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, New York, Westchester County, on Thursday, June 5, 2014 at 7:30 PM. Eastern Standard Time. All Members having received due notice of said meeting

| MEMBERS PRESENT: |
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| Ronald Belmont Supervisor |
| Marlane Amelio) Joseph Cannella) Councilpersons Stephen Malfitano) Fred Sciliano) |
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| ALSO ATTENDING: |
| Frank Allegretti Town Attorney |
| Jonathan Kraut Village Attorney |
| Christopher Cipolla Deputy Village Attorney |
| Maureen MacKenzie Comptroller |
| Anthony Marraccini Chief of Police |
| Michael Amodeo Town Engineer |

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PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT BY SUPERVISOR BELMONT AND THE TOWN BOARD TO HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR, JAKE MARINO, FOR BEING SELECTED BY CON EDISON AS AN ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Supervisor Belmont and the Town Board presented Harrison High School Senior, Jake Marino, with a Certificate of Achievement for being selected by Con Edison as Athlete of the Week.

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2014 - - 217 ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to accept the monthly report by the Commissioner of Public Works for April 2014.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

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None

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AUTHORIZATION FOR TOWN ENGINEER MICHAEL AMODEO TO ATTEND A CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS ENTITLED "STATE PLANE COORDINATE WORKSHOP" IN NANUET, NEW YORK ON JULY 11, 2014

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Town Engineer Michael Amodeo for authorization to attend a continuing education class entitled "State Plane Coordinate Workshop" in Nanuet, New York on July 11, 2014 at a cost of \$269. 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, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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AUTHORIZATION FOR SAL GENTILE, CHIEF OF FIRE DISTRICT #1, AND SIX MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE NEW YORK CHIEF CONVENTION IN VERONA, NEW YORK FROM JUNE 11, 2014 TO JUNE 14, 2014

On motion of Councilman Sciliano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Sal Gentile, Chief of Fire District #1, for authorization for himself and six members to attend the New York Chief Convention in Verona, New York from June 11, 2014 to June 14, 2014 at a total cost of \$7,250 for food, lodging, travel, and convention expense. Funding is available in Account # 010-3410-100-0406.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Chief of Fire District #1.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION FOR POLICE OFFICER DOMENICK GENTILE TO ATTEND THE 2014 ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS FROM AUGUST 25, 2014 TO AUGUST 29, 2014 IN SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini for authorization for Police Officer Domenick Gentile to attend the 2014 Annual Training Conference for School Resource Officers from August 25, 2014 to August 29, 2014 in Syracuse, New York. Funding is available in Account # 001-3120-10-0415.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION FOR POLICE OFFICER THOMAS MILONE TO ATTEND MOTORCYCLE SAFETY SCHOOL ON JUNE 13, 2014 AT LEHMAN COLLEGE, BRONX, NEW YORK

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini for authorization for Police Officer Thomas Milone to attend Motorcycle Safety School on June 13, 2014 at Lehman College, Bronx, New York. The cost of training will be \$120.00. Funding is available in Account # 001-3120-100-0415.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION GERRY SALVO TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL RECREATION PARKS ASSOCIATION CONGRESS & EXPOSITION ON OCTOBER 14, 2014 TO OCTOBER 17, 2014 TO BE HELD IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Superintendent of Recreation Gerry Salvo for authorization to attend the National Recreation Parks Association Congress & Exposition to be held on October 14, 2014 to October 17, 2014 in Charlotte, North Carolina. The cost of registration and travel expense not to exceed \$1,875.00. This is a budgeted item.

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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2014 - - 223 AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE GREGORY SOHANCHYK AS A PART TIME AVAILABILITY CLERK FOR THE SUMMER

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Library Director Galina Chernykh for authorization to hire Gregory Sohanchyk as a Part Time Availability Clerk for the summer at an hourly rate of \$11.00, the work week not to exceed 17.5 hours.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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<u>AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONS TO THE PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST</u> <u>FOR RECREATION – CAMP SEASON, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014</u>

