

Minutes of the Town of Riverhead Board meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 200 p.m.

PRESENT:

Sean Walter	Supervisor
John Dunleavy	Councilman
James Wooten	Councilman
George Gabrielsen	Councilman
Jodi Giglio	Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT:

Diane Wilhelm	Town Clerk
Anne Marie Prudenti	Deputy Town Attorney

The meeting was officially opened at 2:00 p.m. by Supervisor Walter with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an Invocation given by Reverend Sean B. Murray from the First Congregational Church of Riverhead.

Supervisor Walter, on behalf of the Town Board and the residents of Riverhead presented Harriet Haas with a proclamation as she celebrates her seventy-fifth birthday. The audience and the Board sang and wished a very happy birthday to Harriet.

Supervisor Walter, on behalf of the Town Board presented Michael Reichel, Sewage District Superintendent for the Calverton and Riverhead Sewage Treatment Plants with a Town Proclamation. The Supervisor stated that Michael is a strong advocate for the environment often campaigning for numerous improvements to the environment and the waterways of Riverhead. Among other things Michael worked on both upgrades to the Sewage Treatment Plants and the new upgrade that will reduce nitrates in the Peconic River. Michael also won a very prestigious award from the EPA. Supervisor Walter thanked Michael for his outstanding work and his concerns for the environment stating he is one of the best department heads Riverhead has.

Michael thanked the Town Board for their ongoing support on all the improvements that have been made and also thanked all the employees who work at the Sewage District stating without them nothing could get done.

Councilman Dunleavy made a motion, which was seconded by Councilman Gabrielsen that the minutes from the April 21, 2015 Town Board Meeting be approved. Minutes were approved.

REPORTS

- Tax Receiver - Total Tax Collection to date as of April 8, 2015 - \$74,421,687.09
- Tax Receiver - Total Tax Collection to date as of April 21, 2015 - \$75,181,205.63
- Town Clerk - Monthly Report for April - \$8,661.96
- Water District – 2014 Annual Water Quality Report/Consumer Confidence Report and Supplemental Data Package

- Town of Riverhead Annual Financial Report 2014

APPLICATIONS
(Pending Town Board Approval)

Special Events

- First Baptist Church – Health Wellness & Fitness Fair – May 30, 2015
- Cystic Fibrosis Foundation “CF Cycle for Life” – October 3, 2015
- Wading River/Shoreham – Annual Duck Pond Day – June 7, 2015
- Starfish Junction Productions – North Fork Craft Beer Festival – August 8, 2015
- Jamesport Firemen’s Association – Annual Firemen’s Carnival – July 7-11, 2015
- Long Island Abate – Annual Veterans Appreciation Run – June 14, 2015

CORRESPONDENCE

- 12 letters expressing opposition and/or concern as to the Proposed Special Permit Application of URT
- Frank Densieski – letter recognizing the benefit of the Proposed Special Permit Application of URT
- John Catsimatidis, United Riverhead Terminal Inc. – letter withdrawing the Special Permit Application of URT
- Jeffrey Charles – letter of support for the J. Kings project on Sound Avenue

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Dunleavy stated that on June 14th there will be a dinner in honor of the Veterans at Polish Hall. The cost is \$23.00 for a steak dinner. The proceeds will benefit the programs established to help returning Veterans.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Supervisor Walter: “We have four public hearings today. The first one was scheduled for 2:05 and this is the Consideration of a Proposed Local Law to Amend Chapter 45 Entitled “Alarm Systems” of the Riverhead Town Code. Dan McCormick would you like to step up? We’re going to open up that public hearing. It is now 2:15 and we’ll open up the public hearing and Dan if you could just give us a few words about this public hearing.”

Dan McCormick: “Yes Mr. Supervisor. Good afternoon respective Town Board members. This particular Code provision involves disbursement of fine monies or charge monies collected concerning our false alarm program. By way of Town Board enactment in previous Resolution the Town Board enacted a statute that permits a seventy/thirty split. That is of the fine money collected seventy percent would go to the respective fire districts that are serving in the Town of Riverhead and thirty percent would be retained by the Town of Riverhead regarding our own administrative costs.

So this particular Code provision would resend that particular split, maintain the money within the Town of Riverhead to be used pursuant to various functions within the Town.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Could I ask you one question? Have we got any reports of false alarms from any of the fire departments? This is active for what two and a half years now?”

Dan McCormick: “Yes. As previously stated the only reports that we have ever received to date were from our brethren here within the Riverhead Fire District and that was in June of 2013. Those were three separate reports. All three involved though were exempt entities to my understanding; that is folks or entities not chargeable under the Town Code provisions by way of being either a not for profit or an educational institution which was the case with respect to those three charges.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Thank you.”

