

**SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 31, 2000**

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COUNCILMAN DENSIESKI

offered the following resolution,

which was seconded by **COUNCILMAN MONARDY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Riverhead has completed Phase I of the Peconic River Bulkhead and Walkway Improvements at a total cost of \$1.2 million including \$200,000 from New York State and a \$1 million bond issuance by the Town of Riverhead; and

WHEREAS, the improvements have addressed safety problems, have mitigated stormwater runoff into the Peconic Estuary, and provide enjoyment to residents and visitors for passive and active recreation, including fishing, boating and walking along the waterfront; and

WHEREAS, the condition of the remaining bulkhead and walkway is severely deteriorated and requires improvements for the safe use of pedestrians and boaters; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Riverhead in cooperation with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has determined that continuation of the Peconic River Walkway and Bulkhead Replacement Project is critical to preserving the use of public lands for recreational uses and to ensuring public safety along the Peconic River; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project has been designed and engineered and will be initiated promptly upon award of a grant and provision of a Project Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that the proposed public improvements require the allocation of local funds to ensure safe, public access to the waterfront for recreational purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to provide the required matching funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in order to complete this important project.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor of the Town of Riverhead is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for grant funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in accordance with the Provisions of the Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 and Title 3 of the Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement with the State of New York for such financial assistance to the Town of Riverhead for the "Peconic River Walkway and Bulkhead Replacement Project."

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall provide a certified copy of this resolution to Town Engineer Kenneth Testa, the Accounting Department Community Development Director Andrea Lohneiss.

THE VOTE
Densieski Yes No Cardinale Yes No
Kent Yes No Lull Yes No
Kozakiewicz Yes No

THE RESOLUTION WAS