

Minutes of a Special Town Board meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, 200 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York, on Tuesday, August 31, 2004, at 2:00 p.m.

Present:

Philip Cardinale,	Supervisor
Edward Densieski,	Councilman - arrived 2:20 p.m.
Barbara Blass,	Councilwoman
Rose Sanders,	Councilwoman
George Bartunek,	Councilman

Also Present:

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

Supervisor Cardinale called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We'd like to begin the Town Board meeting of August 31st. This is a special meeting, this being two weeks since our last meeting of the 17th of August and our next meeting being in Wading River at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7th, there are three weeks between meetings and since that meeting has eight- no fewer than eight public hearings in Wading River on various controversial topics, we wanted to move 30 or so of the routine resolutions at this meeting so that we could have a little more time available for the Wading River hearings, public hearings and other business.

Before we do that and proceed with resolution 775 through 804, those 30, and there will be one add on which is going to come off the floor and is part of the package that we made available to the public, authorizing the Supervisor to exercise a license agreement with Waddington Realty Corp. in Wading River for the La Plaz Restaurant (phonetic), I wanted Barbara to give a report from a committee.

Oh, and before I do any of that, they just reminded me we must pledge Allegiance since this is a Board meeting so would you rise and do so with me?"

(At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited)

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. There's just one committee report from Barbara."

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you, Mr. Supervisor. From the exciting world of solid waste we have three separate bits of information that I'd like to share with you.

First, I've been informed that over this past weekend, the sanitation supervisor collected 1100 pounds, that's over a half a ton of garbage from the Roanoke and Reeves beaches."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's impressive."

Councilwoman Blass: "That's an impressive total, yes, indeed.

On September 18th, the annual international coastal cleanup is taking place. They do beaches in Suffolk and Nassau. They've targeted 93 beaches in Suffolk County, four of them are in Riverhead. If anyone is interested in participating, again, at Reeves Beach, Roanoke Landing, Iron Pier, South Jamesport Beach, in assisting these individuals. There is a flier out in the hallway that would tell you who to contact.

And, again, another little bit of information, last year collected 334,421 pounds of garbage across beaches in New York. I thought that was interesting.

And, finally, I don't know if anyone had a chance to read about Riverhead's landfill reclamation, but it was part of an article in the New York Times Long Island section. Actually, we had both pictures of the landfill reclamation project. It was an interesting article. So if you haven't had a chance to read it, it might be worth your while to pick it up."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. And I know personally that Barbara is devoted and very knowledgeable in this area of solid waste because I first was introduced to that reality in February when I first joined the Board or re-joined it.

We were driving to the Association of Towns- you will remember that?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And it was to the convention in New York City and we started at exit 71 on the offhand subject of solid waste. By the time we reached the Manhattan Tunnel, she was still speaking about various things that had to do with solid waste, and George was

asleep, Linda was asleep, my wife was asleep in the first- in the passenger seat- "

Councilman Bartunek: "I was fully attentive."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, right- "

Councilwoman Blass: "You- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I was nodding off and I was driving."

Councilwoman Sanders: (Inaudible)

Councilwoman Blass: "You're not calling me long winded, Phil, are you?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "No. She was very knowledgeable and very passionate about the subject so I appreciate that. And particularly that project that is occurring at the landfill is an example for other communities to follow, I think due to a lot of efforts on behalf- on Barbara's part for the town.

That said, I want to let you comment, if you wish, on any of the resolutions. We have 30 or 31 resolutions. If anyone has any comment on any one of them, they are pretty much routine resolutions which are intended as I said to take the half hour or so of this meeting today so we wouldn't have to have another half hour on a very lengthy meeting on the 7th of September.

If there is no comment on any of these resolutions, it wouldn't surprise me because they're very routine, we'll proceed to act on them and then if anyone has a comment on any other matter, we'll take that.

Could you call the- I guess we could- do you want- you'll accept the minutes of the 17th at the normal meeting? Okay. So then we can go right into the resolutions. Right?"

Barbara Grattan: "Yes."

Resolution #775

Councilman Bartunek: "Accepts the 5% security bond of Maidstone Development (Social Security Office). So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote, please. I should also point out before the votes begin. Ed had called. He was delayed coming back from an appointment on the south shore, not surprising I guess in view of the traffic. So that's where he is, otherwise he would be here.

Okay, let's vote."

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

Resolution #776

Councilwoman Blass: "Amends the site plan of Kroemer Route 35 LLC formerly known as Riverhead Development Group LLC1. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #777

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints a fill in recreation aide for the purpose of being a teen center aide in 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; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #778

Councilman Bartunek: "Appoints interpreter for Police Department and Justice Court. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #779

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves Chapter 90 application of Timothy Hill Children's Ranch. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Councilwoman Blass: "And- "

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

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

Resolution #780

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves Chapter 90 application of the North Fork Spanish Apostolate. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

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

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

Resolution #781 and #782

Councilwoman Sanders: "Do you want to move these two together, 781 and 782?"

Councilman Bartunek: "781 and- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "781 and 782?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "Both are drainlayers. Move it along."

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves East Island Development Co. as drainlayer for the Riverhead Sewer District and the same for Patrick Bistran, Jr., drainlayer for the Riverhead Sewer District. So

moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #783

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves site plan of Hunt Enterprises which is McDonald's Restaurant. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #784

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves temporary sign permit for T Jay's Transmissions. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #785

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves temporary sign permit of Timothy Hill Children's Ranch. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #786

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves the application for fireworks permit for Timothy Hill Children's Ranch. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #787

Councilwoman Sanders: "Authorizes the attendance of an assessor at a seminar. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

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

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

Resolution #788

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the release of cash security for Douglas and Susan Noble (Northeastern Christian Book Store). So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #789

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law for an amendment of Chapter 101 (Vehicles & Traffic) 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; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #790

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the provision of In-Kind Services and endorses grant application. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #791

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the execution of a contract for New York State assistance from the Household Hazardous Waste State Assistance Program. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #792

Councilwoman Blass: "This is a public interest order in the matter of the increase and improvement of the facilities of the Riverhead Street Lighting District of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #793

Councilwoman Blass: "793- "

Barbara Grattan: "94."

Councilwoman Blass: "I've got 93."

Councilwoman Sanders: "No."

Barbara Grattan: "We just did 93."

Councilwoman Sanders: "No. We did 792."

Councilwoman Blass: "We did 792, the public interest order."

Councilwoman Sanders: "The public interest order was 792."

Barbara Grattan: "Oh yeah, here we go."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Right?"

Barbara Grattan: "793, sorry."

Councilwoman Sanders: "That's okay. Stuck together. Not a problem."

This resolution authorizes the issuance of \$75,000 serial bonds of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, to pay the cost of the increase and improvement to the facilities of the Riverhead Street Lighting District in and for said Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Second, please."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #794 and #795

Councilwoman Blass: "If there's no objection, 794 and 795. Ratifies appointment of beach attendants and concession stand

operators I and V 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; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #796

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves the site plan of Olde Vine Golf Clubhouse. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #797

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the Supervisor to execute cooperative agreement with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This is for a grant for restoring one of the dams in Grangibel Park that was procured by Bob Conklin. I want to congratulate him. And so moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. And thank him for this because he really did a lot of work on that and it was great, George. Thanks."

