

A regular meeting of the Town Board of Harrison, Westchester County New York was held via video conference with the platform Zoom in Harrison, NY, Westchester County, on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM Daylight Savings Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald Belmont.....).....Supervisor
Richard Dionisio.....)
Frank Gordon.....)Councilpersons
Lauren Leader.....)
Fred Sciliano)

ALSO ATTENDING:

Frank Allegretti Town Attorney
Nelson Canter.....Deputy Town Attorney
Andrea Rendo.....Deputy Village Attorney
Maureen MacKenzie.....Comptroller

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STATEMENT FROM SUPERVISOR BELMONT

I would like to take a moment of silence for the murder of George Floyd.

I am committed to educating myself and the town board on how to be an advocate for those affected by intolerance and racism.

I want to thank councilwoman Leader for putting together a meeting with some members of our Town that she and I had yesterday with the Police Chief to discuss their concerns. It was a productive meeting and carried forth a bi-partisan effort that I fully support.

As most of you know, we have one of the safest communities in the country and that is a reflection of the hard work and dedication of our fine men and women of our police department. Our police dept first received accreditation from the NYS Criminal Justice Services in 2009 – an accomplishment only a fraction of departments achieved that applied for it. HPD has further renewed its accreditation each year since 2009 to the present.

Accreditation is a thorough and independent review of the entire operation of our police department by NYS. It runs the entire gamut from training to operations to administration of the department which includes a review of our policies and procedures.

Each year and for the last 11 years the police department has to satisfy 132 NYS standards established by NYS Criminal Justice Services and they have done so.

Our police department is one of the finest in the county and because of that we have enjoyed numerous recognitions by national publications that we have one of the safest towns in the nation.

Many residents have reached out to my office with questions and concerns that they have for and about our police dept. over the last few days. We will strive to answer as many questions that our residents have in a transparent way. I have asked our IT dept to set up a specific email address for those questions or concerns that residents have about our police dept. It will be hpdquestions@harrison-ny.gov.

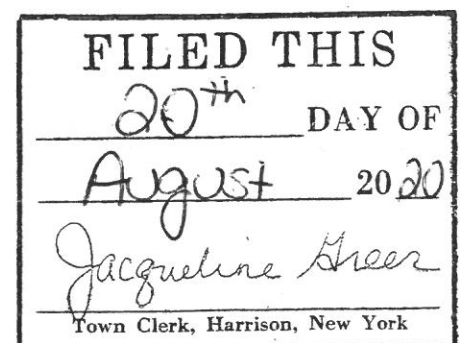
While I think we have an excellent dept., every organization can find room for improvement. Towards that end, I fully support the use of body cams for our police department and the use of them by all members of our uniformed divisions that interact

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with the public. I will ask the board for a resolution to fully fund the purchase of the necessary body cams that are needed and to use our surplus if needed.

I look forward to having a continuing dialogue with our residents and our police dept. over these important issues that we are now facing

I would like to make the motion to purchase all body cams that are needed for the police department and to have this purchase expedited. May I have a second.



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AUTHORIZATION TO FULLY FUND THE PURCHASE OF NECESSARY
BODY CAM CAMERAS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

On motion of Supervisor Belmont, seconded by Councilwoman Leader,
it was

RESOLVED to fully fund the purchase of necessary body cam cameras for the police
department.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding source will be Contingency.

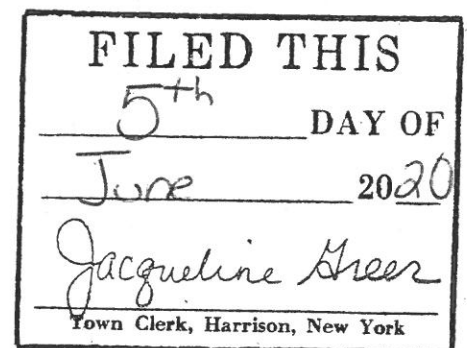
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, Law
Department, and Chief of Police.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilpersons Dionisio, Gordon, Leader and Sciliano
Supervisor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

On motion of Councilman Gordon, seconded by Councilman Dionisio,
it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Director of Community Services, Nina Marraccini, to
accept the following donations made to the Harrison Food Pantry:

- \$1,000 from an anonymous donor
- \$103.00 from the Furman and Rooney children

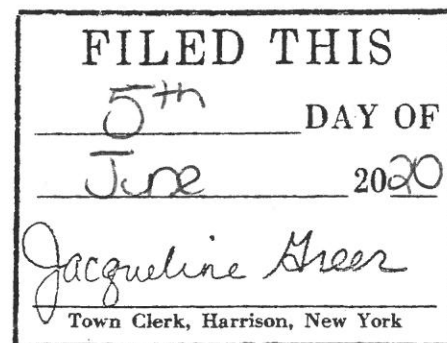
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Director of
Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilpersons Dionisio, Gordon, Leader and Sciliano
Supervisor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE WOODARD & CURRAN FOR
THE FORMATION OF A TOWN DRAINAGE MANUAL

On motion of Councilman Gordon, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Town Engineer, Michael Amodeo, to hire Woodard & Curran at a cost not to exceed \$45,000.00 for the formation of a Town Drainage Manual. A National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Matching Contribution Grant was awarded to the Town last year in the amount of \$45,000, which will make this proposal fully reimbursable, based on matching in-kind services provided by the Town staff. Funding is available in the Town Contingency Line 001-1900-100-4490.

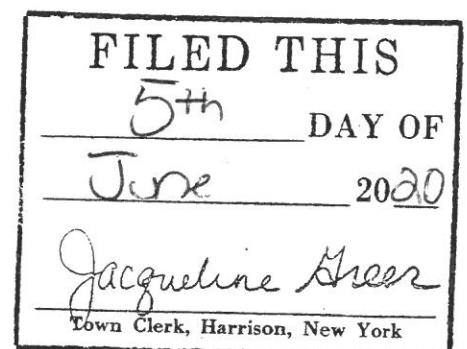
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Town Engineer.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilpersons Dionisio, Gordon, Leader and Sciliano
Supervisor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel: 1

Litigation: 1

On motion duly made and seconded,
with all members voting in favor,
the Meeting was closed at 7:20 PM

There being no further matters to come before the Board,
the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded,
declared closed at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer
Town Clerk

