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A regular meeting of the Village Board of Harrison, Westchester County New York was held at the Municipal Building, 1 Heineman Place, Harrison, NY, Westchester County, on Thursday March 3, 2016 at 7:30 PM Eastern Standard Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald Belmont Mayor

Marlane Amelio)

Stephen Malfitano) Trustees

Joseph Stout)

ALSO ATTENDING:

Frank Allegretti Town Attorney

Christopher Cipolla Deputy Village Attorney

Maureen MacKenzie Treasurer

Anthony Marraccini Chief of Police

Michael Amodeo Village Engineer

Anthony Robinson Commissioner of Public Works

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AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
WITH THOMAS C. MERRITTS LAND SURVEYORS, P.C.

On motion of Trustee Malfitano, seconded by Trustee Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the request by Village Engineer Michael Amodeo for authorization to enter into a Professional Services Contract with Thomas C. Merritts Land Surveyors, P.C., for work related to the physical survey and written description of a drainage easement at 334 West Street, at a cost not to exceed \$4,250.00. Funding for this contract is available in the following Capital Accounts 13DR06 - \$3,635.07 and 14DR18 - \$614.93.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Purchasing Department to issue a Purchase Order payable to Thomas C. Merritts Land Surveyors, P.C. at an amount not to exceed \$4,250.00.

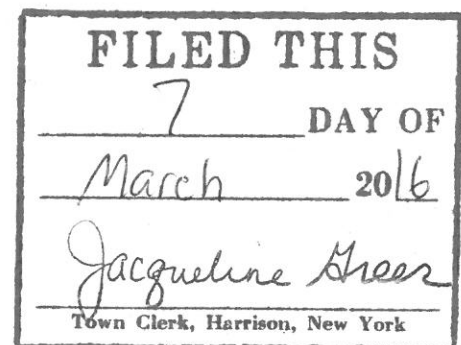
FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Village Engineer, the Purchasing Department and the Treasurer.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Trustees Amelio, Malfitano and Stout
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Sciliano



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REPORT BY COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS
ON THE COMMERCIAL GARBAGE & RECYCLING COLLECTION PROGRAM

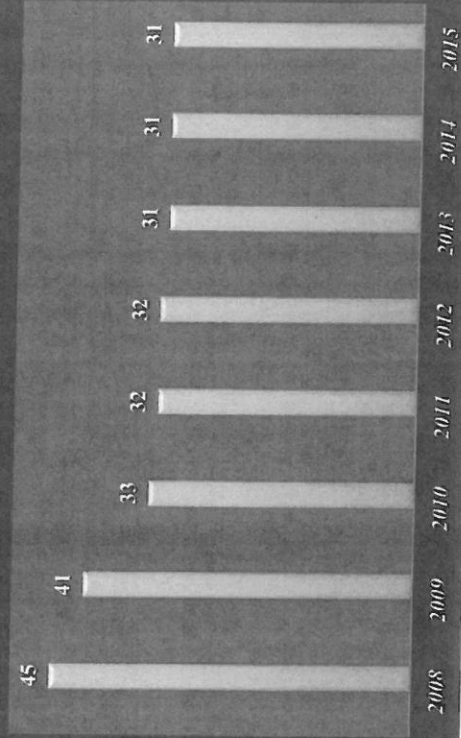
Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson discussed the commercial garbage and recycling collection program. The program was specifically set up for businesses to collect garbage, trash, and recycling from non residential users such as corporate businesses, stores, restaurants, schools and places of worship. For the purposes of the Town Code it is defined as anything other than one, two or three family residences. It was first implemented in 2010 to provide a revenue stream to offset the cost of the program. Currently we employ the use of two 3 men sanitation crews with rear load packers and they collect from uptown and downtown locations on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During the past few years it has become very apparent to us that the Sanitation Department in general was reaching critical mass with respect to staffing and the aging fleet. Commissioner Robinson made the following presentation to the Board.

**Village of Harrison
2016 Commercial Sanitation Cost Analysis**

**Village Board Presentation
Thursday, March 03, 2016**

Anthony P. Robinson, Commissioner of Public Works

Sanitation Department Staffing
2008 - 2015



Village of Harrison
2016 Commercial Sanitation Cost Analysis

Costs Incurred	
Personnel	\$ 738,067.27
Equipment	\$ 60,000.00
Fuel	\$ 11,361.02
Tipping Fees	\$ 46,918.38
Workman's Compensation	\$ 117,857.16
Total Costs Incurred	\$ 974,203.83
Total Revenue Collected	
	\$ 241,300.00
Net Cost of Commercial Sanitation Program	
	\$ 732,903.83

Village of Harrison
2016 Commercial Sanitation Cost Recovery
Current Program Charges vs. Private Carters

User Type	Program Charges(1)	Carter Charges	Cost Differential (2)
1-10 Pails	\$600	\$1,320	(\$720)
2 2-yard containers	\$1,300	\$4,980	(\$3,680)
3 2-yard containers	\$1,900	\$7,464	(\$5,564)
4 2-yard containers	\$2,500	\$9,960	(\$7,460)
5 2-yard containers	\$3,100	\$12,444	(\$9,344)
8 2-yard containers	\$4,900	\$19,920	(\$15,020)