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Personnel Manager Debra Scocchera for authorization for the following additions to the Part Time Availability List for Recreation – Camp Season, effective June 1, 2014:

| Name | Hourly Rate |
|--|---|
| Michael Amicucci | \$7.50 |
| Marina Arcara | \$12.00 |
| Peter Barbieri | \$6.75 |
| Alex Beckett | \$8.00 |
| Victora Bilotta | |
| | \$6.75 |
| Caitlyn Brown | \$6.75 |
| Shannon Callagy | \$6.75 |
| Christine Cardascia | \$6.75 |
| Zachary Carvajal | \$6.75 |
| Beatriz Carvalho | \$7.00 |
| Samantha Chiarella | \$7.25 |
| Paolo Curcio | \$9.25 |
| Nicole D'Annibale | \$7.00 |
| Tara D'Antona | \$7.00 |
| Lea Darmon | \$9.00 |
| Nicole Desousa | \$10.25 |
| Emily DiSilvestro | \$7.00 |
| Nicholas Erb | \$7.00 |
| Roth Fin | \$13.00 |
| Sabrina Forgione | \$8.00 |
| Amanda Gambacorta | \$9.50 |
| Micaela Gomez | \$6.75 |
| Christopher Gougherty | \$7.25 |
| Doreen Grozinger | \$11.00 |
| Emily Gunther | \$6.75 |
| Junko Jean-Phillippe | \$11.00 |
| Jacob McKinsey | \$7.75 |
| Laura McKinsey | \$9.75 |
| Sarah McKinsey | \$7.00 |
| Deanna Macchia | \$6.75 |
| Edward Maguire | \$7.50 |
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| Grace Manning | \$7.00 |
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| Austin Meacham | \$7.00 |
| Gail Mellea | \$9.00 |
| Omar Nesheiwat | \$6.75 |
| Frank Newman | \$7.00 |
| Victoria Nuvoloni | \$7.50 |
| Joanna Oppedisano | \$6.75 |
| Alison Park | \$9.00 |
| David Pierroz | \$7.00 |
| Sophia Pirinea | \$7.00 |
| Christian Portillo | \$7.25 |
| Susan Prati | \$9.00 |
| Alexis Puccio | \$6.75 |
| Kyla Rodgers | \$10.25 |
| Jillian Roos | \$6.75 |
| Danielle Santiago | \$10.00 |
| Camila Sarmiento | \$7.00 |
| Alyx Scapperotti | \$8.00 |
| Elizabeth Seidman | \$7.00 |
| Alex Spanos | \$6.75 |
| Michael Suozzo | \$7.50 |
| Nicole Tenner | \$8.25 |
| Karina Torres | \$8.25 |
| Andrea Tuzzolino | \$8.00 |
| Naomi Wall | \$8.00 |
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FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Superintendent of Recreation.

Adopted by the following vote:

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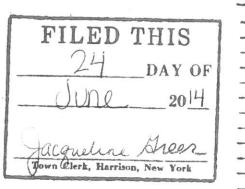
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Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONS TO THE PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST FOR RECREATION – LIFEGUARD/MAINTENANCE, EFFECTIVE MAY 24, 2014

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Personnel Manager Debra Scocchera for authorization for the following additions to the Part Time Availability List for Recreation – Lifeguard/Maintenance positions, effective May 24, 2014:

| Name | Hourly Rate |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Brandon Antolini | \$7.75 |
| Gabriella Garcia | \$7.75 |
| Keith Guthrie | \$9.75 |
| Roth Fin | \$13.00 |
| Richard Harris | \$7.00 |
| Emma Jorgenson | \$7.75 |
| Sydney Leone | \$10.00 |
| Juliet Lodes | \$7.00 |
| Joe Maida | \$9.00 |
| Loni Marsico | \$13.50 |
| Alessandra Neu | \$10.25 |
| Jason Neu | \$11.50 LG/\$8.75 Maintenance |
| Danny Sanatar | \$7.00 |
| Roma Scarano | \$7.75 |
| Jeremy Storm | \$10.50 |
| Brian Pon | \$9.50 |
| Joe Puccio | \$8.00 |
| Tatum Rodgers | \$8.00 |
| Dave Tolve | \$8.00 |
| Jasmine Tucker | \$7.75 |
| Pat Viscome | \$8.00 |
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FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Superintendent of Recreation.

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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE STORMWATER FACILITY EASEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER AND THE TOWN OF HARRISON

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Deputy Village Attorney Christopher Cipolla for authorization for the Supervisor to execute the Stormwater Facility Easement and Maintenance Agreement between Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester and the Town of Harrison.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano 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, 2014 WITH A RAIN DATE OF JULY 6, 2014

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Burton Ward, General Manager of Century Country Club for approval to hold a fireworks display on Friday July 4, 2014, with a rain date of Sunday July 6, 2014, on the 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 Acting Fire Marshal, the Chief of Police, the Purchase Fire Department and the Harrison EMS.

