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Minutes of a Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Wednesday, January 17, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Philip Cardinale,	Supervisor
Edward Densieski,	Councilman
George Bartunek,	Councilman
Barbara Blass,	Councilwoman
John Dunleavy,	Councilman

**Also Present:**

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I'd like to begin the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance as always. Mitch, why don't you lead us in that?"

(At this time the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Mitch Freedman).

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Barbara, I'd like to have one of the town board members offer the minutes of the January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting for approval."

Councilwoman Blass: "So moved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Second?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Barbara Grattan: "The minutes are approved."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Reports, please."

**REPORTS:**

Tax Receiver

Total collections to date:  
\$52,112,317.52

Building Department

Monthly report for December,

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2006 - total collected  
\$11,980.50

Town Historian

Annual report for 2006

Police Department

Monthly report for November,  
2006

Barbara Grattan: "That concludes Reports."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Applications, please."

**APPLICATIONS:**

East End Olds Club

Aug. 12, 2007, car show and  
swap meet

Barbara Grattan: "That concludes Applications. And no  
Correspondence."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Okay, are there any  
announcements from the board or comments?"

Councilwoman Blass: "I actually just wanted to commend  
Buildings & Grounds because I think they did a great job on the  
woodwork out front, I think it looks wonderful."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, it really came out good and I did  
commend them when they were here earlier this week but those of you  
who came in will see that there are some new work at the front of the  
hallway there and it looks a lot better.

I'd also like to- today initially we had thought that Martin  
Keller would be here to receive an acknowledgment for his years of  
service on the Board of Appeals. He was unable to make it. We are  
nonetheless going to get this to him which acknowledges his service to  
the Board of Appeals which the town appreciates for the last four  
terms that he was on that board. I'll make sure that either myself or  
one of my colleagues gets it to him.

We have- "

Councilman Bartunek: "Phil, could I just make one  
announcement?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Bartunek: "The energy advisory committee is having a  
presentation this Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Riverhead Public

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Library at 2:00 p.m. regarding a topic (inaudible) Oil. If anybody is interested in attending it should be a very informative presentation."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Councilman Bartunek: "Thank you, Phil."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We have four public hearings, three actually I believe tonight, and the first is scheduled for 7:05. I've had a request and the board has concurred that we expect the second hearing to be quite brief affecting only one piece of property that we'd like to-- and it being 7:11, we can call the 7:10 and then within a few minutes, we'll be back to the first hearing."

Public hearing opened: 7:11 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "Mister-- and besides we're paying this guy a lot of money an hour so I'd like to open the 7:10 hearing for the condemnation of a piece of property located at 48-52 Peconic Avenue, Riverhead, reputed owner Antonio Militello.

Frank Isler is counsel on that. Take it away."

Frank Isler: "Thank you very much. Mr. Supervisor and Members of the Board, you've noticed a public hearing for this evening at seven-- ten minutes after seven, to consider the public need and necessity to acquire a parcel of land located at 48-52 Peconic Avenue. It's 5,000 square feet approximately and the purpose of the acquisition is to improve the entranceway from Peconic Avenue to the town held parking, bike path and river walk park and to provide additional open space in that area. It's part of the ongoing project to open up the vista along Peconic Avenue.

On December 19, 2006, your board adopted a negative declaration under SEQRA and tonight you're here to consider whether or not to proceed with the acquisition for these purposes.

We have, for the record, in front of the room copies of the taking map and an outline of the purpose of the acquisition and location of the acquisition as required under Article 2 of the Eminent Domain Law.

At this time, the board can hear comments from the public on this matter and then proceed to conclude the hearing."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Mr. Militello did, in fact, receive notice of this hearing?"

Frank Isler: "Yes, he did."

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Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Is Mr. Militello who owns the property or anyone else who wishes to be heard? Yes."

Bill: "Hi, Bill (inaudible), representing the Business Improvement District as well as the Riverhead Chamber of Commerce.

We totally believe it definitely should be done. We'd like to put our tourist booth there again as well as anything that's open space downtown, we're all for it. Thanks."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Any other comment by any member of the public in regard to this proposed taking?"

If not, I will leave it open for 10 days to- is that okay- make any- 'til Friday at 5:00 p.m., the 26<sup>th</sup> of January and if anyone has written comment, please submit it to the Clerk and I'll close the hearing at 7:13."

Public hearing closed: 7:13 p.m.  
Left open for 10 days for written  
comment to January 26, 2007

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Supervisor Cardinale: "I will then turn to the first hearing scheduled which is a consideration of whether the classification of the town of Riverhead should be changed from a town of the Second Class to a town of the First Class pursuant to Article 2 of the Town Law of the State of New York. It being 7:14, I'd like to open that hearing."

