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A regular meeting of the Town Board of Harrison, Westchester County New York was held at the Municipal Building, 1 Heineman Place, Harrison, NY, Westchester County, on Tuesday September 19, 2017 at 7:00 PM Eastern Daylight Savings Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald Belmont..... Supervisor

Marlane Amelio..... )  
Richard Dionisio..... ) Councilpersons  
Fred Sciliano..... )  
Stephen Malfitano..... )

ALSO ATTENDING:

Frank Allegretti..... Town Attorney  
Andrea Rendo..... Deputy Village Attorney  
Nelson Canter.....Deputy Town Attorney  
Michael Olsey.....Chief of Police

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CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PRESENTED TO THE HARRISON LITTLE  
LEAGUE 10U GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM FOR BECOMING THE  
2017 DISTRICT 20 CHAMPIONS

On behalf of the Town Board and the residents of Harrison, Supervisor Belmont presented Certificates of Achievement to the Harrison Little League 10U Girls Softball All Stars who are the 2017 District 20 Champions.

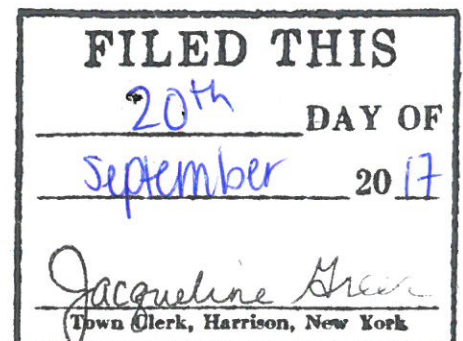
Certificates were presented to the following girls and their coaches:

Players:

Katelyn Cabral, Barbara Jo Coppola, Alexia Cozzali, Isabella Estroff-Liberti, Olivia Greco, Ava Gurgitano, Sofia Miller, Briana Puff, Gianna Salvo, Lily Seibel, Mia Strazza, Gabriella Triano, Madison Ward

Coaches:

Ralph Canzone, Kevin Seibel and Manager Gerry Salvo

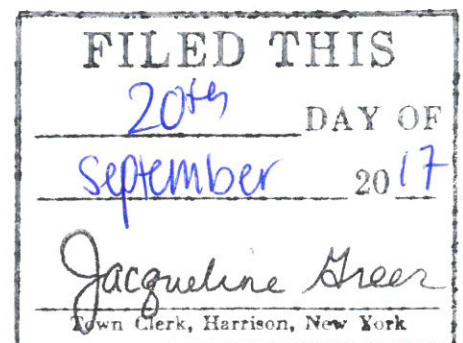


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PRESENTATION FROM SUSTAINABLE WESTCHESTER

Dan Welsh, Program Director with Westchester Power presented the following presentation to the Board.



## WELCOME TO WESTCHESTER POWER!

### The Basics

Westchester Power is a municipal power purchasing program administered by Sustainable Westchester.

Founded in 2015, Westchester Power is New York's first CCA (Community Choice Aggregation).

Our large group purchasing power enables us to bring you competitive rates, with the security of knowing that this is a municipal program, vetted by your legislators, not a private solicitation.

Our mission: to increase local renewable energy. We plan to reach the NYS REV goal of 50% renewable energy by 2030 ahead of schedule.

### Who's In the Know?

100,000 homeowners, renters, condos, coop owners and small businesses in:

Bedford  
Greenburgh  
Hastings-on-Hudson  
Irvington  
Larchmont

Lewisboro  
Mamaroneck Town  
Mamaroneck Village  
Mount Kisco  
New Castle

New Rochelle  
North Salem  
Ossining Town  
Ossining Village  
Pelham

Pleasantville  
Rye Brook  
Somers  
Tarrytown  
White Plains

### What We've Accomplished



### At Your Service

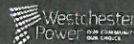
We're LOCAL... and we are here to help!

We have a dedicated staff in our Mount Kisco office who can explain the Program or answer any questions about CCA or sustainable energy.

We're happy to meet with local groups to present in person.

Call us with any questions about your utility bill - Westchester Power-related or not.

QUESTIONS? Visit [westchesterpowersupply.com](http://westchesterpowersupply.com) or call our Mount Kisco office at 914.292.4100.



