

Minutes of a Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, 200 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York, on Tuesday, April 19, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Philip Cardinale,	Supervisor
Edward Densieski,	Councilman
George Bartunek,	Councilman
Barbara Blass,	Councilwoman
Rose Sanders,	Councilwoman

Also Present:

Barbara Grattan,	Town Clerk
Dawn Thomas, Esq.,	Town Attorney

Supervisor Cardinale called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- police officers so if we could go down to the well of the front here, the deep well. Okay.

The officers involved are Scott Wicklund, Jill Wicklund and Kerri Fenton. Would you come up, please?

Over the last year or so we initiated, the Town Board and myself, an acknowledgment of giving the Supervisor's award to those employees who- how did you put it, John- who go the extra mile, who are caught in the act of doing something extraordinary for the town.

In this instance, we received a letter from a witness attesting to the correctness of praise for three as she put it, finest police officers to commend them not only for their professionalism, dedication and expertise, but also for the care and concern they demonstrated in February of this year as they attempted to save the life of a dear friend of the writer who had been suddenly stricken with a heart attack at a social event.

The person that wrote this and asked that they be commended indicated that it was clear that the person who was stricken was in the hands of well trained professionals. Within minutes, he was transported to the hospital and given every possible opportunity to

survive.

So this is the kind of thing that happens often but isn't acknowledged often and I wanted to do that today with the Supervisor's Award to each of the involved officers, Scot Wicklund, Jill Wicklund and Terri Fenton for being caught in the act of doing something extraordinary for the citizens of the community.

I think some of the members of the families are here and I'd like to have them come up if they wish and I'd like to acknowledge them, too, because we know that we couldn't have this kind of performance from the police officers if we didn't have the cooperation and the commitment of the family.

So maybe my Board will help me out here. I have three- and only two hands, can you grab that one? The Supervisor's Award reads an acknowledgment of skillful- of the skillful and valiant attempt to save a live on February 20, 2005 and they award it to Police Officer Kerri Fenton. Thank you, Kerri. Police Officer Scott Wicklund and Police Officer Jill Wicklund.

I want to thank you personally. And I know the Board feels the same way and are grateful. Thank you very much.

Okay. Okay. Okay. We'd like to begin the meeting by approving the minutes of the previous meeting of April 5th. Could you- could we have someone on the Board offer them for approval and someone second?"

Councilwoman Blass: "So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Can we have a vote on approval of the April 5th meeting minutes?"

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The minutes are approved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Could you give us the Reports, please, that have come in?"

REPORTS:

Receiver of Taxes

Utility collections report for
March. Total collected was

\$215,074.20

Total collections to date was \$52,011,581.83

Code Enforcement

Total collections for March. Total collected was \$2,513.00

Juvenile Aid Bureau

Monthly report for March

Animal Shelter

3 months statistics - January through March 31st

Open Bid Report

Connecticut Avenue culvert opened on April 15, 2005, six bids were received

Barbara Grattan: "That concludes Reports."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And could you tell us about Applications received?"

APPLICATIONS:

Parade Permit

Community Awareness Program June 3 at 10:00 a.m.

Chapter 90's

Riverhead Elks Lodge, April 17 from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. barbeque with a band

Little Flower Children's Services - May 22 at 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Central Suffolk Hospital - May 5-8th, 9 am to 6 pm - garden festival

Site Plans

North Fork Bank (TJ Maxx Shopping Center (extension and alteration of bank and installation of an ATM machine

Kar-McVeigh-Jamesport-
construct a restaurant and
catering facility

1998 Peconic LLC - east of
Edward's Avenue - construct
one 16,776 square foot
industrial building

Barbara Grattan: "That concludes Applications."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Correspondence, Barbara?"

CORRESPONDENCE:

Ciarelli & Dempsey

Regarding Riverhead Elks Lodge

Barbara Grattan: "That concludes Correspondence."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Good. Are there any announcements or
committee reports from members of the Board?"

Councilwoman Blass: "I have one, Mr. Supervisor. The Peconic
Estuary is sponsoring the State of the Bays conference on April 29th
at the Riverhead campus of Suffolk Community College. It's an event
that's- to disclose the health of the estuary and it's going to
highlight management recommendations and initiatives. There will be
discussions about brown tide, shellfish, wetland, etc.

The event is free and it's open to the public. And if you're
interested in learning more about it, please check their website at
www.peconicestuary.org.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Any other announcements or
committee reports?"

Okay. That being the case, we have six public hearings that were
originally scheduled for tonight and I'm going to start calling them.
But before I call the first, I want to note that we are only going to
actually have it appears four hearings this evening.

The hearing scheduled for 7:10, qualified and eligible
sponsorship hearing of Kenneth Wilpon for the redevelopment of

approximately 755 acres at EPCAL, we had received a request from the applicant to adjourn to May 17th. She cites as counsel scheduling difficulties with the presenters. We have indicated that we received it and, Chris, I think you have got it in written form, and we have indicated that the final presentation date will be May 17th, and they've acknowledged that that will be the final date of adjournment, that they will present that evening and get their presenters all scheduled to do so.

The hearing that was scheduled at 7:20 for consideration of the farmstand law was canceled for the following reasons. The— through an error or oversight, the text that was submitted for public hearing was not previously reviewed as was our intention by the Agricultural Advisory Committee which is a community advisory committee that is in place. It also was not, in an effort to get it heard quickly, was not the final text reviewed by the Board members at work session which— and, finally, the language in the proposed text attached to the public hearing was not— it was insufficiently reviewed by the legal department. There are some issues that needed further discussion.

So what we decided to do is to re-post the ready for prime time finished form of the proposed statute for a subsequent hearing and I've indicated that to those parties that have called during the last day or two including Long Island Farm Bureau.

So those two hearings will not be heard but we will hear the rest of them and I want to begin with the 7:05 hearing scheduled for that time."

Public Hearing opened: 7:22 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "It being 7:22, the consideration of the purchase of development rights of property owned by Alfred and Mary Jane Popp, property located on the easterly side of Tuthills Lane.

I think Sean Walters, our town attorney, is going to present it."

Sean Walter: "Sean Walter from the Riverhead Town Attorney's office. I just want to— for the record, hand the affidavit of mailing and the affidavit of a sign posting to the Town Clerk.

Member of the Board, this is for the purchase of development rights on roughly 10 acres of an 11.4 acre parcel owned by Alfred and Mary Ann Popp. It is located on Tuthills Lane. The 1.4 acres are going to remain out, that's the developed portion of the property with

the house and I believe paddock and barn.

The purchase price for the development rights is \$45,000 an acre for at total of \$450,000 an acre. The appraisal was completed by Patrick Given associates on January 4, 2005 and fully supports the \$45,000 an acre purchase price.

The tax map number is 0600-46-3-2. It's located on the easterly side of Tuthills Lane in Aquebogue and it is currently used as an equestrian farm.

The interesting point about this property is it's completely protected by hundreds of acres of farmland. You will notice just- the yellow parcel on the map which I hope you can see is the parcel. The larger brown parcel or medium brown parcel just to the south of it, that's the school district property and just- the darker brown piece located here is the water district property that we've spoken about several times, roughly seven acres.

So as you can see, it's completely surrounded by protected farmland and it is an excellent acquisition for the town.

I don't know if there's any other questions from the audience."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is the surrounding green area around the yellow actually farmland now?"

Sean Walter: "Yes, it is."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And is it protected or simply- "

Sean Walter: "All protected."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So this is- "

Sean Walter: "A combination of the county and the town."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Last piece of the puzzle in that area right there."

Sean Walter: "That- the school district and the town water district property."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Thank you, Sean. Any comment from the public on this proposed acquisition? Yes, Rolf."

Rolf Koesling: "Rolf Koesling, Wading River. Just a couple of questions. What's the minimum acreage what can be developed? I mean it can be sold for- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's a good question. I think it's seven, but you want to confirm that, Sean?"

Sean Walter: "The Farmland Select Committee basically operates on 10 acres. Ag & Markets- the Ag & Markets Law used to state that you had to have 10 acres would be the minimum farm for protection under the Ag & Markets Law with some other criteria that you had to meet.

Ag & Markets has actually lowered it to seven acres. We have purchased as few as five acres in areas where you could put, you know, five houses in five acres. But 10 acres, for the most part, 10 acres is the minimum lot size that we look at."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Rolf Koesling: "On all this development properties that's been sold, is there any requirement that they have to be adjacent to a public highway or can they place them in the back woods someplace?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Indicate the policy on that, Sean, because I know you- "

Sean Walter: "We- we normally do not purchase development right parcels unless there is access to another highway. There is actually a parcel out there that has been considered by the town and the county that's landlocked and the value of the parcel is so low because it's landlocked that it's probably preserved anyway. But our position has always been somewhere between like 25 to a 50 foot right of way or easement to that property. So, no, we wouldn't purchase it unless it was to a road."

Rolf Koesling: "Okay, that's it. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Rolf. Any other comment from any members of the public on this hearing? If not, it being 7:27, I'll close the hearing and go onto the next scheduled hearing which is the 7:15 hearing for consideration of a proposed local law- oh, is there a comment? Yes, please come up. We're still then in the 7:05 hearing."

Marie Tooker: "Hi, how are you? I'm Marie Tooker. I own Old Crown Stables. It's now considered Abbot's Farm. At one time, I came to you guys to preserve that farm and you guys were all for it. It's probably one of the most beautiful farms in Riverhead and you offered me a lower price than \$45,000 an acre, and then you didn't consider it anymore.

Why- what's the difference between this property and my farm?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I guess that was before my time, too. Are you familiar with the transaction? Could you brief us?"

Sean Walter: "Well, the appraised value has gone up tremendously. That parcel goes back at least two years and at the time we were offering top dollar for that farm, full appraised value. And I understand and it's not really appropriate for the hearing here, that she is in contract or almost in contract with Suffolk County.

So I know that I have been in constant contact with Suffolk County and they're interested in preserving the farm and I don't know what the point is."

Marie Tooker: "I just want it put on the record that Sean Walters and the Committee refused to buy the development rights on my farm. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Thank you. Anybody else have any comment? If not, it being 7:28, I'll close this hearing."

Public Hearing closed: 7:28 p.m.

Public Hearing opened: 7:28 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "And move to the 7:15 hearing which is for the consideration of a proposed local law to amend Chapter 107 entitled Freshwater Wetlands.

Does anybody want to summarize this for the public, what area it deals with? George, I think you're familiar with it. Maybe you can just give us a minute summary."

Councilman Bartunek: "Effectively what this is providing for is it calls for the restoration of a wetland that's been destroyed.

That's basically what it is. The town code didn't have that prior."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilwoman Blass: "And it has a significant fee violation that's associated with it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "If there was a destruction of a wetland- "

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- the procedure and penalties following that destruction are set forth here."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Does anyone wish to comment on the proposed law setting forth the procedure and penalties for destruction of wetland? It is 7:29, the hearing is deemed open. If there is no one who wishes to comment publicly, we'll close this hearing at this time, 7:30."

Public Hearing closed: 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "And then we'll- the next hearing is scheduled for 7:20. It is 7:30."

Public Hearing opened: 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "And this is- I'm sorry, the next hearing is scheduled for 7:25. It is 7:30. So this 7:25 hearing is for the consideration of a local law to amend Chapter 108 DC-3 of our new downtown zoning by the addition of a movie theater and multiplex cinema to that zoning district as a permitted use.

I don't know if we have a map of the downtown zoning area and it would be a nice thing to have. Mister- God rest his- I think he's now ill, but remember Bill Kasperovich? How can we ever forget him? He was always saying we ought to have more maps so people could see what we're talking about.

This DC-3 is an adjacent zone to DC-1 although the numbers would

not imply that but they touch each other. And the question is whether we should extend the target zone of a multiplex or a movie theater to- into DC-3 which is- which- who's out there?

Maybe- John, right behind my desk in my office there's a map that shows DC-3 and DC-1 so we know what area we're anticipating putting it into or taking the public's reaction on. So he's going to put that up when he gets back right there and you'll know what the DC-3 looks like the district and how it is adjacent to DC-1 and where it would be extended to. And so why don't we- I know there's some comments out there, so who would like to kick off the comment? Bruce."

Bruce Tria: "Bruce Tria, Vice-President- general manager of WRIV radio and the Vice-President of the Riverhead BID Management Association.

The Vintage Group proposed to build, of course, a parking garage with retail stores and a multiplex on Railroad Avenue and to do that they would obviously need a zone change which were talked about since movie theaters right now are only allowed on Main Street under the newly adopted zoning."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, John."

Bruce Tria: "The management association is opposed to the change of zone request on a number of fronts.

First, we believe that the proposal is not necessarily in the town's best interests since so much of the cost of land acquisition and risk would fall on the town. If the project were to fail, as we understand it, the Town of Riverhead would be on the hook for most of the cost.

Secondly, the zoning regulating movie theaters is not even one year old and already we have those who want to change it. The zoning is in place as a result of years of study and work, is designed in part to help give the town direction and most importantly to regulate land use in such a way that the town controls its destiny. Part of that destiny is the revitalization of Main Street, Riverhead. No one on this town board wouldn't agree with that statement. And history dictates that almost every time this town has changed its zoning to accommodate a developer who promises our restoration, Main Street has suffered.

We believe that this best defines insanity since it would be

doing the same thing over again in the hope of a different result.

Lastly, we're finally seeing some new stores open along Main Street after years of having more and more vacancies. If you look at the Hampton Bays experience, that was a dying business district until the opening of the multiplex theater in what was an IGA.

Right now I can tell you that Hampton Bays is jumping unlike our Main Street. On a Friday night in February at 7:00 there are people walking the streets of Hampton Bays going to the bakery, into the stores, etc. Because there is a multiplex theater on the main drag, their Main Street.

Having a multiplex theater and retail on Railroad Avenue takes away any reason for the tourist public to come down to Main Street. If you can go to the movies, get a cup of coffee, maybe something to eat, why bother going to Main Street? And that begins the cycle of vacancies all over again and it's something that the BID Management Association is strongly opposed to.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Although this is hard to do, the Board wanted to get a sense of, you see how the blue is on the—that's DC-1, the red is DC-3. It's entirely— separate and apart from the project that has been proposed in response to the RFP. We wanted to get a sense of even if that project didn't go for other unrelated reasons, do you think it's a good idea to extend the target area from the blue into the red? I think the answer of the BID is no for the reasons other than the project stated. But that's really the subject.