Supervisor Walter: “Does anybody else wish to be heard on this subject? Yes, step up to the microphone and state your name and affiliation for the record.”

Michael Harrigan: “Good afternoon everyone. Michael Harrigan, Chairman of the Wading River Fire District. Thank you again to the Town Board, Councilman Dunleavy and Deputy Supervisor Joe Lewis for attending our Board meeting this past Monday. Some very good dialogue was brought up regarding this Code and I think as a district we still are in favor of the continuance of the seventy/thirty provision. We recognize the support that Riverhead Fire District has promoted on behalf of their district for the position. We’re still in favor of the funding for an additional Fire Marshall. We expressed that to Councilman Dunleavy and the Deputy Supervisor.

I think one of the important points is that we may not have very well filed reports or false alarm request or reimbursement and I think that it maybe was a misconception or misunderstanding of the Code and the proper paperwork to be filed and I think the conversation was more in the line of, well if entities, business entities or corporate entities within the fire district for Wading River were being fined or there was a disconnect we never received any type of documentation or wondering on behalf of the Town Board why we never even filed a false alarm report or however it’s clarified so I think there’s somewhat fault on the Fire District for not keeping up with it but I think it’s also a shared responsibility as well that we were never notified as well from the Town as to, well maybe this misinformation isn’t being brought out more thoroughly or transparently. So in summation we recognize the efforts by the Riverhead Fire District and we respect their contribution and their decision but we would like to actually still have active dialogue and continued dialogue with the Town Board as we all go through the same process to codify or change the code.”

Supervisor Walter: “Commissioner Harrigan what I would offer and I’ve offered this to many Chiefs in the Fire Districts, we meet every Thursday, almost every Thursday, once in a while if there’s a fifth Thursday in the month we won’t meet but you guys are always welcome to come. If there’s anything on your mind just call the Deputy Supervisor and you’re welcome to come here.

It's difficult for us to come to a meeting as a Town Board because then it has to be a duly run public meeting."

Michael Harrigan: "I understand."

Supervisor Walter: "But if you don't have a majority of the Commissioners coming here; you would have the same issue so it's not a majority but we do meet every week and I think the Town Board is committed to taking this money. It would not be a lock box, it's a general fund expense but if we, you have my word and I think you have the Board members word, that the money if we go forward with this will go to hire a Fire Inspector or Fire Marshall. We did advertise Fire Inspector and it's actually a very good reason for doing this and some people didn't like it but there's; there's not a list so I think we had twenty applications so that gives us a real good, hopefully a real good crop of candidates so."

Michael Harrigan: "As you're already aware and that's probably the Civil Service Code also defines the work duties or the duties of that respective position and we feel as a District that a Fire Marshall would provide better services to the entire Town and our Fire District as well."

Supervisor Walter: "Eventually that Fire Inspector probably would get promoted to Fire Marshall. I mean that's just the way things work but."

Michael Harrigan: "I appreciate again the open dialogue and I hope that we can continue moving forward on both ends. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you. Anyone else wish?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Excuse me, Dan didn't you speak before the Chiefs Council?"

Dan McCormick: "Yes, (inaudible)."

Supervisor Walter: "That's ok, go ahead Steve."

Steve Romano: "Good afternoon, Steve Romano. I'm a little confused by the Fire Code Alarm Law. I thought that basically what was generating or what generated the intent of the law is that the Town Police Department was visiting four thousand or more false alarm calls per year and that the intent of the law was if we can get people to make sure that there are no false alarm that should drop significantly and the Town would save money on their police expenditure. Where does the Fire District have any expense? I'm not sure, they might, that's why I'm just asking a question. I don't know where their expense is. If a call comes in the Police Department goes and then if there's a fire they call the local Fire Department?"

Supervisor Walter: "It was to cut back on the fire calls. Commissioner Hamil is speaking next. He might be able to speak more on behalf of the Riverhead Police District, Fire District, but it's both to try to reduce the 911 calls to the Police Department and the Fire Department of these repetitive calls where people just chose not to fix their alarm system so it has worked, there's been a decrease in repetitive calls but it was both Fire District and Police District."

Councilman Wooten: “Right whether it be a burglar alarm or a fire alarm.”

Steve Romano: “So, but in reality if the law is successful the amount of fines you would receive eventually should drop to zero.”

Supervisor Walter: “That’s correct.”