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Thanks again to Bob Conklin and George for your efforts. Yes. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #798

Councilwoman Blass: "This is a budget adjustment in connection with Hallockville I.S.T.E.A. capital project budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilwoman Sanders: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #799

Councilwoman Blass: "This resolution appoints members to the Riverhead Open Space Park Preserve Committee and they are Eve Kaplan for two years; Hal Lindstrom for two years; Dennis Cole for two years; George Gabrielsen for one year and Sherry Johnson for one year. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

The Vote: "Bartunek, yes; Sanders."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Yes and congratulations. I expect a lot of good things coming from this committee. Yes."

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. And Ed is-- has arrived. Eddie, we indicated you were caught in traffic. It's good to see you."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you, Phil. Sorry I'm late."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #800

Councilwoman Sanders: "Approves the amended site plan of Omnipoint Communications - Riverhead Water District, Tower 2, Plant #9. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Councilwoman Sanders: "Yes. Can I just make a point? I realized I had written a note to myself but I forgot to mention it."

The site plan resolutions that we have today, I think there were three of them, they're all dated September 7th. I think they were supposed to have been for that meeting. I think we should- "

Barbara Grattan: "Yes, they are. They're going to be changed."

Councilwoman Blass: "They're going to be changed. I didn't know if you had that information."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. Please note that as amended."

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you. My vote is yes."

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

Resolution #801

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizing the transfer of county owned property to the Town of Riverhead. 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 #802

Councilman Densieski: "A resolution authorizing the issuance pursuant to Section 90.10 of the Local Finance Law of Refunding Bonds of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York to be designated substantially Public Improvement Refunding (Serial) Bonds, and providing for other matters in relation thereto and the payment of the bonds to be refunded thereby. Who wrote this? So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That was by the New York City firm."

Councilman Densieski: "Wonderful."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Which one was that, Dawn, I forgot? Wilke Farr. Tom Rothman and it never made any sense to me either."

This incidentally- just so the Board is informed. This is a refinance of existing bonds. It is anticipated that over the balance of the term of the bonds we will save by the refinance about \$180,000. And it was recommended by the budget officer and bond counsel."

Councilman Densieski: "I'm sorry, Phil, I missed some of that. What is it? What exactly are we doing here?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "This is a refinance of about (inaudible) dollars of bonds which over the course of the remaining six years, being refinanced will save about \$200,000. That's why we're doing it."

Councilman Densieski: "Great."

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 #803

Councilman Densieski: "Getting there. Got to Exhibit A. I'm trying Barbara. Oh, we're in a hurry apparently."

Memorializing the resolution is support of the 106th Air National Guard staying at Gabreski Airport. 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 #804

Councilman Bartunek: "Prohibits weapons within the Justice Court complex. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Still getting there, George. Apparently I'm a second now, right? I'd like to know where this came from. If we can have further discussion?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. This is- you'll remember that we had the discussion about the metal detector for the court. They gave us a package and asked that we-- following Southampton's format, pass a resolution setting forth that no person other than an on duty member of law enforcement shall be authorized to carry a weapon within the court, that the prohibition shall apply to those duly licensed to carry a firearm, and that all persons desiring to enter shall be subject to a search for weapons and other contraband.

They're going to get the machine and then they're going to use it until they have the necessary changes to the building, you know, only on specified occasions. But they need this authority apparently to use it at all."

Councilman Densieski: "Well, so we're saying that people that are duly licensed by the State of New York also cannot carry licensed firearms?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Within the court complex, yeah, that's the request that the- that's the request that the judges have made. That no person other than on duty members of law enforcement shall be authorized to carry weapons in the Justice Court complex.

So that's right- even if you're- and then the next one, that the prohibition shall apply to those duly licensed- so if you had a duly licensed- proper license to carry, they're asking that you leave it outside the courtroom. And that was basically based because Southampton did the same thing.

If you want to talk about it, there's no urgency about it."

Councilman Densieski: "If you don't mind."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Sure."

Councilman Densieski: "I'm concerned about the constitutional right of people to carry weapons, firearms."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. I'll give you the opportunity to discuss it."

Councilman Densieski: "I appreciate that."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, it's not a problem. I think it's been pretty well established that because you want to protect that particular space, the courtroom, you can ask people to leave it at the door. But we can check that and put it on for the next meeting."

Councilman Densieski: "I would. I'm just curious where these weapons would go; who would take them. If you don't mind, I would really appreciate that. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. I have no problem with tabling. Do you want to make a motion to table?"

Councilman Densieski: "Yes. I would like to make a motion to table that resolution which is 804, please."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Motion to table, second?"

Councilman Bartunek: "I'll second that."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Can we have a vote to table to consider it at the work session-- next work session."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay."

The Vote: "Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "Yes, to table."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Sanders, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. But I would just like to urge that we actually end up taking action as soon as possible. Both Justices were here indicating that it's really a serious issue and they felt that everyone, not only themselves, but that everyone in the courtroom was being jeopardized by-- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Councilwoman Blass: "-- what appeared to be a lack of control."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't think they have the machine though yet so the week won't hurt us. But if you could do-- I think what Ed's really asking for is a legal opinion and I don't know if it is in the package they gave us, but, Dawn, a legal opinion as to whether that's proper. We know that Southampton did it. I believe I've seen it done elsewhere.

I think even in the bigger-- in the courts of greater jurisdiction, the County and the Supreme, they only allow licensed-- law enforcement personnel to hold their weapons. They take them on the outside."

Councilwoman Blass: "But having said that, I will vote yes to table."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thanks."

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

Councilman Densieski: "I agree with Councilwoman Blass that we need-- the urgency for security in the Justice Court is there. I am concerned about constitutional rights of firearm carriers, so when we get the question answered legally, we'll move on it. Thank you very much. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale, yes. The resolution is tabled."

Resolution #805

Barbara Grattan: "Resolution #805, Councilwoman Sanders."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That is the add on?"

Barbara Grattan: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "This is the one that's got to come off the floor."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Yeah. So we have to take it off the floor first. We have to move to take Resolution 805 off the floor. So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "This is the- we have a second, please, to take it off the floor?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. This is a- 805 is the one I alluded to earlier which was part of the package given to the public and to us but which was not numbered or in the agenda."

It authorizes the Supervisor to execute a license agreement with Wadington Realty Corp. Move to take it off the floor. Can we have a vote? Moved and seconded."

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

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, to take it off the floor. Can we have a motion to consider it?"

Councilwoman Sanders: "This resolution authorizes the Supervisor to execute a license agreement with Wadington Realty Corp. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Could we have a vote, please?"

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We have passed those 31 routine resolutions, lightening our load for the 7th of September's Wading River meeting.

