

April 19, 2012

A regular meeting of the Village 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, April 19, 2012, at 7:30 PM. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald Belmont ..... Mayor

Marlane Amelio ..... )

Joseph Cannella ..... ) ..... Trustees

Stephen Malfitano ..... )

Fred Sciliano ..... )

ALSO ATTENDING:

Frank Allegretti ..... Town Attorney

Jonathan Kraut ..... Village Attorney

Christopher Cipolla ..... Deputy Village Attorney

Maureen MacKenzie ..... Treasurer

Anthony Marraccini ..... Chief of Police

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Jacqueline Greer  
Town Clerk, Harrison, New York

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ACCEPTANCE, WITH REGRET, THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT  
BY JOHN DIDONATO, LABORER, IN THE SANITATION DIVISION  
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

On motion of Mayor Belmont, seconded by Trustee Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to accept, with regret, the letter of retirement by John DiDonato, Laborer in the Sanitation Division of the Department of Public Works, effective May 31, 2012.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Treasurer, the Personnel Manager and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano  
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE ORDER #321139  
FOR A RESCUE ENGINE FOR FIRE DISTRICT #1, ALONG WITH APPROVAL  
OF A BID AWARD TO KOVATCH MOBILE EQUIPMENT CORPORATION IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$582,619 TO CONSTRUCT A NEW RESCUE ENGINE

On motion of Trustee Sciliano, seconded by Trustee Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by the Purchasing Department for Purchase Order #321139 in the amount of \$582,619, for a Rescue Engine for Fire District #1.

FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the Bid Award to Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corporation, at their total net bid price of \$582,619 to construct a new Rescue Engine.

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in Fire District #1 Apparatus Fund, Capital Account #01G117.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Law Department to prepare the contract, which the Mayor is authorized to execute.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Treasurer, upon receipt of claims to audit and upon audit the Mayor is to pay same.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Treasurer, the Purchasing Department and the Chief of Fire District #1.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano  
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE ORDER #321136  
FOR GYM EQUIPMENT AT THE WEST HARRISON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ALONG WITH APPROVAL OF A BID AWARD TO FITNESS SHOWROOM  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,891.

On motion of Trustee Sciliano, seconded by Trustee Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by the Purchasing Department for Purchase Order #321136 for Gym Equipment in the amount of \$28,891 at the West Harrison Fire Department, FD #1.

FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the Bid Award to Fitness Showroom at their total net bid price of \$28,891 to supply and maintain all applicable Gym Equipment that was part of their proposal for the West Harrison Fire Department. (Fitness Showroom reduced their price from \$28,991 to \$28,891.)

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in Fire District #1 Building Fund, Capital Account #07F110.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Law Department to prepare the contract, which the Mayor is authorized to execute.

FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize the Treasurer, upon receipt of claims to audit and upon audit the Mayor is to pay same.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Treasurer, the Purchasing Department and the Chief of Fire District #1.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano  
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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REMARKS RE: INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS  
AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN HARRISON

Police Chief Marraccini speaks about the stop signs that he would like to see installed at a few locations. The first one would be Woodlands Road at the intersection of Genesee Trail where we find there is a condition of limited sight distance especially with the overgrown shrubbery. We've looked at this intersection and believe that we should stop the three way traffic there. Genesee Trail as it comes out onto Woodlands widens and it creates a problem with people pulling out of Genesee that they tend, when making a left hand turn, to cross over into the oncoming traffic lane. We are finding with the blind curve that people coming off of Woodlands that would make a right onto Genesee Trail is a problem. The next sign would be at Stonewall Circle. It is a unique area. What is happening there is that when people are stopped on the two sides of the circle they anticipate vehicles stopping because it is a "T" intersection but they are not. The last one is at Underhill Avenue at the intersection of Main Street. Underhill Avenue is becoming a very heavily traveled roadway and at the point of Main Street we have traffic coming in and out of White Plains at that point. We cross Underhill Avenue from Main Street from a very steep side of Main. There are no stop signs or traffic control on Underhill Avenue at that point. We have crossing guards that cross school children there. The site distance is somewhat ok but as you are coming down the hill you have to really creep out into the intersection to get a good sight distance and the same thing as you are coming out of White Plains. We believe that this stop sign will make this intersection much safer for children crossing, for our crossing guards and for vehicle traffic that is passing through there.

Trustee Sciliano said that Chief Marraccini that people is going to have to get used to this. Is there anything you can do to notify the people a little bit more?

Chief Marraccini said as they do with any new stop sign or regulation we are only going to be issuing warning summons out there during the infancy of this installation. We will give plenty of opportunity for the people to adjust and get use to it.

