A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Harrison, Westchester County, New York was held at the Municipal Building, 1 Heineman Place, Harrison, NY, Westchester County, on Thursday, January 17, 2013 at 7:30 PM. Eastern Standard Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	
Ronald Belmont S	upervisor
Marlane Amelio)	
Joseph Cannella C	ouncilperson
Stephen Malfitano)	- , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,

ALSO ATTENDING:

Fred Sciliano)

Maureen MacKenzie Comptroller Anthony Marraccini Chief of Police

Anthony Robinson Commissioner of Public Works

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2013 - - 029 ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the following correspondence and reports:

- 1a. Monthly report by the Town Clerk for December 2012.
- 1b. Monthly report by the Acting Fire Marshal for December 2012.
- 1c. Monthly report by the Receiver of Taxes for December 2012.
- 1d. Monthly report by the Superintendent of Recreation for December 2012.
- 1e. Monthly report by the Chief of Police for November and December 2012.
- 1f. Quarterly report by the Library Director for October, November and December 2012.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

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2013 - - 030 - - a CONTINUATION OF PUBIC HEARING RE: THE TOWN OF HARRISON MASTER PLAN

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano, with all members voting in favor, the Hearing was re-opened.

Village Attorney Kraut recommended to the Board that prior to closing the public hearing on the master plan they should refer it to the Planning Board for their review and comments. Any comments received from the Planning Board should become part of the record. He further explained that the Board need not hold open the public comment period for the Planning Board. However; in the event they provided the Board with information the public may want to comment on, you might want to leave the hearing open for that purpose. It is up to the Board to leave the comment period open and ask the Planning Board to report back within a certain time period. Mr. Kraut suggested that the Board refer it to the Planning Board tonight by resolution. The referral of the master plan to the Planning Board is standard fare. That is what the consultant team suggested to be done this evening. The hearing was left open for written comments until this meeting. The Board could certainly close the hearing but when the Planning Board provides information, it is a public document, and it is something this Board may want comments on.

Councilman Malfitano said we are going to take whatever comments come in regardless of whether the public hearing is closed or not.

Village Attorney Kraut said if that is the case I would suggest you leave the comment period open so that they will be part of the formal record.

Councilman Malfitano asked if the Board had received any written comments.

Supervisor Belmont responded yes.

Councilwoman Amelio asked how we can refer the master plan to the Planning Board if we haven't had the opportunity to discuss any of the comments that have come in.

Village Attorney Kraut said that the Planning Board would review the master plan in its present form just as the public's opportunity and provide this Board with input. One line of thinking would be to incorporate the Planning Board's input into whatever deliberations that this Board undertakes and whatever changes you contemplate making by giving consideration to all comments, those from the Planning Board and the public as well.

Councilman Cannella asked if Village Attorney Kraut was suggesting that the public comment period be left open until after the Planning Board comments are in and disseminated.

Village Attorney Kraut said that would be one way to go and if I wasn't clear enough certainly leaving the comment period open would be the most expansive way to review the Planning Board comments, but that is up to the Board.

Councilman Malfitano said he had no problem leaving the written comment period open and referring the entirety of the record to the Planning Board for their review and comment with the stipulation that it be done expeditiously. We don't want this to remain an ongoing process for months to come.

Village Attorney Kraut suggested the Board should ask the Planning Board to report back by a certain date.

Councilman Cannella asked when the Planning Board meets next.

Town Clerk Greer responded that the next Planning Board meeting is Tuesday, January 22nd.

Councilman Malfitano said there is another piece to this and that is the timeline we are on with the consultant. We don't' want it to become an issue with respect to cost.

Village Attorney Kraut said there is a mandatory referral from the County of this plan and we expect their response to be in by January 31st.

Councilman Cannella said that we would ask the Planning Board to respond by the March 7th Town Board Meeting and request any written comments be in by March 21st.

Village Attorney Kraut said that providing this Board passes a resolution tonight to refer the master plan to the Planning Board the next stage would be for the Town Planner Pat Cleary to disseminate the information from the hearing as well as the draft master plan to the Planning Board at their next meeting. The Planning Board members could review and provide their thoughts and then take it up as a deliberation at the following meeting and then issue whatever recommendations they have to this Board.