Is there any comment on any subject from the audience? Timmy- "

(The microphone for the speakers was not turned on)

Tim Yousik: "Tim Yousik, business owner downtown. A couple of things. First, I'd like to start off thanking the Town Board members, Rose Sanders, Barbara Blass and Ed Densieski for participating in a fundraiser held at Digger's for Central Suffolk Hospital."

Councilman Densieski: "George was there, too."

Tim Yousik: "I'm sorry. (Inaudible) Thank you."

Councilwoman Sanders: "You're welcome."

Tim Yousik: "Everybody knows that these Town Board members were there, serving customers, and (inaudible), which I thought was a great thing."

Now on to the stuff that I'd like to complain about. I need an explanation from this Town Board on why our fines for parking tickets and special tickets were raised up to \$100 from \$35. Because it seems to me in a troubled downtown trying to do business, it's just making it harder. And the fact that we raised the fines up to \$100 sends a pretty bad message (inaudible) when you have a \$37.00 inspection sticker that's over due, you get smacked with a \$100 fine (inaudible).

One, I'd like to know the reason for it, and, two, where does the money go. Because it would be a little bit more easier on the stomach and the money was actually for improvements for downtown, which I don't believe is the case."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Let me ask- I was interrupted but there- our fines have been increased, you're telling us?"

Tim Yousik: "Yeah, about five months ago from what I understand."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Not by- "

Tim Yousik: "From what was a \$35 ticket for no inspection is now \$100."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Not by anything we've done. So- "

Tim Yousik: "Yes, it was, Phil. I'm sorry, but it was."

Supervisor Cardinale: "What did we do?"

(Some inaudible discussion among the Town Board)

Councilman Densieski: "I thought that was only a fire zone and handicapped zones."

Tim Yousik: "No. The (inaudible)."

Councilwoman Blass: "That's parking, but he's talking about inspection."

Supervisor Cardinale: "For what is that going- "

(Inaudible discussion among the Board members)

Supervisor Cardinale: "No inspection, no registration."

Tim Yousik: "Parking (inaudible) is \$100."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Parking out of a stall?"

Tim Yousik: "If you're over the line, it's a \$100 fine."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's not very friendly."

Tim Yousik: "No, it certainly isn't. And it really sends a bad message."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I want to look at that. I was not aware that we had moved them up that high. We've got a series of concerns about things done last year and also the beginning of this year where rates were raised, I guess for revenue purposes which are not- on reflection, are not- are being turned around, turned back."

Tim Yousik: "I have no problem and I don't think anybody would with the idea of a stiff fine for parking in a handicapped zone, or fire zone but something little like an inspection sticker or parking a little over the line, they get smacked with a \$100 fine really leaves a bad taste in everybody's mouth. It certainly has with a few customers of mine that have gotten- have a two year old car and they just forgot to get it inspected. I happen to be one of them. Pay the fine, fine, but \$100 isn't- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "For an inspection."

Tim Yousik: "-- for a \$37.00 inspection."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's even worse than New York City."

Tim Yousik: "Yeah."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We'll look at that. Dawn, can we take a look at what we did on that? Thank you."

Tim Yousik: "The next thing I asked your office, Phil, and I believe you approved it, if we could put a sign on Roanoke Avenue at

the entrance to the municipal parking lot asking for that spot not to be blocked."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right, you did."

Councilman Densieski: "Yes. I did write the county to do that and they did put it up but it's worthless without the striping in the road. I just noticed it the other day. The sign did go up by the county, which I thanked them for, but that sign, without the stripes in the road blocking the box, is going to be pretty much worthless."

Tim Yousik: "Okay. That is a town road, am I correct?"

Councilman Densieski: "No, that's county."

Tim Yousik: "It's not a town road?"

Councilman Densieski: "No. From Northville Turnpike to there is county."

Tim Yousik: "Okay. Then can we petition them to put the stripes there because it's really- "

Councilman Densieski: "We did."

Tim Yousik: "-- and, okay. What happens is that at 5:00, that blocks up traffic right down to Main Street all the way up to 2nd S Street getting out of the parking lot- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Nobody can get in, yeah."

Councilman Densieski: "They did just recently put the sign up but they didn't stripe the box."

Tim Yousik: "It had to be real recently because I hadn't noticed it."

Councilman Densieski: "I was just there two days ago."

Tim Yousik: "I'll take a look at it."

The other thing, garbage, the dumpsters. Where are we at with these dumpster enclosures? Is that something that's going to be a reality at some point?"

Councilman Densieski: "I'm hoping that it will be on next week's Town Board meeting. I just received a document from Marty today for the bid. The Town Board is hoping to go out to bid and see what the numbers are when they come back so we can move forward with the corrals."

Tim Yousik: "In the meantime, I really appreciate that because it's long overdue. In the meantime, we need some enforcement. The garbage that piles up behind these dumpsters, it's the complaint I have week after week after week. You send Buildings and Grounds down there; they clean it up, which was nice. But the illegal dumping doesn't stop. We need some enforcement. We need enforcement on the law that says that the lids on the dumpsters have to be closed and locked."

Councilwoman Sanders: "That's on the books already."

Tim Yousik: "I understand that. But we need enforcement. The law is no good without enforcement."

Councilwoman Sanders: "Okay."

Tim Yousik: "We need enforcement. When there is illegal dumping to try and look through the bags, do whatever we've got to do to try and find who's breaking the law and (inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Do we have numbers on those indicating the renters?"

Tim Yousik: "The BID has gone around and put the names- "

Councilwoman Blass: "Identify names."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. Because that would make it very simply to enforce. Simply- "

Tim Yousik: "That's already been done. The BID- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Tim Yousik: "-- went around and labeled all of them- all the ones they could identify, they labeled."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. That would be helpful. I've asked enforcement to prioritize that and expect they are but if

they're not, I saw the enforcement people this morning. I'll reiterate it to them."

Tim Yousik: "All right. And in the meantime, until we have these enclosures, we need someone to take the responsibility and clean up illegal dumping. It's a mess."

Councilman Densieski: "The Sanitation Department has been going by like twice a week picking up. I mean- it hasn't been any better, Tim?"

Tim Yousik: "You should see what parking lot they don't do."

Councilman Densieski: "Yours?"

Tim Yousik: "The garbage that piles up behind those dumpsters and the Buildings and Grounds was around about two weeks ago, did a great job. They took about six pickup truckloads out of there. That's how bad it was. And now we have cardboard boxes, a mattress, all piled up behind the dumpsters again. I mean it's got to be done on a regular basis."

And we have to take another serious look at housing on Main Street. When someone is permitted to have apartments above their building, we've got to find a way that they're responsible to have garbage pickup. I mean, I'm in favor of residential on Main Street. Don't get me wrong. The influx of people, I think is a good thing. But where (inaudible) garbage. That's a problem. You take Love Em Shelter. They finally put a dumpster. But the apartments on Griffing Avenue above the old barber shop, where's their dumpster? They don't have one.

The other thing you've got to take a look at is the majority of the businesses don't have a dumpster. Because if they did, you know how many dumpsters we would have? That's a real problem and I don't know what the correct answer is to it, whether we do a commercial garbage district.

