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, May 16, 2013 at 7:30 PM. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Ronald Belmont Supervisor
Marlane Amelio )  Joseph Cannella ) Councilpersons  Fred Sciliano )
ABSENT:
Stephen Malfitano Councilperson
ALSO ATTENDING:
Christopher Cipolla Deputy Village Attorney
Maureen MacKenzie Comptroller

Anthony Marraccini . . . . . Chief of Police

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### PRESENTATION OF THE 2013 MAYOR'S CHOICE AWARDS IN RECOGNITION OF YOUTH ART MONTH

Supervisor Belmont presented the 2013 Mayor's Choice Award for recognition of Youth Art Month to Hannah Karkout who is a 4<sup>th</sup> grade student at Parsons Memorial School. Supervisor Belmont thanked Hannah for her efforts and said that her artwork would be hung up in the Municipal Building.

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### APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF 217 BOXES OF COOKIES FROM THE HARRISON GIRL SCOUTS FOR THE HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

Gail Frohlich, a Harrison resident and Treasurer/Secretary of the Harrison Girl Scout Community spoke to the Board and the audience. She said that the Girl Scouting is an organization which has helped girls grow into women of courage, confidence and character over the last 101 years. The volunteer leaders work very hard to give the girls the knowledge and tools necessary to be successful in life. A cornerstone of our efforts is to teach the girls the importance of serving their community and giving back. We have had coat drives, collected pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House, donated a portion of troop cookie profits to buy a new clothes washer for the Ronald McDonald House, planted flowers with the Beautification Committee, cleaned up parks and served meals at soup kitchens, among many other activities.

Ms. Frohlich went on to say that one of the things that the Girl Scouts have always supported is the Harrison Food Pantry. We conducted a Food Drive in the fall and will have another on June 1<sup>st</sup> at DeCicco's. Troops donated Thanksgiving baskets with all the trimmings; troops participated in the Holiday Project; we sort items for Community Services so it is easier for them to stock the shelves. One of the big events in Girl Scouting is our annual cookie sale. During this time people are able to purchase cookies for themselves, and/or donate boxes to different organizations, through the Gift of Caring program. Individual troops can choose what organization they would like to support. Many of our troops choose to donate to the Harrison Food Pantry, and I ask you to accept this donation of 217 boxes of cookies, from the Harrison Girl Scouts.

Troop 1880	36 Boxes
Troop 1889	55 Boxes
Troop 1896	27 Boxes
Troop 2467	49 Boxes
Troop 2468	38 Boxes
Troop 1882/2466	12 Boxes

#### 2013 - - 159 (continued)

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the donation of 217 boxes of cookies from the Harrison Girl Scouts for the Harrison Food Pantry.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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#### PRESENTATION BY VETERAN'S AFFAIR OFFICER BEN DEFONCE RE: MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Ben DeFonce, Veteran Service Officer, addressed the Board with a preview of the upcoming Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. As usual we are going to assemble at 9:30 at Halstead and Thatcher Avenue and at 10:00 we march. I would love to see people come out and support our Veterans. Our ceremony will take place at Ma Riis Park. We have some wonderful speakers from the Army, Marines, Air Force and Navy. Please come out and support our Veterans. We will also be honoring Dr. Fred Pasqua, music teacher at Harrison High School, who will be retiring after 23 years of service.

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#### 2013 - - 161 ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the following correspondence and reports:

- 1a. Monthly report by the Town Clerk for April 2013.
- 1b. Monthly report by the Receiver of Taxes for April 2013.
- 1c. Monthly report by the Building Inspector for April 2013.
- 1d. Monthly report by the Acting Fire Marshal for April 2013.
- 1e. Monthly report by the Superintendent of Recreation for April 2013.
- 1f. Monthly report by the Chief of Police for April 2013.
- 2. The Town of Harrison accepts the Final Draft Generic Impact Statement for the Town of Mamaroneck, B and SB Zoning Text and Map Amendments, from BFJ Planning, Inc.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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# APPROVAL FOR TOWN ENGINEER MICHAEL AMODEO AND ASSISTANT TOWN ENGINEER FRANK BALBI TO ATTEND THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL COURSE ON JUNE 27, 2013

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Town Engineer Michael Amodeo for himself and Assistant Town Engineer Frank Balbi to attend the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation erosion and sediment control course on June 27, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$100 per person.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in the Engineering Department Operating Budget account #001-1440-100-0415.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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### APPROVAL FOR ZONING BOARD CHAIRMAN MARK FISHER TO ATTEND WESTCHESTER MUNICIPAL PLANNING FEDERATION 2013 LAND USE TRAINING ON MAY 16, 2013

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve Zoning Board Chairman Mark Fisher to attend Westchester Municipal Planning Federation 2013 Land Use Training Institute on May 16, 2013, at a cost of \$20.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Secretary to the Zoning Board.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Councilman Malfitano

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### APPROVAL FOR ZONING BOARD MEMBER PAUL KATZ TO ATTEND WESTCHESTER MUNICIPAL PLANNING FEDERATION 2013 LAND USE TRAINING ON MAY 16, 2013

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve Zoning Board Member Paul Katz to attend Westchester Municipal Planning Federation 2013 Land Use Training Institute on May 16, 2013, at a cost of \$20.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Secretary to the Zoning Board.