Steve Romano: “Ok so there would be no money either coming into the Town. I know that’s not going to happen but I think I asked this a while back and being our Attorney is here if the; at the start of the law there was over four thousand calls where are we now that we enacted the law? I know we collect the money but are we at three thousand, twenty-five hundred?”

Supervisor Walter: “Dan I don’t know. Do you know where we are in false alarm calls?”

Dan McCormick: “No I wouldn’t know (inaudible)”

Supervisor Walter: “Alright. Dan McCormick can get us the number?”

Steve Roman: “Well, that’s the point, it goes back to accountability. You create a law and the idea of the law is to have some success. If Dan comes back to you and says we still have four thousand calls other than the fact that we’re getting fines maybe the law has to be looked at again; maybe a better way to reduce it.”

Supervisor Walter: “I know the numbers have gone down I just don’t know by what.”

Steve Romano: “Significantly or?”

Supervisor Walter: “I think fairly significantly.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I think Commissioner Hamil can tell you what the Riverhead Fire Department numbers have gone down when he talks after you. But anyway the problem we’re having now is collecting the fines. Nobody wants to pay us so, and now we’re starting to make a little progress in collecting them so that’s one of our problems.”

Dennis Hamil: “Hi folks, how are you doing?”

Supervisor Walter: “Commissioner Hamil if you could state your name and affiliation for the record that would be great.”

Dennis Hamil: “My name is Dennis Hamil, Fire Commissioner of Riverhead Fire District.”

Supervisor Walter: “Welcome Sir.”

Dennis Hamil: “Now to put some of this stuff to sleep. This law was made, voted on, on February 2, 2011; went into effect six months to a year later. Now since then Chief of Police Lt.

Peeker created forms. They were given out at the Council meetings, they were given at the District meetings. They were given at the Chiefs meetings. I don't understand why some Districts didn't receive or understand how to do it. You have two gentlemen here, right there there's one and the other gentleman is sitting right behind him who went to both meetings all the time explained it. This gentleman right here made the form out so it could be reported. That takes care of one problem."

Councilman Dunleavy: "The Chief of Police."

Dennis Hamil: "Yes the Chief of Police. Now another problem we respond to eight hundred alarms, automatic alarms a year. By law when we're activated we have to respond. It's no calling up and saying hello, I'm sorry don't come. We have to go, it's the law. I think that answers this gentleman's question right here. Now to determine that when they receive alarms in the Police Department and the Fire Department respond to an alarm if it's a hot dog on the stove burning that's a good alarm. That's how the system works, that's a good alarm. Now if they go to other areas where detectors are faulty, not working correctly malfunction, now that's a false alarm that's the one they get fined for. We respond to, since then over three thousand alarms the last four or five years alone. Now I don't understand we've been doing this for two or three years going back and forth at Chiefs Councils, District Councils discussing matters and we can't seem to get together on something so here we are together finally after many years of tugging you have your work to do we have our work to do. I'd like to see put to bed get your Fire Marshall get your Fire Inspector. The Riverhead Fire District is behind it one hundred percent and if the other districts don't want to go along with it that's up to them. First of all they have to file the paperwork to make the decision to do that. Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you Commissioner Hamil. Would anybody else like to be heard on this subject? Not seeing anybody I'll close the public portion and leave it open for written comment until May 15th in the Town Clerk's office."

**Public Hearing Closed at 2:30 p.m.
Left Open for Written Comment until May 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

Supervisor Walter: "The second public hearing was also scheduled for 2:05 and it is now 2:30. I'm going to open up the public hearing for a Consideration of a Proposed Local Law to Amend Chapter 108 Entitled "Zoning" of the Riverhead Town Code Article XV. Supplementary Area Regulations (108-67.1 Merger of Lots)."

Anne Marie Prudenti: "This is simply a clerical correction changing the existing word "termed" to "deemed". So it's not changing the intent, the meaning or the application Section 108-67.1."

Councilman Dunleavy: "It's just clarifying."

Councilman Wooten: "It's actually clarifying it."

Supervisor Walter: “I wouldn’t be surprised if that wasn’t a mistake when it went up to State.”

Anne Marie Prudenti: “Exactly.”

Supervisor Walter: “Does anybody wish to be heard on this matter? Alright, not seeing anybody I’ll close the public comment portion and leave it open for written comment until May 15th.”

**Public Hearing Closed at 2:30 p.m.
Left Open for Written Comment until May 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

Supervisor Walter: “The third public hearing is scheduled for 2:10. It is now 2:30 still. This is a Consideration of a Proposed Local Law to Add Chapter 2, Entitled “Agricultural Advisory Committee, to the Riverhead Town Code. George this is yours.”