Adopted by the following vote:

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Counciclpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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2014 - - 228 AUTHORIZATION FOR A BUDGET TRANSFER

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for the following budget transfer:

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To transfer available funds from Court Clerk Special Service Budget Line to Court Clerk Fixed Assets Budget Line to cover the cost of the installation of bulletproof transaction windows.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

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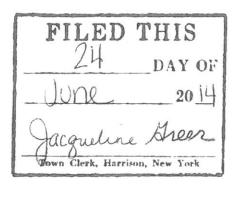
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Supervisor Belmont

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2014 - - 229 <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THE LIFE TIME FITNESS</u> <u>PERFORMANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200,000.00</u>

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by the Planning Board for authorization to release the Life Time Fitness Performance Bond in the amount of \$1,200,000.00.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

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Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE JAPAN BLOCK FAIR FOR THE HARRISON JAPAN FESTIVAL

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Superintendent of Recreation Gerry Salvo for authorization to accept a donation in the amount of \$500.00 from the Japan Block Fair for the Harrison Japan Festival.

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

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APPROVAL FOR OLD OAKS COUNTRY CLUB TO HOLD THEIR ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON CLUB GOUNDS ON JULY 4, 2014 WITH A RAIN DATE OF JULY 6, 2014

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Old Oaks Country Club for approval to hold their annual fireworks display on club grounds on Friday July 4, 2014 with a rain date of Sunday July 6, 2014, 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 Acting Fire Marshal, the Chief of Police and the Purchase Fire Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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AUTHORIZATION TO SET A DATE OF JUNE 19, 2014 FOR A PUBLIC HEARING RE: FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON NEW YORK INC. FOR CABLE SERVICES

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Supervisor Belmont to set a date of June 19, 2014 for a Public Hearing Re: Franchise Agreement with Verizon New York Inc. for cable services.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

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APPROVAL FOR WARNER BROS. PRODUCTIONS TO FILM EXTERIOR SCENES AT THE HARRISON PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE HBO SERIES "THE LEFTOVERS" ON OR AROUND JUNE 13, 2014

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Library Director Galina Chernykh for Warner Bros. Productions to film exterior scenes at the Harrison Public Library for the HBO Series "The Leftovers" on or around June 13, 2014. Insurance has been provided.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Warner Bros. Productions will make a \$2,500 donation to the Library.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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APPROVAL FOR WARNER BROS. PRODUCTIONS TO FILM EXTERIOR SCENES IN THE TOWN OF HARRISON PARKING LOT LOCATED AT PARK AVENUE AND PURDY STREET FOR THE HBO SERIES "THE LEFTOVERS" ON OR AROUND JUNE 17, 2014

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Supervisor Belmont for Warner Bros. Productions to film exterior scenes in the Town of Harrison parking lot located at Park Avenue and Purdy Street for the HBO series "The Leftovers" on or around June 17, 2014 from 6:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Insurance has been provided.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Warner Bros. Productions will make a donation to the Town of Harrison.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

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APPROVAL FOR WARNER BROS. PRODUCTIONS TO PARK FILM TRUCKS AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS FOR THE HBO SERIES "THE LEFTOVERS" FROM JUNE 10, 2014 TO JUNE 12, 2014

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini for Warner Bros. Productions to park film trucks at Police Headquarters fro the HBO Series "The Leftovers" from June 10, 2014 to June 12, 2014.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Warner Bros. Productions will make a donation in the amount of \$3,500 to be ear marked for spending at the Chief's discretion.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

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2014 - - 234 PUBLIC HEARING RE: LINCLON LANE DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Village Attorney Kraut asked Town Engineer Michael Amodeo to give a summary of the nature and improvements that are being proposed and their vicinity, location and description.

Town Engineer Amodeo presented the Board with a map and a name and address list that outlined the boundaries of the property owners involved in the proposed district. The map had a highlighted area in the center. This is where the main area of work will be done within Lincoln Lane. Within the area is a bridge that crosses over a stream. There are some drainage issues on the road. The lack of proper drainage on the bridge causes ponding and icing that is deteriorating the bridge. The Engineering Department is proposing to retain a consultant and do a study and design of this area before we move forward with construction.

Village Attorney Kraut said from a technical standpoint the residents of the proposed district did submit a petition that does conform to the statute. The first step in order to move forward is to have a consultant engineer do the design work and proceed from there.