Public hearing opened: 7:14 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "And if the town attorney could introduce it."

Dawn Thomas: "Yeah. It's- Section 81 of the Town Law allows the town as a town with a population in excess of 10,000 people to change the town classification from second class to first class town.

Second class town as is our current status, should the town board determine to change the status of the town to first class town, there would be several changes in the powers of the town board, most significantly the town board would be entitled to post limits on town roads, they would have one appointed assessor rather than three elected assessors, and they would also be- have the opportunity to implement (inaudible) districts.

If the town board were to determine to change the status of the town, the change of status would not be put in effect until- would be

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subject to permissive- referendum at the following regular general election."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't believe that's accurate incidentally. Are you saying the permissive- or a mandatory referendum?"

Dawn Thomas: "It's- permissive."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. It's a permissive referendum. That we'll agree on. Okay."

The only other clarification, Dawn, I want to make sure I understand is it would bring control over the signs- over speed signs, it would bring the requirement of an appointed as opposed to elected assessor, but it would bring the option as I understand it, as councilmatic districts but that would require a second vote."

Dawn Thomas: "That's correct."

Supervisor Cardinale: "You'd have the opportunity as you put it but not the requirement. With that addition, I'd like to hear anyone that would like to comment on this proposal. Yes, sir."

Gene McSherry: "Regarding what Dawn said about these- first let's go to the referendum and look at that. What I'd like to voice an opinion on here is that why don't we at the referendum put this to the general vote of the public, as far as going from the class of a second town to a class of the first at the November ballot and give everybody in the town the option of whether or not they would really like this or not. Obviously it would give them a lot more time basically evaluate what the town is doing today and what the town will be doing during the course of the year up until November and give them the real opportunity to say, yeah, I'd like to be a town of the first class rather than a town of the second class."

The second thing is, is that what I really took offense to was the advertisement that was on WRIV radio concerning this whole particular subject matter that we're talking about now. And that particular entity there was that it kind of like led to me and maybe other people that the assessors are really not doing what they're supposed to be doing. That was the lead. I mean whether or not they readily intended that or not, I don't think. But I think it was a little appalling to say that our assessors who have been here for many years, okay, and I think they've done a pretty good job. Okay?

And I also think they're qualified. That whole entire advertisement led everybody to believe that not only are they not qualified but they're no shows. Well if somebody is sick or something

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like that, in my eyes, how can you consider them a no show? A no show is a person that basically gets a check and never shows up. Okay?

The third thing is on this particular districting, (some problem with the disk)

Now as far as the speed limits. This is a beauty, this is the best I ever heard. Right now I can tell you that there is not one person guaranteed that does the speed limit to begin with. The second thing is most of the speed limits would not be raised, they'd be lowered. Since they're ignoring them now, what would be the purpose of controlling speed limits that nobody really adheres to in the first place?

I mean I live on North Wading River Road and I can guarantee you people go down that road 40, 50, 60 miles an hour, no problem. So changing the speed limits also is another entity that I don't think really is going to make a lot of difference to the quality of life in the town.

And let's see, was there one more that I've got here?

Yeah, by the way, the other thing is also is that on the hamlets and the people on it, who's going to get to pay the salaries if there's like six or seven of them? Is the salaries going to be the same as the board members are now or is that going to be divided up a certain way?

I think these are all questions that are out there and I think this is the information that the general public should be able to get, garner it up and make a conscious decision come November as to whether or not they really want to have this town as a second class, first class or even suburban. They may chose to think that suburban is the way to go.

Thank you very much."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, please come forward."

Isaac Leonard: "Good evening, Mr. Supervisor, Members of the Board. My name is Isaac Leonard, I am a very long time, lifetime resident for myself, of Riverhead. And I am here to speak on this proposal also.

I am in favor of us going to a first class town but I am not in favor of us giving up our rights- of us giving up our rights to vote

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for the assessors. It's interesting to see that seal behind you with that number 1792 on it. If I remember correctly from my history of Riverhead, it was April 3, 1792, when the first vote for the Supervisor and everybody else for Riverhead was made, and they voted in three assessors on that date.

Now we're going to try and change that relationship between the people and our own elected government by saying that we're going to go to just one appointed person. I am opposed to that.

Also, I'm opposed to the districting. Right now we have you esteemed people running Riverhead and, believe me, I am quite happy with the way you're doing it. But if you go to districting, sorry, Riverhead is not homogenous. We have different districts, we've got renters, we've got owners. We've got high rent, high maintenance buildings homes and we have low maintenance homes.