The town's got to think long and hard about how they're going to handle this. Putting the houses for the dumpsters would be a nice improvement, don't get me wrong. But if this town would ever fill all its vacant stores and everybody had a dumpster, where would they all go?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "And, particularly, since you have a 100%

lot coverage on a lot of the stuff."

Tim Yousik: "That's the problem."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Of course, don't you get 100% lot coverage by variance there?"

Councilman Densieski: "You're not going to be able to do a 100% lot coverage anymore without handling your garbage on site."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's my point, yeah. Because if we had thought of that earlier, we wouldn't have the problem."

Councilman Densieski: "But the existing businesses- the plan for the existing businesses is threefold. One, you can have it on your property, properly screened and locked like the town code says; two, you can have daily removal and have somebody come- keep the garbage on site, inside your building, and have it removed daily or whenever you need it removed; or, three, you can rent a slip at the town corral- you know, the garbage corral. That's the plan that I hope will be implemented."

Tim Yousik: "Okay, but today, let's assume for a minute we put up these corrals, today what do you do about the business owner that doesn't have garbage pickup in any form? Because what they're doing is they're walking outside and using the town receptacles and they're overflowing and that's a mess. What they're illegally dumping in. One or the other.

Some of them want to pretend that they're taking it home. In some cases, if it's a business that generates a small number of garbage, that is the case. But the fact of the matter is there's a ton of businesses that don't have any way of getting rid of their garbage."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Do you have a suggestion?"

Tim Yousik: "The only one that makes any sense to me is a commercial garbage district. I don't know if that's even possible, legal but it's the only thing that makes any sense at all. If you take a look at the Suffolk County National Bank that has a compactor behind their building. They walk outside, they open up the door, they throw their garbage in it. Every department within the bank uses it. And at the end, you know, at the end of the week or whenever it's full, it gets picked up and it's replaced.

The only thing that makes any sense to me at all is if everybody was charged to use designated areas where there are large dumpsters/compactors.

Take a restaurant like Diggers. We use a six yard dumpster twice a week, so that's 12 yards of garbage per week. All right, I should pay (inaudible) whatever that number is, what I'm paying now or less because we're doing it on such a large scale, I have had no problem with it at all.

Somebody that has a small little store that has a little bag of garbage once a day, charge them (inaudible). Maybe their minimum charge is \$50.00 a month. Mine would be \$600.00. But to me that would be the only thing that would work because we have the large problem where many, many stores (inaudible). So it's either that or these corrals that are huge and that gets unsightly as well.

The corrals are a good idea, don't get me wrong. I mean Ed came down; I talked to Marty Sendlewski. There's a plan for what they want to do. (Inaudible) for the garbage dumps that we have today works great. I don't know what it's going to do for us in the future if we really fill up every store but if we truly want to address the problem that every business should have some place to get rid of their garbage, there's got to be some thought put into it.

I don't pretend I have the right answer; I just can identify the problem."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, well, I think that's right. What I think we could do is maybe take it up, Ed, on a work session as a topic."

Councilman Densieski: "Sure."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Your three alternatives are realistic and reasonable but he's saying we might have to have a fourth because we might outgrow all of them. We can't keep it on the side."

Tim Yousik: "Well, the hope would be that we would outgrow it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's right."

Tim Yousik: "If these other stores get filled, then (inaudible)."

Councilman Densieski: "The thing is we're not going to need garbage corrals or to handle any garbage problems for any new buildings. They're going to be handled on site, just as Marty Sendlewski (inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right. I was thinking that's how Marty-on site."

Councilman Densieski: "We only have to handle the pre-existing buildings and I think with the two corrals that we're putting up, that would be most of them. Is there the possibility we might need a third? Yes, it is true."

Tim Yousik: "I'll give you a for instance. The area that's behind my restaurant where you want to put the corral, where all the dumpsters are in the back- "

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah."

Tim Yousik: "There's two brand new dumpsters that have been there within the week, thank God, because it means a business decided to do the right thing and add a dumpster. How do you expand these corrals- I mean literally if they were built six months ago, we would have a problem with two of the four dumpsters right now and no doubt in my area, there's people that have property, you know businesses, that are built on 100% of their property. So you can't ask them to put it on the roof."

Councilman Densieski: "Well, I think we may have to provide corrals and people are going to have to pay to use them for any businesses that need them. If we need more, we'll probably have to build more. We did a lot of work. The parking district did a lot of work looking into commercial garbage districts and it's not something- after extensive research, it's not something that I would support."

Tim Yousik: "I just know that the existing plan that's there now will work for the moment. There's no question about that. But if we encourage residential living above stores, which I think is great, don't get me wrong. I think it's a good thing. Your store is one of them. You've got two good tenants up there (inaudible). And if we fill all the stores on Main Street, we still have a large problem that's got to be addressed. I don't know the answer, but it's got to be addressed."

Councilman Densieski: "Okay, you're right."

Tim Yousik: "And the last thing and then I promise to go away. I'm happy to hear, Phil, that you're taking a look at the possibility of a parking garage on Railroad Avenue. And, hopefully, between the developer and the Town Board (inaudible) that happens."

Your comments in the paper after those petitions were filed is what I'd like to address. The petitions- the petitions that were circulated and signed were not to stop the town from doing surface parking. The only thing the petition was for was before we spend a million and a half dollars or a million plus on paving a lot, that it should at least go to a public hearing to give everybody an opportunity to voice their opinion. That's what that petition was for.

So if you end up going in that direction, I would still encourage you to please allow it to go to a public hearing."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I appreciate it. Thank you. Yes, ma'am."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Dorothy O'Hare, Reeves Park."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Dorothy O'Hare: "With reference to this solid waste, whatever, another 1100 pounds (inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. It was about two week intervals. Yes. But this past weekend was the 1100 pounds."

Dorothy O'Hare: "There were 26 cars in the parking lot without stickers and a police car was called. One of the neighbors who had the sticker went down, he couldn't park anywhere."

Supervisor Cardinale: "What location are you speaking?"

Councilwoman Blass: "She's in Reeves Beach."

Supervisor Cardinale: "At Reeves Beach?"

Dorothy O'Hare: "The cars from Brooklyn, the Bronx, who knows where, were parked on both sides of Crow's Nest going up. You could- if an ambulance or a fire truck had to get through, you couldn't use

that road at all. They were parked all the way along (inaudible) and they're starting to come up into, you know, in front of people's houses. So-

Supervisor Cardinale: "Was- did the police get called, did the police show up?"

Dorothy O'Hare: "I wasn't there, this is what my daughter told me."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Dorothy O'Hare: "But the police came and when they came, the people came running like ants, you know, some of them were able to move their cars and (inaudible). But this is the problem and it's people from out of town."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Without permits of any kind."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Without permits of any kind parking in the parking lot and the residents that live there have stickers (inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "There's an attendant at that beach. Is there not?"

Dorothy O'Hare: "Yes. (Inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, you would think that they would be assigned duties of observing who- if there's a whole parking lot full of sticker-less cars, this is a bonanza for revenue purposes alone for the town. All we have to do is issue the tickets and then collect on them. And we should have."