Councilman Cannella suggested that this Board refer the master plan and information to the Planning Board and that they review it no later than their meeting of February 26th for this Board to accept it on March 7th thereby giving anyone the opportunity to comment on it and then close the period for all comments on March 21st.

Supervisor Belmont said the public hearing will be held open for written comments until March 21, 2013.

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2013 - - 030 - - b <u>APPROVAL TO REFER THE MASTER PLAN</u> TO THE PLANNING BOARD

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

Resolved to refer the 2012 draft master plan to the Planning Board for their review at their meeting on February 26, 2013, and submit their comments in writing to the Town Board for acceptance on March 7, 2013.

FURTHER RESOLVED to accept written comments until March 21, 2013.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Town Planner, the Planning Board and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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PUBLIC HEARING RE: SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT ON BEHALF OF NEW YORK SMSA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS TO INSTALL AN EMERGENCY BACK-UP GENERATOR LOCATED NEAR THE MAIN BUILDING SERVICE ENTRANCE DOOR AT 99 BILTMORE AVENUE

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, with all members voting in favor the Hearing was opened.

Michael Sheridan, attorney with the firm of Snyder & Snyder, on behalf of their client SMSA Limited Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless addressed the Board. Verizon Wireless requested approval to install an emergency stand-by generator at 99 Biltmore Avenue. The generator would allow Verizon's installation to operate in the event of a power outage. The generator will be located near the service entrance behind existing mature vegetation.

With no one else speaking in favor or against the Hearing was closed.

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On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Michael P. Sheridan, attorney, with the firm of Snyder & Snyder, LLP, on behalf of their client New York SMSA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Special Exception Use Permit to install an emergency back-up generator to belocated near the main building service entrance door at 99 Biltmore Avenue.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Building Inspector, the Commissioner of Public Works, the Town Engineer and Mr. Sheridan.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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PUBLIC HEARING RE: A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT TO PLACE THREE ROOF MOUNTED SATELLITE SIGNAL RECEIVING DISHES AT 100 MANHATTANVILLE ROAD

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, with all members voting in favor, the Hearing was opened.

Michael Sanchirico on behalf of Cumulus Media Network addressed the Board. Cumulus just signed on to be a tenant at the Manhattanville Road location. The intent is to install three satellite dishes of 3.8 meters or less up on the roof at that location for there business practices.

With no one else speaking in favor or against the Hearing was closed.

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On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Michael Sanchirico, Senior Project Manager for MKDA, the architectural firm representing Cumulus Media Networks for a Special Exception Use Permit for three roof mounted satellite signal receiving dishes at 100 Manhattanville Road, Purchase, NY. A Negative Declaration for the purpose of the State Environmental Quality Review Act has been received.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Building Inspector, the Town Engineer, the Commissioner of Public Works and Mr. Sanchirico.

Adopted by the following vote:

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Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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PUBLIC HEARING RE: SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT AMENDMENT TO REPLACE THE EXISTING DRIVING RANGE BUILDING WITH A NEW, STATE OF THE ART, TRAINING STUDIO ADJACENT TO THE DRIVING RANGE ALONG BILTMORE

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AT WESTCHESTER COUNTRY CLUB

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, with all members voting in favor the Hearing was opened.

Village Attorney Kraut said for the record Councilman Malfitano recused himself from this application.

David Cooper from the law firm of Zarin and Steinmetz representing Westchester Country Club addressed the Board. The notice actually says it all. We are here for a golf studio, ball hut and pavilion. Basically this is updating antiquated areas of the club. Originally the Planning Board issued approval on December 18, 2012. We had met with the public and there were some concerns originally on the direction of balls from the driving range. We essentially turned the orientation of the driving range away so it would be virtually impossible to hit any of the neighboring homes.

With no one else speaking in favor or against the Hearing was closed.

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TWO 96 SQUARE FOOT RECEPTION AND VALET PAVILIONS IN TWO PHASES
AT WESTCHESTER COUNTRY CLUB

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by David Steinmetz on behalf of Westchester Country Club for a Special Exception Use Permit Amendment to replace the existing driving range building with a new training studio adjacent to the drive range along Biltmore Avenue. The 2,700 square foot building would include a golf studio supporting three teaching bays with filming capabilities, as well as office and storage space. The Club also seeks to build an accessory building consisting of a ball hut, two bathrooms and a changing room ("Ball Hut") and construct two 96 square foot reception and valet pavilions near the main building. These features would be done in two phases.