(1) Programs Charges at Current Rate Charged

(2) Actual Program Charges vs. Commercial Carters

Village of Harrison
2016 Commercial Sanitation Cost Recovery (1)
100% Cost Recovery vs. Commercial Carters

User Type	Program Charges(2)	Carter Charges	Cost Differential (3)
1-10 Pails	\$2,020	\$1,320	\$700
2 2-yard containers	\$5,250	\$4,980	\$270
3 2-yard containers	\$7,675	\$7,464	\$211
4 2-yard containers	\$10,100	\$9,960	\$140
5 2-yard containers	\$12,525	\$12,444	\$81
8 2-yard containers	\$19,785	\$19,920	(\$135)

(1) As of January 28, 2016

(2) Programs Charges at 100% Cost Recovery

(3) 100% Cost Recovery vs. Commercial Carters

**Village of Harrison
2016 Municipal Commercial Sanitation Summary**

Municipality	Garbage	Recycling	Limitations
Cortlandt	No	No	
Greenburgh	Yes	Yes	2-32 gallon - 2x/week
Mamaroneck Village	No	Yes	
Mount Pleasant	No	No	
Mount Vernon	Yes	Yes	2-32 gallon - 2x/week
New Rochelle	Yes	Yes	4-32 gallon
North Castle (1)	Yes	Yes	
Pleasantville	No	No	
Port Chester	Yes	Yes	2-96 gallon - 2 x/week
Rye	Yes	Yes	2-32 gallon - 2x/week
Scarsdale	No	No	
Tarrytown	Yes	Yes	
White Plains (2)	Yes	Yes	
Yorktown	No	No	

(1) North Castle includes Armonk, Banksville and North White Plains

(2) Cost covered by City Sales Tax

**Village of Harrison
Commercial Sanitation/Recycling Program Proposal**

Eliminate Commercial Garbage/Recycling Collection Program effective May 1, 2016

Eliminate (6) six Sanitation Department budget positions as they are vacated

Eliminate Capital Budget request for collection vehicle

2016-2017 Savings from Program elimination \$732, 903.83

**Village of Harrison
Commercial Sanitation/Recycling Program Proposal
Proposal Exceptions**

Collection shall continue for current Program users who can be collected using two, 48 gallon pails, twice weekly

Currently 46 such users

Pickups shall be distributed among four current/future residential collection routes

Recycling collection for those users once weekly using blue bins

No user fee

Village of Harrison
Overall Financial Impacts of Operational Changes
Automation and Elimination of Commercial Program

Staff ultimately reduced by 20 positions

No layoffs

No service reductions to Residents

Yearly savings of approximately \$2.5 million

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Trustee Stout asked Commissioner Robinson if there was some mechanism to insure that if we do go with private carters that it would be the same level of service, same number of times per week, so there is not a garbage build up on Halstead Avenue.

Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson said that is a question for the Attorney's. The Board could put into the code the number of collections required for a business. There is language that exists in the code that indicates that a nuisance can't be created from refuse. Under the existing code, if they only had one pick up a week, and we saw they were creating a mess could at that point site them under the code. The Commissioner has heard from many people that they are concerned about the timing of the collection. Residents don't want private carters coming into town at 2:00 AM to get a head start. Maybe a time period is something the Board would add to the code for collections.

Trustee Stout said that he thought it was a great recommendation, business tax payers the same service as everyone else. Businesses should get the two pails picked up as your regular service at no extra cost.

Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson agreed. When he looked at what other municipalities have done, at the Board's request, he found that municipalities that never had a commercial program did in fact collect refuse from small business that only had two pails. We would be able to do this.

Harrison resident Sam Fanelli said the topic didn't pertain much to him because he only has one or two pails per week. He was asked if the business owner will be allowed to pick who they use. If each business picks a different carter we are going to have different trucks coming through town at different times of the day. Our trucks are nice and clean. Did you ever see some of these trucks that these companies use? Are we going to be able to pick or will you be telling us who we have to hire?

Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson explained that because of our union contract, if we abolish commercial pick-up, we cannot get involved in the selection of a carter. The town would have no relationship with the carters other than as an enforcement agent if they stepped out of line with the existing code.

Trustee Malfitano said my guess is there is going to be reasonable competition for the business and it suggests to me that there will likely be a reasonable competitive market.

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Harrison resident Holly Sharpe and President of the Harrison Chamber of Commerce asked a question about the current town fees that are being charged to the business owners are they going to be eliminated on the date this is effective? Will there be any additional charges that the town will continue?

Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson if the program is eliminated the town will no longer charge any fees for collection for anything related to commercial refuse. Other than the two pail users the Town won't be collecting it.

Manny Cabral owner of Aquario Restaurant said his building is mixed use; commercial and residential. He will use private pails for the residents and pay for commercial. He didn't think there will be competition. The carters have their own territories and they take as much as they can. He would rather be raised a \$1,000 a year then have a private company rip him off.

Harrison resident Anja Porto said she wanted to make a suggestion regarding garbage. She didn't think residents need to have large bulk pick up once a week. Residents can call when needed. Ms. Porto also opined that she didn't think we need recycling every week. If residents get a bigger pail we could do recycling every two weeks. Ms. Porto suggested that this might be able to offset some of the costs for the business collection.

On motion duly made and seconded,
with all members voting in favor,
the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 8:56 PM.

There being no further matters to come before the Board,
the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded,
declared closed at 12:09 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer
Village Clerk