Town Engineer Amodeo said he has a proposal from Woodward and Curran. It will encompass the initial study, survey work and design work. The cost for the work to get us to the point to go out to bid is about \$70,000, which will then be transferred back to the residents of the district. The total price of the proposal, which includes survey, engineering evaluation, drainage and bridge maintenance repair, field test pits, engineering designs and specifications, construction drawings and meetings totals \$66,200.

Supervisor Belmont asked if anyone wanted to speak on this subject.

Daniel Laub from the firm of Cuddy and Feder spoke on behalf of the petitioners of Lincoln Lane. He is appearing before the Board for the formation of this special district. He reviewed briefly, the drainage issue in the area that the residents are looking to have rectified through the formation of this special district. Part of the benefit is that the district will be able to have the drainage captured and controlled for the flow, speed and direction. Another important point is that only the residents of the district will bear the cost. This district will be a special taxation upon the residents and members of the district and not a general cost to the Town or Village of Harrison.

Village Attorney Kraut said as a matter of process, if you find the public benefit to the residents that are petitioning is worthwhile, close the hearing and vote to approve it. This would approve the expenditure on behalf of the district for the design consultant and the engineer. Once that is completed it will return to this Board with a construction

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estimate and/or bid. At that point the Board would authorize the bonding of it and then the bonding would be amortized and paid through the district, as council just said.

Councilman Malfitano said there are two separate resolutions, the second having to do with the authorization of expenditure to go to design; do we need a funding source in place for that?

Deputy Village Attorney Cipolla said correct. We are going to be forming the district tonight and at the July meeting we will come back for a bonding resolution.

Councilman Malfitano said if we are going to authorize the expenditure this evening then we need to identify a funding source.

Deputy Village Attorney Cipolla said my recommendation would be to not authorize the expenditure tonight and approve the district formation and when it's time to come back to the Board we will be bonding the amount and it will be billed back to the district.

Councilman Malfitano said can we do that at the June 19th meeting?

Deputy Village Attorney Cipolla said yes we can.

Councilman Malfitano made a motion to close the public hearing and Councilman Cannella seconded.

Councilman Malfitano made a motion to establish the special district on petition of the residents and for their behalf and benefit and at their expense.

Councilwoman Amelio seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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2014 - - 234 - - a FORMATION OF LINCOLN LANE DRAINAGE DISTRICT

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the formation of the Special Improvement Lincoln Lane Drainage District on petition of the residents for their behalf and benefit at their expense.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

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2014 - - 235 <u>OLD BUSINESS</u> LUIGI FUNICELLO RESIDENT OF PINEHURST DRIVE

Harrison resident Lou Funicello said he spoke to the Board at the last meeting and wants to know if there was an outcome with the poles in front of his house. Did anything come about? Perhaps we could ask the lawyers here to find out what the situation is. Verizon has 4,000 volts over the wires going up one side to the other side; in case something happens to one side they can switch to the other side. During past storms this switch didn't work. I would like to know what Verizon is going to do about it.

Supervisor Belmont said to Mr. Funicello that two and a half years ago when Mr. Funicello first came to him Supervisor Belmont immediately began speaking with Con Edison and the other utility companies. At that point they told me it was a done deal and there was nothing they could do. This took several months to get an answer. This complaint goes back over thirteen years when the poles were initially put in place. I did try and help you two and a half years ago and it took several months to get the answer that nothing would be done. After the last meeting I went back to my contacts at those utility companies to ask once again and have not heard back yet. I will let you know the moment I hear and inform you of the outcome.

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2014 - - 236 OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION FROM TOM LIND RE: SON'S RETIREMENT