## WHAT IS COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION (CCA)?



### What is Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)?

Community Choice Aggregation is a program enacted in seven states, which allows municipalities to buy their electrical power as a group. In doing so, the CCA partners with the utilities and communities to buy and supply power, while the utility continues to deliver the power and maintain the power grid. The CCA gives participating communities increased leverage to negotiate and design an electricity supply program to benefit its residents.

### What are the benefits of CCA?

By purchasing power as a group, municipalities, their residents and small businesses enrolled in CCA benefit in several ways:

- Receive competitively priced flat-rates through 2028/2029.
- Boost the local economy by bringing green jobs to communities and localizing energy sourcing decision-making.
- Meet climate goals by transitioning to clean energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

### What changes and what remains the same?



Customers keep their utility company (i.e. ConEd, NYSEG). The utility continues to bill customers and maintains responsibility over the infrastructure: the power lines, poles, meters, and the transmission of energy.



Before CCAs, if you wanted to purchase electricity from the market, you would have to navigate and select from offerings from dozens of "ESCOs" (energy service companies).

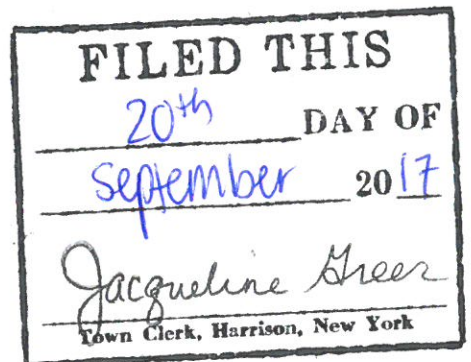
**WESTCHESTER  
POWER CCA**



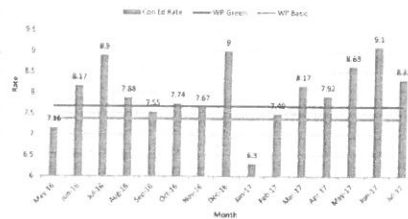
Now, the CCA acts as an administrator and advocate on behalf of participating municipalities, negotiating better prices, contract enhancements and sustainable energy options.

Customers don't have to do anything to participate, and can take advantage of new programs that are designed to benefit them and advance community goals.

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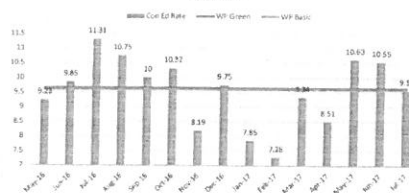


### RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPARISON: CONED VS. WP



In Harrison, we estimate that there would have been \$201,600 in savings across approximately 6,720 accounts. This breaks down to about \$30 in savings per account.

### COMMERCIAL RATE COMPARISON: CONED VS. WP



## Westchester Power Recent Highlights

#### Operations

- Customer service continues to be the beating heart of things. The addition of one new member in June brings us to 3 full-time and 2 part-time staff in our Mount Kisco office.
- Data systems contract - sounds dry perhaps, but we're very excited about this. This will bring our back office data management to industry standard level, but more than this, provide greatly enhanced reporting capabilities.

#### Outreach—more staff means more outreach!

- We have increased the frequency of our visits to town boards and committees - keeping our member municipalities in the loop and responding to their questions, concerns, and ideas!
- We're always available to present/explain the program to any local community organizations, senior citizens groups, condominium associations, libraries, etc.

#### Thought Leadership—driving ideas and engagement

- Recently organized forums on the concept of a carbon tax, which resulted in three events across Westchester County in Tarrytown, New Rochelle and Bedford Hills.
- Partnering with other organizations to link the importance of energy, human health, climate change, and vulnerable populations.

#### Recent and Notable Media

- Our clean energy focus has not gone unnoticed by the press, particularly as a result of "emPowering Green Energy," our consumer education campaign to help residents and muni leaders understand and take advantage of new energy options. Media who have featured Westchester Power include:
  - Westchester Biz Journal—2/17, 6/5/17, 6/12/17
  - The Bedford/Pound Ridge Record Review—4/7/17, 7/21/17
  - Rivertowns Enterprise—7/7/17
  - LoHud—7/27/17

#### New SW Member

Westchester County joined Sustainable Westchester in early June. This gives us more reach and exposure, including potential activity on county sites - e.g. solar at Croton Pt and/or Valhalla. The county is otherwise just one of 42 members. County Executive Rob Astorino presented the county's joining as a way to "continue to conserve and strengthen our natural resources and environment for current and future generations."