I think that if we go to districting, we're going to find that some of the people on the board are going to be doing a lot of politicking for their own district. I think that in Riverhead we should stay the way we are.

Basically that's it. You need to get the information out to the people the best way you can. This idea that we can go— if we go to the first class we have to have the one assessor, that's not true. We can still have a first class and still have the appointed three assessors. We have to vote on that. I believe that is correct. That's all I have. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Anybody— further comment, please. Yes, Sid."

Sid Bail: "Good evening. Sid Bail, President of the Wading River Civic Association. The association as yet doesn't have a position on this. I think I've had natural gas on the brain for the last year or so but I do have a couple of thoughts that I would share.

We had some brief discussions of this at our civic meeting. One thing that when people talked to me about this they said, oh, Sid, you'll be right for this because it's— could lead to council districts and I know in Brookhaven and I'm a resident of Brookhaven, about 80% of my members in the Riverhead— excuse me, the Wading River Civic Association are from Riverhead and I, you know, want that clear.

Council districts we worked very hard to get that in Brookhaven and some of the arguments I've heard against council districts tonight were the same arguments that we used in Brookhaven and it's made a world of difference, the council district system. And in a positive sense, you know.

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I work with a Republican Councilman. I happen to be a registered Democrat. We have a great, great relationship. It's worked real well. However, if we were to go in that direction, Brookhaven is quite a different entity than Riverhead. I realize that. You're talking about a town of about half a million people. We're a town of 32,000 people, maybe we'll max out at a little over 40,000.

Each council district represents about 76- 76,000 people in Brookhaven. What would it be in here? The gentleman was here- a couple people would say we have 11, 12 people, council people, all over the place. I don't think that would be the way- you could have just five council people. It might represent like 7,000 people. How you would draw the line in any sort of meaningful way, you know, I don't know.

The issue of parochialism, everyone looking out for their own territory, their own area, that was one of the arguments against it in Brookhaven. It hasn't worked out that badly so far in Brookhaven. It seems there's give and take, etc. But I think if we were to go- if Riverhead were to go in the direction of a first class town status, that second stage should be- council districts, I guess, would have to be carefully evaluated.

Now, first class town. What's the advantage of it? To me, it seems to change the position of the supervisor, and the supervisors, you know, I've been coming to town board meetings for about 20 years, you know, since Joe Janoski's time, and there's one common denominator it seems to me. When they leave office, they leave office frequently bloodied, you know their agendas, etc. They have great- the town past supervisors have had great difficulty in moving their agendas along.

And one of the things the way I understand a first class town would make it possible for the- not only for the supervisor to push an agenda, but we could really truly hold them accountable at the end of two years, etc.

There's another side issue and I know it was raised here and it's a very sensitive issue. Riverhead is not Southampton, the Hamptons, you know, and that's always been a point that's been very strongly felt.

What we pay public officials. I think you folks are underpaid, not overpaid and I know some of you put in like full- council people, you put in full time and you're reluctant to take \$2,000 more a year or \$3,000 more a year.

If we went over to council districts and we had a council district person representing 7,000 people, you're drawing from that pool of 7,000 people. I worry personally whether our idea of what a

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fair salary compensation for that position would attract the best and the brightest, you know, within that pool.

So, I think there are more pros than cons. I wish there was more information out, you know, on the subject, but I just wanted to share those thoughts with you. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Next comment, please. Yes. And then come up, please, the next comment after this so we can keep a steady stream."

Richard Amper: "My name is Richard Amper and there's an old expression that says when opportunity knocks, answer the door. I think the— well, as you know, my organization is an island-wide organization and as a result I was told by my board of directors that we could really base ourselves anywhere and we chose Riverhead because we like Riverhead better than any other town on Long Island. We think it's a first class town.

And we think the government of the town could work better if it changed from a second class town to a first class town. I'd like to look at the things that the town attorney indicated would change here and some of the comments that other folks have made.

Sort of from least important to most important, I would agree with the gentleman that said that people are violating the speed limits anyway. How important is it for the town to create speed limits? I think it is important because I think the people that enforce those speed limits do so with greater appreciation if they know this was designed by us and intended by us, done by us, not imposed on us by the state.

If we're not to make any laws at all because laws can be broken, well, that's an interesting rationale but I think in terms of what your opportunities are, you have a choice to do that. If you don't change those speed limits, then you didn't use the tool that was available but it always seems strange to me when somebody doesn't want at least the choice to do that. This town board ought to have the authority to do that if it wants to and if it doesn't want to, it can leave things alone or it can let the state do that. There's nothing to prevent that. But it gives you the capacity to do it. It's an opportunity, it's a choice.

