District."

So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #411

Councilman Creighton: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute contract with County of Suffolk regarding the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage generated by County owned property in Riverhead. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #412

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Approves application of Riverhead Merchants Association for street fairs. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #413

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for the position of Town Board Coordinator. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #415

Councilman Creighton: "Extends the contract for office supplies, furniture and equipment. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #416

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute agreement between Riverhead Business Improvement District Management Association, Inc. and CME Network, Inc. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #417

Councilman Prusinowski: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute agreement between the Town of Riverhead and Maguire Group. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #418

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Awards bid for snack vendor for the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #419

Councilman Creighton: "This authorizes the issuance of \$100,000 serial bonds for the increase and improvement in the Riverhead Lighting District. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #420

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Authorizes the issuance of \$100,000 serialbonds for the cost of increase and improvements to the facilities of the Street Lighting District in the Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #421

Councilman Prusinowski: "Appoints members to the Town of Riverhead Comprehensive Economic Development Task Force. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #422

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "It's a budget adjustment in the Ambulance Equipment Fund. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #423

Councilman Creighton: "This is a General Fund budget transfer. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #424

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Refuse and Garbage budget adoption. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #425

Councilman Prusinowski: "We are buying a truck for the Lighting District and creating a budget. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #426

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Town of Riverhead-- this is a Resolution in which states the Town of Riverhead's position relative to economic redevelopment of the U.S. Navy property at Grumman. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "A motion to pay the bills."

Councilman Prusinowski: "So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "The Chair recognizes Councilman Creighton."

Councilman Creighton: "Which one do you want to do first?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "Well, I got the intern and the economic -- the budget for the Task Force, so you can do the other one, Frank."

What are we up to?"

Resolution #429

Councilman Creighton: "This appoints Town representation to the Peconic Estuary Program. The Town needs to participate vigorously in this program which is involved in cleaning up, restoring and establishing guidelines for Peconic Bay and River Estuary system. This Resolution appoints the Town Planning Director, Richard Hanley, as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee and also appoints Ken Testa, the Town Engineer, as the alternate for Mr. Hanley. This is so that we can put our best foot forward. So moved."

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, no. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #430

Councilman Prusinowski: "Establishes the Comprehensive Economic Development Task Force budget. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #431

Councilman Prusinowski: "Appoints a summer intern to assist the Economic Development Task Force and that will be from July 5th through August 26th, to come out of this budget. So moved."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Resolution #432

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Establishes liaison to the Parking District. So moved."

Councilman Creighton: "And seconded."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. Resolution is adopted.

Councilwoman Gilliam: "Mr. Chairman, I would like to move a Resolution from the floor that the Buildings and Grounds Department and the Town Engineer be directed to examine the issues that have been raised regarding the Grangebél Park situation and that they report back to the Board by the end of this week as to their recommendations as to those items which need to be addressed immediately. So moved."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'll second it."

Councilman Creighton: "And I would like to offer an amendment to add the Town Attorney to that Task Force in view of the litigation that's under way and the implications for OSHA and other liabilities concerning the Town. So moved on the amendment."

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'll second it with that amendment."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Gentlemen, ladies and gentlemen, let's get some parliamentary procedure here. There is a motion on the floor by Councilwoman Gilliam that has been moved and seconded. You are now making a motion to amend her motion?"

Councilman Creighton: "Yes."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Have you moved that?"

Councilman Creighton: "Yes?"

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Have you got it in writing or have you

got it down what he said?"

Barbara Grattan: "No, I don't. I have it on tape."

Councilman Creighton: "I'm adding the Town Attorney to it."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Is the Town Attorney in any way in a conflict of interest on that? Is there a second to the amendment?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I'll second the amendment."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "All right."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Moved and seconded on the amendment."

Barbara Grattan: "On the amendment."

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Would the Clerk read-- call the roll on the amendment?"

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. The amendment is adopted.

Councilman Creighton: "It's not over yet. One more vote."

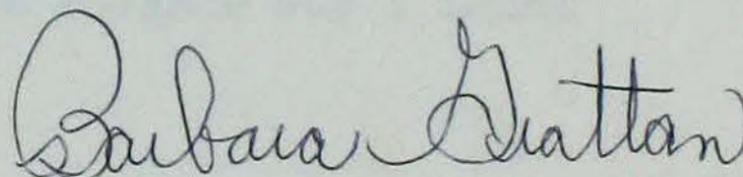
Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Ma'am, please."

Would the Clerk now call the roll on the Resolution as amended?"

The Vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes. This Resolution is adopted.

Deputy Supervisor Stark: "Without nothing further, this Meeting is adjourned."

Meeting adjourned: 10:10 P.M.



Town Clerk