So I guess one thing we could do is make certain that the attendants are instructed to call phone to the police if they have that situation."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Well, I mean next weekend, Labor Day weekend--"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, we have- well I had thought that this weekend wasn't- I ask every Monday I have a meeting with the department heads at 9:00 and I ask this very question and everything was copacetic, apparently it wasn't copacetic and we anticipated a problem for this coming weekend, you know, with Labor Day weekend."

So- "

Dorothy O'Hare: "If you like, I can have the gentleman who was there who spoke to the attendant, who spoke to the police, I can have him give you a call."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, why don't you do that? And ask him to speak to me or to Mr. Stefans in my office, John Stefans. Thank you."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Thank you."

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Supervisor- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes?"

Councilwoman Blass: "-- along those same lines though. When we had considered raising the parking fines on these other areas, one of the places that we failed to increase the fines were for parking in a place where beach stickers were required."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Right."

Councilwoman Blass: "So the sticker for the day passes is \$25.00 and the fine is \$25.00 so very frequently people will just roll the dice."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We never changed that, huh?"

Councilwoman Blass: "That one failed to get addressed and I think when we reconsider the other, if that's your- the Board's wishes, we should- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilwoman Blass: "-- revisit this one as well."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, you're absolutely right."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Perhaps (inaudible)."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Councilwoman Blass: "Absolutely."

Dorothy O'Hare: "Because even the master plan, it also says that (inaudible) can go on a privately owned beach unless it's (inaudible). So I mean there's all kinds of- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "You're talking about people accessing the public beach and then sitting on the adjacent private beaches?"

Dorothy O'Hare: "(inaudible) public beach and then going across onto a private beach."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Thank you. Yes, we have, I guess, Miss Miloski and then you."

Ann Miloski: "I'm Ann Miloski and I live in Calverton and I have a few things to say. One of the things, we need a code enforcement officer in our area in Calverton. One thing is next to Stove and Stone, I don't know what kind of trade shop that is but we have grass growing as high as corn. I don't know if they have a certificate of occupancy; I don't know what they're doing.

The other thing is at Calverton Industries there is noise going from three, four, five o'clock in the morning. It sounds like big bulldozers. I don't know what's going on out there. I know they have a site plan and- "

Councilwoman Blass: "They don't have a site plan."

Ann Miloski: "Supposedly they're supposed to have a berm there but it's like a hill with all trees - "

Councilwoman Blass: "They don't have a site plan approved."

Ann Miloski: "-- and the other thing that I want to speak about is the new rules and regulations which you are working on and I'm going to read this (inaudible).

Dear Town Board, Supervisor, Councilwomen and Men:

I've watched your work sessions on rules and regulations for the airstrip and I would like to point out several factors that you should consider when making your decision.

1) Your lawyer for \$125 an hour pointed out at one of our town board meetings that maintenance could mean planes landing for gas and oil and then taking off. This is making money for the owner selling

gas and oil, not bringing in high paying jobs. The revenue to the town would be minimal. Our liability insurance, which the town would have to hold, would be exorbitant.

I, as a taxpayer, do not want to pay for a private airstrip used as a playground for the public. I also believe the taxpayers of our town cannot afford and do not want to subsidize a private/public airstrip.

2) Have you thought about if you allowed the above to happen what industries would want to come in with low flying planes landing and taking off? We need some good industries that will bring high paying jobs. This will come as soon as you define how you want EPCAL to be zoned.

In my opinion, as a taxpayer, I ask you only to do airstrip lease agreements with businesses locating at EPCAL.

Now that the DEC has defined our boundaries at EPCAL, you will see more buyers and we can pick and choose what is best for our town and the taxpayers' pockets.

And this other thing that I wanted to show you is East Hampton when they started their airport and I wanted to (inaudible). This is East Hampton's airport and when East Hampton airport started, this is in 1990, they had (inaudible) airplanes taking off. In 1991, they had a thousand planes. Now in 2003, they have 8,000 planes taking off and here the people are asking for corrective action and community representation because for a 25 mile radius there is so much noise going on. (Inaudible)"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Ann. Ann, on the two initial matters you discussed on code enforcement- "

Ann Miloski: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Could you give the details to Leroy who's right in the room. I appreciate your stepping in, Leroy. So he can check out what those two locations."

Ann Miloski: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes? Oh, I'm sorry. We wanted to have you come up and then Hal. Let me have you come in right after this young lady, Hal. These young ladies, I should say."

Barbara Grathwahl: "Hi. My name is Barbara Grathwahl and I'm here representing the Citizens for Pedestrian (inaudible).

The influx of traffic on Middle Road has increased tremendously including many large commercial trucks. The installation of traffic lights support this.

A large portion of the road is narrow and winding which makes for very hazardous conditions. Pedestrians' lives are at extreme risk.

There are many developments along Middle Road where children and senior citizens reside. If they want to go shopping or to Burger King there is no safe path for them to walk or ride a bike on.

Therefore, we would strongly urge the widening of the road to be utilized for a safe pedestrian path with highly visible yellow markings clarifying its use.

Our next area of concern is the lighting at night is very inadequate. Many people ride bikes to and from work which sometimes goes into the night. Their lives are at double risk because the road conditions and the lack of lights. Some may only need light bulbs, but it needs attention.

Thank you all for time and consideration."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. This- I'd like to see that-hand it to the Clerk, please. Thank you. Yes?"

Barbara Grathwahl: (Inaudible)

(Unidentified): "Yes, we went around to the developments and senior complex and everybody (inaudible) and as we come home to and from anywhere, we see a lot of migrant workers and regular people trying to walk or jog and ride bikes and they always have to dodge cars. And last night, we came back around 8:15 from getting signatures, and it was pitch black at a car was coming from nowhere flying down the road."

Supervisor Cardinale: "This is on Middle Road? Yeah, I appreciate your bringing it to our- we're aware of the problem and we're devising some solutions. So I appreciate your telling us the details. Thank you. Thanks very much for coming in.

Middle Road is a continuing problem. We're working on lights;

we're working on repaving. I think a pedestrian pathway is a great idea actually. Since this is a Special Board meeting, not all my department heads are here but if Kenny Testa were here, I would talk to him about it, so I will when I leave here.

Hal, you had a comment?"

Hal Lindstrom: "Hal Lindstrom. Is the mike on?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "It appears not to be but would you- if it is- that might help."

Hal Lindstrom: "Hello."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's good."

Hal Lindstrom: "You can hear me now, right?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Hal Lindstrom: "Okay. I just wanted to bring to the Board's attention. I read an article in the last issue of Traveler Watchman. It pertains to the Calverton Executive Aviation Association. I don't know if anybody read that article.

But there was a comment made by Mr. Tom Beard (phonetic) and Richard Wierowsky (phonetic), I believe that's his name, and they stated that they're promoting private aviation at the Calverton site. I think we all know that. They did make a statement saying that if their proposal is brought to fruition, all of the town bills would be paid by aviation. Now I don't understand that particular comment knowing that most of the airports are in financial- have financial problems today and that most of the money that goes into an airport goes back into aviation. So I don't understand that statement.