Harrison resident Tom Lind addressed the Board. I have been coming to Town Board Meetings lately. I was at a previous meeting in support of an issue that is now tabled. While I was listening to these meetings it got me thinking. I saw people getting awards for various achievements and accomplishments, and rightly so and deservingly so. It brought me back to a meeting a month ago when the town accepted the retirement of my son, who was a police officer in the town for 20 years. What a lot of people don't know is the reason he retired was because he was the victim of a shooting. He was shot in the line of duty on October 17, 2012. I was with my wife at the Osborn Home, where she was recuperating from a recent surgery when I received a phone call from a family member. I rushed to Greenwich Hospital where my son was in the emergency room. Without going into the facts, because they have already been investigated, at this time I will accept those findings that this was an accident. The night that the Town Board accepted my son's retirement, Mr. Malfitano had some nice words for him, which I appreciate. I thought about it and although it is nice that the Town Board does this, I don't think they truly have an understanding of what any town employee, whether it is Highway, Sanitation, Fire, or Police Department, who they are because they don't see them everyday. I wondered why someone wasn't here from the police department to say something. I thought it would have been appropriate if someone from the police department was here to say something. My son started in the police department 20 years ago after graduating from high school. In that time he received 31 accommodations, 3 of which came from the Town of Greenburg, when he served on their drug and alcohol task force. Too many times the agendas are read at Town Board Meetings taking the retirement of someone leaving the job and all you say is "all in favor". Some of these people have 20, 30, 40 years of service and this is all they get from the Town Board, a two line reading. My son came "inches" from losing his life and it took six weeks for anybody from this Town Board to even call him. You should all be ashamed of yourselves. My son got shot in the line of duty, whether it was an accident, regardless, he was doing it to protect the people of the Town of Harrison and those people are you, and me. This town has a great fire department and police department. These are the people that need to be honored. In New York City you see the Mayor, the Police Commissioner, walking into the hospital room of an officer that has been shot. Nobody from this Town Board even called him. You need to honor these people that have worked here.

Police Chief Marraccini apologized to the Board for taking time on this but obviously this was a member of my department. On many occasions Harrison Police Officers risk their lives, their safety. It is not that we always give them a "pat on the back" that may be deserved; it is part of the job. We have cases going on right now, where we have guys working around the clock, away from their families, that put them in dangerous

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situations. The investigation that went on went on for some time. We were looking for some very bad criminals, armed guys. We had police officers that were within an ear shot of them while they were armed with a loaded handgun, in the woods, trying to get good surveillance, doing outstanding police work for this community, risking their lives. The reason I mention this is because we are not out there doing this everyday for that "pat on the back" or recognition. I don't want anybody to think this was a "life threatening" "critically injured" issue. I was at the emergency room. We were walking around talking, laughing, getting our thoughts together. There was no life threatening injury there. I will tell you the way the department views this. He was hit with a bullet fragment. He wasn't shot in the departments view. It has to be clear that I wouldn't expect any Board member, or anybody, to reach out; if the injury was that significant it would be a different story. There are other circumstances that I don't care to discuss or that I think are appropriate. I do want you to know that Officer Barone did a fine job on that investigation. He was a fine police officer for the Harrison Police Department. I will tell you that if I wasn't at this meeting to speak about Officer Barone believe me it was for a good reason. It was probably either a family emergency or my health wasn't good. That being said, we regretfully had Officer Barone retire. He was a fine police officer. He served on the Greenburgh Task Force for a while on their drug initiative where he did a great job. I hope that he can recover from this and go on to have a happy retirement. Those are our wishes for him.

Harrison resident Tom Lind said he wanted to say one more thing. It wasn't the shooting; I think the Chief missed the point. I would like to see the Chief's medical degree for him to tell me, or anybody, that he wasn't seriously injured. The fact he was hit by a fragment, you don't have to get hit with a bullet; a bullet doesn't have to hit you directly to kill you. Yes my son got struck with a fragment. He wound up getting his arm operated on because he couldn't even move it. To downplay this, and about "pats on the back", I didn't ask for a "pat on the back", for you to say that Chief is incredulous. All I tried to do is get my point across that this Town Board, and as far as the police department goes, if the Chief was unavailable. I think there are five lieutenants this could have been delegated to. I wasn't blaming him, it was more that there is a problem and unless you realize that there is a problem you are not going to get it fixed. The problem is when you have people retire, whether it is the fire department, police department, DPW or sanitation, somebody should be here to speak on their behalf. I think it is the right thing to do. To say that my son wasn't seriously injured, that the fragments hit him, yes they hit him, and they went all up and down his arm. All I said was that nobody here called him. They didn't have to stand and hold his hand; they could have called me on the phone and I could have expressed the Town Board's sentiments to my wife.