George Gabrielsen: “Yeah, the Ag Advisory Committee (inaudible) legislation. Basically we’re codifying the formation of the AG Advisory Committee. It talks about the membership and the terms of office. As far as the powers of duties I think there are four major components in that and basically the first they would have the ability to review all agriculture related site plan applications and subdivisions. You’ve got to understand it’s an advisory capacity only, this would just be recommendations only. The other one would be a review of a proposed zoning change in agricultural zoning districts. The third one would be review local, county, state and federal legislation affecting agricultural issues and communicate the effect to the appropriate Board or the Town Board and pretty much they would serve as a vehicle for communication between the agricultural community and the Town Board.”

Supervisor Walter: “Perfect, thank you. Does anybody wish to be heard on this public hearing? Alright George, thank you for your hard work on this. This is a long time in coming to.”

Councilman Wooten: “We already have an Ag Advisory Committee but (inaudible) site plan.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “But also give Site Plan Review.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Just advisory, ok.”

Supervisor Walter: “Perfect. So we’ll close this public hearing comment portion and leave it open for written comment till May 15th, 4:30 in the Town Clerk’s office.”

**Public Hearing Closed at 2:32 p.m.
Left Open for Written Comment Until May 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

Supervisor Walter: “The fourth public hearing is scheduled for 2:15. It is now 2:31. This is the Consideration of a Proposed Local Law to Amend Chapter 58 “Dogs” of the Riverhead Town Code, Article II, Outdoor Restraint of Pets and we open that public hearing and Jim I think this is yours.”

Councilman Wooten: “Yeah this is just one that actually I was approached by RSVP which is a local 51C3 that goes out to local people houses and helps with their dogs. A lot of times they see dogs that are undernourished, that are tethered by a chain that’s not fit for the size dog and wrapped around trees and the dog can’t get to water, can’t get to shade, can’t get to a safe haven so this basically prohibits the size and weight of the chain that you can use; how long a dog can be outside for any length of time. Most of this doesn’t affect most homeowners or dog owners because they take care of their pets. This is more for those that don’t. There’s a portion that might need to be taken and this mirrors exactly what Suffolk County has on their books. It mirrors what’s on the Riverhead books so that have some actionable when we come across those types of conditions. It’s pretty reasonable, pretty commonsense law. It talks about weights and it talks about the length of chains and tethering and (inaudible).”

Councilman Dunleavy: “What some people do is before they go to work they put the dog outside so they can go to the bathroom all day and then eight hours, nine hours later they come home and take the dog inside and sometimes it gets a hundred degrees, ninety degrees outside and this dog’s wrapped himself around a tree and can’t get to the water and it’s really a tough time for the animal so I think this is a good idea.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok, so does anybody else wish to be heard on this matter?”

Warren McKnight: “You know I have two dogs home; Warren McKnight, 824 Middle Road, Riverhead, NY and the most important thing is enforcement. You know how are you going to enforce this and what are the fines or warnings? This is important. I mean I’m always with my dogs.”

Councilman Wooten: “Well most responsible dog owners are.”

Warren McKnight: “Exactly, they tell me what to do.”

Councilman Wooten: “This is more or less is going into the irresponsible.”

Warren McKnight: “But the point is enforcement for one and two what is the consequences of this?”

Supervisor Walter: “Five Hundred dollar fine.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “We’re reactive so we would have to get a complaint from a neighbor or someone before we go out and observe and of course we would have to observe the violation before we could issue a summons.”

Councilman Wooten: “With this, right most of this especially where it comes to enforcement is complaint driven as with most dogs so this would at least give the authority, local authority to go ahead and enact on (inaudible).”

Warren McKnight: “Ok and would?”

Councilman Wooten: “A violation of the article shall constitute a violation subject to a fine up to \$500.00.”

Warren McKnight: “Up to \$500.00. Next question is you know a person should be able to give their name when they call in a complaint, that’s important. But the second thing if unless they go to court will their name be withheld when somebody goes to enforce it?”

Councilman Wooten: “Well if somebody goes to enforce it they’re going to write the violation on their own observations so I doubt that the person who complained will be brought into this at all.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “But they can complain anonymously too; they don’t have to give us their name. We have to go out, we have to observe it and they write the summons on our observation.”

Warren McKnight: “Ok. Don’t tell Denise Lucas about this. Don’t tell Denise Lucas about this law.”

Councilman Wooten: “Why?”

Warren McKnight: “She’ll go through the whole town.”