Has that been brought before the Board or- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "No. That was- I did not understand that either but I believe it was in the article. It was simply recited by the reporter. I have not- we have not as a Board spoken to the group but it may or may not be accurate. But you have to read everything with a grain of salt, I guess you read in the newspaper."

Hal Lindstrom: "Right. I just was wondering if it was brought before the Board or- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "No. We have had no formal meetings with that particular group."

Hal Lindstrom: "Okay, thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Anyone else have any comment? Yes?"

Ron Hariri: "Good afternoon and to begin with I want to thank the Supervisor for responding to our inquiry regarding a potential runway use agreement at EPCAL and the acknowledgment that we would be considered for such runway agreement under the same terms and conditions that have been made available to other entities operating there. What I would- "

Councilwoman Blass: "Excuse me, sir. Can I ask you to identify yourself? I don't know who you are."

Ron Hariri: "Yes, absolutely. Ron Hariri."

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you."

Ron Hariri: "I would respectfully ask that the Board be circumspect in its so called clarification of permitted uses there and that the Board specifically consider the opinion rendered by the Town's own expert regarding the appropriate aviation uses at the EPCAL property.

Back in 1996, a detailed report was prepared regarding a comprehensive reuse strategy for the EPCAL property. It was rendered by Hamilton, Rabinowitz and (inaudible) and provided to the Town in March of 1996. That expert report concluded that the runways at Calverton represent the site's most distinguishable and irreplaceable resource and specifically contemplated the enduring availability of the runway at Calverton to service aircraft maintenance as well as corporate aircraft.

We would just respectfully suggest that you consider the detailed analysis prepared by your own expert before you rush into any drastic rewriting of the zoning at that site. You paid hundreds of thousands of dollars for this report.

In their wisdom this respected organization specifically acknowledged that although back in the mid '90's aviation wasn't the most exciting potential activity there. Things might change in the

future. And that's exactly what's happened. Corporate aviation is booming.

Aviation has a 50 year history here in Riverhead. We should be proud to say that citizens of our town actually worked to build the fighter aircraft at Grumman under President Ronald Reagan that put an end to the cold war. I'd like to see that tradition continue and I would respectfully request that before you undertake a significant revision of the zoning which according to the town's own opinion letter rendered by Dawn Thomas here, included charter maintenance and storage. You carefully review the facts and I'm confident that the good members of the Board will do just that.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Ron."

Councilwoman Blass: "Can I make a comment?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, you have a comment?"

Councilwoman Blass: "I just had a quick comment, Mr. Hariri. I don't know if you were involved in the preparation of that study back in '96 but there's a broader document and with respect to aviation uses.

If you look at the section that described anticipated employment numbers for the various industries that were part of the comprehensive re-use plan, aviation brought in the lowest numbers of individuals anticipated to work at the site. And I'd be happy to share the full document with you with respect to employment figures and projections, that be the HR&A study- "

Ron Hariri: "Well, actually- "

Councilman Densieski: "Does that include the price per- "

Councilwoman Blass: "HR&A study. I'm just talking very narrowly about the projection."

Ron Hariri: "Actually- "

Councilman Densieski: "It's very narrow."

Councilwoman Blass: "No. I'm not talking narrowly, Ed. I'm

focusing in on a specific aspect of the document that perhaps Mr. Hariri had not had a chance to see since he's got the executive summary. It's a much broader document."

Ron Hariri: "And the point is as I indicated that the document was prepared pre 9/11. Since 9/11, there has been a drastic increase in corporate aviation generating enormous revenues, generating high paying jobs and that is a factor that you need to consider before you rush to judgment. That's my suggestion."

Councilwoman Blass: "I don't think anyone is looking to- "

Councilman Densieski: "The actual numbers are over 30% increase in corporate aviation."

Councilwoman Blass: "I don't think anyone is looking to rush to judgment in any way, shape or form. But in that you pointed out the document and asked us to adhere to their advice with respect to that, I would just like to suggest that there are many other aspects of that document that may not necessarily support that particular statement."

There are many aspects of that plan that have to be updated. The aviation use is certainly one of them."

Ron Hariri: "Well, then perhaps as part of your due diligence, you'll undertake precisely that type of further analysis. I think it's important- "

Councilwoman Blass: "Well, that's exactly what is intended."

Ron Hariri: "I think it is- it would be deplorable to have this asset that would cost potentially tens if not hundreds of millions of dollars- "

Councilman Densieski: "Mr. Hariri, hold on one second, please. I don't want to miss any."

(Inaudible remarks from the audience)

Ron Hariri: "I would respectfully suggest that given the fact that this facility which would cost tens if not hundreds of millions of dollars to replicate, is as significant an asset as it is, the town is under an obligation to analyze the changes in circumstances perhaps since the report was issued, before it undertake a significant revision to the zoning regulations."

And with all due respect, I believe that the suggestion that you're clarifying existing zoning is disingenuous. What your own proposed revisions do is to rewrite zoning code to eliminate aviation uses from the code and I don't believe that's appropriate. I would refer you to Dawn Thomas' opinion letter rendered back in 2002 which specifically stated that charter maintenance and storage were permitted under the uses.

All I'm saying, folks, is that Riverhead was given a wonderful gift. It was given thousands of acres valued at many millions of dollars. Please, please be circumspect, please be careful before you eliminate for all practical purposes an industry that made the citizens of this town proud.

Thank you."

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

Joan Griffin: "Good afternoon, Joan Griffin, Baiting Hollow. I left my house about 1:30 today to come here and it was August 31st, 2004. Now I find out I'm back in the summer of 2001 discussing the same thing, the airport at Calverton or EPCAL. Didn't we have a referendum after 9/11 on the airport? Wasn't it in the referendum private airport public use?"

Councilman Densieski: "No."

Joan Griffin: "Was it- which way was it then?"

Councilman Densieski: "It was spending town funds on the airport and opening up two runways and- public airport. Private airport we've always had and we still can have."

Joan Griffin: "Okay, thank you. So, in my opinion, I've learned these words very well. In my opinion, the referendum read to most citizens of the town that voted on it: Do you want an airport? Yes or no."

Councilman Densieski: "No. Absolutely (inaudible)."

Joan Griffin: "I'm saying it's in my opinion how it was read."

Councilman Densieski: "That was your opinion. That is not what the referendum said."

Joan Griffin: "I know- you told me what it said but that's my opinion. The vote went down that the people did not want an airport opened up there however the referendum read.

Mr. Hariri brought up Grumman, that it was a very good neighbor, built all these wonderful planes that we used during war and peace time and, yes, Grumman was a good thing. It's gone now. Let it rest. It has its monument there, the F-14 and another plan is coming. The issue of those runways is not to keep bringing Grumman up and saying how good Grumman was. We know how good Grumman was. It defended us. They moved to another state because of financial whatever.

Brookhaven Supervisor, Mr. LaValle, said two weeks ago on WRIV about his airport in Brookhaven. We lose \$300,000 every year that the taxpayer must absorb. Three hundred thousand dollars. It's not getting better; it gets worse over at Brookhaven.