Even— forgetting the project that's presently being considered, is it a good idea to widen the net of the target zone for a multiplex? Some have suggested that if we don't, we may— we may make it virtually impossible for them to come because we have too small a target area.

So, anyone else? I'd like to take some more comment. Yes, Sandra."

Sandra Mott: "I don't belong to any groups or organizations. Sandra Lee Mott, Riverhead. I agree with the gentleman that you shouldn't be changing your zoning in such a short period of time of, you know, putting all the effort into it. The only thing I did was watch it and I could tell the amount of effort put into it.

Also, that particular neighborhood where they want to put this movie theater and garage in, I've said this before and I really do not think a parking garage is a good idea for the town of Riverhead. I don't know how many people, and I'm sort of repeating my comments simply because consistent with the movie theater, whatever, because of the safety element. Simply that. The safety element there. You cannot supply enough police officers in a car, under cover, whatever, to accommodate the protection of the people coming and going.

Garages are very dangerous. I've worked in areas where if you had to work late and you had to go to your garage, they refused to allow you, male or female, to walk unescorted to it. And here you're bringing people, maybe some tourists with all the different theaters and so on, who don't know. We know not to go in a particular neighborhood at a particular time for a particular reason.

I think it's a dangerous area. I think that garages are dangerous in general and the upkeep and maintenance and I know you have to supply parking for the courts and so on.

Also, I think if you want to put a movie theater anywhere I think you should consider the old Woolworth building if that hasn't already been considered. I mean, that's easy. Put a wall down the middle. Put a wall across and you've got four little theaters right in Main Street and the new performing arts center may want to do first run—that might want to do less so. But if you want activity on Main Street, I don't think it's really in that neck of the woods.

And especially since you don't know the status as to the railroad coming or going or not running. I mean that's still up in the air isn't it I think that they don't really know if they're going to cut out service or not from the train station which is around the bend from it.

I think just safety alone should be a real major consideration. And for both local people as well as tourists.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, Rolf."

Rolf Koesling: "Rolf Koesling, Wading River. I'm just going to repeat myself what I said about three, four years ago when we were talking about the subject.

I parked in a municipal parking garage for 11 years, five days a week on Queens Blvd. and Union Turnpike, a New York City garage. There wasn't a day, well, maybe- I only worked a few hundred feet from where I parked my car but every time you see a spot and there's a pile of glass, you know, little bubbles laying there. I lost two radios and my back windshield. The windshield was \$800 bucks. There are all kind of (inaudible) hanging around a parking garage. Somebody (inaudible). Once I heard a noise down in the depths and I went down to take a look what's going on. And there was one of these big expensive cars. All four wheels were gone and they had a wrecker there dragging it out.

It's a safety issue as Ms. Mott said. It really is. It's bad. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Rolf. Yeah, okay, I've been asked by members of the Board, as difficult as it is to separate the project that is proposed from the issue that is before us, the one that really interests this Board and the public hearing is really focused on is assume for the moment that we're going to do exactly what we're presently doing at the site you're talking about which is provide surface parking. That still leaves a large area in red there which would have targeted space for a multiplex.

The question we're trying to ask is do you think we need to expand or should expand the targeted area for a multiplex into the red? If we're going to- if there's any project that includes anywhere in the town a parking atrium or garage, there will be numerous public hearings on that project before it's built.

This is a very specific hearing to determine whether the use permitted in the blue zones should be extended into the red without regard to this project.

Okay. Anybody want to talk? Vic."

Victor Prusinowski: "Vic Prusinowski, 533 Elton Street, Riverhead and I am a consultant for the Vintage Group. But I'm not here speaking about that tonight.

Let's take the property. When we authorized the BID some 10 or 12 years ago, I was on the town board and we when we were drawing the boundary lines we wanted to make sure of two things. One, we took it, the boundary which by the way, this property and the properties that are adjacent to it south of the railroad tracks are in the Riverhead

Business Improvement District.

It's also in the Urban Renewal District and we targeted that area for urban renewal for obvious reasons. And I anybody that knows what really goes on there even 'til today. So forget about the Vintage Group, forget about the proposal. There's still other retail- there's still other businesses that are on Railroad Avenue that pay Riverhead Business Improvement taxes and I know this to be true because I've researched this in the Assessor's Office and I have copies of all the tax bills with, you know, public information. So they do pay Business Improvement taxes and that's part- and we considered it part of downtown Riverhead.

And I think it's an appropriate extension of the zone and, again, forget the proposal for the RFP, I agree with you, Supervisor, that it's an appropriate extension of the zone. There is people doing business there now. Some day when that court complex goes up and even if the town elects not to build a parking garage or do a deal with a private developer to build a parking garage, I suspect that other businessmen who own property there now will go in business for themselves which right now the new zoning as adopted allows retail. Correct? Yes, it does."

Supervisor Cardinale: "DC-3, office and retail."

Victor Prusinowski: "Office and retail. So- and the Business Improvement District as I understand it is charged to promote business and all the best interests of the property owners in the entire district.

So I don't know if the Business Improvement District notified the property owners who remain there that are still paying property taxes, whether or not they had a discussion about coming here tonight and speaking out against the proposal.

So I think it's a proper extension of the zoning. It's part of downtown Riverhead. Otherwise the district that was created under state law and authorized by the Town Board, would have not included these properties.

The assembly of the parking lot that's being constructed now by the town to meet the court parking is now off the tax rolls. The remaining parcel to the east is still on the tax rolls and is doing business. And God knows we want to make this an urban renewal project in the future so that as the doormat of the town of Riverhead, that

when people get off the train and come to the tourist capital of the world, they don't see some of the things that I heard about security. Because there's problems there right now as we all know and we want to improve upon that. And that was the basic plan 10 to 12 years ago.

So I think it's a proper extension of the zoning. Zoning is a living document. This is not upzoning property, downzoning property. This is not anything that's nefarious here. This is to promote goodwill.

I also believe that allowing a use like that up there, people are going to naturally go downtown. There's many places in East Hampton, when I go to the East Hampton movie theater, you just don't go to the place next door. There's a lot of restaurants up and down the main street. Mattituck, there's maybe one restaurant there. But people will traverse throughout the district and that's up to the district to promote themselves and there's going to be plenty of restaurants.

Also, tie it in with the Suffolk Theater. So I think it's a natural fit. And I agree with the Supervisor, this is not about the response to the RFP. This is about a zoning matter.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Richie."

Richard Cox: "Hello, Richard Cox, BID President. There's been some confusion about the BID district. When we got the zoning changed, it wasn't to get a movie theater to come into the BID district. It was go get a movie theater to come into Main Street. So I hear a lot of things about- from different neighbors of mine saying that they're part of the BID district. But that's not what we got changed last year. We got changed that the only place a movie theater would be allowed is Main Street.

We know that Railroad Avenue is part of the BID district. And they pay BID taxes. But the deal was Main Street. Main Street is the heartbeat of this whole town and if Main Street goes down and they have coffee shops and eateries and all kinds of things like that like was said before, people are not going to come down to Main Street. They're going to stay there and go home.

So it's not that we're trying to leave those people out of it. It's just that when the zoning was changed, it was from Main Street, not the BID district.

That's it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Thank you. Yes."

Jackie Burn: "I'm not tall enough. My name is Jackie Burn. I'm a new business owner on Main Street. My business is only eight months old.

I agree with everything Richie said. I agree with everything that Bruce said. As a new business owner, I don't think that, you know, the parking garage is one thing, but I think if you want to put anything in those surrounding areas, what you should put is law offices. Let them sign a 30 year lease. Just law offices. No retail space. It will take away from Main Street.

Mr. Cardinale, I really like you. I support you. Your main platform is the revitalization of Main Street in Riverhead. I'm very happy to be here. I want to continue that. We still have so many empty stores on Main Street like the woman said over here. I really think the focus should be on filling those stores up with things that will bring people down to Main Street rather than putting retail stores and eateries in a parking garage which I agree totally will take people off Main Street.

And Riverhead is going to become what it was 10 years ago and nobody is going to want to come here. Nobody is going to want to come here. It will be a dump.

I'm counting on the revitalization of Riverhead. I believe it is a viable thing that can happen. It is happening. We've got six or eight new businesses on this street in the last year and I think we should continue with that. I think that having eateries and having restaurants and retail stores and movie theaters away from the Main Street definitely will kill it.

And I know that every other business member on Main Street because I know I've spoken to some of them myself agree totally. None of us want it. None of us want to see it happen.

If you want to open up something there, offices. That's it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Richie, Richie, could you come up for a second?"

As the BID President, are you comfortable stating that on behalf

of the BID, you do not want us- because this is what this is about. There's a DC-3 district and I'm going to read this just so everybody understands. It has 13 uses now. And this is a hearing about adding a 14th, which is movie theater and multiplex cinema. And the permitted uses- so the first question is, let me tell you what the permitted uses are now.

They're not really going to change because they're part of our master plan. And all the hearing is about is adding the 14th and as the BID President where you have members within the two zones, 1 and 3- "

Richard Cox: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- I think you're taking a position that you believe that it is inappropriate to add theater to DC-3 because it will suck the life out of the Main Street DC-1 area."

Richard Cox: "Oh, definitely."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I think we may have- my point is I think we may have already done that potentially with the zoning that's in effect because these are the permitted uses presently in the DC-3 district: retail stores, banks, personal service businesses, funeral homes, art galleries and studios, restaurants, cafes, bakeries with retail sales on premises, banquet facilities, ice cream parlors, office and professional offices, governmental offices and other public offices, museums, libraries and other cultural attractions, schools including business and secretarial, places of worship, townhouses, parking facilities. That's it.

So right now that district has the capacity if any developer came in- to make a retail complex."

Richard Cox: "We understand that. We understand that but we- it's a different situation. You've got a parking garage that's going to have a multiplex, it's going to have eateries, it's going to have shops. It's going to have all the things to hold everybody right there at the court complex.

I mean if you wanted to put a parking garage, put a parking garage, but the way we feel, you've got parking- free parking all around the place to house all these new people coming in. That is going to kill Main Street and that's the way the BID feels about it.

It's going- we've been fighting for the last 10 years to build it back up and this will be another Tanger- this will be just another one of those promises that we'll get some of the overflow and it's not going to happen."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I see. So what you-- let's-- what I'm trying to get is an idea from the BID which is an important entity in this whole thing, let's say that- forget this proposal because it has- for the moment, security, it has maintenance issues, an atrium or parking garage.

Let's say that somebody proposes to take the block next to it and tear it down as an urban renewal project and produce a- it's 55,000 square feet that block, they're going to produce a multi- a new retail and restaurant facility. It sounds to me like the BID would object to that, too."

Richard Cox: "No. No, it's the movie theater."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's the movie theater."

Richard Cox: "It's the theater. We just got it passed that it could only be on Main Street and one year later we're trying to change it already."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Richard Cox: "That's what we're against. It's the movie theater. Let me say one thing."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Richard Cox: "I don't want to be rude. Main Street, Riverhead. I've been here 20 years now, 19 years. Every other town has mental health facilities, has drug rehab, everything that this town has. But every other town puts them on 2nd Street, 3rd Street. Riverhead is the only town I've ever been in, it's on Main Street. Now we want to get a multiplex and put that on 3rd Street.

It's so backwards, I can't even believe we're having this conversation. It's so backwards, it makes no sense. Everything that doesn't belong here is here. The thing that does belong here, we want to put that on 3rd Street or Railroad Avenue. So it's just so- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. If it's any consolation- "

Richard Cox: "-- so backwards."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- those offices can no longer under the new zoning, be on Main Street. The only offices on Main Street downstairs are real estate offices. Everything else is barred from Main Street in DC-1."

Richard Cox: "That whole court complex should be offices. They should put-- that's what it needs. Offices. The Main Street-- the movie theater we need it on Main Street."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Richard Cox: "You know, we shouldn't even be having this conversation."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I understand what you're saying and I appreciate the clarification. You're speaking for the BID."

Richard Cox: "I'm speaking for the BID."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, please."

Greg Graziano: "Hello. My name is Greg Graziano. I'm currently registered at 203 Maple Avenue. So the BID is taking the position that they strictly don't want the movie theater. So if, let's say they withdraw the movie theater from it and they put the 16, 18, 20 retail businesses and they put 24 offices let's say on the second floor, you wouldn't have a problem with that. You wouldn't have a problem with office space on the second floor?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Can you-- Mr. Graziano-- "

Greg Graziano: "And retail and other things on the first floor?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- would you address us?"

Greg Graziano: "-- 16, sorry."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, I understand."

Greg Garziano: "As far as-- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "I understand what you're saying. I

asked the same question. They're worried- they don't want to lose- I get it this way. Maybe I'm wrong, but correct me. They don't want to lose the target zoning from Main Street DC-1 only."

Greg Graziano: "For the movie theater."

Councilwoman Sanders: "For that use only."

Supervisor Cardinale: "They understand that you could develop that 55,000 square feet over there next to where our parking spaces are going to be."

Greg Graziano: "They could use their current proposal, just take the movie theater totally out, build what they have to build where they have to build it and the Riverhead Business Improvement District is saying that they don't have a problem with that part. That's what my understanding is of this."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's what you just said. Yes."

Greg Graziano: "Okay. So as far as they can do that but getting a movie theater down to Main Street, he's saying 3rd Street. The first street after Main Street over by where Henry Perkins used to be, what- that's where the proposal is for. Yes, it may face 3rd Street but it's on both of the streets. It's the first street right after Main Street at that end of Main Street. That can be your beginning attraction for everybody to go downtown on a bus provided by the parking facility, take them wherever they want. At three hour- at one and a half hour intervals you'll have 60 people getting out of a movie theater for the whole night. You don't think that there's going to be at least one percent of the people that are going to go downtown and patron businesses downtown?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Just- I understand what you're saying. They are good rhetorical questions, they make us all think and we will. That's why we're having the public hearing, to learn- to do some thinking about the issue."

Greg Graziano: "As far as the BID is concerned, the Riverhead BID is the Riverhead BID and then there's the Riverhead BID Management Association Limited Liability Corporation?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's correct."

Greg Graziano: "So- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "And they are the BID Management Association."

Greg Graziano: "So they're part of the BID Management. So they manage the BID. Is there a public BID for the management for the BID?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. That's the five of us. We are the- "

Greg Graziano: "That's the five of you?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Greg Graziano: "You- so you put the BID out to run the BID every year?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. They manage the BID and in behalf of the Business Improvement District, the managers or share people of which is this Board."