Councilman Wooten: “Actually this law was born out of somebody that does that. This goes far beyond then just raising money for a new shelter. Her name is Kelly and she works for RSVP and she actually goes to residents homes and she takes care of dogs that are left in this condition. She works in the jail and she has the inmates make dog houses and so she does a lot of this on her own. It’s all through RSVP so they’re the ones who really needed this because they come across situations like this every now and then and it (inaudible).”

Warren McKnight: “Well I remember we had a get together with an exchange student we had at our house. I had nobody to take care of my dogs and I didn’t want to put her in a kennel so Connie Farr came over. When I came back from this student who got married came to this country, an exchange student my dogs were perfectly groomed and taken care of she wouldn’t take any money so we got her flowers but thank you, I just feel better. Thank you very much.”

Supervisor Walter: “Alright, thank you. Does anybody else wish to be heard on this matter? Alright, not seeing anybody we will close the public comment portion and leave it open for written comment until May 15th in the Town Clerk’s office.”

**Public Hearing Closed at 2:37 p.m.
Left Open for Written Comment Until May 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

Supervisor Walter: “Does anyone want to speak on the Resolutions? Sal you almost lost your opportunity.”

Sal Mastropaolo: Sal Mastropaolo, Calverton, Resolution #315. *The therefore be it resolved.* First of all it’s for the 2015 season and should the statement say *on each Thursday beginning July 2, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.* I didn’t know if you wanted to go back and say you started in ’14.

Councilman Wooten: “That Thursday happens to be the second?”

Sal Mastropaolo: “Yes.”

Councilman Wooten: “So it has to be the second or the ninth.”

Sal Mastropaolo: “Right.”

Councilman Wooten: “Ninth you’re say?”

Anne Marie Prudenti: “This is the correct resolution. It’s July 9, 2015 so I can either I guess we could.”

Supervisor Walter: “Fix it right now, July 9, 2015.”

Sal Mastropaolo: “For the 2015 season.”

Supervisor Walter: “And make it July 9th. Ok, good. Perfect. Anybody else wish to be heard on Resolutions?”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I make a motion, oh one more.”

Steve Romano: “Where was it, Resolution 319; appoints an Independent Director to the Board of Riverhead. What is an Independent Director? Is that just a member or is it something alongside the Board that overviews the IDA Board? I’m confused by the wording of that.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Me too.”

Councilman Wooten: “She’s just a member.”

Steve Romano: “Directors in this case are members.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “She’s just a member.”

Steve Romano: “She’s a member.”

Councilman Wooten: “Yeah I don’t (inaudible).”

Steve Romano: “Ok, could you also tell me how many members are on the Town IDA?”

Supervisor Walter: “Five.”

Steve Romano: “Five, are they paid?”

Supervisor Walter: “Nope.”

Steve Romano: “What’s the process that you guys use to actually use to select the candidate that you chose? Is it something that the Supervisor’s office gets resumes?”

Councilman Wooten: “We go through personnel actually.”

Supervisor Walter: “We advertise, we advertise this on the Town’s website. I think there were actually one of the newspapers might have picked it up and we do interview with the personnel committee which is John, no Jim and George.”

George Gabrielsen: “John sat in on this one. He’s the liaison for the IDA.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I’m the liaison so it was myself and Jim.”

Supervisor Walter: “Usually two Board members and one member of my staff.”

Steve Romano: “Ok, I got more questions on the IDA but it doesn’t really directly relate to this so should I wait?”

Supervisor Walter: “Are they quick?”

Steve Romano: “Yeah they’re quick.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok go ahead.”

Steve Romano: “More of a comment. In regards to the IDA and what you read in the newspaper from the Governor and how he feels a lot of the IDA’s are not held accountable. They allow tax abatements with really no follow up but the thing that just and I was telling Councilwoman Giglio just before the tax abatement for the new hotel on 58 now I thought you guys had basically said if we’re going to pick winners and losers which I don’t agree with but that’s what we do let’s try and keep it on Main Street. How the hell are we, why do we want to give a tax abatement to a hotel on the East end. I don’t see they have any vacancy problems and I can assure you if I call up as a Town of Riverhead resident and ask for a room rate they won’t give

me any break so it's just a little frustration. I don't understand it and that cockamamie that they couldn't get the financing well get somebody else to build the hotel."