That's all I have to say on the airport right now."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Joan Griffin: "But I don't think we should be beating our heads against the wall on the same issue over and over and over again. It's for accessory use, that's what we have it for. Nobody wants to blow up that 7,000 foot runway if it can be used in an appropriate way. It should be- if it needs to be save for a future use, if the government needs to take it back because we get into situations that we need it, I'm sure that the government is going to take it back and make a workable runway out of it.

Thank you."

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

Tom Losandro: "Tom Losandro, Baiting Hollow. You know, this is a very, you know, sensitive topic, Grumman and it's an asset to this town and for anyone to object to doing anything, okay. It's not only a disgrace to the residents of Riverhead but to our country. Okay?

Aviation, okay, is what made this country what it is today. It defended us, okay, and just recently, okay, with the 9/11 and what President Bush had to do with going into Iraq and Afghanistan, okay, aviation was there. It has made us a powerful country.

And to utilize Grumman, okay, we won't even use the word Grumman

anymore, okay, because that is a thing in the past, it's EPCAL. It was a gift given to us by the federal government, okay, and in order for us to enjoy this gift, one must open it up. It's that simple. Okay?

I don't think anyone is asking for town funding in any shape, way or form. People have the funding to utilize these runways. I feel that it's necessary to give them that runway lease agreement. No one but no one has come forward with a better solution for EPCAL, whether it be the environmentalists, this, that or the other. Okay?

EPCAL belongs to the residents of Riverhead and the voters of Riverhead, not just the environmentalists, okay. I'm an environmentalist but I'm not an environmentalist to the extreme. Okay? I believe in bringing in good paying jobs and I strongly believe that the Town Board allows people to come in to do some kind of aviation, okay, it will be to the town's best interest."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Tom Losandro: "And it's a matter of putting Riverhead first and do what's best for the residents of Riverhead. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Tom. Yes, Rita."

Rita Hodun: "I've heard a lot about this whatever they want to do, come into Grummans, use the runway. How many millions of dollars will the town have to carry insurance? We're using- the taxpayers are paying for this runway, it's a town runway. How much will this insurance cost for this? The more planes are put on there, the more insurance, the more chances there are for some of them crashing, people getting hurt, falling down. How much will the insurance for this cost the taxpayers of the town of Riverhead?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I can't tell you right now, Rita, because we don't- I think I can tell you what we pay at present, if Jack- "

Rita Hodun: "Yeah, you're going to have to double it, triple it."

Councilman Densieski: "I can answer that, if you don't mind, Phil."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Go right ahead."

Rita Hodun: "And then some."

Councilman Densieski: "I'd like to see it cost the taxpayers of Riverhead zero. I would like to see a manager take the- assume the responsibility and pay the insurance and pay the town either a percentage or rent. I don't want the insurance to cost the taxpayers anything."

Rita Hodun: "The town will still have to cover- pay, have insurance. We lease property, the property owner pays insurance and we pay insurance also or we don't get a lease. So your leaser and your leasee is both got to carry insurance to protect themselves. So regardless what the town does, they still got to be insurance. Because you have to protect the taxpayers in this town of Riverhead."

Councilman Densieski: "Well, we could have the manager, you know, pay us that amount, the designated amount."

Rita Hodun: "So it's going to cost the taxpayers money for this."

Councilman Densieski: "No. I want the taxpayers to make money. I'd like to see jobs and a tax base."

Rita Hodun: "Well, nobody- these people have come in and can we file a freedom of information act and find out their financial situation? Anybody that comes to this town has got to show financial- their financial status. Has that been done?"

Councilman Densieski: "Who?"

Rita Hodun: "The people that want to come in and use the runway."

Councilman Densieski: "Well, the only person we have right now is Ray Maynard."

Rita Hodun: "Well, how do we know the financial status? Have they submitted a report to the town? The theater does, everybody else does."

Councilman Densieski: "When Waldbaums comes in, do they have to provide a financial disclosure?"

Rita Hodun: "Anybody that's come in had to show that why is

some favorite and some not?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I think, Rita, that it would come at that time that they have a specific proposal and, yes, they would have to go through the qualified and eligible sponsorship hearing.

The question that has been addressed is the text itself of the zoning statute passed in 1999, has been by everyone, proponents and opponents of aviation, defined unclear. And this board has an obligation, a fiduciary obligation to clarify it. I've no doubt about that.

The only other thing I can say that will, I think, calm everybody is this. That at the end of the road, there will definitely be aviation uses at the EPCAL site. There will be permitted uses at the site. There's not going to be no aviation use there. That much is clear.

The question now is a matter of language and we shouldn't get too upset because whenever that language is agreed upon, not agreed upon but it's agreed upon to propose to the public by this board, there's going to be a post and publish of the language and there's going to be a public hearing and a continuation of the public hearing and we're going to sit and listen to everybody, to every last word that is said and then there's going to be a determination by the board by vote.

And the one thing I'm convinced of, pretty much I agree with everything everybody said except the notion that a clarification is not necessary. Since 1999 when it was passed, the proponents and the opponents both understand that that law, particularly at the #7 use on permitted use, is unclear. It is self-contradiction. And we have to clarify that.

In the process of doing that, we have to come to terms as a board with precisely and exactly saying what aviation uses we want there and we're not going to do it alone. We're going to do it with public input and we're going to do it putting Riverhead's interest first as we honestly see them. And it shouldn't have any emotion attached to it and it doesn't have any personality attached to it.

It has- what can we do to precisely and clearly state- and the points that Mr. Hariri made were valid ones, you don't want to throw the baby out with the bath water, but I'll tell you my motivation is clarity. One thing that we will have to have by the end of this year and- is clarity on that statute because I think we've been in limbo

since 1999 because nobody understands that statute."

Rita Hodun: "I have one more question. How many airplane manufacturers have come to this town board and want to put up a building now or say that they want to manufacture airplanes at EPCAL?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, apropos of that question, none thus far and believe me there would be a 5-0 vote for component manufacture of aircraft or aircraft parts or rebuilding of engines. That would be unanimous. So we're not worrying- we know we want that. We're at the fringes.

What else? What else do we precisely want and what don't we? And we're trying to figure that out."

Rita Hodun: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, Hal. Hal- there's, we'll take this comment. If there's no further comment, we will adjourn."

Hal Lindstrom: "Hal Lindstrom, again, Riverhead. I just wanted to make a comment. I know it was just mentioned that the environmentalists are against aviation. I find that disturbing because it's not only the environmentalists but it's the people of Riverhead. I think not too long ago, Rex Farr read a letter up here from the Calverton Civic Association, okay, stating that we were opposed to general aviation.

Also, the other civic associations, the 17 civic associations in Riverhead indicated to us that they were totally against it. So it's not only the environmentalists. I don't know if you received a letter from the other 17 civic. Was there a letter received?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. I did receive recently- "

Hal Lindstrom: "Okay. You did receive?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Hal Lindstrom: "Okay, so it's not only the environmentalists. And I think the number one priority here is that- is what the people say, what the people say. The people have to live with what goes into the EPCAL property and the air traffic that goes in there, just like the people at- that live near Gabreski Airport and the one west of here."