What I think this whole thing is about, the first class town, is that it's giving this town board and the supervisor choices that were not available to them or that are not available to them absent a first class town.

On the assessors rule, I'm sorry if somebody took offense. We're really not talking about the current assessors anymore than we're talking— it's an example. But, you know, I think a lot of times we

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make decisions on the basis of well, what do we think the current town attorney— that doesn't mean we shouldn't have a town attorney or it may mean that we've got a really good one this time and maybe we won't have a good one next.

I think what you're really looking for is the system of government and increasingly the folks who have chosen towns of the first class and a majority of Long Island towns have done that. They've changed from a second class to a first class. One of the things that they want to do is they want to be more competitive in terms of professionalism and to have a professional assessor, you know, quite frankly, Laverne does such an absolutely great job. I would suspect that that's the kind of person that you would appoint to the position.

So I think the quality of the person that you get is going to be— or better in terms of somebody who gets ill, that person would be an employee of the town, would go out on disability. So it's not as though we think they shouldn't be treated fairly or if somebody cannot serve, that they wouldn't be entitled to the same kind of benefits that they have now.

But you'd have somebody who when Riverhead competes with other areas, when the people are assigned with valuation of property, I know you people have grappled with the commercial versus the residential, to just really have the sharpest and the best people and have them accountable to the people who the folks in Riverhead for better or worse elected.

I mean this is the way democracy works. Whether we always agree that— I mean the people that elect you and those of us who are advocates in the community, routinely judge you and say we think you're doing a good job or we think you're not. That's the role of the citizen and that's the plight of the person that is a public official.

But at the end of the day, one of the things that we all respect is you are elected and you get to make the decisions and we think you should have that opportunity every time there is a choice to be made, we think that choice should be yours. You're the people who are here everyday, you know the kind of job the assessor is doing or the assessor isn't doing. You know that better than the people who go to the polls and vote.

We're voting for you because we want you to govern because we're not able to govern every day and we're trusting you to do it and if we don't like you, I guess if you live in the town you get to vote and say you don't want that person in office and we think we can do better. But at the end of the day, we all of us accept that democracy is

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really based upon the people that we elect running government as well (inaudible).

So here's the option of being a town of the first class gives you another opportunity to control government in ways that you think so you can proudly say at the end of your administration whether you're supervisor or town council person, I participated in the selection of this person and I think they're doing a good job. I've invested in them. And if I don't like them, I can replace them. That gives you—really, it's an opportunity, it's a tool. It's an opportunity.

On the hamlet district thing, it's very important because everybody's worried about numbers here. We are talking about four council people or six council people. It isn't like 20 council people or 11 council people. The only choices are to stay with the number you've got or add two and they would be apportioned by numbers of voters but if and only if the people decided to do that, if you put that up for a referendum in the future.

That's not what you would be doing in terms of choosing first class versus second class status. There's no obligation whatever to switch to a hamlet based electoral system. We think it has worked in Brookhaven. Sid, I do remember during that campaign that one of the arguments that people made and I think it made a lot of sense was if you've got a problem with the federal government, you've got a United States Senator or a Congressman. If you have a problem with county government, you can either go directly to the county executive or you do have a person, the county legislator, who's responsible to you.

On the state level, you've got a state Senator and state Assembly that represent your territory. If you have a problem with the town, who are you going to call? Ghostbusters? I mean no one person is really responsible for that particular area and areas that have adopted it, we think it's worked.

But, again, it's not a mandate. You're not by deciding you want to be a first class town saying we're going to have council districts, we're going to do this hamlet by hamlet. Wading River is entitled to representation; Jamesport is entitled to representation; Riverhead is entitled to representation.

You don't have to decide that. I say this, again, because choosing first class gives you choices. It doesn't mandate anything. It allows you to say we could hire a new assessor or we could keep the old one. We could set speed limits or we could not set speed limits. We could create council districts if everybody in the town said that was a good idea and if not this year, five years from now or 10 years from now. It's giving you the choice. And I'm always curious when somebody says, no, we don't even want the choice. That's why we're advocating first class status.

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And finally the most important thing said tonight and the most important thing from a good government standpoint which is why we're involved in the issue and that is how town government runs. Towns of the first class are routinely and regularly more democratic institutions and I don't mean that in a political way. I, you know, if you watched the last 10 years, we've had Republican and Democratic supervisors. We've had control of the board in democratic hands and republican hands.