Mayor Belmont asked Chief Marraccini if there was enough width there to do as you did at the intersection of the Boulevard and Veterans Memorial Highway. Place a stop sign temporarily in the middle of the roadway. Is there enough width there?

Chief Marraccini replied that there is not enough width there. It would be very tight. I think that like in all new circumstances it is just going to be a learning curve for the public.

Harrison Resident Sam Fanelli had a question for Chief Marraccini. In the morning there is going to be a lot of traffic back up on Underhill Avenue. There is a lot of traffic now and by you only allowing one car at a time to pass I think you are going to have a tremendous back up during rush hours there. How about a blinking yellow light?

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Chief Marraccini stated that a traffic control signal is absolutely the best option but it is a cost factor. It could cost upwards of \$40,000 to \$50,000 to do a traffic control signal there. If we do find the stop sign a problem we could always reevaluate it.

Harrison Resident Duncan MacArthur said that over the past six months we have seen a number of stop signs put up around the town. I personally have not heard anything in terms of evidence that the situations are unsafe. Before we make a decision about Underhill Avenue, which is a through street, and should remain a through street, we should look for more evidence.

Harrison Resident Lucille Held remarked that there must have been a sale on stop signs. Only statistics can dictate to us where stop signs should be. I would like to see a list of results of how many accidents have happened at these intersections. If you look at Harrison now you are stopping all over the place. These stop signs are ugly and take the beauty out of Harrison.

**Trustee Sciliano said that the stop sign that was added back (after the construction) to the Boulevard and Veterans Memorial Highway.** A lot of the residents find this very useful and safe because of the amount of traffic that comes from 684 down Lake Street into White Plains. I think that intersection has been made a lot safer. At first it took time for people to get used to again but that intersection has worked out very well.

Police Chief Marraccini said that that stop sign improved the safety of that intersection. In response to some of these items unfortunately I can't calculate the near misses that occur at these intersections. Those don't always get reported. I can look at an intersection, and yes I can calculate how many accidents have occurred. I can look at the roadway and tell if the addition of a stop sign would make it safer. That is what this really is about. Keep in mind we are not regulating speed here. We are stopping traffic to allow other vehicle traffic and pedestrian traffic to get across a very busy roadway.

Harrison Resident Emil Toso said he didn't really know these intersections but he is sure the Chief looked at them at it warrants some attention. I think a yield sign is more or less a stop sign but it allows you to go through. I think we need to look at the whole town and evaluate whether some of these stop signs should be replaced with yield signs. Yield signs save fuel.

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APPROVAL TO INSTALL STOP SIGNS  
AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN HARRISON

On motion of Trustee Amelio, seconded by Trustee Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini to install Stop Signs at the following locations:

1. Woodlands Road West Bound / Intersection Genesee Trail
2. Woodlands Road East Bound / Intersection Genesee Trail
3. Stonewall Circle South Bound / Intersection Stonewall Circle
4. Underhill Avenue South Bound / Intersection Main Street
5. Underhill Avenue North Bound / Intersection Main Street

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chief of Police and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the following vote:

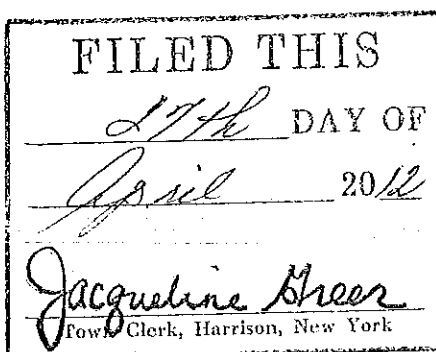
AYES: Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano  
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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DISCUSSION RE: THE 2012 – 2013 REVISED CAPITAL BUDGET  
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Belmont complimented Public Works Commissioner Anthony Robinson for trimming down his capital budget. We really did a great amount of study and work; we took a trip to Woodbridge New Jersey to watch the new type garbage truck in action. It is amazing what this truck can do. We would be going from three men on a truck to one. We did do our research on this.

Trustee Sciliano commented on the fact that we were concerned that we wouldn't be able to use these trucks in certain areas of town. What we saw on that site visit was there were some extremely narrow streets that the trucked worked.