Adopted by the following vote:

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#### APPROVAL FOR PLANNING BOARD MEMBER RAYMOND KRAUS TO ATTEND WESTCHESTER MUNICIPAL PLANNING FEDERATION 2013 LAND USE TRAINING ON MAY 16, 2013

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve Planning Board Member Raymond Kraus to attend Westchester Municipal Planning Federation 2013 Land Use Training Institute on May 16, 2013, at a cost of \$20.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Secretary to the Planning Board.

Adopted by the following vote:

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### APPROVAL FOR RON CAPASSO TO BE REPLACEMENT BACK-UP FOR ALL BOARD MEETINGS HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve for Ron Capasso to be replacement back-up for all Board meetings held in the Municipal Building at an hourly salary of \$18.50 for the year 2013.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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Supervisor Belmont

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# APPROVAL FOR ASSESSOR MARK HEINBOCKEL TO ATTEND THE NEW YORK STATE ASSESSOR'S ASSOCIATION SEMINAR AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK FROM JULY 15, 2013 THROUGH JULY 19, 2013

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve Assessor Mark Heinbockel to attend the New York State Assessor's Association Seminar being held at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, from July 15<sup>th</sup> through July 19, 2013, at a cost not to exceed \$1,250. This is a budgeted item.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a coy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Assessor.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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## ACCEPTANCE, WITH REGRET, THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM RALPH ATTILIO, GENERAL REPAIRER IN THE DPW EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Supervisor Belmont said that Ralph has been a great employee of the town for the past 28 years and more importantly a friend to everyone in the community. Ralph, we are going to miss you and I accept this, with regrets.

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept, with regret, the letter of retirement from Ralph Attilio, General Repairer in the Department of Public Works, effective June 1, 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 and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

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## APPROVAL FOR CENTURY COUNTRY CLUB TO HOLD THEIR ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON CLUB GROUNDS ON JULY 4, 2013 WITH A RAINDATE OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Burt Ward, General Manager of Century Country Club for authorization to hold a fireworks display on Thursday, July 4, 2013 with a rain date of Sunday, September 1, 2013, on club grounds, subject to approval by the Town Clerk, the Acting Fire Marshal and the Chief of Police.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Town Clerk, the Acting Fire Marshal, the Chief of Police, the Purchase Fire Department and the Harrison EMS.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

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#### AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION GERRY SALVO TO ACCEPT DONATIONS FOR THE 2013 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Superintendent of Recreation Gerry Salvo for authorization to accept the following donations in the amount of \$100 per merchant for the 2013 Summer Concert Series:

Al-Dente Restaurant
Great Wall China
Harrison Wine Vault
Harrison-Mamaroneck Rotary
Monica Chimes Floral
Murray's Ice Cream
Silver Lake Café Grill
Silver Lake Pizza
Silver Lake Station
Trevi Ristorante

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

Adopted by the following vote:

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# APPROVAL TO SET THE DATE OF MAY 30, 2013 FOR A PUBLIC HEARING RE: CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER TO INSTALL A MONUMENT SIGN IN THE FRONT YARD OF THEIR PROPERTY FACING WESTCHESTER AVENUE

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was .

RESOLVED to approve the request of Paul Herrick, Rabin Panero & Herrick, Esqs. for authorization to set the date of May 30, 2013 for a Public Hearing for a Special Exception Use Permit for Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester to install a monument sign and a garden patio on property more specifically known and designated as Block 601, Lot 1 on the Tax Assessment map of the Town of Harrison.

FURTHER RESOLVED that approval by the Planning Board and the Architectural Review Board has been granted.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chair of the Planning Board and the Architectural Review Board, the Commissioner of Public Works and the Building Inspector.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

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#### 2013 - - 172 OLD BUSINESS:

Town Clerk Jackie Greer said she would like to take a few minutes to share some figures on the success of the new website. Since the website went live in November it has had, as of yesterday, 54,930 visitors. That equates to about 305 visitors per day. Those visitors have viewed 298,502 pages within the site, with an average of 5.43 pages per visit. The average visit is 2 minutes and 35 seconds. The website provides us with statistics to keep us informed on how to better utilize the information provided on the site. It provides my office with information on each visit to the site. For instance the Recreation Department received the most hits with 16,409 and the Town Clerk page getting the next highest with 12,162. The Court and Building Departments had over 9,000 hits.

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#### 2013 - - 173 MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 8:08 PM.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was reconvened at 10:50 PM.

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#### 2013 - - 174 <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RAISE THE CAP ON LEGAL FEES</u> IN THE MATTER OF TRIANO vs TOWN OF HARRISON

On motion of Supervisor Belmont, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to raise the cap on legal fees in the matter of Triano vs Town of Harrison to \$75,000.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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#### 2013 - - 175 APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RAY MEDIA II CONSULTING GROUP

On motion of Councilman Sciliano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to enter into an agreement with Ray Media II Consulting Group to develop new revenue streams, marketing and public relations to the town in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in the Contingency Fund.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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Supervisor Belmont

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## 2013 - - 176 AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE FRANK CICCONE AS AN ALTERNATE CROSSING GUARD EFFECTIVE MAY 20, 2013

On motion of Councilman Sciliano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to hire Frank Ciccone as an alternate crossing guard at an hourly rate of \$19.50 per hour effective May 20, 2013.

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 and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Councilman Malfitano

There being no further matters to come before the Board, the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, declared closed at 10:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer Town Clerk

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