Greg Graziano: "So another company could come in and put a BID in to run the BID instead of the Riverhead Business Improvement District Management Association Limited Liability Corporation?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. They are under contract. So what your point is, is there an advisory committee in effect, yes. I understand that."

Greg Graziano: "Okay, thank you."

Bruce Tria: "If I could respond to a few points that were made. As far as the placement of a multiplex theater at what is now being described as the western entrance, the northwestern entrance to downtown Riverhead. Our president, I think, put it best when he said most downtowns would have their main attraction on Main Street. Putting the multiplex theater anywhere else is putting- maybe not even on 3rd Street but on 7th or 8th.

The fact of the matter is, this is something that the BID has fought for years and it's one of the causes that we have championed. The decisions and the views expressed tonight are the views expressed and borne by the directors of the BID Management Association and I think that the minutes of the meetings that we have had over the past oh, five or six years that I've been involved, would reflect that.

In as far as a bus service goes, and I hear this— the previous speaker was making a reference to a bus service from the new multiplex, and I put that in quotes, to Main Street. It kind of reminds me again of the dictionary definition of insanity, doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result.

When the Tanger Factory Outlet Center came into town, they were going to have trolley service from the Tanger Outlet Center to downtown Riverhead. I think that might have led to maybe three years tops. And this downtown has never benefitted from the quote spill off end quote from Tanger Mall.

A couple of other points we want to respond to because it's very important that the residents of this town understand what's at stake here and that is the actual revitalization and development of the Main Street business district versus the continued degradation of it, the continued suffering of the Main Street of this town because of ill conceived zoning changes. And I don't fault the Town Board for considering it, I just hope that we make the right decision.

After 25 years, you kind of get a little antsy. And I have worked in this town for 25 years and I've seen it from when we had a lot of stores on Main Street to when we've had a lot of vacancies and, you know, six new businesses in a year is good. We need six more.

The mission of the Business Improvement District Management Association to clarify that for those who may not know is to foster and improve the conditions for business in the downtown business district. That's our mission. It's not specifically to help Railroad Avenue per se or Main Street, but to foster all of them.

We believe strongly that the exclusion of the multiplex theater from the change that's been proposed is vitally important to the success of the entire downtown Business Improvement District, whether it's Railroad Avenue or Griffing Avenue or Main Street. We believe that's very important.

The existing businesses on Railroad Avenue, of course, are taxpayers in the BID. Some of them are involved in director's positions, Lauren (inaudible) leaps to mind immediately.

I don't know that we want to pin our hopes for revitalization on the expansion and growth of the loose caboose. Maybe we might want to have a different mix of businesses. And we don't have a problem with the zoning as it exists. We do have a problem with the proposed

change.

Thank you again."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, sir."

Ed Purcell: "Ed Purcell, East Main Street, Riverhead. I'm not sure- I have a question. Do you know what the potential of Southampton town for putting a multiplex across the river, what their zoning is? So that if some, you know, some theater group, it may be more advantageous for them to go to Southampton town as opposed to Main Street?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Do you know- that's a good question, what the zoning is? That's under consideration, the zoning on the strip between the circle and 105. They're considering--"

Ed Purcell: "Yes. That- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's under reconsideration by the town."

Ed Purcell: "That's right. So that may just- they may not even want to put a multiplex on Main Street.

The other reason- I have a bug about a certain owner that owns most of the property on Main Street primarily because, well- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Shelley?"

Ed Purcell: "-- yeah, Shelley. Primarily because we saw in the newspaper recently in the last six months, that someone could build a brand new building, offer the space at almost half the price per square foot. And even if it isn't half, you know, instead of 38, okay if it's 25."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Nineteen versus 32."

Ed Purcell: "That's right. You know. So that's why down street- downtown isn't- doesn't have businesses. Not because people don't want it, it's because it's cheaper to put a business someplace else, to put a brand new building. So that's just a bugaboo. But my question was, did you know what it was going to be over on the other side of the river?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I know that they're reconsidering the zoning and I know that they're planning a planned development district."

Ed Purcell: "Yeah. And they may want- a multiplex may go over there instead of."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Particularly because there's a hotel complex going on that side as well."

Ed Purcell: "That's right. So a multiplex may want to go over there. Thank you."

Victor Prusinowski: "Vic Prusinowski again. The fact of the matter is, the Town of Riverhead, the Riverhead BID is not going to determine whether a multiplex comes to Riverhead or where it goes. What's going to determine is economics. Ed--I happen to agree with this one point. I agree with everything Richie said and I applaud the Town Board for changing the zoning downtown and get rid of some of those uses that is alien to what we're trying to achieve down there which is a healthy retail climate with restaurants in concert with the aquarium. That was the plan that we started many years ago.

I've spoken to the multiplex guys. They're going to build it where they're going to make money. By the way, they don't build anything, they lease. Okay? Southampton will be our competition. They're considering it. You're right, Supervisor.

And let's talk about what Ed just said. By expanding the zone somewhat, you may be encouraging a little competition for the space. I can tell you right now that they have already acquired about the ownership group that owns most of the vacant businesses in this town and I don't think I'm going on a limb for a lot of people who actually pay rent to this group, they were very, very difficult to even get any type of numbers that made financial sense.

So I'm all for a multiplex to be built right next to the Suffolk Theater in concert. I think that's great if it can happen. And if they can make a deal, the first one that crosses the finish line is going to get this project. Or it might go to Southampton. Or we might not get anything at all. Okay.

The movie business is very dicey right now, most of them are in Chapter 11 or not worse because the federal- the Congress has changed the bankruptcy laws and it's a difficult economic situation. And you

have to deal with the reality of your situation. All the side bar issues about competition, retail, that can be addressed at a later time.

But this is not- that's why we don't have a multiplex in his town. And there's only going to be one. There's only going to be one built in Riverhead. That's it. Okay. There's not going to be two. There's going to be one in a certain mile area. If you go anywhere in Suffolk County, even when they built Island 16, they closed Brookhaven down because economically it just can't work.

So if now Southampton could be our competitor for the space for a multiplex. So nobody wants to put anybody out of business, we want to augment. And by the way, there is a lot more people coming, walking downtown Riverhead than ever before and I can tell you that as a fact. And maybe they're not walking into the shops, spending and buying and doing what they should, but there's more people coming through Riverhead, going to Tanger and going to that aquarium, the Dinosaur Museum, they're all the things.

And now we have to start getting the revitalization coming down the street, I agree with that. But as far as a multiplex, you can target it all you want, they have to be able to make an economic, a viable deal that they're going to make money on. Because it's very tough in the movie business to make money.

And I'm not saying that the Vintage Group is going to be able to make the deal because of the economics in place because we don't know if we have a deal or if it's even going to come through. But you might want to offer a little more competition to some of the property owners that are holding the primo space and look there's a gentleman sitting here tonight, he put two, three million bucks on the line. He believes in revitalization- he bought the Suffolk Theater. He's sitting right over there and I think that's great and I applaud him and he's going to do very well and that's going to help a lot of businesses down there.

It would be great if the movie theater be located next door. But let me tell you something and Mr. Kent can attest to this. In order to get that deal pulled off, there had to be some negotiation with some of the adjacent property owners and I know it went very smoothly and they were very cooperative. But, you know, this has been the trouble with downtown.

We have a small group that owns a majority of the prime space and

that's a problem and maybe that will change in the near future. But you have to remember that the economics are going to determine whether or not this multiplex is built. So that's another aspect I just want to bring. Maybe a little competition, expand the zone slightly among the property owners.

And, by the way, you own the lot now, the Town of Riverhead, the taxpayers, we own that lot now. So you hold the final card on any proposed garage. It's up to the Town Board. I mean the taxpayers own the property, it's assembled, the lot's being built. So it's not like the Vintage Group already owns the property and we're proposing to build it. That's not the case at all. The Town of Riverhead is going to make the final call on this anyhow. There might not be anything but a parking lot on there. And, but the property owners next to that lot, once that court complex is done in about three or four years, and we-- hopefully, that's our goal, is to get commercial lawyers up there, insurance companies and businesses that won't compete with downtown Riverhead. But certainly the businesses that are there can certainly-- exactly what you said, Supervisor, you had 13 other choices there that, you know, certainly they're allowed right now.

So that's something to consider. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Vic. Sir. Timmy, I'll let him speak and then-- I think he was on the wrong side."

Rob Dipple: "My name is Rob Dipple, I'm the new kid on the block. I've been here about two weeks. I'm the new Executive Director for the Suffolk Theater. And I'm getting up to speed on all of this and it seems to me from what I can glean from the conversation and discussions is there was a lot-- to speak to the issue on the table, there was a lot of discussion, a lot of debate, a lot of thought, a lot of energy and effort put into putting-- restricting the multiplex movie theater to Main Street.

And I've got to tell you that film programming is going to be a vital and critical revenue stream for the revitalized Suffolk Theater once we get it opened next year. And whether or not we can be the multiplex or not, I agree that it's dicey, it's tough, but it can be done and it can-- the Suffolk Theater is going to be a tough enough road to hoe as is.

You know, you talk about dicey with movie theaters, live performances and those kinds of things are extremely difficult. We've got to find ways to diversify the revenue streams and film program as

I said is going to be very, very vital to it. So give us an opportunity.

Given the fact that it's only been a year since that ordinance was put in place and all the other reasons that have been put forth, I would say that leave the zone— leave zoning for D-3 as it is now. Don't change it, don't expand to allow for multiplex in that area. If it happens, if it goes someplace else, it does. But give the Suffolk Theater a chance as well.

Thank you all."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, Timmy."

Tim Yousik: "Tim Yousik. I bought a restaurant on Main Street 11 years ago because there was a theater opening soon is what I was told. And I believed it. And it's been very difficult to do business on Main Street. Main Street for along time has been a ghost town. It's gotten a little better. Certainly the aquarium has been a big help, Fauna, Dinosaur Museum, they're all good things. It's now slowly becoming a tourist destination which I think is great.

Do I want a movie theater on Main Street? Absolutely. In fact, I'd like it right next door to my restaurant. But it's not a reality because no one's sitting here waving the check in front of you saying I want to build it right now. It's been 18 years since we've had a theater in this town. It's been 11 years that I've been waiting for a theater to come because that's why I bought the restaurant. I thought, hand in hand, people getting out on the street after a movie, where to they go? To a restaurant. To a pizza shop. I mean that's just— almost goes hand in hand. You know that from your brother's complex. That little pizza shop that used to be next door did great for a long time.

Do I want to see it up on Railroad Avenue? That's not my ultimate choice. I'd love to see it on Main Street. But we all know, most of us that know Main Street know that's the property owner that's holding a lot of things up in this town, hasn't budged in a long time, and those stores are empty, empty, empty, empty. And his name is Shelley Gordon. I'm not afraid to say it. I've had a lot of conversations with this man. His space is too expensive. He's not willing to wheel and deal. And that's why those stores are empty.

Putting it on Railroad Avenue is a block away. Cleaning up a blighted area, I can't think of a better way to do it. Wherever you

put good, bad leaves. We've got a horrible area up there. We had businesses- I was the BID President for three years. I listened to Herb Dresser (phonetic) at every single meeting to the point where he finally gave up, sold his store and left. Because he had to do business with his door locked most of the time.

Now, not to get off the subject, I know what the public hearing is about. I'm in favor of the change of zone because I don't want it on Route 58. I'd love to have it on Main Street but we've got somebody sitting here ready to put it on Railroad Avenue. I'm of the opinion, and it's my opinion, kick out the red carpet.

I've also listened to other concerns about the parking garage and stuff. I still believe wherever you put good, bad goes away. I'm definitely in favor of it, can't say it enough. I believe that if you have a 10 screen multi-complex you're going to dump a lot of people on the street. If there's a restaurant up there, bring it on. They're not all going into one restaurant. They're coming back to Main Street.

I get the spillover from Tanger. I see Tanger shoppers coming into my restaurant. Not as much as I had hoped, but I promote my restaurant up there. I put my brochures up there. I put my menus up there. I do it at the aquarium. I do it at the Dinosaur Museum. On the weekends, I get a good handful of people from all of those places, the aquarium to Tanger. I would do the same thing at the theater. I would promote my business at the theater. I want them to come back to Main Street. We need it.

My opinion, I'd like to see us do it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Any other comment that anyone- Lauren."

Lauren VonEnde: "Hi. Lauren VonEnde (phonetic). I just- a couple of questions. I was a few minutes late so I don't know if this was discussed or not. But the Vintage Group, are they going to be solely financing this? Is there any type of partnership they're looking to do with the town or- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. We've tried to focus the discussion on the hearing- "

Lauren VonEnde: "Just the movie?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. If you look at that map in front of you, you can see the blue is DC-1- "

Lauren VonEnde: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- and the red is DC-3. I see this, and I think the Board sees this as follows. Everybody wants a multiplex on Main Street."

Lauren VonEnde: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "If you look at the blue area, you can pick out certainly on one hand possibly on two at most, the spots where it could go. Are you willing to bank the farm that it will go to one of those spots or do you want to expand the net of target zoning into the red? I- there are various reasons that the other project that you're talking of may not go, not the least of which is that we don't have sufficient detail to discuss it yet.

So, but we just want to know if you- and the BID has told us already if you weren't here, that it is their view that it should remain on Main Street, DC-1 only, and they've given us some good reasons. We've heard other reasons that were good reasons why it should be extended. We're going to have to decide."

Lauren VonEnde: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So if you could address that."

Lauren VonEnde: "Absolutely. Well, I agree with the rest of the (inaudible) and that I do believe that it should stay on Main Street. A couple of reasons. I know that there are other parts of this proposal for the movie theater that are coupled with other things which is part of my reasoning. I know that there are retail stores that they are thinking of doing but I won't really speak much to that because I do believe that we should be supporting the businesses that are already here, the ones that are struggling on Main Street.

The Suffolk Theater, I know part of what they want to do is to show movies there and as Rob Dipple said, maybe we should be giving them an opportunity to do that as well and keep the zoning the way it is.

But I do think that we should- in order to have a real vital and revitalized downtown, Main Street is the main area. If you don't have

a thriving Main Street, you don't have a thriving downtown at all. So we need to make sure that Main Street is the thriving area for us before we branch out to the other areas. And we're on Railroad Avenue so, you know, of course, wouldn't I want Railroad Avenue to be great. Of course, but that's not the way it is now. And I know the only way to bring more people downtown and to get it thriving is to get Main Street thriving. And then it will branch out to the rest of the area in the downtown area.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Lauren. Yes, sir, or ma'am and then sir."