Supervisor Cardinale: "McArthur."

Hal Lindstrom: "McArthur Airport. If anybody has been over there in the proximity of that airport, it is extremely noisy and this is what we are concerned about. So I hope you will listen to the people. Thank you."

Councilman Densieski: "Hal, I have a question for you."

Hal Lindstrom: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "The Calverton Civic Association took a vote against aviation. Is that correct?"

Hal Lindstrom: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "Okay. Was that the entire civic association or the executive board?"

Hal Lindstrom: "We did have a discussion on it, we did a survey on it. We did a survey. We did a separate survey, random survey by the civic association and the majority of the people said they were against general aviation or a regular type airport."

Councilman Densieski: "Okay. Were they against private aviation?"

Hal Lindstrom: "They- they were against any kind of chartered flights or general aviation. Okay? This was- "

Councilman Densieski: "So the executive board did this vote. Is that correct? Was it the executive board that took the vote?"

Hal Lindstrom: "Right."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you."

Hal Lindstrom: "We did. But this was spoken- we spoke about this way before this."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you."

Hal Lindstrom: "And we took a consensus of the general public and we gave it to the Town Board."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We received that letter."

Hal Lindstrom: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Let me- "

Hal Lindstrom: "Those were the members and the public that we took consensus on, so that was- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't know the- what the other board members, what their criteria would be. But clarity of their position, clarity of position statements are helpful to the board to know where the various civics stand, but the cogency of the argument is what I will look for in making a decision, I think most of us will, of what you're proposing.

I understand the position of Calverton- and I- but more important- "

Hal Lindstrom: "And the other 17 civic associations."

Supervisor Cardinale: "More important- is their position and whether it was stated by the executive board or the full membership, is the consistency of the logic and the internal convincingness of their position. And that's why we're having public hearings no matter what we do, so we can allow the public to make arguments in favor or opposed to aviation uses.

Hal, thank you."

Hal Lindstrom: "Thank you very much."

Joan Griffin: "I just want to say something about that survey. Joan Griffin, Baiting Hollow. We sent that survey out to the entire 11933 of Riverhead. That was over 2200- "

Councilman Densieski: "Is that the one that was two years ago?"

Joan Griffin: "About two, two and a half years ago."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah. That came back 36% positive for general aviation if I remember correctly, and that was general aviation."

Joan Griffin: "That was 64% negative. That was sent out to

2200 people, not just the Calverton Civic people."

Councilman Densieski: "And how much did you get back?"

Joan Griffin: "We got back roughly 300."

Councilman Densieski: "Out of 2200?"

Joan Griffin: "Out of 2200."

Councilman Densieski: "Wow."

Joan Griffin: "Which is more than 10%. Usually when you do these surveys, you don't get more than five or six percent back. So these were people that were not part of the Civic Association also that it was sent to. I hope that clears it up a little."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Joan. Mark, you have a comment?"

Mark Houraney: "Mark Houraney, Riverhead. I was just wondering, I sent a letter to the board regarding the next meeting being held in Wading River."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Mark Houraney: "If that's been addressed as far as the constitutionality of having a town meeting there."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We haven't, Mark. I received your letter. I responded to acknowledge it."

Mark Houraney: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And the gist of the letter- we haven't had a work session since. We will have one on Thursday."

Mark Houraney: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "But I will just mention it here. Mark had asked that the meeting- the meetings which we've traditionally had in Wading River at the local church because they can accommodate us, he was asking a question of the propriety of having it in a church, and also the discomfort of the people from the east end having to get to the west end of the town. So we'll talk about it in work session."

It's been a tradition that the last end of summer meeting or mid-summer meeting is in Wading River. We only do one a year there and that's the only location we could locate that's big enough. In fact, we previously used another location."

Mark Houraney: "What about the schools or something? I mean, you know."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I think it would be more appropriate."

Mark Houraney: "Appropriate."

Supervisor Cardinale: "But that was a valid point and I don't know if we can change it- "

Mark Houraney: "It was just brought to my attention when I invited somebody local to the meeting."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Mark Houraney: "So."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Where is it meeting- is it in the Congregational Church at 7:00 p.m. on 9/7. We previously had met at the other church there- Baptist Church, so we're an equal opportunity offender. We meet at churches exclusively in Wading River. We've had all the churches, that's true. How about the synagogue?"

The- I got your point. There is some validity that ideally it would be in a public building and not a church but we're trying to locate facilities in an area that there's not too many big auditoriums.

As far as the inconvenience, I agree with you except that we want at least to make a gesture once a year to Wading River to come out to them but we did get the letter and we're going to discuss it briefly Thursday."

Mark Houraney: "Okay, yeah, everybody should have got it."

My other thing is, is obviously after sitting here all this time about aviation it just amazes me, you know, that there is so many experts in aviation in this town and I've never met any of them in my industry but anyway, you know, I was reading through the congressional bills last night on the property transfer. I've read through the quit

claim deed. I only deal in facts, okay, and I would hope that the town has read all that stuff because there's a lot of information in there and a lot of requirements that I think the town is not adhering to and is going to get themselves in trouble.

No, I'm not a lawyer. I'm not a congressional expert but I went and researched everything back and I just think there's language in there that should be looked at and considered before anything is clarified, changed or whatever.

And, you know, what I'd like to know is I handed the board a Department of Transportation survey of aviation for New York State with jobs, revenues. Did anybody look at it? Did anybody study it? Because I know, Barbara, you brought up about the ARHA study having jobs in it that it wasn't worth it in more detail. So I would ask that you look at that survey from the DOT because it also includes Griffiths (phonetic) Air Force base which is the same as Calverton, it's private. Okay. It includes other entities in the state and will give you an idea of the revenues and jobs that private aviation can bring in. Okay. If anybody needs another copy. I mean, it's done by the DOT. Try and deal with facts.

So all I'm saying is that before anybody makes- jumps to conclusions about aviation jobs, okay, that I would hope that they would look at that study and they would look at other things and I guess my question is, once again, does anybody have a better economic solution for that property? That's all I'm looking for. You know, if anybody wants to get me out of town and get me out of here, bring me a better economic solution than aviation because I don't have to take down a tree, I don't have to build a building, I can use everything that's there, okay.

I don't bring traffic. I bring employees that everyone of them including the guy that's going to pump my gas, is licensed, drug tested and registered. No industry can do that. Okay. It is a blooming industry and we all know there was another incident Sunday at the airport, air park, whatever you want to call it, with a glider plane. It's amazing that the town has not got anybody hurt there for what goes on there on a daily basis. Okay.

So we really need to do something about it. If you've got a better economic solution than aviation, please, I'll be glad to listen and step aside. But I haven't heard any yet.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Okay. I appreciate the comment and I'm glad to get this work done today. We'll see everyone at the September 7th meeting. If there's any change in the location, we'll let you know but it's Congregational Church, 7:00 p.m., Wading River, September 7th, Tuesday.

Thank you."

Meeting adjourned: 3:25 p.m.

*Barbara Hutton
Town Clerk*