Trustee Malfitano said that the Town of Woodbridge is 100% automated. We were taken down roadways that you would think would be driveways and this truck was able to operate in that kind of environment. Initially we all thought there would be limitations to our community but after seeing this truck work there really are none. Another concern we had was severability. We were assured by the people in Woodbridge that is not the case and that maintenance is not an issue. They have community wide extreme satisfaction on the automated service. Another issue that was brought up was Workman's Compensation; injury on the job. That is something that any department that operates non-automated experiences. Effectively as a result of the automated service they were able to dramatically reduce the number of workman comp cases and that is a real legitimate cost.

Harrison Resident Frank Mucci expressed concern that this truck would not be able to work in Harrison because of the roads and the weather conditions and it is a big expense.

Trustee Sciliano stated that this automated truck is \$25,000 more than what we would spend on a regular garbage truck.

Harrison resident Lucille Held said she didn't think the Board was looking into the future. She said the maintenance and the housing of this new truck will bring us to another devastation period of our trucks. I would like you to investigate private garbage pick up. There are five other communities that do this. Look for the future.

Mayor Belmont wanted to make a few points. He said he saw the way the trucks were able to maneuver on narrow roads. There are 43 communities in Westchester County. Mrs. Held said there were five communities that have private pick up. That is not very good odds.



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Harrison Resident Rob Porto expressed that no one asked the people of Harrison what they wanted. I don't think this was researched. I think we should research options that would allow back yard pick up to be retained.

Trustee Cannella wanted to make a comment that he would like to see us look at all the capital budgets and approval at one time.

Trustee Malfitano said that he agrees with Trustee Cannella but the history of this never seems to be that way for the years that we have been involved. One of your points that I happen to agree with, and I believe the board agrees with, is in attempting to keep within the amount of debt that we currently have. In other words, on an annual basis, if we are retiring four or five million dollars worth of debt, we shouldn't be taking on any more than that amount. I can tell you now, looking at some of the drafts that have been submitted, it looks like we are going to be able to do that. In round dollars we have \$4,958,000 that matures this year that we are paying off and it looks to me, based on what we have in front of us here with what the police capital budget is likely to be, with the drainage improvement and the few others, we should be able to keep within it.

Trustee Cannella stated he would like to see all the budgets together and if the rest of the Board is going to vote on it he is going to abstain.

Harrison Resident Lucille Held asked if this would affect the true budget that we passed, does it raise the 4.7% and to what?

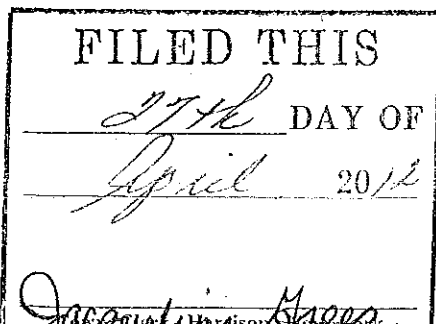
Trustee Malfitano said the answer is that it doesn't affect the 2012 budget at all.

Harrison resident Lucille Held asked then what are we talking about? When Mr. Robinson said at the last meeting, indicating that it would raise the money he needed because there are certain things that happened. Where is that money going to come from? You are indicating that the budget that was passed previously is no longer satisfactory to the police department and Mr. Robinson indicated that he needs more money too and I'm asking you where the money is going to come from?

Mayor Belmont stated that the money will be borrowed. We are taking money off of debt and unfortunately we have to put some money into debt to make this town function. It is not for this year it is for next year.

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APPROVAL OF THE 2012 - 2013 REVISED CAPITAL BUDGET  
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

On motion of Trustee Sciliano, seconded by Trustee Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the 2012-2013 Revised Capital Budget for the Department of Public Works as follows:

Town/Village of Harrison  
 Department of Public Works

2012 Proposed Capital Budget

Revised: March 7, 2012

Equipment		2012			DEFERRED TO 2013	
Department	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Extended Price	Quantity	Extended Price
Highway	Street Sweeper (1)	\$240,000	1	\$240,000		
Highway	Pick-Up Truck (2)	\$25,000	2	\$50,000		
Highway	1-Ton Dump Truck (3)	\$50,000	1	\$50,000	1	\$50,000
Highway	Case Skid Steer Loader with asphalt planer, snow plow, forklift and trailer	\$90,000			1	\$90,000
Highway	Tandem Roller with trailer (West Harrison)	\$75,000			1	\$75,000
Sanitation	Automated Side Loader (4)	\$300,000	1	\$300,000		
Sanitation	Residential Containers	\$53	1500	\$79,500		
Sanitation	Container Tipper Retrofit	\$12,000	2	\$24,000		
Sanitation	Route Optimization Software	\$35,000	1	\$35,000		
Sanitation	1-Ton Rack Body (TV's) (5)	\$50,000	1	\$50,000		
Parks	1-Ton Dump Truck Crew Cab (6)	\$50,000	1	\$50,000	1	\$50,000
Parks	Pick-Up Truck (7)	\$25,000	2	\$50,000		
Parks	Claw for John Deere 304H Loader	\$25,000			1	\$25,000
Parks	Ball field Machine/Bunker Rake	\$15,000			1	\$15,000
Parks	John Deere Riding Mower (13)	\$17,000			1	\$17,000
Central Garage	Truck Tire Machine (8)	\$20,000	1	\$20,000		
Central Garage	Truck Tire Inflator (9)	\$14,000	1	\$14,000		
Recreation	12 Passenger Senior Van (10)	\$35,000	1	\$35,000		
Recreation	Field Van (11)	\$25,000	1	\$25,000		
Recreation	Mid Size Van (12)	\$30,000	1	\$30,000		
Total Vehicles and Equipment				\$1,052,500		\$322,000