Maryann Avello: "I'm Maryann Avello. I'm a Riverhead town resident, 18 years. My son is here, who's 16, and I've probably been talking about this since he's been maybe five years old about how, oh, yeah, Riverhead, we're going to get a movie theater, how great. I am so in favor. If this gentleman wants to build a movie theater on Railroad Avenue, do it. Main Street- I don't know what the problem is, the politics that go on in this town amazes me.

And another thing, too. I know this has nothing to do with anything. But the taxes that I pay here, I don't think that he would want a tax cut in this movie theater, I'm probably correct. But I'm in favor, I believe that Railroad Avenue is part of Main Street and it would all be one. I would walk around just like other people would. So I love you, Richie, though."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, sir."

Justin Spates: "My name is Justin Spates and I've only lived in Riverhead for two years. But I think a movie theater is a really good idea, too. The whole thing with Tanger. A lot of people don't go through Main Street because you can get off the expressway and you're at Tanger. You know. There's no real reason to drive through Main Street unless you're coming from the north or maybe south forks.

I think it's a great idea. The Mattituck movie theater and the Hampton Bays movie theater, it's a drive. Neither of them are very good theaters and I think that a lot of people would come to Riverhead if there's a theater and I think that a lot of people would walk around Main Street. I think a lot of people would, you know, check out the other businesses and restaurants and, you know, I don't know the ins and outs. I've only lived here for two years but I think it's

a great idea."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, sir."

Gary Graziano: "Gary Graziano, I'm a resident— a Riverhead resident for 28 years. I have a list here. I stood for a half hour in front of a store today, of people that are all for this movie project, to get it off the ground, to start going forward.

You're always doing stuff, you never make a choice. Main Street, 15 years, what have you done down there? We have a Dinosaur Museum, we have an aquarium. What else? The East End Coffee House. We put this movie theater in, this man is going to have a bus coming downtown. I can't see— I don't see any other way. Do we? Get it done. Stop— you know, these people want it done. I'm sure a lot more people in the town of Riverhead want it done.

Do you want this list?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Sure."

Gary Graziano: "You know, I just think (inaudible)."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Can I just clarify one thing? The movie theater use itself only is a stand alone. And that's the only thing we're talking. If the project goes away, so does the bus and the transportation. I just want— we've talked about it several times."

Gary Graziano: "When I moved here— I walked into that movie theater when it was open. It's been closed for 15 years. I have 17 grandkids now. I have to take them all the way up the island. Come on, get a movie theater here. That's all I'm asking you."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Okay."

Gary Graziano: "And that's all these people are asking you. Get a movie theater."

Councilman Densieski: "You're going to need your own bus."

Greg Graziano: "I bet I do. But I want to walk my grandkids to a movie, whether it's on Main Street— you have a thing in front of you now, let's get it going. Do it. All right. That's all I'm asking."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, John."

John Galla: "Thank you. John Galla, 49 Farm Road West, Wading River. A taxpayer in the great town of Riverhead. Thank you, Town Board, ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Supervisor for this opportunity.

I'll be brief. I certainly do support this re-look at the zoning. I think like any good document, I think our zoning, the master plan is a document that can be amended. Any good document can be amended and it should be looked at that way. And there's been countless town board meetings before the cameras and before the books and the audience like that. I don't think it's a bad thing.

I'm here tonight to speak on behalf of six very special people, my four daughters and my two grandsons. My memory doesn't serve me correctly, but I would imagine that Eddie and Barbara, you have kids that are somewhat in their teenage years. Trust me. When they're 16, 17 years old and they say, Dad, I'm driving to Coram tonight, I'm driving out to the movies out in Mattituck with my boyfriend, girlfriend, whatever, your heart, you know, I'm a compulsive father, maybe you are, maybe you aren't, maybe some folks out here are. You do worry and you worry about the people my age on the road more than you worry about the driving skills of the kids.

If we had this in our town, my God, we've got a great Dinosaur Walk Museum. We have, I think, one of the greatest shopping centers anywhere on Long Island. We have a great Atlantis Aquarium. We have great farming. We've got great seashores. We need one thing. A movie theater. I think it's worth a look at it.

And, finally, it's up to you, ladies and gentlemen of the Board, the people out there in TV land, here in the audience. When you look at that lot up there, I'm going to borrow an expression from Hollywood. When you look at that lot on Railroad Avenue and 3rd Street, whatever the roads are, is it going to be a field of dreams, build it and they will come, or it will be gone with the wind. It's your choice."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, Larry."

Larry Oxman: "Good evening. Larry Oxman. Not to get off base but it's very, very warm in here. The people in the back are fanning themselves maybe. Fresh air, something. So anyhow."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's pretty bad. Yeah, you're right."

Larry Oxman: "So, Larry Oxman, with offices on Old Country Road

and now I rent three offices, three storefronts downtown. I pay property taxes in all locations even though I'm a tenant at the moment.

This is a zoning issue and I think that many people have gotten up here and spoken about specific proposals. But this is clearly a zoning issue. I don't think anyone could talk about having a multiplex come to the downtown stronger than I.

If you recall, if your memory is good, somewhere around 10 years ago, I proposed that a movie theater be only allowed downtown on television with- against-- there was a debate with Riverhead Center on Harriet's program. It was considered an absurd idea at the moment. Later, I had a full page in the editorial section of the News Review when Ruth Jernick was there. So I've been talking about a movie theater coming downtown to the exclusion of other areas in the town for a very, very long time. It's a current trend throughout the country.

However, at the time the downtown was one zone. It was Business D. Since then we've gone through a master plan proposal. We had consultants, then those recommendations went before the Planning Board, then those recommendations went before the Town Board and ultimately it was passed.

The wisdom behind the master plan or comprehensive plan was to take downtown and to break it up into five different districts, each district being very specific as to what you wanted to attract. That's the key word. What you wanted to attract to that area.

People have come up here and spoken about the only thing here downtown is the aquarium or the dinosaur walk museum. Those are here for a specific reason. Because zoning was changed to allow those. The zoning was changed to target those types of businesses and they eventually came.

The zoning was studied, it was felt that it should go along the Main Street corridor. A movie theater should go along the Main Street corridor.

In reference to the Suffolk Theater, we've had a gentleman that has stepped up to the plate and come along and done exactly what the town asked for. Hopefully, we are going to get exactly what we asked for. I'm sure in his thinking, he looked at the zoning and made a business decision based on that zoning. You're now talking about

changing it which goes to the larger question about change of zones throughout the town, whether it's just Business D or it's out in the farmland or other areas of the town.

I don't think that enough time has been spent with the current zoning, not all of it's even passed, before you start making changes.

Another thing. There was a concern whether there's enough space downtown to build a theater. I believe that there is. Theaters are built in urban areas all the time. On small parcels, they simply go up. There are quite a few locations.

Last but not least, Shelley Gordon is not the owner of the property downtown. It's Riverhead Enterprises. Shelley happens to be a managing partner of that and he shouldn't be thought of as the particular owner.

If anyone has taken a walk downtown recently, you'll notice that stores are not empty. Actually there are quite a number of— there are very few stores that are empty outside of the Woolworth building. I got a phone call this morning from someone that wants to do a thousand foot store on Main Street. I didn't have anything to show them, believe it or not.

So, I think that you should give the current zoning a chance. It's target specific. It was designed for a specific reason and you should not vary from it at this particular time.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Is there any further comment from the public? Yes, sir."

Tom Engle: "Tom Engle (phonetic) from Riverhead. How long have we been trying to get a theater downtown? How many years?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's been target zoned only for a— for about six months, less than six months, since December."

Tom Engle: "I'm hearing 11 years, 19 years and stuff."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well— "

Councilman Densieski: "Townwide."

Tom Engle: "Townwide. Okay. Do we have any proposals for someone to put a theater downtown?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "We- do we have any proposals for downtown?"

Tom Engle: "Is anybody offering to come downtown and put a theater in town?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "We have talk, but we do not have any specific proposals and the talk centers around the Woolworth site as well as other sites downtown."

Tom Engle: "So we're talking about moving the line to the other side of the block?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. I think they're adjacent. If you look at the red and blue they touch."

Tom Engle: "So we're just looking to move it one block to get a theater downtown or within the BID area. Correct?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "North of- yeah, it still would be south of the railroad. Yes."

Tom Engle: "So if we pontificate and wait for months and months and Southampton gets it or 58 gets it, we lose. And we still have a ghost town."

Councilman Densieski: "58's not getting it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "58 is no longer zoned for it."

Tom Engle: "So there's nowhere else except downtown to put a movie theater?"

Councilman Densieski: "Only spot, right on- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Just that one spot."

Tom Engle: "Unless we move it one block? Okay. Well, I'd just like to go on record that I'm in favor for the parking garage multiplex."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, sir."

Dwayne Lewin: "Dwayne Lewin, Hamlet of Aquebogue. I just want to say as a citizen, I think there's room for probably two theaters, the one that's going to do to live audiences, live performance, and this new one.

I think sometimes people have a little tunnel vision. We seem to look-- we're worried, those guys in the BID, all my friends, are a little worried about their businesses and I understand that. But I think the population, the town as it grows can afford another complex and another theater and maybe even expand the BID.

Because I know personally I go to Westhampton or somewhere. I don't walk around just the movie theater. I (inaudible) in a restaurant a mile away, I drive somewhere. And years ago, I grew up in this town, I used to go to (inaudible) on Polish Town, Herb Dresser's shore shop. It wasn't all just downtown. And I think because of Riverhead Enterprises has done-- made a lot to do with the town, but I just think there's room for growth and I don't think this is a bad project.

And I think the BID is looking a little narrow and sometimes you've got to look a little further and take that step and just expand. You know, so, anyway, I support it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you Dwayne. Yes, John."

John Reeve: "John Reeve, Aquebogue. I know tonight there's going to be a resolution proposed for the animal control. I talked to certain council people--"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, John, we're going-- we're in the hearing on the multiplex."

John Reeve: "Oh, I'm sorry."

Supervisor Cardinale: "There's going to be a comment period about, I hope after the next hearing. So if you'd hold that just for a moment so we get it in the right place."

John Reeve: "I will. I'm sorry."

Supervisor Cardinale: "If there's no further comment on this public hearing, it being-- Lindsey you have a comment, and if there's any further comment, keep them coming. We've got another hearing."

Lindsey Reeve: "Hi, my name is Lindsey Reeve. I own Eastenders Coffee House with my wife, Diane, down on Main Street. It's a wonderful place by the way and if anybody hasn't been there yet, they really owe it to themselves.

But anyway to get back on the track."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I was there tonight."

Lindsey Reeve: "Excellent."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Before the meeting."

Lindsey Reeve: "Nice."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I (inaudible) bring any coffee for you guys."

Lindsey Reeve: "I'm firmly- I'm firmly for anything that's going to help downtown Riverhead. If it's going to help downtown Riverhead, that's great. I'm firmly for anything that's going to help the Suffolk Theater and Bob Castaldi and the new guy on the block because I think they're all good people and they have everything, only good intentions for this town and I think they're going out of their way to do so just as I believe Jim Bissett has done as well. I think we owe a lot to all these people that want to come to this town from out of the area and help us. And they have- the (inaudible) of people that have helped us a lot.

I know I'm not talking about anything about this proposal so far but that's--I inherited this from my father. I can't tell a short story.

I am just basically adamantly against anything that's going to take anything away from downtown. Build up downtown and you've got a great village. We have the potential for a great village. When I was a kid on my dad's potato farm, we had a great village. We went down to the Suffolk Theater and you went window shopping at night just to get out of the heat and get some cool air coming off the river. You know, it's a great place.

And we all know that since then it's become not a great place and we're on our way to making it a great place again. My wife and I have basically hocked the farm to do what we're trying to do, the business that we're trying to build up. We were one of the first ones to stay

open until, you know, until 11:00, 12:00 at night and we actually had people sitting out at the cafe tables at night where a year before that, you didn't see anybody but maybe a foot patrol making sure that the prostitutes weren't there and, you know, and the other unseeming (inaudible) weren't there. And they're out there doing their job and I'd like to see them there some more by the way and maybe a couple more.

But I just really want downtown to succeed and if it takes not having a multiplex anywhere but downtown, that's what I want to see. That's definitely my impression and my opinion.

I actually came here tonight curious to find out more about what the parking facility and Vic and anybody else that was involved in this facility really propose as far as the retail space or as far as the rental space that's going to be there.

When we first got the original outlay from Vintage at the BID meeting when they initially proposed- showed us the proposals, that's when they came through with well, we're going to have a luncheonette, we're going to have a couple restaurants, we're going to have a stationery store, and we'll have a coffee shop and he even elaborates. He says maybe even a- like nothing cheap- like a Starbucks. And everybody at the meeting turned around and looked right at me, you know, so I voiced my opinion right then and there what I thought about the Starbucks idea.

But yeah, we could probably use another coffee shop in town, too, a little competition is not a bad thing. I don't think I should have a monopoly on a thing but I do intend to do my best.

But, that was the impression I got from the initial proposal when it was outlined at a BID meeting about a year ago. Now I ran into Vic and a couple other people at the Boardwalk Restaurant which by the way is another wonderful place downtown, and they asked me what I had most against this idea. And I said, well, it was because you are bringing, you know, downtown we've been hoping for all these extra people coming from the expanded courts to come down and help us actually get somewhere and maybe even pay the rent on time for a change.

We're struggling for a year and a half. We're not paying the rent. We're doing our best but we need more people. That's just it. We're doing as well as we can with the amount of people we've got coming downtown. We all need more people down on Main Street.

As I said- I started to say before, I anticipated hearing more about what I was told a week ago that was going to be proposed for the rental space in this parking facility, as it was explained to me a week ago. Oh, no, no, no, it's not going to be- it's not going to be retail space, it's not going to be stores, it's not going to be coffee shops, it's not going to be any of that.

What we're trying to do and I quote, is get upscale large commercial law firms like Siben & Siben and that type of thing to come and, you know, court related law firms, you know. Things like that. And maybe a large stationery store or office supply type thing that will all be complimentary to all of the above. And that made a lot of sense. That would also bring a lot more people downtown because all those people there would have to come downtown to get some lunch or dinner or maybe stop in for a really good cup of coffee.