Supervisor Walter: "Got it, thank you Sir. Does anybody else wish to be heard on Resolutions?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to answer his question. It's the hotel, no large corporations get tax abatements, its' for the small business person. The (inaudible) hotel has a franchise just like 7-11. 7-11 one guy can own seven franchises. Well he has a franchise for the hotel. He's going to bring over a hundred contract workers here so people in Riverhead are going to get hired to build the hotel. They're going to have sixty fulltime jobs in the hotel so he's going to bring jobs to Riverhead. That's what the IDA is here for, to bring jobs to Riverhead for the small business person. So because he's building a hotel, he's not a conglomerate, he's just a small business person that has a franchise and in ten years and you have to look down the road it will bring taxes up, double, after five will bring it up half way, in ten it will go up all the way and so we have to look down the road to help Riverhead out. It's not today; it's tomorrow that they look at.

Supervisor Walter: "Alright, good. Does anyone else want to be heard on Resolutions? Not seeing anyone."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I make a motion that we close the Town Board meeting and open the Community Development Agency Meeting, so moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The CDA meeting is now opened."

Supervisor Walter: "Before you call it Chris did I tell you about the last house on 15th Street on the left. Did I?"

Chris Kempner: "What was that?"

Supervisor Walter: "I told Bob Kozakiewicz, I told the Town Attorney's office on 15th Street in Wading River, the last house on the left, the western end of 15th Street, south side of the road it's vacant. It's got a Sheriff's eviction notice but it also looks like it may be owned by Suffolk County. Chief knows about it, Code Enforcement knows about it. They're going to go over because it's a mess and we're going to try and clean it up but it might, if we could get it for under seventy-two take a look at that house."

Chris Kempner: "I think they wait three years for the redemption period but we could call the County."

Supervisor Walter: “That’s what I want you to do. This is so out of Order but I keep forgetting this. I walked past it recently.”

Chris Kempner: “I’ll call to have them go take a look, thank you.”

Town Board Meeting is closed
Town Board Meeting is reopened

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 306

Councilman Wooten: “Archangel Holdings LLC Water Capital Project Budget Adoption, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution 307

Councilman Gabrielsen: “New Well Construction Plant 17 - 2014 Capital Project Closure, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #308

Councilwoman Giglio: “Knightland Village Water Capital Project Budget Adoption, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #309

Councilman Dunleavy “Recreation Fund Budget Adjustment, so moved.

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #310

Councilman Wooten: “Recreation Fund Budget Adjustment, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #311

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Riverhead Scavenger Waste District 2014 Capital Project Closure, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #312

Councilwoman Giglio: “Riverhead Sewer District 2014 Capital Project Closure, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #313

Councilman Dunleavy: “Riverhead Water District 2014 Capital Projects Closures, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #314

Councilman Wooten: “Appoints Temporary Secretary to the Board of Assessment Review (Jeanne Hogan), so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #315

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Establishes Thursday Farmer’s Market Location for 2015 Season, so moved.”

Supervisor Walter: “As amended, July 9, 2015.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Right. As amended.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded as amended.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #316

Councilwoman Giglio: “Appoints a Temporary Part-time Substitute Maintenance Mechanic I to the Seniors Programs (Keith Davis), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #317

Councilman Dunleavy: "Appoints a Provisional Assistant Water District Superintendent (Type I-B Treatment Facility, Keith Davis), so moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio."

Councilwoman Giglio: "I feel this position is strongly needed because did lose our Superintendent of the Water District Gary Pendzick and we only have one person right now that is working around the clock to keep our Water District functioning properly. This gentleman gets overtime if he's not appointed as a District Superintendent so the salaries are work out to be the same and I think that it's important working around the clock without the overtime so I'll support it, yes."

Vote Continued: "Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes. He'll have to pass the civil service test to be permanently appointed. Right now there's no list so we have to wait for a test to be made so he can take it. I vote, yes."

Vote Continued: "Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #318

Councilman Wooten: "Ratifies Approval of a Leave of Absence for a Public Safety Dispatcher (John Seus), so moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. "Resolution adopted."

Resolution #319

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Ok, I think this one we’re going to amend. It should say Appoints, the Board of Directors of the Riverhead Industrial Development Agency Appoints an Independent Director to the Board of the Riverhead Industrial Development Agency (Lori Ann Pipczynski), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded as amended.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded as amended. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #320

Councilwoman Giglio: “Appoints a Part-time Bus Driver to the Seniors Programs (David Murphy), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #321

Councilman Dunleavy: “Accepts Highway Superintendent’s Personnel Report and Request for Town Board Resolution to Effectuate Personnel Request (Joseph Sheppard), so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “Second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #322

Councilman Wooten: “Establishes Standard Work Day for an Appointed Official, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #323

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Appoints a Temporary Clerk to the Tax Receiver's Office (Robyn Schneider), so moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #324

Councilwoman Giglio: "Ratifies the Appointment of a Call-in Senior Recreation Leader to the Recreation Department (Rosealeigh Horton), so moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #325

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute Deeds of Gift to the New York State Museum, so moved."