#### WP and SW—synergy between programs

- SW's Clean Transportation Project has secured a HUGE discount on the 2017 Nissan Leaf - anyone who lives, works or attends a higher education facility in any of SW's member municipalities are eligible for \$10,000 off, plus up to \$2,200 in state rebates and federal tax credits.



## Westchester Power CCA - Program Enhancement Update

Under the governing order from the PSC, CCA's are encouraged to find ways to promote "Distributed Energy Resources" – generation, demand response and efficiency measures. Westchester Power has pursued several avenues to bring additional value in this area, current of which include:

### Community Solar

Community solar is a subgenre of the community distributed generation (CDG) category enabled in 2015 by the PSC. It allows for people to participate in a remote solar energy facility as long as it is in the same utility zone. This is a great enabler for multi-family situations and homeowners who have too much shade or other physical obstacle.

Westchester Power has completed solicitations and identified a technology platform provider with which to partner for Community Solar. The intent is to use their tool to create projects by gathering signups from interested residents as we engage in outreach. The Community Solar platform is the connectivity for all participants – subscribers, hosts, utilities and developer and must perform many complex duties. As signups reach critical mass, we would then be in a position to attract potential host site owners, and eventually to get bids from developers.

### Microgrids & Storage

These technologies can contribute to resiliency and improved economics for communities. As a follow-up to the work done under the NY Prize grants from NYSERDA, Westchester Power held a workshop in March. SW's Michele Delafontaine gave a presentation on storage at that event, and is reaching out to communities to help them sort through the opportunities. The addition of storage, and perhaps CDG or other elements, some of these projects may achieve more positive returns and become attractive enough to put out for interest from developers.

### Energy Efficiency

Westchester Power is beginning to explore collaboration with Energize NY. The Energize NY residential energy efficiency program dovetails perfect with our other offerings, since it offers the most fundamental way of saving on a resident's power bill – via conservation.



Working with and on behalf of our member local governments in Westchester County to empower communities to create a sustainable future.



**Complete Streets**  
This initiative aims to make our roadways accessible to all modes of transportation—walking, biking, driving, public transit. Through planning and education, Sustainable Westchester aims to foster convenient, comfortable and safe travel for everyone.



**Westchester Power**  
Westchester Power is New York State's first Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), and as such, acts as a community energy advocate, negotiating rates with energy companies to bring residents competitive flat-rates and renewable energy, while boosting the local economy.



**Electric Vehicles**  
Sustainable Westchester's Clean Transportation Project aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and transportation costs for residents, businesses, and non-profits in Westchester County by connecting people with alternative transportation options and incentives.



**LED Street Lights Initiative**  
In cooperation with NYSERDA, Sustainable Westchester supports the Mid-Hudson Street Light Consortium to transition street lights to LED bulbs, which has the potential to save municipalities up to 85% of their energy costs and significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



**Solarize Westchester**  
Solarize Westchester works with residents and businesses to increase the usage of solar energy throughout Westchester County through incentives and education. There are approximately 1,100 solar installations in Westchester County, with over 400 resulting from Solarize campaigns.



**Municipal Solar Buyers Group**  
SW municipalities realize they need to lead the way in the clean energy transition. The Municipal Solar Buyers Group (MSBG) was formed to facilitate the installation of solar power on municipal facilities. Participating municipalities are receiving solar power offers from a collective RFP process.



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Mount Kisco NY  
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## From Here to CCA – Checklist (New participant)

***There are two major milestones on the way to participation in the Westchester Power CCA:***

**1. Enacting the enabling law:** exactly as it sounds – this is not yet a commitment to participate, but puts the municipality in a position to sign on if they decide to.

Timing: End October, beginning November

**2. Signing the MOU:** The MOU commits the municipality to execute the electricity supply agreement with the winning bidder if the "trigger" criteria are met. In the last contract this was primarily price (less than the previous 12 months average) and acceptance of the contract draft.