So that's really all I have to say. I don't know if I've made any sense to anybody but it sure made sense to me."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Appreciate it. Is that- is the- before we keep going in circles here having repeat performances, is there anybody who hasn't spoken who would like to speak? Then if there's anybody that has spoken and would like to reprise the (inaudible), make it brief because we have another hearing, come on up. Larry, Sandy."

Sandra Mott: "I just have a question. Henry Perkins home is being closed and transferred into a new psychiatric center. Correct? It's not being closed as such? It's being closed as one but opening as another facility."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's right. The adult home is closed and they're going to have 50 efficiency apartments instead of 90 rooms and they're going to be open for- "

Sandra Mott: "And this is going to be right to more or less the back of this potential area that they want to expand or you're thinking about expanding to?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Sandra Mott: "Correct? More or less?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, the- it's a little bit distant from there but close, yes."

Sandra Mott: "Close enough walking distance?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Sandra Mott: "That was my one question. My other question is this is an urban renewal area which means that you can condemn property so that landlords who are being obstinate about helping you and your urban renewal can basically be told, well, here you go, you're going to take this and we're going to take your property. You've already done to make the parking."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, you can take that- we've done that. I mean that's how we got the- that's how you got that 80,000 square feet which is the project we're discussing."

Sandra Mott: "Right. But that could be brought around to Main Street, too, where the buildings aren't being rented or across the street. I heard a long time ago that they wanted to open the view so that the buildings would be on the north side of Main Street and that open view could be to the river which was your most valuable piece."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Sandra Mott: "Would that be a consideration that they knock down some of the buildings, not all of them, but some of them?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "On the south side you're talking about?"

Sandra Mott: "The south side."

Supervisor Cardinale: "You're talking about a plan for Main Street?"

Sandra Mott: "Yeah. I'm talking about Swezeys basically on the south side."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We are going out with an RFP for request for ideas about development of Main Street, north and south, unrelated to this. And I don't know what ideas we're going to get. But it's a request for expressions of interest with statement of qualifications for doing what you're saying should be done and that's going to go out in the next month."

Sandra Mott: "Okay. I just have those two questions because it seems some people who haven't been here a long time- I haven't been

here as long as some people but I've heard all this stuff more than once. I think they may not know all that's still here, still coming, and will be here longer than maybe their buildings that may not be able to rent- be rented and then we end up with more empty buildings but on a different street.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, come on up, a new face."

Darla Bates: "I'm Darla Bates and I've only lived in Riverhead for a year. But I just think that doing a movie theater would expand everybody's business. I mean the amount of people that you would get for a multiplex would be so much different than any other thing that you could do in this town, that it would- nobody could just go to that one area. They'd have to spill over. And it's so close that when you're driving through to go to the movie theater, you're going to stop somewhere. You're going to eat somewhere right downtown.

And it's going to be, I think, a big boon for the whole town. I think I can't say that enough. And it's such a good thing for the kids in this town, I mean, to have some place to go and to do something constructive. I just think that it's a no brainer. I mean it just is something that would revitalize the town.

I really firmly believe that and to just pave over a parking lot to have acres and acres of parking lot is just not going to be beautiful. To have something that's going to be beautiful, that's going to bring people into the town, I just think it's going to be great for the people on Main Street.

And if they could do a movie theater on Main Street, that would be great. But you don't have anybody now. Now you have somebody, I think you should do something.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, Larry."

Larry Oxman: "It seems a little cooler. Thank you. Larry Oxman. I think there's a lot of mislabeling that's going on in this discussion, this public hearing. When one says the downtown, downtown is not Main Street. Downtown is the downtown district, primarily from the railroad tracks south to the river, going a little north. I mean

the map is clearly here.

And I think that also this public hearing has kind of become an issue of whether we want a movie theater downtown in Riverhead or not. And clearly I think that if you stood in front of any of the supermarkets, I can't see anyone saying no to that because we do want a theater here and it's a question of the exact location and what the planning has dictated or suggested that we follow— the course that we follow.

I kind of don't like the— I won't call it a scare tactic, but when you kind of hit on chords of are our children going to be safe driving somewhere, I think that that's just a little bit of a (inaudible). Because as a parent, everyone wants their children to be safe. It's not an issue here. The issue is zoning.

Southampton town zoning. I don't believe that Southampton town has zoning that permits a theater for the majority of the property that is on the other side of the river. You could check the zoning and confirm that yourself.

There is a very large proposal on 25 acres which is part of a planned, PDD, a planned development district. There's no theater being proposed for that. It happens to be a hotel, some office space, possibly some living space. But not a multiplex.

So the notion that if we don't do something immediately and change our zoning which we haven't allowed to go through, that we're going to lose it, it's just again, another scare tactic. And I don't think that's the issue here. The issue here is whether you want to allow movie theaters just in the D-2 district. We eliminated from manufacturer's outlet. We eliminated it from the Route 58 corridor and when the downtown was studied and studied and studied, this was the location that seemed to make the most sense.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. If this may be the last comment in this hearing, so take it away."

Lauren VonEnde: "Two quick comments. The first is that we just— we spent a lot of years, Barbara in particular, and a lot of money on implementing and developing a master plan. And I can't see why we would consider changing zoning before we've even had an opportunity to let the master plan do what it was designed to do.

Secondly, I also think considering the current zoning that we have the Castaldis who have— or who are making a significant investment in Main Street and in the Suffolk Theater and I think we should also give them an opportunity to be successful and to have movies and the live theater and the musical venues that they plan on having.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Okay. I appreciate all the comments and they've been very helpful to the Board in its consideration. I'd like to close the public hearing, it being 8:40. Thank you all for coming out and expressing your views."

Public Hearing closed: 8:40 p.m.

Public Hearing opened: 8:40 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "At 7:30, we were to hear the consideration of a local law to repeal and replace a portion of Chapter 108 of the town code, Signs. It being 8:40, I'm going to open that hearing now and take comment from whomever would like to comment on the sign ordinance. Yes, sir."

Roy Sokolowski: "Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. I'm Roy Sokolowski, Chairman of the town's Architectural Review Board.

First I want to applaud this administration for finally moving forward on changes to the sign code. My only concern is I think it may be in what I've seen so far, a little bit too little.

As you should be aware, the Architectural Review Board is the primary judicial part of this town that has to deal with administering the sign code and we've been doing it, I myself now for almost 15 years. It is only through our persuasion at most ARB meetings that we get a better quality of signage in the town.

The existing sign code as you should know has very little teeth in it. I'm looking at the proposed changes which I gather were basically sort of (inaudible) from the town of Southampton, and they're very slight differences from the sign code that we have at present.

As an alternative to that, the ARB over the last five years has taken it upon themselves to draft a new proposed sign code and— which I think you all have copies of and I strongly suggest you take a much closer look at what we've done. It has a lot more specific requirements in it that will make not only our job on the ARB easier, but I think it will make it much easier for everybody throughout the town to administer and enforce the quality of signage in the town.

And one of the other things which I think has always been a problem in the town, is the lack of enforcement. The present sign code has too many vagaries in it and is too easy for people to just bypass the whole process and go out and do what they want.

With the new proposed sign code that we have developed, we're looking for more enforcement, a little more administrative, and I hesitate to use the word bureaucracy because on the ARB we are very sensitive to not adding to the bureaucracy of getting something done.

But the main thing that we are proposing and I strongly suggest you take advantage of this, is as you know we are primarily volunteers. We are recommending that we be also a part of the enforcement process and that we go out inspecting the signs after they're installed, before they're given a final permit, to make sure that they do agree with what we approved at the hearing. Right now, that is not done. We're suggesting that we will do that. It's not going to cost the town anything extra at all and I think it will in the end result in a much better process for the quality of signage throughout the town.

So, again , I just suggest that you really take a second look at this. I'd be very happy to sit down with everybody and the town attorney to take our version of the code, meld it with your version of the code.

The only thing that our version of the code right now is missing is we didn't update it to the new zoning code and master plan, but that is a very simple thing for us to do and I was purposely waiting until we have this hearing before we talk about doing that.

But, again, I think we really should, you know, at the risk of patting ourselves on the back because we wrote this suggested code, I really think we should take a second look at it and consider our code as well.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yeah. Do you have- do we have that code? Okay. The code revision committee has both- is this generated from the building- who generated this code?"

Councilwoman Blass: "This was part ARB. We actually used many sections of it, Southampton, but we did have input from the building department and code enforcement and from the town attorney's office to get to this portion- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Code enforcement, town attorney, building department, Architectural Review Board, and the town board revision committee came up with this- "

Councilwoman Blass: "With this version. That's correct."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- as a blend. And Mr. Sokolowski, I thank you for your help on the Architectural Review Board and your comments. But he's suggesting that there's more gold to be gleaned or extracted from the version that they have. So we'll take a look. Yes, who has a comment, Mr. Purcell."

Ed Purcell: "Yes. Ed Purcell, Riverhead. I'm getting old, I can't see. I didn't- I don't have a copy of the new proposed code. I only read it two weeks ago when you had- told the hearing was going to be tonight.

But from what I gleaned out of it, is that in most zones, you wouldn't be allowed like an open sign out of neon that may be in a window. Is that correct? Because that's something that, you know, could be added because it would only be on during- when they're open.

Plus I believe that you want more exterior lit signs and in those cases you actually are going to have a problem with more light pollution because a smaller interior lit sign will put out less light in the area especially if you note that it can only be lit during times of operation or maybe an hour after, an hour before. And the businesses that aren't open at night, they'd have no use for a lit sign.

The one thing you did allow was these awning signs and they are ugly and as a matter of fact, they're cheap and they're ugly. In the past, awnings were designed to shade windows in the hot summer day or to- so people could stand underneath to stand out of the rain.

Now what they're making, they're making these pre-made non-

movable structures that attach to the front of a building. Now what it does is it bubbles out from the building, it looks terrible. If you look on Main Street right on the corner, that awning— the nice awning that they put up there that is stationary, that isn't retractable. But if you look at it closely at one part of it, because it's not retractable, the birds have had their doo with it. And it doesn't look very good.

Also, with those awning signs, what they do is they take away from the architectural view of the building. There's a number of buildings, even that building, where some of the brick work that you don't see anymore because they have those awnings. All it is is for show. It doesn't do anything, which awnings were primarily made for.

And if you look in the past, we had a lot of awnings in downtown Riverhead that were retractable and they did have signs on them but they were primarily unlit. And that would be, you know, fine.

The one thing that Riverhead does have and partly because Riverhead wasn't worth anything, they didn't tear down as many buildings and put up new ones in other towns, so that we do have a very wide range of styles of buildings which really is the charm of Riverhead.

And that's something that we should really aim to continue in the future so that you don't have all— it's not a shopping center. Like a shopping center up on Route 58. Each building has its own little aspects that will draw you to that building. And if you put these awning signs up there or what used to be large signs it was terrible.

Now what does look nice occasionally is like the Vail Music Hall sign that is a— it comes off the building. It's only about what, about two by three or maybe a two by four sign, and that does more to denote that building than what's allowed in the zoning which is a four by eight, 32 square foot sign on the building itself. And that takes away from the building.

So I really think that you could do a little more— as you said a little more honing on the sign ordinance before you put it through.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Larry."

Larry Oxman: "Good evening, Larry Oxman. I actually have

offices in the building that Mr. Purcell just spoke about and I think that that building at 1 East Main, 5 East and 9 East, gets a tremendous amount of compliments because it does have a very historic look. It is unfortunate that the owner built the awnings in that fashion. Nonetheless, it's certainly better.

The hearing. First, can I ask that this hearing be held open? I think that a lot of people don't- aren't- don't realize that there's a public hearing tonight which specifically affects their business. And generally what happens is that they'll read about this hearing in the local newspaper and then they'll want to make a comment. So if you hold it open for a certain period of time for written comment, I think that that would be advantageous.

So for instance, Mr. Purcell talked about back lit awnings. And I haven't read the proposal. I couldn't agree with him more that back lit awnings are simply an advertisement. We're talking about or there's a discussion about making the downtown area a historic district. You didn't have back lit awnings a lot time ago. I think they really detract from the architecture and there are ways to illuminate buildings at night time to accentuate the architecture which are lovely. You can go to other communities.

And while I'm on the awning kick, I had dinner in Babylon not too long ago in the evening. Babylon is a wonderful downtown to take a look at as an example of what you would like to strive to be. As I studied the streetscape trying to figure out besides people what they have that Main Street does not have and it just kind of hit me, and actually, I believe that it's awnings.

Now I came back and spoke about it to a couple of people, one person kind of quipped so awnings would save the downtown? And a small response, yes. Because it adds to the aesthetics of the downtown and aesthetics become perception and perception becomes reality. I would strongly oppose back lit signs downtown.

Last but not least, enforcement of the sign code. It's not being enforced today. I would hope that there's extremely strong teeth in this including large penalties and fines for violating the town code in a swift process, not something that's long and drawn out.

Southampton town for many years had a specific person. She was called the sign lady who was feared and she would drive around Southampton town and take down signs and a lot of them were real estate signs, were temporary signs, and then people were issued

violations.

If our code has the same teeth, I think it should be enforced and maybe those fees that are generated through violations would help pay code enforcement to have a specific person charged with that duty, whether it's once a week they drive around or not.

Currently my pet peeve with real estate signs. As a local broker, I adhere to the sign code. Unfortunately the out of town brokers do not. A very good example right now, drive by Citibank. Citibank has a billboard on their front lawn announcing that there's space for lease. There are other brokers that also put up billboards as far as the size of the sign and nothing seems to happen.

I know Leroy occasionally goes around with a chainsaw and takes them down but something's wrong because the local brokers adhere to the sign code and the out of town brokers seem to be allowed to do it for an extended period of time. And that's just not right. That encourages us who want to abide by the laws to break them."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Larry Oxman: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Anyone have any further comment on the sign ordinance? If not, I will take the suggestion and keep this open for 10 days for written comment and so it will be open for written comment through— what is today— it's the 19th. I want to take written comment. Because if we're going to do a good job on this, Mr. Sokolowski and Larry and others will be giving us some written amendments to this code and that's what's going to help us."

Councilwoman Blass: "But we could still do that respectfully. We still could get the input that has been offered and we would certainly seek out but also have the opportunity— if we've come this far, we might as well hear it all so we incorporate it all."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. Is there anyone else on this Board who would like to hear more about signs in a verbal manner or do you want to hear it only in writing?"