Councilman Wooten: "Second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #326

Councilman Wooten: "Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute an Agreement with Cummins Power Systems, LLC, Regarding generator Maintenance Service for the Riverhead Water District, so moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution Adopted.”

Resolution #327

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Amends and Corrects Resolution #282 Adopted on April 21, 2015 authorizing the Publish & Post Automotive Parts for the Town of Riverhead, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #328

Councilwoman Giglio: “Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute an Extension Agreement with New York State Department of state Regarding a Step 2 Nomination Brownfields Opportunity Areas (BOA) Grant, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #329

Councilman Dunleavy: “Adopts a Local Law Enacting Chapter 113 Entitled “Hunting” of the Riverhead Town Code, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #330

Councilman Wooten: “Offers Support of Grant Application of the Riverhead Foundation for Marine Research and Preservation to Conduct Shoreline Cleanups, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #331

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Approves the Chapter 90 Application of Douglas Wald (“Sing East End 2015” Benefit for the East End Hospice – Saturday, June 20, 2015), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #332

Councilwoman Giglio: “Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute an Agreement with National Association of Drug-Free Employees (NADE), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #333

Councilman Dunleavy: “Authorizes Co-Sponsorship of Weekly Saturday Farmer’s Market from May 23, 2015, to September 5, 2015 with the Riverhead Business Improvement District Management Association, Inc., in the Riverhead Parking District, Riverfront Parking Lot, and Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute a License Agreement with Designated Venders, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #334

Councilman Wooten: “Deems the Special Permit Application of United Riverhead Terminal Inc. as Withdrawn, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes, Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #335

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Declares Darby Group Companies, Inc. in Default Regarding the Subdivision Entitled “Baiting Hollow Club”, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #336

Councilwoman Giglio: “Offers Support to New York State Legislature to Amend the General Municipal Law in Relation to the Creation of the Peconic Bay Regional Transportation Council (Senate Bill #S.3957/Assembly Bill #A.5474), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #337

Councilman Dunleavy: “Offers Support to New York State Legislature to Amend Chapter 399 of the Laws of 2008 Relating to Giving the Riverhead Town Board the Discretion to Change Speed Limits (Senate Bill #S.4485/A.6353), so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #338

Councilman Wooten: “States Opposition to the Increase in the Size or Weight of Tractor Trailer Trucks, so moved.”

Supervisor Walter: “Can we amend this. What was her name Jodi?”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Melissa.”

Supervisor Walter: “What was her name, Melissa? We want to send this to Melissa from the coalition against bigger trucks to, Jill or I or Jodi should have her contact but its Melissa something. So if can amend that so she gets a copy of it that would be great as well.”

Councilman Wooten: “I still move it.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #339

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Amends and Corrects Resolution #300 Adopted on April 21, 2015 Authorizing the Publish and Post of Public Notice to Consider a Local Law to Update and Adopt Procurement Policy Pursuant to General Municipal Law, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #340

Councilwoman Giglio: “Authorizes Town Clerk to Publish and Post Public Notice of Public Hearing to Consider a Local Law to Amend Chapter 101 Entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Riverhead Town Code (Twomey Avenue – 101.8. Weight Limit of Eight Tons, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #341

Councilman Dunleavy: “Authorizes Town Clerk to Publish and Post a Public Notice to Consider a Local Law to Amend Chapter 108 Entitled “Zoning” of the Riverhead Town Code (Addition of Article LXIII, Planned Development (PD) Zoning Use District), so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes to a public hearing; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes and a public hearing; Dunleavy, yes.; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Supervisor Walter: “Does this have to get referred to the Suffolk County Planning Commission?”

Anne Marie Prudenti: “Yes.”

Supervisor Walter: “We have to make sure we do that because I don’t know the referral, I was just thinking about that.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Diane automatically does that every time she publishes and posts.”

Supervisor Walter: “Just want to make sure. Last thing we need is not to do that.”

Resolution #342

Councilman Wooten: “Accepts Resignation of Parking District Advisory Committee Member (Victor Prusinowski), so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Yeah Victor Prusinowski did a very good job when he was on the committee. I vote yes.”

Vote Continued: “Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #343

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Appoints Member to the Parking District Advisory Committee (John Peragine), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter.”

Supervisor Walter: “I’d like to welcome Peragine to town, yes.”