- 1. The Gold Studio and Valet Area upon tonight's Board approval.
- 2. Construction of the Pavilion later in 2013.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Building Department, the Town Engineer, the Commissioner of Public Works and Mr. Steinmetz.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

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PUBLIC HEARING RE: AN AMENDED SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AN ACCESSORY GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR FACILITY AT 2000 WESTCHESTER AVENUE

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella, with all members voting in favor the Hearing was opened.

Village Attorney Kraut said there were two abstentions on the Board regarding this application. In order to pass it would require unanimity amongst the remaining Board Members. This is an exciting project for Harrison. This is a first of its kind in the county.

Christopher Fisher, attorney with the law firm of Cuddy & Feder, on behalf of their client Morgan Stanley addressed the Board. He explained that Morgan Stanley was really pleased to present this project. It is a project that involves a renewable resource, the sun of course. The objectives of this project are simply to produce some power to the facility. Peak demand that is projected for this solar array would cover about 5% of the buildings total usage on an annual basis and at peak demand, like in the summertime, it will actually produce enough energy for about 25% of the overall building load.

Christopher Fisher on behalf of Morgan Stanley made the following presentation.

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Morgan Stanley Accessory Solar Array
Town of Harrison
Town Board Presentation
January 17, 2013

Solar Project Overview

- Morgan Stanley intends to build an accessory 820 kW photovoltaic solar array
- The project will make use of approximately 6 acres of land that is not currently used by Morgan Stanley
- The accessory solar facility will produce 1,014,055 kWh of electricity per year and NYSERDA funding has been secured
- The solar facility will offset approximately 5% of the building's total electrical use, and up to 25% during peak production

Overall Environmental Benefits

- Solar is a renewable resource that produces zero emissions while generating electrical power
- As an alternative to coal-fired plants, solar energy reduces greenhouse gas emissions as well as smog and harmful air pollutants, including mercury
- Localized energy production reduces transmission line losses in the electrical grid
- Solar electric production typically peaks at the same time when demand is highest, reducing the need for utilities to use the least efficient generating plants to meet peak demand

Project Specific Environmental Benefits

- Solar energy production will reduce carbon emissions by approximately 400 metric tons per year
- Avoided emissions are equivalent to planting roughly 1,800 trees annually
- Project will produce enough solar energy to power 88 average homes
- Solar energy production will be equivalent to 78,386 gallons of gasoline per year

Harrison resident Robert Porto said it sounds great and very good for Morgan Stanley to have it on their resume but it does show the value of open space. Without open space you couldn't do something like this.

With no one else speaking in favor or against the Hearing was closed.

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On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Christopher Fisher on behalf of Morgan Stanley for an Amended Special Exception Use Permit to construct an accessory ground mounted solar facility at 2000 Westchester Avenue.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Building Inspector, the Town Engineer, the Commissioner of Public Works and Mr. Fisher.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio and Cannella

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NAYS:

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ABSTAINED: Councilmen Malfitano and Sciliano

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ACCEPTANCE, WITH REGRET, THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM LARRY CARDUCCI, AUTO MECHANIC, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson thanked Larry for his years of service and wished him well in his retirement.

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept, with regret, the letter of retirement from Larry Carducci, Auto Mechanic in DPW effective February 15, 2013.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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2013 - - 036 <u>APPROVAL FOR THE ADDITIONS TO</u> THE RECREATION PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Superintendent of Recreation Gerry Salvo for the following additions to the Recreation part time availability list:

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Alex Beckett	•	\$ 7.00	
Roth Fin		\$12.75 LG	
Sarah Greer		\$ 6.75	

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Superintendent of Recreation.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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APPROVAL FOR COMPTROLLER MAUREEN MACKENZIE TO ATTEND THE NEW YORK STATE CONFERENCE OF MAYORS & MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS WINTER LEGISLATIVE MEETING IN ALBANY, NEW YORK