Councilman Densieski: "Phil, I must agree with you, in writing would be appropriate."

Councilman Bartunek: "In writing."

Supervisor Cardinale: "In all honesty, I'm a big proponent of public hearings but this is the kind of thing that we need to do some real work on with some written comment and say, yes, we like that, no, we don't like that."

Councilman Bartunek: "Do you know how long this has been around?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, I do."

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Supervisor, Mr. Bartunek and I have been working on this sign code with individuals for a very, very long time. So be my guest if you'd like to sit down and go line by line."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Let's keep it open until let's say May 1st for written comment. I'd love to see as much written comment as possible and the code revision committee is going to merge into the best possible statute and I've heard your comment about being willing to look and determine if the sign as permitted is the sign as placed. I cannot believe we don't do that. Yeah, I can believe it. Because I can believe it because we only have— we only have fire marshal, an assistant fire marshal, and two code enforcers. So, you know, we spend all this time on the permit and nobody ever sees if a sign that's permitted is a sign that's placed."

Councilwoman Blass: "I also would suggest if you could, Mr. Supervisor, that the section of the code as it pertains to farmstand signs not be considered at this time because that has been a sticky point in the farmstand legislation and we would not want to adopt something here that would cause problems in other legislation that's yet to be passed."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Councilwoman Blass: "So there is a section here and we should not consider that at this time."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, great. That's a good pick up as well."

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So it's open until May 1st for further written comment."

Public Hearing closed but left open
until May 1st, 2005 for further
written comment

Supervisor Cardinale: "We have finished the public hearings for this evening. That means we're in the portion of the agenda which calls for comment from anyone who wishes to comment on any of the resolutions between 337 and 390 something that we have on tonight.

Yes."

Sandra Mott: "Hi. Sandra Mott. 393. Your appointment- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Sandra Mott: "-- of your Riverhead Animal- I ripped by thing off- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Sandra Mott: "-- I think it's Animal Control Advisory Committee. I read it out front. I asked Rose ahead of time before the meeting began. It refers to animals in the generic sense. Are cats going to be included in this? Because I didn't see any cat organization as a representative on your list of committee members. Rose, of course. Mr. Masca (phonetic) from RSVP. Another lady whose name I can't pronounce. Mr. Archer (phonetic) (inaudible) veterinary expert. And Mr. Reeves of the dog pound. But there's no reference to Miss Berger or Miss Okula. Miss Berger, I believe, and Miss Okula are both with SAVE or Miss Berger, I think with another group.

I think representation should be specifically included regarding cats since it's an entirely different species and an entirely different circumstance as to their care and maintenance and mental health. And if that consideration could be made. I don't know if you can add that or what you had to go through to get to this list, you know, I can imagine. I came here for your work session so I can appreciate the- "

Councilwoman Sanders: "I would rather- and I appreciate your comment and I would hope that this particular committee would be able to look broad based at both- all types of animals, dogs and cats. However, if it turns out that it does not do that, I promise you that

I would certainly be willing to amend this to add someone."

Sandra Mott: "Very good. And I also was wondering how you're going to or if you're going to allow public input who are not members of this particular committee. How can the public? I know a lot of people who do not do committees, myself included, who would like to do input or shall I just continue to present it to you and then you can disburse it to your organization?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "Once the committee gets together, I think it would be up to the objective and the goals of the committee to find out how it is that they would like to accept input from the community."

Sandra Mott: "Okay."

Councilwoman Sanders: "We could start out by a letter and then go from there."

Sandra Mott: "Okay. And my only other concern is, is there a time frame as to your discussion versus action because there is many problems, have been many problems, and I was wondering if you had any particular goal in mind as to how many meetings you plan to have for any particular-- because they have had meetings and groups before and you see where we are. We're having a new group and a new meeting. So I was wondering if anyone on the board had considered a time frame."

Councilwoman Sanders: "I would say in the beginning that they would meet at least monthly, maybe more often than that to get it off the ground. I can't say right now quite honestly. It's going to be up to the members of this particular committee to decide."

Sandra Mott: "But I'm also talking about an objective. I mean-- because we can talk it into the grave. I mean you just got off the sign thing and Barbara said (inaudible) George that the time put in. The time put in isn't action taken and that's what my concern is. What kind of objectives do you have and is there a time frame involved or that will be thrashed out."

Councilwoman Sanders: "That's what this committee will establish."

Sandra Mott: "And will minutes be available to the public? Minutes will be taken."

Barbara Grattan: "They should be on line, Sandra."

Sandra Mott: "I don't have a computer. I'm real low tech."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Not minutes-- she's talking about this particular committee minutes."

Barbara Grattan: "Oh, okay."

Councilwoman Sanders: "I don't know yet."

Sandra Mott: "Will minutes be taken, formal minutes?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "Formal minutes? Probably by the Chairperson who someone who takes the minutes-- who agrees to take minutes."

Sandra Mott: "Yeah. Okay. All I can say is hallelujah. I hope something happens concretely and so much time has been spent not only by me but a lot of other people and just this weekend, there was a little cat named Baby, 19 years old she's going to be on May 9th if she lives that long. Because the elderly lady couldn't care for her, it was dumped. Another elderly lady took care of her for two years and we don't know the condition of the cat but I want to formally thank, because I'm going home now, RSVP, and Deborah and SAVE, Miss Okula for reconnecting through Jill Lewis with the particular lady who was extending the help. And all I can say is I hope that Baby is alive tonight because she didn't look so great the other day.

Thank you very much."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Did you have a comment, Matt? Sure, come right up."

Matt Hattoff: "Matt Hattoff, Riverhead. Resolution 393."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Matt Hattoff: "Resolution 393. With all the animosity that was displayed at the two work sessions, one I was at, another one I saw on TV, directed towards Lou and Rick, the people that you want to appoint to this committee, it's not right. They're not-- they're not looking out for the best interest of that dog pound, shelter, whatever you

want to call it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Matt Hattoff: "At the very least, I would ask the town board to table this resolution until such time that the board is willing to sit down with the union and the employees of animal control to talk about these people that they want to appoint to an advisory committee. At the very least.

I would much rather see the board vote no on this resolution and have it done and over with."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Do you-- do you have an-- yeah, I think you're saying-- incidentally you must be aware that at the last meeting, the-- "

Matt Hattoff: "No, I wasn't-- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- they were there. But they did make some objections to some of the appointees and that's what you're echoing. You're saying that some of these-- "

Matt Hattoff: "I'm objecting to some of the people that were appointed and like I asked at the work session, I asked that the union have some input into who sits on the committee and apparently that's not going to happen."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, they did have some input only it did not result in changes so far."

Councilwoman Sanders: "The union?"

Matt Hattoff: "The union hasn't had any input because nobody contacted me about nothing."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The employees did ask-- the employees, Lou and who else was there? Ricky-- yeah, Rick Mueller, Lou Carnesi (phonetic), and who was the other guy that was there? Oh, John Reeve. So John got on as a representative of the employees, as the-- "

Matt Hattoff: "John's management."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's a good point."

Matt Hattoff: "I'm the president of the union. I represent the employees."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right, that's right. He's management there. So you want-- you think we should name a labor representative, either Rick or-- "

Matt Hattoff: "All I ever asked for was a fair playing field and that has not been the case. That's why I'm asking at the very least, table this resolution."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We will consider that. In fact, I just heard something on the left about that possibility. But you want to table it to just confirm the membership basically?"

Matt Hattoff: "I want to table it to confirm the membership and discuss it. I think the union should have some say in who sits on this committee because of all the animosity that was displayed at work sessions towards the employees."

(Inaudible remark from the audience)

Supervisor Cardinale: "I try to, Mark. I try to. But there's-- "

Councilman Densieski: "Let him speak, please."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The question of who's on the committee is going to be determined by-- first of all, let's not get too excited here. This is an advisory committee. All they are are people that are willing to give us advice. I propose to ask them a series of questions and to get their opinion and to either take it or disregard it as I see fit. I assume that everybody else on the board thinks the same thing."

So it's not exactly like, you know, they just got elected president. So if you want to have 10 people on this board, I'll put-- let's add four more, add six more. I'll take the advice of the committee and I'll consider it when we address the issues we have to address. But the decision still has to be made by this-- by these five people. This is an advisory committee."

Matt Hattoff: "It's a lot easier for a committee to get in to see the town board than it is for me. If I had people that I appointed-- that the union appointed to sit on that committee, I'm not

looking to run it, to sit on that committee, it would be a lot easier to get the union's point across rather than have to come to town board meetings and work sessions and argue after the fact."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, before we took any- we're going to ask them a question. They are going to give us advice. Before we took any action, we'd obviously clear it with counsel that it was consistent with our contract with the union. I mean, we're not going to do anything that's inconsistent with our union obligations to the people that work for us under our contract.

But if you want- you're suggesting that one member of the non-management should sit on this. Do you have a suggestion?"

Matt Hattoff: "Oh, absolutely."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Who?"

Matt Hattoff: "I- I don't know. I would have to sit down and talk to the- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is there a sense- did I hear that we should make sure that this- the membership and the committee is set and acceptable and everybody's happy with it before we pass this resolution?"

Matt Hattoff: "I- "

Councilwoman Sanders: "As I responded to Sandra Mott, if there are- once the committee forms and the committee feels that there may be voids in particular position on the committee, I would think that position could be added or a person could be- it could be amended to add one or two individuals."

Matt Hattoff: "With the way things went at the last work session that I spoke at, do you honestly think that committee with those people on it are going to be fair? For lack of better words, do you think that they're going to be fair because I don't think so."

Councilwoman Sanders: "I would have no reason to think not. I would have no reason to think now. The committee isn't even formed yet and they haven't met and to presume that they would not be fair, I think, is unfair."

Matt Hattoff: "Well, I'm sorry you feel that way. However, I

still have copies of the tapes from the work sessions if you'd like them. Because they definitely did not have a nice word for anybody and they weren't afforded the opportunity at the first work session to be there. Anybody that was against RSVP as a result of what went on a few years back, was told that it's not happening. So nobody shows up because it was canceled and then we have to come into March, we have to come to another meeting.

All we're asking for is a fair shake. And we haven't gotten that. And all I'm asking the board to do is at the very least, table the resolution so we can sit down and discuss this. That's all I'm asking."

Councilwoman Sanders: "But this doesn't involve employees. This committee does not— is not going to embark upon how a particular organization or a department— let me finish— a department within this building is going to operate. This committee is formed so that each of these areas are represented and make recommendations to the town board or— with and inclusive of someone from the animal shelter itself. It's not to discuss employees or job descriptions or title or anything like that."

Matt Hattoff: "Who appointed the individual from the animal shelter? It wasn't the union."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Who appointed? Mr. Reeve volunteered to be the representative on this committee."

Matt Hattoff: "Management. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Matt. Yes, Bernadette."

Bernadette Voras: "Good evening. Bernadette Voras, Reeves Park in Riverhead. Just— I'm interested in 384 and 385."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Bernadette Voras: "The resolutions that involve the new and upcoming initiation, 2005, of the senior educational enrichment program. And I'm here to first thank the board for having these resolutions here so quickly and so timely. Not only do the seniors thank you but I think all the town adults will, too."

I thank particularly Councilwoman Rose Sanders who has really shepherded this project along and cleared the way and I really am very

grateful to each member of the board and Jack Hansen, Judy Doll, the whole Jack Hansen staff down there, everybody couldn't do more. They can't do enough for us. So I thank you.

And just so the general public knows that the Riverhead senior program in this town, I didn't realize this a couple months ago, now I know. It is amazing what is done by this town for seniors and if you don't know about it, then Shade Tree Lane facility is the place where you should come. It's wonderful.

And we are going to put on the map, I'm going to help, the Calverton facility. It is already in use by some senior groups but now we're going to go into education, my favorite topic. And there will be a brochure that will be available. I'm of course encouraging you to adopt tonight the two resolutions which will make that possible. And those brochures will be at Shade Tree Lane.

Also there's a May 3rd conference for seniors at Shade Tree Lane all day for a very minimal fee. I'm told that hundreds of people have attended this. I'm giving a workshop along with Eleanor (inaudible). The program is going to be for seniors and also for non-seniors. Senior is 60 and over by definition in the town.

The program involves natural sciences. We're going to start out with bird watching and we'll move, hopefully, into astronomy and other good things. And also cultural things. Going to museums together, having speakers. Eleanor ran the program at Southampton, continuing it where she has physicians and qualified nurses and all kinds of topics of cultural value.

So another wonderful program is about to be borne in this town because of this entire board. And I really appreciate it and I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to be teaching this and helping out and I'm looking into the camera and I'm saying to the folks out there, if you feel that you would like to participate as a teacher, you don't have to have been a teacher but you have some very interesting things to share with people, then, please, we're here. Shade Tree Lane is the place where you'll find us all.

Thank you very much for having this here tonight on the agenda so quickly."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. I want to thank you, too, for- you are a master teacher, you told me that."

Bernadette Voras: "Well- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "And for volunteering your time to teach this area of- "

Bernadette Voras: "Master of many things perhaps but I don't know a pro at none."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I also want to thank you for your service on the senior advisory committee which has been formed with-"

Bernadette Voras: "Well, we hope to give you some advice soon besides this."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I'd like to get some- I want to thank you also for taping the zoning board of appeals, which you do- "

Bernadette Voras: "Oh, the zoning board is great."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And you save us a great deal of money."

Bernadette Voras: "I love it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I think it's a good for you, too, Bernadette, because Bernadette and I know each other for many years and this will keep you like- "

Bernadette Voras: "Yes. This is perking me up a bit."

Supervisor Cardinale: "This will keep you off the runways."

Bernadette Voras: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't want to see you lying on the runways."

Bernadette Voras: "Yes, that's right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Leave it as Mark Houraney- "

Bernadette Voras: "This is true. I'm even softening my position on that a little. Anyway, thank you very much."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you, Bernadette."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And if there- there's one more comment, I think from Rolf."

Rolf Koesling: "Rolf Koesling, Wading River. I notice your awarding bids on traffic signs. Are there any provisions made on that to identify as a legal sign versus what somebody just put up? We spoke about this once before and- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "What resolution is it? Is there a resolution in particular that you're commenting- "

Rolf Koseling: "376."

Supervisor Cardinale: "376."