Timing: Latest, end of year

### **Optional – resolution to kick things off**

To start things moving, it can be useful to declare interest via a simple resolution.

Timing: September

### **Outreach**

The Public Service Commission requires a minimum of two months of outreach is done prior to committing to the CCA. Westchester Power will lead the efforts to connect with your residents and small businesses, educate about the program and solicit input.

Timing: Say the word and we'll start!

*[More detailed task list with WP items on back]*

Here to CCA Checklist:

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ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Dionisio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the following correspondence and reports:

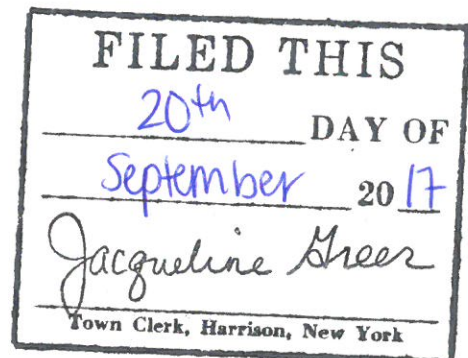
1. Monthly report by the Building Inspector for August 2017.
2. Monthly report by the Receiver of Taxes for August 2017.
3. Monthly report by the Acting Fire Marshal for August 2017.
4. Monthly report by the Town Clerk for August 2017.
5. Monthly report by the Chief of Police for August 2017.
6. Monthly report by the Superintendent of Recreation for August 2017.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None





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APPROVAL TO ADD AMANDA TIGANI TO THE CENTRAL SERVICES  
PART-TIME AVAILABILITY LIST

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Dionsio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Personnel Manager, Debra Scocchera, for approval to add Amanda Tigani to the Central Services part-time availability list at \$10.00 hourly, effective immediately.

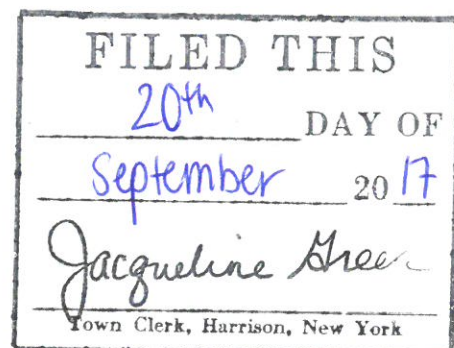
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Personnel Manager.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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APPROVAL TO APPOINT MARK VECCHIOLLA TO THE PART-TIME  
SEASONAL AVAILABILITY LIST FOR TRAFFIC LABORER

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Chief of Police, Michael Olsey, for approval to appoint Mark Vecchiolla to the part time seasonal availability list for Traffic Laborer at the rate of \$13.00 hourly, effective October 2, 2017.

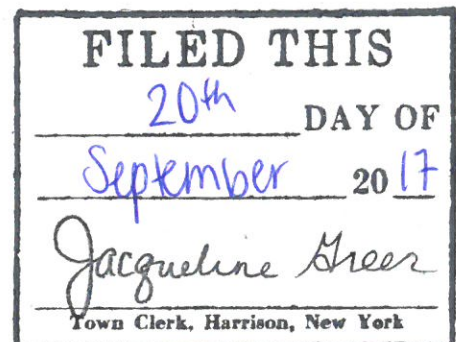
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, Chief of Police and Personnel Manager.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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APPROVAL TO AUCTION THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT  
ONLINE USING AUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Coordinator of Computer Services, Michael Piccini, for authorization to auction the following vehicles and equipment online using the online auction company, Auctions International, at no cost to the town:

<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Vin#</u>
2005 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W35X170224
2002 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W62X122423
2007 Ford Expedition	1FMFU16577LA42368
2016 Dodge Charger	2C3DXKT7GH324428
2004 Chevy Impala	2G1WF52K249437913
2004 Chevy Impala	2G1WF52K749409279
2003 Ford Expedition	1FMPU16L63LA34890
2002 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W6X122423
2003 Ford Crown Vic	1FAHP71W3X221864
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Town Asset #</u>
10 ton Air Lift jack	0037