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie to attend the New York State Conference of Mayors & Municipal Officials Winter Legislative Meeting on February 10-11, 2013 in Albany, New York, at a cost, including registration, room, mileage and meals, not to exceed \$750.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in budget line 001-1315-100-0406.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES , NINA MARRACCINI TO ACCEPT DONATIONS FOR THE HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Director of Community Services Nina Marraccini for authorization to accept the following donations for the Harrison Food Pantry:

\$1,000	anonymous donor
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\$ 600	Harrison-Mamaroneck Rotary Club
\$ 25	Joan Marie Stolfi and Alan D. Mahoney

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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APPROVAL FOR A BID AWARD TO COUNTY COACH FOR BUS SERVICE FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the Bid Award to County Coach, P.O. Box 261, Rye, New York 10580 for providing bus service for the Recreation Department as follows:

	Coach Bus Seats 53 – 55	Coach Bus Seats 46-48	School Bus
Trips within Town of Harrison	\$600.	\$575 .	\$250.
Trips within Westchester County			
1. Lower Westchester	\$600.	\$575.	\$285.
2. Upper Westchester	\$625.	\$600.	\$300.
Trips to Putnam County	\$675.	\$ 650.	\$340.
Trips to Rockland County	\$ 800.	\$775.	\$350.
Trips to New Jersey	\$ 925.	\$900.	\$415.
Trips to Manhattan	\$750.	\$725.	\$400.
Trips to other NYC Boroughs	\$775.	\$750.	\$425.
Trips to Shea Stadium	\$725.	\$700.	\$450.
Trips to Yankee Stadium	\$725.	\$700.	\$425.
Trips to Cooperstown, NY	\$1,500	\$1,500	N/A
Trips to Connecticut	\$775.	\$750.	\$375.
Trips to Long Island	\$800.	\$750.	\$425.
Trips to N.B.A Hall of Fame-	\$1,500.	\$1,500.	N/A
Massachusetts			

Shuttle Buses – Full Day \$280 daily rate Shuttle Buses – Half Day \$225 daily rate

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Comptroller, upon receipt of claims to audit, and upon audit to pay same.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy to the Comptroller, the Superintendent of Recreation and the Purchasing Department.

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AYES: Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS TO HOLD A RECEPTION FOR YOUTH ART MONTH IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2013

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Doreen Grozinger, Chairperson of the Harrison Council for the Arts, for authorization for the Youth Art Council to hold the opening reception for Youth Art Month on Sunday, March 3, 2013, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, in the lobby of the Municipal Building and the Harrison Public Library. The set up dates will be February 25 through March 1, 2013 with the exception of court days. The art displays will be removed the first week in April.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Commissioner of Public Works, Ms. Grozinger and the Library Director.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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2013 - - 041 APPROVAL FOR YEAR END 2012 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for authorization for the following year end 2012 budget modification:

Increase:

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Fire District #2-State Aid-Miscellaneous State Aid

Increase:

011-0000-040-4091

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Fire District #2-Federal Aid-Miscellaneous Federal Aid

Total: 15,656

Increase:

011-3411-100-0402

15,656

Fire District #2-Equipment Maintenance and Repairs

Total: 15,656

FEMA monies received from Hurricane Irene and its effects occurring in August 2011.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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<u>AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COMPTROLLER TO ACCEPT DONATIONS</u> FOR THE HOLIDAY PROJECTS

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for authorization to accept the following donations for the Holiday Projects totaling \$941:

\$150.	· · Victoria R. Marmora ·
\$150.	Chiara Michilli & Angelo V. Michilli
\$150.	Jan Gustein
\$150.	Francis J. Porreca & Rosemary C. Porreca
\$150.	Mary K. Crescenzi
\$ 50	Cynthia A. Ferraro
\$141.	Cash Donations

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

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CONFIRMATION OF THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT BLAKE TO THE HARRISON LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to confirm the re-appointment of Robert Blake to the Harrison Library Board of Trustees, commencing January 1, 2013 with term ending December 31, 2017.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Library Director.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

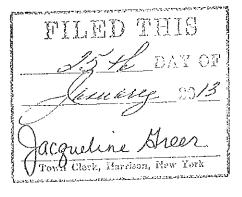
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APPROVAL TO AMEND TBR #2013-028 WHICH READ: AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BFJ CONSULTANTS AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000 INSTEAD OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to amend TBR #2013-028 which read; authorization to pay BFJ Consultants an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize payment to BFJ Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the budget transfer to fund this amendment:

Increase:

001-8020-100-4406

Planning Board/Master Plan Update

\$20,000

Decrease:

001-1440-100-0407

Engineering Special Services

\$20,000

FURTHER RESOLVED that with the addition of the \$20,000 authorization, the total now authorized for BJF Consultants for the Master plan Update is \$161,238.38.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding for this amendment is in budget line 001-8020-100-4406, Planning Board/Master Plan Update.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Law Department and the Town Planner.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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2013 - - 045 COMMENTS RE: THE HARRISON LIBRARY

Harrison resident Ross Halperin addressed the Board by saying it has been a little bit of time since we last spoke. We are approaching the February 14th deadline and I wanted to briefly touch base with the Board. He explained to the Board the he had submitted an agreement to the Supervisor and the Town Attorney last week and wanted the Board's guidance on how to approach the next couple of weeks in an effort to come to an agreement.

Supervisor Belmont replied by explaining that the Board was going to look at Mr. Halperin's submission with the Town Attorney and invite Mr. Halperin to come in to discuss his proposal and see if they can come to an agreement.

Harrison resident Ross Halperin said he would be available all next week if the Board would like to meet. He also requested to be on the agenda for the February 7th meeting.

Councilman Cannella expanded upon Mayor Belmont's remarks to Mr. Halperin by explaining that when the Town Board is ready we would be happy to meet with him. He further explained that Mr. Halperin has had conversations with members of the Board, including himself, and obviously the Board is supportive of the concept and we discussed the parameters of what could be accomplished given the economic situation. He would like to see the Board continue the dialogue and come up with the appropriate resolution that will make everyone happy to the extent that we can. Putting it on a Board Agenda until such time, as has been explained during our conversations, there are some things we need to deal with. It is more like you know when it is appropriate to put it on the agenda when we are there, and hopefully that will happen pretty quickly.

Harrison resident Ross Halperin said he was thinking relative to the deadline laid out. That would be a feasible date.

Councilman Cannella said the deadline was interesting; it is yours, not the Board's deadline. He appreciated Mr. Halperin's desire to move this forward and the Board certainly is working on accomplishing that as quickly as possible.

Harrison resident Ross Halperin said he will be at the February 7th meeting and hopes to discuss it then.

Supervisor Belmont thanked Mr. Halperin and said that there are many challenges ahead in 2013 financially.

Councilman Cannella believed that a deadline that is self imposed, when everyone was trying to work through things, is not something that placed well with him as an individual. He explained that his comment was not a Board comment, but his comment as an individual. This Board is trying to work with you. Time has been spent on this issue and he stated that Mr. Halperin knew

what has been going on. Mr. Cannella went on to further say that a super imposed deadline is not constructive.

Harrison resident Mike Seminara addressed the Board saying he works with Anne Gold from PEPA and he is there on her behalf as she is out of town. He stated their support for the Harrison Public Library Private Partnership. We have been involved in town projects for over fifteen years and consider this to be the most attractive opportunity for the town that they have been presented with. The library is opened to all residents and serves the community all year long. Libraries across the county have received funds from local governments and have made improvements to their libraries that have increased overall usage and functionality. The Harrison Library has worked hard to adapt to the needs of Harrison residents but needs renovation in order to meet the community's 21st century needs. The way that patrons have used the library has changed enormously since 1961 and 1984. With the proposed changes the residents would be able to attend special guest lectures, events for children, after school programs, continuing education, networking and employment events. Now is the time for the Town of Harrison to help bring the library back to what it needs to be to best serve the community. Passing on this opportunity would be a mistake. We look forward to your decision at the next meeting of February 7th and will attend.

Councilman Sciliano explained that the members of the Board have spent a lot of time helping with the budget for the teen center and we are willing to work with you but, he didn't like using this term, "Don't put a gun to our heads". That is what he felt was going on. The Board is willing to work with you, we want to take advantage of your foundation, but we have to do our due diligence.