Rolf Koesling: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I'm sorry. Go ahead, please. This is awarding a bid on traffic signs and related items to Vulcan, Inc. and your question is are these-- what are we doing about signs that are not legal that are up. Is that basically it?"

Rolf Koesling: "Well, if it's a legal sign like we used to have years ago, TO and then town ordinance, TC, town code. Because we have a proliferation, you know, an awful lot of signs. Are they legal or not legal? We don't know. The last time I spoke about this if you remember the conversation, the very next day I believe those signs were almost all gone. Only the unfortunate part was three legal signs were taken down."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I frankly, you know, if the sign is up- "

Rolf Koesling: "There should be a way to identify is this a sign for a town? All they used to have was TC on the right hand corner or maybe it was TO, I don't remember."

Supervisor Cardinale: "On the sign you mean?"

Rolf Koesling: "On the sign."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is the police chief here? How do you know if a sign is legal or if somebody just put it up who had a paint

can? If they're good at copying real legal looking signs."

(Inaudible from the audience)

Supervisor Cardinale: "But I guess-- the town clerk, for example, must have a listing of where the legal traffic control devices exist in the town of Riverhead."

Councilwoman Blass: "It's in the town code book."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, it's in our code book. So unless it's in the code book, somebody just, you know, painted a stop sign and put it down."

Rolf Koeling: "But if I walk down and the sign says no parking, who knows if it's a legal sign or not?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I wouldn't risk it. I would obey it anyway. You might have an unfortunate surprise if it's legal."

Rolf Koesling: "In other words, what you're saying is you get-- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Chris will probably say something much more intelligent than I'm likely to. Chris, why don't you tell them what the deal is?"

Christopher Kent: "If the sign-- if it's not in the code book, you can contest the ticket in court and probably prevail."

Rolf Koesling: "Yeah. But a sign somebody puts in front of their driveway, no parking, there's no fine or anything like that."

Christopher Kent: "Well, if we learn about it, we'll remove the sign."

Rolf Koesling: "Signs were up for many, many years until I complained about it and then something was done and it was like magic. The next day a dozen signs were taken down. All of a sudden the code enforcement could find them. But like I said, they took down three signs, three no parking signs which we had public meetings on and everything and were legal signs and you'll probably hear when he comes back from Florida because he's a guy that will make a fuss about it, the sign is taken down."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Tell him to talk to the police chief. He'll put them right back up if they were legal signs. He likes them if they're legal. Thank you."

Rolf Koesling: "Anytime you want to see me."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Do you have a comment, Mark? Do you have a comment or were you just stretching your legs, Timmy? Yeah. If I start getting comments from the press, I know I'm in trouble."

Councilman Densieski: "He reports news, he doesn't create it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Go ahead."

Mark Houraney: "Mark Houraney, Riverhead. I just want to ask the board not to table the resolution on the animal shelter committee and something is definitely wrong here. Okay? Because you know obviously the town should have input from the employees but thy employees don't run the town, I don't care whether they're union or not. And you've allowed the employees to come in and speak up in the work sessions about this whole situation and what's odd is I never heard the boss speak. I heard the employees speak. That makes me real nervous as a consultant because then I wonder is the boss, you know, really controlling the employees. And I don't know these people. I'm just giving you my opinion, that's all it is."

But there's a problem here because it's a small little animal shelter. I went to it. There was five dogs there and yet it's the big catastrophe in this town. I think we can solve it real simply and easily by putting together a committee, by implementing policies and procedures. But, Mr. Supervisor, you're going to have to control this because I honestly think there's a problem internally here. Whether it's union employees or whatever, obviously nobody wants to go against their contract and if they have a problem, I'm sure they'll go to their attorney, will go to the town attorney.

But I would like it that we work this thing out once and for all to get it off you people's back but, you know, they want us to be fair, I don't think they're being fair and prejudging what we're going to do. So I hope you pass that and take control of the situation and get it over with once and for all."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I was disappointed to see your name not mentioned as the citizen rep. Are you reconsidering?"

Mark Houraney: "No. I left Rose a message."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That you'll do it?"

Mark Houraney: "Yeah. I did leave Rose a message, on your voice message."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's good. I'm glad. Then we'll put you on then. Because I know you are impassioned about it. I like impassioned people."

Christopher Kent: "376, the one about traffic signs? I think there might be an error."

Supervisor Cardinale: "On traffic signs?"

Christopher Kent: (Inaudible)

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. There was a bid on traffic signs. How can we make an error on something that simple?"

Christopher Kent: "Well it says in the Resolve part here, it says traffic signs, but it's awarding a bid for traffic line striping."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right. I see that, yeah."

Christopher Kent: "And so is the next one- (inaudible)."

Barbara Grattan: "They were all opened on the same day and it just- the computer. White it out. Delete it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The first one, 376, is that for traffic line striping or for some unrelated- "

Barbara Grattan: "That should be for traffic signs."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It should be for traffic signs. So we have to- we'll amend that to read traffic signs."

Christopher Kent: (Inaudible)

Supervisor Cardinale: "So it should say traffic- right. And the last one is correct. Okay, so we'll amend it when we pass it."

There was- I'd like to move right along because I didn't have dinner yet. At the same time, I had a request- do you want a- okay, we have a request for a five minute break. Yeah- if that is the end of the comment period, we're about to address the resolutions. We're going allow a break literally to 9:30 and then we're going to pass- we're going to consider the resolutions, take general comment and go home. All right?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you very much. I appreciate it."

Adjourned: 9:21 p.m.

Meeting reconvened: 9:40 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "We are about to consider the resolutions as I indicated previously. If there is a final comment, I will take it, but I- on- we can take as much comment as you like but we're going to have to get to the resolutions sooner rather than later, so let's make it brief if we can, please."

Dr. Frank Mosca: "Thank you. Dr. Frank Mosca. I'm president of RSVP and I'm here to ask the board not to table the resolution about the dog pound.

The committee that has been put together is a committee of highly intelligent professionals who are fully capable of taking into account all dimensions of what is necessary to upgrade and make that pound into a shelter that the town can be proud of.

We have already consulted with many different people who have expertise in the field. We will continue to do that. We will bring in all points of view and we will present a coherent intelligent program of policies and procedures that I think the board will find ecumenical, inclusive and comprehensive.

And we will certainly take into account the resources of the town and also the possibilities for the future of opening up the pound and- the shelter to input from private resources.

So we have a very- I think a very positive agenda. We are ready to go and I think we are poised at a point where we can move this issue off the agenda of this very busy council, give you the kind of input you want, and of course there will be plenty of time for all the interested parties to consider and to discuss and to make sure that everybody's interests are fairly and inclusively considered.

So, again, I would urge this board to pass the resolution and give us an opportunity to present this kind of material to the town board which will then, of course, make its own decisions about what makes sense for the future of the Riverhead pound.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, Bernadette."

Bernadette Voras: "I would ask the board to please- to not table the shelter resolution and this is why. The last time I spoke to you, I think you will recall that I said leadership is it. I wanted leadership from you and when I came in today and I saw those resolutions, I said, they heard me. You are the leaders. I voted for you. Each of you I voted for, all five. I like variety. And I haven't been disappointed. Yes, Ed, I actually did."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you, Bernadette."

Bernadette Voras: "Believe it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Of course, that was during- "

Bernadette Voras: "So I've been very pleased. Anyway, very seriously, this is the last word. Please do not allow personal problems to enter into this matter because I do believe, I have lived and I have been and still am, I guess technically, a union member. And unions are wonderful.

But sometimes there can be misunderstandings and misinterpretations of functions. This is a public thing, not a private problem and so in voting tonight for the resolution, you will be getting an advisory committee and as Rose has taught me, an advisory committee just gives advice and then you keep your fingers crossed. If your advice is really good, well then of course, the five of you are intelligent men and women or women and men, and you've got to get a good decision. I trust you for that.

So I say, please, work on."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Linda O'Kula: "Very briefly. Also, I work with animals, I work with cats. I'm asking you please not to table this, we desperately need this. I think we can all work together logically and

intelligently, change the dog pound into an animal shelter."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Okay. I'd like to start with 337 and would you give the call of the resolutions, please, Barbara?"

Resolution #337

Councilman Bartunek: "Designated May 21, 2005 Riverhead Litter Awareness Clean up Day. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "Yes. I'd like to make a statement about this. This is a work in progress. It's come out of a steering committee that I've been working with for about six months and this was a recommendation from that steering committee. Bernadette Voras has worked very hard on this committee also. There's another accolade for Bernadette tonight.

There is a lot of people that have already gone ahead and actually started taking it upon themselves to clean up the town which needs a lot of help. We know we don't have the manpower in town to do everything given the town employees.

I'd like to make- give accommodation to the Clearview Civic Association which has done a marvelous job of cleaning up their area and one Christine (inaudible) who I haven't met who did an amazing job of cleaning up Osborne Avenue. Thank you very much. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. That resolution is adopted."

Resolution #338

Councilman Bartunek: "1996 Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act-Title 3 Section 56-0303 Water Quality Improvement Projects and Environmental Protection Fund Article 17-14 Environmental Conservation Law; Aquatic Habitat Restoration. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #339

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves site plan of Calverton Enterprises, Inc. which is the Hess Service Station and it is an expansion of the building. So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Okay, it wasn't seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Let me have a second."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, we have a motion to consider, a second. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #340

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Supervisor, this resolution needs to be tabled."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Councilwoman Blass: "I make a motion to table for reasons discussed at the work session."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Can we have a second."

Councilman Densieski: "Second that to table."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded to table this 340."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is tabled."

Resolution #341

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution adopts a local law to amend Chapter 108 of the Riverhead Town Code entitled zoning and these are four definitions that we are adopting this evening for bistro cafe, country club, dormitory and townhouse dwelling. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "So moved and I believe, Barbara, this is also a second of 349."

Councilwoman Blass: "There is another one, yes, that is a duplicate that we will be pulling when we get to it. Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So moved and seconded, #341. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #342

Councilwoman Sanders: "I believe this one is also a duplicate and we'll get to it as we get further into the package. But this authorizes the town clerk to advertise for bids for replacement of Well No. 5-2 contract G, general mechanical construction. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #343

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution awards a bid in the Riverhead Water District for Kelbridge Meadows. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #344

Councilwoman Sanders: "It's a budget adoption for the 2005 police TRACS project. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #345

Councilman Bartunek: "Accepts 5% certificate of deposit from Kamal Kishore Singh. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #346

Councilman Densieski: "Accepts 5% security bond of NF Development LLC. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #347

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution adopts a local law to amend Chapter 52 and 108 of the Riverhead town code with respect to establishing electronic records retention fees. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #348

Councilman Densieski: "Discussion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "I think we did talk to Bruce and I think he justified to us the huge increase from 50 to 200."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "At work session or somewhere. So now every new building and building alternations now are going to need this \$200 prevention fee?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Not unless they're installing an automatic fixed pipe extinguishing system, whatever that is."

Councilman Densieski: "So it's not residential houses then?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "No."

Councilwoman Blass: "No."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's not. Only those that are installing automatic fixed pipe- "

Councilman Densieski: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- extinguishing system."

Councilman Densieski: "Okay. I'd like to move Resolution 348 which adopts a local law to amend Chapter 64 entitled fire prevention of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #349

Councilman Bartunek: "This is the duplicate, 341."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I guess we're doing- with this, we are withdrawing it? Okay, motion to withdraw. Can we have a vote please? Or do we just have to withdraw this? I forgot."

Barbara Grattan: "Bartunek. I think we should."

Councilman Bartunek: "Motion to withdraw."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is withdrawn."

Resolution #350

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution adopts a local law to amend Chapter 108 of the Riverhead town code requiring CAD file format submission. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #351

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints a park attendant II to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #352

Councilman Bartunek: "Appoints provisional water treatment plant operator Patrick Lennon, Brian Gablenz and John Keller to the water department. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #353

Councilwoman Blass: "Approves the Chapter 90 application of Central Suffolk Hospital. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. This is for the garden festival and plant sale on May 5, 6, 7 and 8th. Thank you."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #354

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves the Chapter 90 application of the Riverhead Central School District for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life which starts at 12:00 noon on Friday, June 17th and goes 'til 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 18th. I encourage all of you to participate. It's a wonderful event. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #355

Councilman Densieski: "Approves the temporary sign permit of Grace Gospel Church. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #356

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves the submission of a grant application to the State of New York Unified Court System. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #357

Councilman Densieski: "Approves the submission of grant applications to the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee. So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Second, please."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #35j8

Councilwoman Blass: "This authorizes a public- advertisement for specialty vehicles for use by town of Riverhead Human Resource Center. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #359

Councilwoman Sanders: "Authorizes the implementation and funding in the First Instance 100% of the TEA-21 High Priority Project Program for transportation federally aided projects. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #360

Councilman Bartunek: "Thank you. Authorizes the settlement of the claims of Kevin Conlan and Daniel Conlan with respect to the condemnation of their fee interest on 207 Railroad Street and the claim- can we shorten this up- the claim of Kevin Conlan with respect to the condemnation of his fee interest in the 201 Railroad Avenue. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #361

Councilwoman Sanders: "We have to withdraw. This is also a duplicate of 342."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, do we have a motion to withdraw, please?"

Councilman Sanders: "So moved, unless- "

Councilman Bartunek: "Make a motion to withdraw."

Councilwoman Blass: "It is. It looks different, but it's- "

Councilwoman Sanders: "It's a different type- it's a different font."

Supervisor Cardinale: "What is it a duplicate of?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "342."

Supervisor Cardinale: "342 is authorize the town clerk to advertise for bids."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Replacement of well number- exactly."

Supervisor Cardinale: "361."

Councilman Bartunek: "No, no, you- it's a different one."

Councilwoman Blass: "This is not the duplicate."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's not the same."

Councilman Bartunek: "We're not there yet."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So let's proceed to consider this one and we'll get there in a moment, I guess, to the one that's duplicative."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yeah."

Barbara Grattan: "All right. So we've got 361. Councilwoman Sanders."

(Some inaudible discussion among the Board members)

Councilwoman Sanders: "Mine were out of order, I apologize.