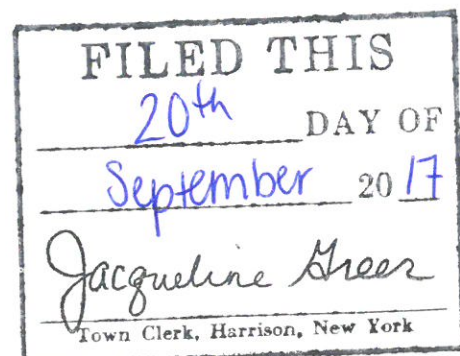
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Coordinator of Computer Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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APPROVAL TO ACCEPT DONATIONS TO HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,  
it was

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

\$2,000 from an anonymous donor  
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\$1,000 from Stephen and Helen Colman  
\$450 from Marie Briganti  
\$250 from the Jewish Community Center of Harrison  
\$397 from a collection jar at Pizza 2000

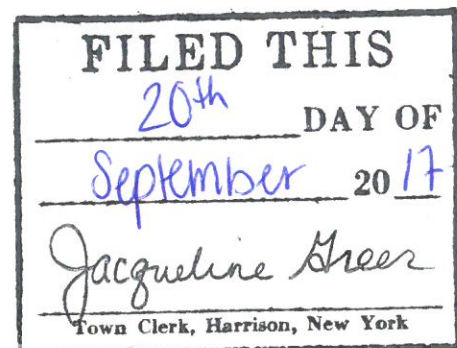
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and  
Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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APPROVAL FOR EIGHTEEN POLICE OFFICERS TO RECEIVE  
THE HEPATITIS B VACCINATION

On motion of Councilman Dionisio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Chief of Police, Michael Olsey, for approval for eighteen police officers to receive the Hepatitis B Vaccination as required by the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens standard, 29 CFR 1910.1030 and the Harrison Police, Manual of Procedures. The estimated cost for all the vaccinations with onsite visits is \$5,718.00. This is a budgeted item.

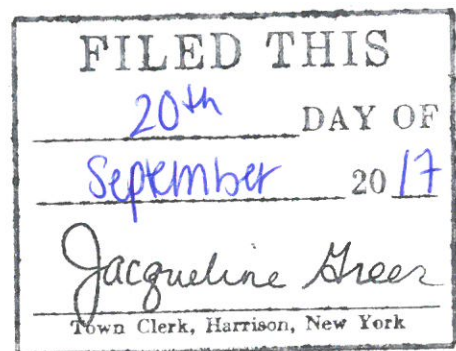
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Chief of Police.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None





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AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE HARRISON FIRE  
HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND TO RE-ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE  
BIDS FOR THE INTERIOR RENOVATION OF EXISTING APPARATUS BAY AND  
HANDICAPPED TOILET CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Town Engineer, Michael Amodeo, for authorization to reject all bids received for the Harrison Fire House Improvements Project and to authorize the Purchasing Department to re-advertise and receive bids for the Interior Renovation of Existing Apparatus Bay and Handicapped Toilet Construction Project.

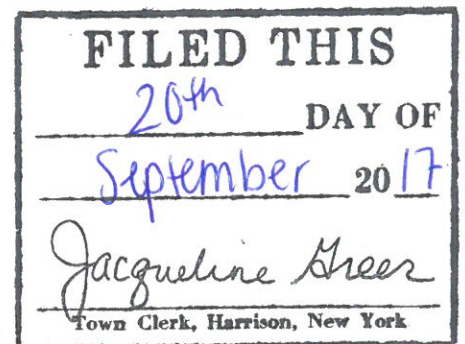
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, Purchasing Department and Town Engineer.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

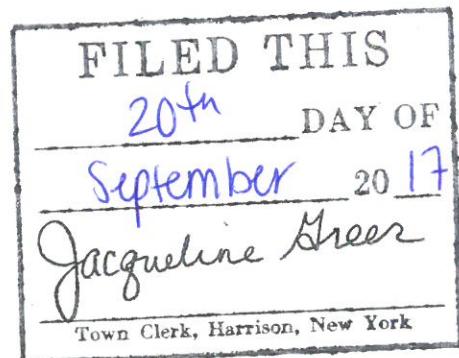


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NOTIFICATION BY SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION GERRY SALVO OF  
THE FOLLOWING "IT'S GREAT TO LIVE IN HARRISON DAY"  
WEEKEND FESTIVITIES

- 10/07/17      **Block Party – Fireworks** 7:00 PM  
West Harrison Fire Department  
(Rain date: Sunday, October 8, 2017)
- Open House** 10 AM-2 PM  
Harrison Police Headquarters
- 10/08/17      **Car Show / Concert** 10-4 PM  
West Harrison Business District
- 10/09/17      **Parade** 10 AM  
**Festival** in Riis Park immediately following parade.