Harrison resident Ross Halperin said we have been working on this for four years now and there have been a lot of frustration through that process and we have tried to get a dialogue about this agreement six or seven months ago and were not getting the feedback that we hoped to, which is why, two months ago, we put out this February 14th deadline, which we thought was an adequate time frame to deal with this issue.

Councilman Cannella said let's refer it as a target goal date rather then a deadline. You know that we are putting effort into this, you understand what is going on, and for those of you who do not, we are not sleeping on this. Everyone on this Board thinks it is a great project. We do have economic restraints as Supervisor Belmont appropriately pointed out. There are things that the town needs to do to support the library and we have done, and expect to continue on an ongoing basis. So to the extent that the funding for this project comes to fruition there are things we will need to do to maintain the infrastructure of the library and this would be a good time to do that while all the construction is going on. There is a number there that we are working through. Councilman Sciliano has been working on this. We have discussed it to try and come up with the parameters of what we can support given all the things that are involved. We are supportive as a Board and I think we will come up with something that makes sense for everybody. To draw a

line that says you need to do it by "X" period of time is not the way to get constructively to a happy result.

Harrison resident Ross Halperin said he didn't mean to imply that we hadn't been having constructive conversations over this period of time.

Councilwoman Amelio said she wanted Mr. Halperin to understand that we all commend him for all the work he had done on this and that we are all in favor of seeing a modern and more useful Harrison library. It is frustrating for the Board to be working under such severe financial constraints due to the economy and other issues. Ms. Amelio wanted Mr. Halperin to know that the Board was behind him in his efforts.

Councilman Cannella said we are going to come up with something that makes sense. I congratulate you on everything that you have done. I know it is frustrating; we are not the enemy, we are your friends.

Councilman Malfitano said he wanted to add the following remark: Sooner rather then later.

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2013 - - 046 MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel	8
Litigation	2
Contracts	2

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 8:30 PM.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was reconvened at 10:15 PM.

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2013 - - 047 <u>AUTHORIZATION TO ADD DOMENICK CIANCI TO THE</u> PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST AT THE TOWN OF HARRISON GARAGE

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to add Domenick Cianci to the part time availability list at the Town of Harrison Garage, at a rate of \$16 per hour, effective January 22, 2013.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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APPOINTMENT OF FRANK PUGLIATTI AS A SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to appoint Frank Pugliatti as a School Crossing Guard, at an hourly rate of \$19.50.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Chief of Police.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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APPOINTMENT OF CARL NARVESEN AS SPECIAL PATROLMEN EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to authorize the appointment of Carl Narvesen as Special Patrolmen effective immediately.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chief of Police, the Personnel Manager and Mr. Narvesen.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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2013 - - 050 <u>APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT HASSETT AS SPECIAL PATROLMEN</u> <u>EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY</u>

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to authorize the appointment of Robert Hassett as Special Patrolmen effective immediately.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chief of Police, the Personnel Manager and Mr. Hassett.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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AUTHORIZATION FOR CARL NARVESEN, ROBERT HASSETT AND JOSEPH MAZZULLO TO ATTEND PEACE OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Supervisor Belmont,

it was

RESOLVED to authorize Carl Narvesen, Robert Hassett and Joseph Mazzullo to attend Peace Officer Training School, starting in February 2013. The tuition for this course is free.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Chief of Police, and the Personnel Manager.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION TO ADD LEITH BORNSTEIN, MARCOS DEMELO AND LEONARD WILLIAMS TO THE PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST FOR THE HARRISON POLICE DEPARTMENT

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to add Leith Bornstein, Marcos DeMelo and Leonard Williams to the Part Time Availability List for the Harrison Police Department at a rate of \$16 per hour.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Chief of Police.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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2013 - - 053

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE MODIFIED PROPOSAL WITH HARBRIDGE CONSULTING GROUP FOR THE PEER MUNICIPALITY BENEFIT AND COMPENSATION COMPARISON AT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to authorize the modified proposal with Harbridge Consulting Group for the Peer Municipality Benefit and Compensation Comparison at an amount not to exceed \$35,000.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in contingency account # 001-1900-100-4490.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Law Department and the Comptroller and the Personnel Manager.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

There being no further matters to come before the Board, the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, declared closed at 10:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline Greer Town Clerk

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