Councilman Malfitano said without answering you because I don't want to do that, I will say to you is that some of the comments that you've made, and this is not a criticism,

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because you don't have access to all of the facts as we know them, some of the statements that you made don't line up with some of the information that we have. What you have to understand is in some of the commentary that was directed at this Board. which I can personally understand from your prospective, what you don't understand, and you don't know, and some of us have privately had conversations with you about some of the information. I think on that note, your criticism is to a certain extent, unfair. The issue here is without question, and I think I can make this statement and anyone else on the Board is welcome to add to it, we absolutely recognize what happened. We understand the gravity of what took place. We certainly recognize the contribution that Stephen made to the Town of Harrison and the Police Department and in keeping this community safe. There is no question in my mind, and I think you know me well enough to know that I not only think that way but feel that way. If that wasn't properly communicated I'll apologize but that certainly wasn't the intent. Some of the information, as it is being presented here tonight, isn't quite correct. This is not meant to be a criticism. What I'm trying to say to you is that we have a little different understanding of the fact pattern, having nothing to do with the incident itself, but the way that things unfold. For you to be critical of this Board, while I understand how you feel, isn't entirely correct. Some of it is due, and I want to make sure the record is clear. On that note, there isn't any question in my mind or anyone else's mind on this Board, including the Chief of Police, and I'm certain every member of the Harrison Police Department, that what your son did, and what he suffered, was extreme and in the line of duty in protecting and serving the community of Harrison and for that we are grateful.

Harrison resident Tom Lind said I'm going to end with this. The point was it was six weeks before a Board Member, and I'm not going to mention who called him and asked him how he was, it was also very nice for a Board Member to call him to wish him a Merry Christmas, which was two months later. The point is it took six weeks. Every day you look on TV and see an officer shot. I don't care where it is, the Mayor is there or somebody is there. It is immediate. I sometimes think that you just don't get it.

Councilman Malfitano said I get it and I know every member of this Board gets it.

Supervisor Belmont said we had a meeting that night, we then had Executive Session. I immediately after Executive Session went to Police Headquarters and I was there until about 2:00 a.m. and your son made it to headquarters before I even got there. I saw your son that night.

Councilwoman Amelio said to Mr. Lind: I think you made a very good point. If we are going to bring people up to honor them for various things, why don't we speak a little bit longer about people who are retiring and talk about the service they did provide to us. I think your point is very well taken and I appreciate hearing that from you.

2014 - - 237 MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Claim: 1

Tax Certiorari: 2 Personnel: 4

Contract Negotiation: 1

Litigation: 2 Investigation: 1

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 8:20 PM.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was reconvened at 10:55 PM.

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2014 - - 238 <u>AUTHORIZATION TO APPOINT RICK BISCEGLIA TO THE</u> <u>POSITION OF TRAFFIC LABORER IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT</u> <u>EFFECTIVE JUNE 9, 2014</u>

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Supervisor Belmont,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini for authorization to appoint Rick Bisceglia to the position of Laborer (Traffic II) Job, Group III, in the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$32,637, effective June 9, 2014.

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

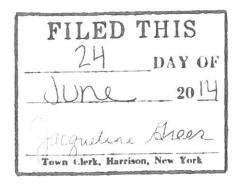
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AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE THE CLAIM IN THE MATTER OF NEW YORK CENTRAL MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY A.S.O. MARTA ESPINOZA V. TOWN OF HARRISON

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to settle the claim in the matter of New York Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company a.s.o. Marta Espinoza v. Town of Harrison in the amount of \$2,250 subject to the Claimant signing the general release.

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, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

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2014 - - 240 AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE THE TAX CERTIORARI IN THE MATTER OF PM SPECIALITY PRODUCTS INC 106 CALVERT STREET BLOCK 262, LOT 15

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to settle the tax certiorari in the matter of PM Speciality Products Inc. 106 Calvert Street, Block 262, Lot 15.

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| 2010 | \$22,000 | \$2,000 | \$20,000 |
| 2011 | \$22,000 | \$1,000 | \$21,000 |
| 2012 | \$22,000 | \$1,500 | \$20,500 |
| 2013 | \$22,000 | \$2,000 | \$20,000 |

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

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2014 - - 241 <u>AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE THE TAX CERTIORARI</u> <u>IN THE MATTER OF CITIBANK</u> <u>450 MAMARONECK AVENUE</u> <u>BLOCK 482, LOT 23</u>

On motion of Councilman Malfitano, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to settle the tax certiorari in the matter of Citibank, 450 Mamaroneck Avenue, Block 482, Lot 23.

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| 2006 | \$442,700 | \$21,571 | \$421,129 |
| 2007 | \$442,700 | \$42,367 | \$400,333 |
| 2008 | \$442,700 | \$37,168 | \$405,532 |
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FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Law Department, the Assessor and the Comptroller.

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 10:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer Town Clerk

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