- (1) Replaces 2002 Sterling Sweeper (Out of Service) with 42,903 miles
- (2) Replaces 1998 Chevy Pick-up that was sold at auction
- (2) Replaces 2001 Ford F250 Dump Truck with 144,305 miles
- (3) Replaces 1997 Ford F350 Dump Truck with 93,655 miles
- (3) Replaces 1997 Ford F350 Dump Truck with 89,004 miles
- (4) Replaces 1998 Mack 25-Yard Rear Packer (Out of Service) with 71,524 miles
- (5) Replaces 1997 Ford F450 Rack Body with 71,524 miles
- (5) Replaces 1997 Ford F350 Dump Truck with 77,349 miles
- (5) Replaces 1997 Ford F350 Dump Truck with 71,153 miles
- (7) Replaces 1999 Dodge 2500 Pick-up (Out of Service) with 73,490 miles
- (7) Replaces 1999 Dodge 2500 Pick-up with 99,876 miles
- (8) Replaces 20-year old Truck Tire Machine. Parts have been discontinued
- (9) Replaces 20-year old Truck Tire Inflator. Parts have been discontinued
- (10) Replaces 2003 Chevy 12 Passenger Van (Out of Service) with 104,131 miles
- (11) Replaces 1992 Ford Van with 112,824 miles
- (12) Replaces 1997 Plymouth Van with 159,354 miles
- (14) Replaces John Deere 935 with a 60" cutting deck

Town/Village of Harrison  
Department of Public Works

Revised: April 11, 2012

2012 Proposed Capital Budget

#### Buildings, Parks and Infrastructure

		2012	DEFERRED TO 2013
<b>Buildings/Facilities Improvements</b>			
Town Wide	Building Repairs/Replacements (Structures/Physical Plant)	\$350,000	
EPD	Emergency Operations Center (Matching Funds)	\$92,000	
Gleason Garage	Stormwater Compliance	\$85,000	
Court Hall	Court Clerk Shelving System		\$30,000
Form Hall/Gleason			
Garage	Generators		
DPW	PBS Compliance	\$25,000	\$285,000
<b>Infrastructure</b>			
	Resurfacing	\$250,000	
	Sidewalk Replacement	\$350,000	
	Halstead Avenue Phase I Preliminary Design	\$20,000	
	Drainage	\$400,000	
	Pump Station Improvements (Winfield and Cottage)	\$250,000	
	Street Lighting - LED Replacement, New Poles on Halstead Avenue	\$100,000	
Engineering	Grant Street Extension		\$25,000
<b>Total Buildings, Parks and Infrastructure</b>		<b>\$1,922,000</b>	<b>\$340,000</b>

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FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Treasurer and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Trustees Amelio, Malfitano and Sciliano  
Mayor Belmont

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: Trustee Cannella

ABSENT: None

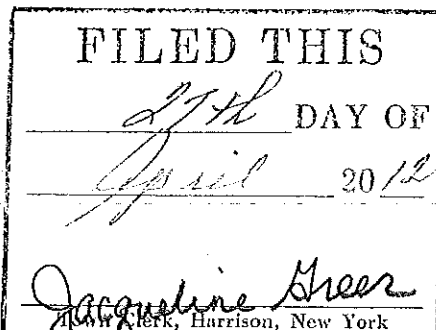
On motion duly made and seconded,  
with all members voting in favor,  
the Meeting was recessed at 8:48 PM.

On motion duly made and seconded,  
with all members voting in favor,  
the Meeting was reconvened at 11:15 PM.

There being no further matters to come before the Board,  
the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded,  
with all members voting in favor declared closed at 11:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer  
Village Clerk



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