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, January 19, 2012, at 7:30 PM. Eastern Standard Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Ronald Belmont Mayor
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Marlane Amelio)
Joseph Cannella) Trustees
Stephen Malfitano)
Fred Sciliano)
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ALSO ATTENDING:

Frank Allegretti	Town Attorney
	Deputy Town Attorney
	Deputy Village Attorney
Maureen MacKenzie.	
Anthony Marraccini	Chief of Police
Robert FitzSimmons	

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APPROVAL FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS ANTHONY ROBINSON TO CREATE A PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST FOR THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT

On motion of Trustee Cannella, seconded by Trustee Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Robinson to create a Part Time Availability List for the Sanitation Department.

FURTHER RESOLVED that individuals on this list would be called to work on an as need basis to supplement the Sanitation Department when manpower is low.

FURTHER RESOLVED to add the following names to the list at \$11 per hour:

Robert Fraioli Abner Gabriel Daniel Murabito Frank Pezzola

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding is available in the Sanitation Operating Budget Account #005-8160-100-0130.

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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This Resolution was also adopted in the Town of the same date TBR #2012 - 031

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<u>AUTHORIZATION FOR TREASURER MAUREEN MACKENZIE TO TRANSFER FUNDS</u> FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT 01PO12 TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

On motion of Trustee Cannella, seconded by Trustee Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Treasurer Maureen MacKenzie for authorization to transfer funds from Capital Account 01PO12 to the Police Department.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

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APPROVAL TO ADOPT THE HOME RULE MESSAGE SUPPORTING BOTH THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A07024 AND THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE BILL NO, S2334-A RE: HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX IN THE VILLAGE OF HARRISON

On motion of Trustee Amelio, seconded by Trustee Malfitano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Mayor Ronald Belmont to adopt the Home Rule Message supporting both the New York State Assembly Bill No. A07024 and the New York State Senate Bill No. S2334-A in relation to the imposition of a Hotel Occupancy Tax in the Village of Harrison, New York.

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

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Trustees Amelio, Cannella, Malfitano and Sciliano

Supervisor Belmont

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

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V - - 2012 - - 011 DISCUSSION RE: PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Town resident Geraldine Barbagallo stated: I'm in favor of the law that passed for commercial vehicles on the streets because it is not welcoming to our town. Although I do feel that an alternative means should have been given to our residents and homeowners. I don't own a commercial vehicle but I feel that I have a right to park whatever vehicle I am driving in my own private driveway. I am asking that an alternative location (which should be their driveway) be given to our residents.

Town resident Vito Forgione stated: Let's try to work together to come to some common grounds. We are all working class people trying to make a living. Please don't make it hard on us.

Town resident Patsy Siconolfi explained the Board is really hurting us. He uses his truck to drive to and from work. He was concerned that this was so important that it had to be the first thing voted on at the Supervisor's first meeting. I'm sure there is a better way of making this work. He explained to Mayor Belmont that this issue made him regret voting for him.

Town resident Mike Cassarella explained he didn't think this was fair. It was his opinion the Board needs to allow some trucks to be parked in the driveway.

Harrison Police Chief, Anthony Marriccini stated: I have a few comments on the local law that just passed. I appreciate the residents concerns and their comments on this. This is an idea of the police department. Our mind set behind this legislation is to try and improve the quality of life in these people's neighborhood. Try to enhance their property values. We are trying to keep the streets of this town clean. It's not just whether it's a plumber's truck or a gardener's truck. Its multiple work yans, its taxi cabs, and its tow trucks that are parking on these residential streets. I've gotten an overwhelming positive response about this legislation from people within these neighborhoods. We posted about 120 cars with flyers advising them that this new law is going to take effect. I received a few calls this morning and spoke to them personally and anyone that has questions about this law I will be happy to address them personally on it. Some of the issues that, if the board is so inclined to allow commercial vehicles to park in driveways that is a zoning issue not a police issue. Some complaints that I have received from people are workers showing up in residential neighborhoods, they are parking on the street all day in these neighborhoods, hopping in a work truck or van. Then they work all day and get back into their cars at night and leave. I'm making the board aware of some conditions that may exist. People in downtown Harrison are asking where they can park their vehicles. There are areas in downtown Harrison that are privately owned that are commercial. There are potential solutions for people to park. I do understand that it is potentially burdensome on some of these business owners because of economic times are difficult. We don't want to see small business hurt here. We want to see people be successful and live and enjoy being in this town but we also have to be respectful of their neighbors also. I'd be happy to extend this if people need more time to come up with a plan so it is not that March 1st comes and we have to issues summons to everyone. We

could have possibility another two week grace period. I think this law is absolutely in the best interest of the residents in this town.

Trustee Malfitano asked to be provided a copy of the ordinance with respect to parking vehicles in driveways, what the limitations are.

Trustee Amelio stated: I thought this was the route to take because of the over- crowding on the streets. Listening to some of you and having received phone calls from some of you, I have to say, I'm not as happy with my original intention for this. I think Steve you are right. We need to look at if the zoning for parking in the driveway is the route to go.

Town Attorney Allegretti stated: You can't park a commercial vehicle in your driveway. You can only park one commercial vehicle only if it is in your garage.

Trustee Amelio stated: We left them without an alternative.

Trustee Malfitano stated: I want to know what the entire section reads.

Town Attorney Allegretti read Zoning Ordinance 235-39 a, b, and c.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 9:22 p.m.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was reconvened at 11:07 p.m.

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 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Greer Village Clerk

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