Authorize the Supervisor to execute an intermunicipal agreement for reimbursement. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #362

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and

post a help wanted ad for a part time maintenance mechanic II for the Seniors Helping Seniors Program. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #363

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for a part time maintenance mechanic I for the Seniors Helping Seniors Program. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #364

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the town clerk to readvertise for bids on precast drainage rings and associated items. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #365

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post notice to bidders for well and pump emergency service for the water district. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #366

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post notice of a public hearing to consider the designation of the Roanoke Avenue School as a Riverhead town landmark. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #367

Councilman Densieski: "Promotes Richard Downs to the Ordinance Enforcement Officer. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. Well deserved."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #368

Councilwoman Sanders: "Ratifies the appointment of a homemaker in the Nutrition Department. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #369

Councilman Densieski: "Recommends Riverhead town representative to the Suffolk County Planning Commission. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I'm going to abstain on this. I have spoken with Steve directly. I share the sentiments but I don't want to confuse him. He's got three other nominees up there, none of which have been reached and he's indicated to me they won't reach this one either but I'm working on it. So I'm going to abstain."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay, the resolution is adopted."

Resolution #370

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution rescinds Local Law #12 of August, 2001 which amends Riverhead tax bills by creating a separate line, Riverhead Charter School. This removes that separate tax line. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #371

Councilwoman Sanders: "Terminates a crossing guard. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #372

Councilman Densieski: "Terminates a detention attendant. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #373

Councilwoman Blass: "This is a general fund budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #374

Councilman Bartunek: "Awards bid for disposal of demolition and construction debris. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #375

Councilwoman Sanders: "This resolution awards bid for town generated municipal solid waste. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #376

Councilman Densieski: "Did we clarify the "

Councilman Bartunek: "Yes."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes, we amended traffic signs."

Councilman Densieski: "Awards bid on traffic signs and related items. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please, as amended."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #377

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes, with the amendment in the Resolve clause, I move to award bid on traffic paint. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #378

Councilman Bartunek: "Awards bid on traffic line striping. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #379

Councilman Densieski: "Authorize the Supervisor to execute application for State Assistance Payments pursuant to the Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act Water Quality Improvement Projects, Sanitary Wastewater Reuse, Phase 2. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. This is a great project."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski, yes; Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. This is the project at the golf course."

Councilwoman Blass: "At the golf course, the reuse of the wastewater."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, by which the wastewater is filtered through the ground and it's much better filtered that way. And the first phase of it was successful I'm pleased to report. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #380

Councilwoman Sanders: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute application for State assistance payments pursuant to the Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act Water Quality Improvement Projects, Biosolids Application, Phase I. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski,

yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #381

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is this the duplicate?"

Councilwoman Blass: "No, it's the next one."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilman Bartunek: "Next one. Authorizes Supervisor to execute application for State assistance payments pursuant to Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act Calverton Wastewater treatment plant upgrade and recharge bed addition. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #382

Councilman Bartunek: "This is the duplicate."

Councilwoman Sanders: "I was so eager to jump the gun before, this is the duplicate of 342."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Motion to withdraw."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Motion to withdraw."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Seconded. May we have a vote, please?"

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is withdrawn."

Resolution #383

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute an

agreement with the State of New York for Peconic Riverfront project funds. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #384

Councilman Densieski: "Senior Education Enrichment Program budget adoption. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Thank you again to Bernadette for all your hard work and your time and effort that you put into this program. I'm sure it's going to be wonderful. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #385

Councilman Bartunek: "Sets senior citizen workshop fees. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders."

Councilwoman Sanders: "We have to make an amendment."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilwoman Sanders: "In order for that to match the brochure, that the age for the resident seniors for both the six week session

and the trips is 60 plus, not 50."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Sorry."

Supervisor Cardinale: "With that amendment, could we have a re-vote."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes, as amended; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes, as amended. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #386

Councilwoman Sanders: "This resolution authorizes the issuance of \$5,000 serial bonds of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York to pay the cost of the resurfacing of various roads located throughout and in and for said Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #387

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Supervisor, this title has to be re-written and I propose the following: Resolution #387 - Declares lead agency, determines environmental significance and authorizes the town clerk to publish and post a notice of a scoping hearing for a site plan petition of Headriver LLC Walmart Store. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's written out- that title to so read. We have it moved as amended. Second and a vote I need now."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #388

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post a notice of public hearing for the special permit of David and Mary Andruszkiewicz. So moved."

Councilwoman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #389

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post notice of public hearing special permit of Altaire Pharmaceuticals, Inc. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #390

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post notice of public hearing special permit of John E. Wherry. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #391

Councilman Densieski: "Establishes the metal detector program for the Riverhead Justice Court. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded. But I believe that the word

program should be changed to policy, Mr. Supervisor. We're adopting a policy."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I think you're right. So with that amendment, metal detector policy for the Riverhead Justice Court, may we have a vote?"

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #392

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes, this resolution appoints Ann Marie Zilnicki as a member of the Board of Ethics. I'd like to just reference that she is the Vice-President of the East End Financial Group. She's a partner in the firm, has been with them since 1984, and I think she will be very- a real asset to the other members of the Ethics Committee and I am delighted that she has agreed to so serve.

I make a motion to appoint her to the Board. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #393

Councilwoman Sanders: "This resolution amends and reappoints the Riverhead Animal Control Advisory Committee. And if I might amend and add members of the community at the bottom. Mark Houraney and Angela DeVito have volunteered to participate as members of this committee. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded."

Councilman Bartunek: "I would vote for this, Rose, the way it's in text right now without the additions. Do you want to discuss that a little bit?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "Sure, go ahead."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, okay, discussion, please."

Councilman Bartunek: "I would vote for this resolution as it stands without the additions. I mean if you want to- if we want to make additions to this, then I think it should be discussed during work session."

Councilwoman Sanders: "But it has a member of the community on it and- "

Councilman Bartunek: "I really think that what we ought to do is start discussing the qualifications of these people in work session. I think it would be very good if we really want to take a look at this, is have them submit resumes- well, Rose, if you want to pass the resolution as it is here in black and white, I'm willing to do that. If you want to add some names, I would vote to table it. So- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "You want a motion to table and see- "

Councilman Bartunek: "What do you want to do, Rose?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "What do I want to do? I want to move the resolution as I just said. I move this resolution as amended with members of the community as it's identified. I'm not adding a new category to the resolution. I am further clarifying who those members of the community are. And I don't think it's too much to ask to ask- to add two members who volunteered to be on the committee, Angela DeVito and Mark Houraney.

They are volunteers. It is a volunteer committee. This committee is no different than any other advisory committee that we have. I don't believe we've asked for resumes for the recreation advisory committee, the Ag advisory committee, the handicapped advisory committee, the senior advisory council committee. I don't believe. And until such time you ask for resumes for those committees, I don't think that that is a request that you should be making at this point. With all due respect."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I presume that means that if anyone else wishes to join this committee and asked, they would be accepted by the board. In other words, if somebody wants to join the senior committee, we would be glad to accept them. I think that's his concern. Is there still going to be an open membership if you want to add people later."

Councilman Densieski: "Come on, Phil."

Councilman Bartunek: "I just think that this- Mark, I think that we had a list of names that was presented to us. I had a little discussion up here when we had the time out and I decided that these people were probably going to be acceptable to the entire town board. Now if any other additions that are all of a sudden being added on, I think they should be discussed in work session. That's all, Mark."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We have a motion to amend and a motion to- okay."

(Some inaudible discussion)

Councilwoman Sanders: "But I moved the resolution- "

Christopher Kent: "I mean the motion to be tabled has to be heard before the vote on the resolution."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Why is that? I moved the resolution."

Christopher Kent: "A motion to table is- the vote on the motion to table is taken before a vote on the resolution."

Councilman Densieski: (Inaudible)

Christopher Kent: "I'm not saying- but you can't- there's a motion to table. That vote has to be taken first before the vote on moving the resolution itself."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Fine."

Councilman Bartunek: "So I would make a motion to table this resolution."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Well, you also made the motion- now which motion- you also made the motion to- you would accept this resolution if I did not identify two members of the community, is what you first- excuse me. Thank you."

You also made the suggestion that you would support the resolution without identifying the two community members."

Councilman Bartunek: "That's correct."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Okay. Then I would be fine. I'm fine with that suggestion."

Councilwoman Blass: "Withdraw the amendment?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "I withdraw the amendment."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So, we're going to call the motion."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Move the resolution as-- "

Christopher Kent: "You're going to move the resolution as is."

Councilwoman Sanders: "-- as is."

Christopher Kent: "Without an amendment."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Without an amendment."

Christopher Kent: "Are you withdrawing your-- "

Councilman Bartunek: "I will withdraw-- "

Christopher Kent: "There was a motion to table and a second to table. Is that being withdrawn?"

Councilman Bartunek: "Yes."

Christopher Kent: "Okay."

Councilman Bartunek: "You've got this all straight. We need a lawyer."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So we now have a motion and do I have a second?"

Barbara Grattan: "I don't think Barbara seconded it."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Barbara Grattan: "Did you? Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded, 393, for consideration. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "I believe the best policies are developed through a dialogue and communication and I think it's time that we start the dialogue. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "I fully intended to vote for it because advisory committees are advisory committees. I can see just by the debate that we've had here and the debate in the community that it's probably a couple weeks away from being clarified. But it's an advisory board. I'll vote yes. I hope that the details can be ironed out without any major changes to the resolution or to the committee."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I share the sentiments just expressed. I'd like to see a little greater breadth on this committee. I think we can work on that. I'd also like to suggest that the board-- and then I'm going to vote yes and move on so we can go home."

I'd like to have the board fashion with Rose's help policy questions for this committee. I don't want them to be giving us advice on questions we don't want to consider so I think we should really do that. We should fashion in work session specific policy issues that we're asking their advice on so that they can focus and give us what we need.

I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #394

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints an intern to the Riverhead police department. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote on 394, please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #395

Councilman Bartunek: "Sense of the board in support of implementation of new measures for financing public education. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "I don't know who penned this. Was it you, Phil?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. It came out of the association of towns."

Councilman Densieski: "This is one of the best resolutions we've passed in a long time because the Riverhead taxpayer is not getting a fair shake. So I want to congratulate the Supervisor for bringing this forth and I strongly want to support it. And I'm going to vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. And I vote, yes, of course. And I am hopeful that when it gets over to our representatives, it will do some good."

Barbara Grattan: "That resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Upstate representatives."

Resolution #396

Councilman Densieski: "Ratifies attendance at a National Animal Control Association training course. So moved."

Councilman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #397

Councilman Densieski: "Grants a special permit petition of Linda and Jim Slezak for a bed and breakfast on Herricks Lane in Jamesport. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #398

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves the temporary sign permit of Hudson City Savings Bank. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #399

Barbara Grattan: "Resolution #399 to pay bills."

Councilman Bartunek: "Motion to pay bills."

Councilman Densieski: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded to pay bills."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Barbara Grattan: "Now we've got the tabled."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. We have two tabled resolutions which we had put off from the last session in order to give them 10 days notice which is required by statute. That's been given and we'd like to consider the TDR legislation. This is the last legislation implementing the master plan short of the cleanup legislation."

Resolution #285

Barbara Grattan: "All right. We've got Resolution #285. Adopts the findings statement, the local law for the transfer of development rights. Councilman Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "I make a motion to remove the table."

Councilwoman Blass: "Do you want to move it at the same time?"

Councilman Bartunek: "I move the resolution at the same time. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "It's 285."

Barbara Grattan: "It's 285. I'm sorry."

Councilwoman Blass: "I second that motion- those motions."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. And what is the- could you read the caption of it?"

Councilman Bartunek: "Sure."

Barbara Grattan: "Resolution #285, is adopts the findings statement local law for the transfer of development rights."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's the underlining findings statement. Okay. Can we have the motion- do we have a second?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We have a vote then, I guess, now."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is off the table."

Councilwoman Sanders: "We tabled and moved it at the same time."

Councilwoman Blass: "It's moved and tabled."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay. Both at the same time?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. So that would be considered a motion to- let's make this very clear in case there's any question. Can we re-vote that to table- to take it off the table first and then do it to vote because I want this record clear on these two."

Barbara Grattan: "And you want it- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Individually. Yeah."

Barbara Grattan: "Good. Very good. All right, who wants to- it's off the table now- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Let's vote it again. I'd like a motion to be made to take it off the table."

Councilwoman Blass: "George, that was you, to start again."

Councilman Bartunek: "We're back to 285?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Bartunek: "I make a motion to take off the table. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded to untable."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is off the table."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Can we have a vote now or a motion to consider the resolution?"

Councilman Bartunek: "Okay. I make a motion to adopt findings statement local law for the transfer of development rights. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #284

Barbara Grattan: "Now we've got Resolution #284 which adopts a local law to amend Chapter 108 of the entitled zoning of the Riverhead town code transfer of development rights."

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Supervisor, I'd like to move to take Resolution #284 off the table for consideration."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Can I have a second, please?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded to take it off the table for consideration."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is off the table."

Barbara Grattan: "Who wants to?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Can we have a motion to consider, please?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. Mr. Supervisor, we have two corrections before we vote on this resolution."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Councilwoman Blass: "The first being in section #108-308 paragraph 4, the words quote or other good planning practices should be deleted from that last sentence. And the second correction is to correct a typo in section 108-309 letter D. There's a duplicate letter R. And these are the corrections, Barbara."

Supervisor Cardinale: "There you go, Barbara, right there."

Barbara Grattan: "Oh, good, Barbara. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. With those corrections can we have a vote please?"

Councilwoman Blass: "I'd like to move Resolution #284 as amended."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved by Barbara and- "

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "By Rose."

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. I'd just like to pause and say this really is landmark legislation and this is going to put Riverhead on the map in a very positive way. We did something really good here tonight. Thank you. My vote is yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski, yes; Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. I agree with Barbara."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's important legislation. It's the last of the master plan legislation. We're delighted to pass it and I am looking forward to seeing it implemented."

I also would note that once we move into the commercial application after the first 500 rights of residential are gone, we might want to revisit applications because this legislation only allows 1,500 square feet to be the commercial application. I think we could be more creative as to expanding that and I hope we will.

So I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Good. Everybody wants to see this program successful and I am hopeful that it will be very successful."

Anyone have- that ends the resolutions. It's 10:20. If anyone has any general comment, we'll take it now. If there is no such general comment- do you have something for us? Go right ahead, Linda."

Linda O'Kula: "Thank you for passing that and I just have a quote from (inaudible) Ghandi who said the greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you for- "

(At this time, the CD ended)

Speakers: Bernadette Voras - re parking

Connie Farr - re animal shelter

Meeting adjourned: 10:24 p.m.

Barbara Hutton
Town Clerk