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APPROVAL FOR LADY PRISON PRODUCTIONS, INC. TO FILM AT POLICE  
HEADQUARTERS FOR THE SERIES "ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK"

On motion of Councilman Dionisio, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Chief of Police, Michael Olsey, for approval for Lady Prison Productions, Inc. to film at Police Headquarters for the series "Orange is the new Black" on September 27, 2017.

FURTHER RESOLVED to accept a donation of \$5,000.00 which will be utilized for spending at the discretion of the Chief of Police

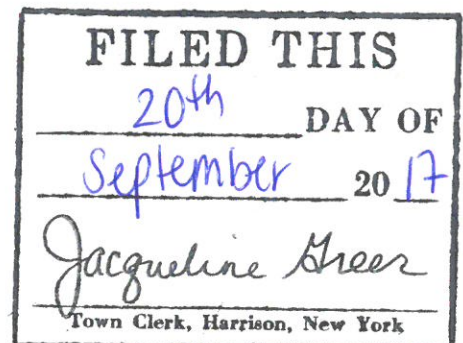
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Chief of Police.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



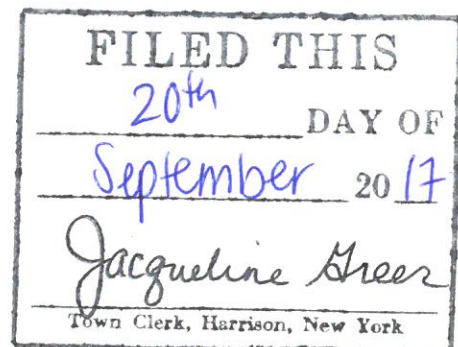


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MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel: 1  
Contractual: 1  
Litigation: 2  
Advice of Council: 1

On motion duly made and seconded,  
with all members voting in favor,  
the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 7:40 PM.



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PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF MARY KIZIS TO THE POSITION OF  
SENIOR OFFICE ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to provisionally appoint Mary Kizis to the position of Senior Office Assistant comptroller, at an annual salary of \$65,100.00, effective October 16, 2017. The proper procedure has been followed as per New York State Civil Service guidelines.

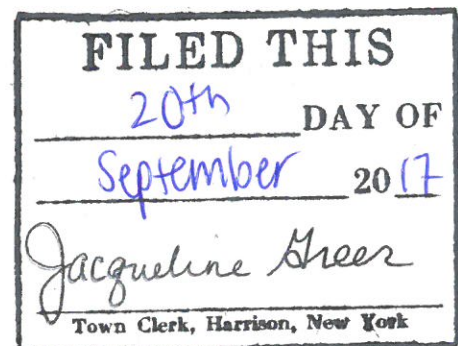
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and Personnel Manager.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE A CLAIM

On motion of Councilman Dionisio, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to settle the claim in the matter of Michelle McCallister v. Town of Harrison in the amount of \$500.00, subject to claimant signing a General Release and Stipulation of Discontinuance.

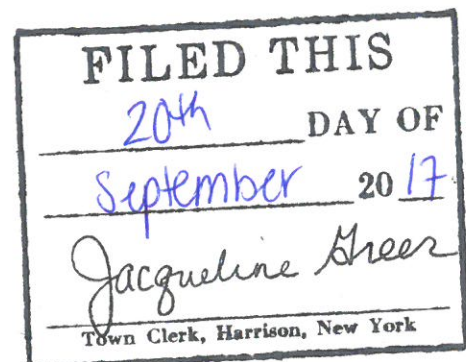
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



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AUTHORIZATION TO RAISE CAP ON LEGAL FEES

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to raise the cap on legal fees in the matter of Castaldi v. Town of Harrison to \$325,000.00.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilpersons Amelio, Dionisio, 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 9:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jacqueline Greer  
Town Clerk