Diane Wilhelm: “Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #344

Councilman Wooten: “Sets Date of Annual Riverhead Litter Awareness and Spring Clean-Up Day, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #345

Councilman Dunleavy: “Amends Resolution #301 of 2015 and Authorization to Publish Advertisement for Snack Vendors for the Town of Riverhead, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #346

Councilman Wooten: “Amends Resolution #289 of 2015 and Awards Bid to Maggio’s Sanitation Services Inc. for Disposal and Recycling of Municipal Solid Waste, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #347

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute an Agreement for Disciplinary Charges with a Police Officer, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “I’m going to vote no because it’s not attached.

Vote Continued: “Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #348

Councilwoman Giglio: “Pays Bills, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Water: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Supervisor Walter: “Now we open it up for public comment. Does anybody want to address the Board on anything?”

Steve Romano wanted to know from Councilman Dunleavy, if there was a large corporation that could have financed without the tax abatement and would have provided the same construction jobs etc. wouldn't the Town be better off? Councilman Dunleavy responded by saying the IDA has never given an abatement to a large corporation only to small business person; Walmart, Target do not get abatements. Steve feels that the Town's finances would be better off with a larger corporation who would not have gotten or would not have needed the tax abatement. Councilman Dunleavy said the IDA was here to bring small businesses and jobs to Riverhead. He continued by saying he has never seen a large corporation come before the IDA.

Steve said in regard to the small business he was under the impression that the gentleman in question owns several hotels and he wanted to know if that was considered a small business.

Councilman Dunleavy said the gentleman has a franchise with Hilton and owns one or two small hotels. He said he also has a franchise with the hotel chain he is now building. Giving a McDonald franchise as an example the Councilman said he still only one business person owning the franchise.

Steve said he had a conversation with Commissioner Hamil and asked him if he keeps a breakdown of the Fire Alarm Calls, residential, nonprofits, commercial, etc. The Commissioner said he does and stated that a lot of calls fall out of the Code that the Board created. Steve feels this Code should be rethought and that eventually nonprofits, residential and schools should in time pay for false alarm calls.

Councilman said they have to first start with commercial and see how things go before charging residential and nonprofits. Steve said as an example if there were four thousand calls and three thousand were residential he felt the matter should be addressed. Councilman Dunleavy told Steve that the Code can be changed at any time but at the present time it is a watch and see.

Steve's final comment regarded the RCA dumping at EPCAL. He wanted to know if the matter has been resolved. Supervisor Walter said it was approved by the DEC to go to the Brookhaven Landfill and it either has been removed or is in the process of being removed by the Highway Department.

Patricia Holland from Northville wanted to know if Riverhead had a handicap accessible group and wanted to know where and when they meet. Councilman Wooten said they haven't met within the last two months but said he would give her the information at the conclusion of today's meeting.

Trevor Harden came forward and introduced himself. He is the founder and President of the People of African Descent International Alliance (POADIA). He said POADIA is an organization of talented, strong-minded individuals who want true unity, justice and equality. He said the organization is aware of the racial tension in America and he wanted to address the source of the problem. He continued by saying that the organization sees the source of the problem stemming from the fact that African Americans were enslaved during the foundation of this

government here in American. He also said that no race should be subjected to a form of government that began with the enslavement of their race. He asked what steps the Town of Riverhead was prepared to take to correct this problem.

Supervisor Walter responded by telling him that the Town government is formed under the New York State Town Law and they (the Board) does not have the ability to change that. He continued by saying that that is done by the State Legislature. He also said he felt there were a lot of forms of government that should be abolished because they are no longer needed but since our system of government is formed by the New York State Legislature Mr. Hardin would have to address the New York State Legislature.

The Supervisor then suggested that the Anti-Bias Task Force and the Guardian Angles are two organizations Mr. Hardin and his organization may be interested in joining. He also said until people see people for who they are and not by the color of their skin there will be problems.

Mr. Hardin agreed with Supervisor Walter adding that we are all one race and everyone should learn to live as one race.

Mr. Hardin then sang a song called Treasury that he wrote during a troubled time in his life.

Harriet Haas thanked everyone for their birthday wishes and the Proclamation given to her. Instead of singing today Harriet recited dialogue from the movie Glory. Supervisor Walter thanked her for sharing those words with everyone and reminded the audience that Harriet invited everyone for cake and donuts at the conclusion of the meeting.

Supervisor Walter: “Does anyone else wish to be heard? Can I get a motion?”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I make a motion we close the Town Board meeting.”

Supervisor Walter: “All in favor, aye?”

Collective ayes, meeting adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:25 p.m.