When you design a system of government, you don't want to really base it on a party because presumably the parties are going to change and that's as it should be. But in terms of how you manage the government. Towns of the first class operate on more of the separation of powers, it's executive versus legislative branch. The town supervisor has to run the town. And every one of you, whether you like him or whether he's in your party or not, you've really been fairly deferential saying whoever is the supervisor really gets to manage the town and the policy is set by the town board.

That is very, very true and more true in towns of the first class and also in suburban towns because you're managing the department heads in ways that were not today. It's not a civil service job and I'm not prejudging civil service. I'm simply saying that there is a perception out there that once a person has a civil service job, you can't change anything.

And so you're dealing with department heads that have been here for 10 or 20 years and maybe they're doing a good job and if you had a chance to choose them tomorrow you'd choose them again and maybe you'd replace them. Some of them are more accountable than others. Some of them are doing their jobs and maybe some aren't. Here again, a town of the first class gives you an opportunity to either say the department heads report to the supervisor and they serve at the pleasure of the town board. That really gives you an opportunity to reward those who are doing a good job or to replace those who aren't.

So again you could keep the same people for another 10 or 20 years. You have complete authority. Nothing about becoming a first class town mandates that you'd do anything differently. But it gives you the opportunity to do that if you chose.

And that's what we're simply advocating is that the town of Riverhead, it's a great place geographically. Its people are just sensational. Its location. It's got a charm all its own. But we're laboring under an old form of government, a government that has been really thrown off and been replaced by so many town and, you know, especially when we get into this open space stuff and so many of you have come back and forth and said, you know, we don't have the

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resources here to do all of the open space and farmland preservation that we want. We need to have support from the county and the state.

I think we are in a better position to compete with other towns and to get the attention of the county and the state if we're a first class town and if we're behaving like contemporary towns, competitive towns, towns that are concerned about taxes and the assessment and the valuation of property that control everything from its personnel to its speed limits, is really selecting assessors and making decisions, we've disagreed about any number of things but the thing we always agree about is that at the end of the day, this supervisor, this town board, and at the end of the day five years from now, another supervisor and another town board ultimately get to say this is the way it's going to be.

And the more authority you have, the more tools in your tool chest, the more capacity and opportunity you have under law to do the things that the people are turning to you and asking you to do, the greater capacity you have to govern Riverhead in the most effective way possible.

So I don't see it as benefitting a republican or a democrat, an incumbent or somebody who's going to be running for office five or ten years from now. I think that the system of government benefits if you have the tools that are available to the towns of the first class.

I think Riverhead is a town of the first class and I would like it to be regarded so under the law. Thanks a lot."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Any further comment, please come up."

Gary Latunio: "Thank you. My name is Gary Latunio (phonetic). I've lived in Riverhead for 10 years. I'm a business owner. As far as the first class town, I think it's a great idea but as far as the assessors, I think it should be kept at three rather than one. I think three would be a better balance. And that's just my opinion. Thank you for your time."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, come up please, Tim. I keep calling you Tim. I think it would be a better name."

James Wooten: "It's okay, Bill."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. It's close."

James Wooten: "My name is James Wooten and I'm a member of the town of Riverhead. I've been living here my whole life as well as my mother and grandmother and great grandmother and my great great

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grandmother. With that being told, I think Riverhead is a first class town already without any classification (inaudible).

The sense of community that I always felt growing up in this town and I've dedicated most of my life to this town working for this town, is the fact that we are able to go out and vote for those that we think best represent us, even on the assessor level and the town board level and the supervisor level. I'd hate to lose that.

As far as the department heads go, they have to have continuity in their departments. They can't be held under a guise of being controlled or manipulated and I'm not sure that that would happen but the fact that department heads survive many, many town boards and many, many supervisors and they need to have that continuity in their departments. So I don't think that's a good idea either.

The assessors, like I said we should vote for them, and I think that's a real plus in this town. It's a community thing. Our town isn't Brookhaven town. We don't have a half a million people. We have 32,000, 33,000 that we know of, so I don't think- I think it's a little premature. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes. Come forward."

Jim Flood: "Jim Flood, Aquebogue. I think if we decide to go to first class town, I think it would be a very slippery slope. Sure, we don't have to do this right now or we don't have to do that right now. But in the end I believe that what's going to happen is that we're going to end up going toward the suburban town which to me is just the most absolute ridiculous thing for a town this size.

I think if we- let's see, I wrote a few notes here. You argue that the supervisor needs the power to appoint a professional town assessor. As it stands now, we have the right to elect our assessors. Lois wants us- Lois being the lady who wrote the letter in the newspaper last week, hire a professional. We actually have three professional assessors that hold the highest designation in New York State and that's of certified advanced assessor.

The certified- the certification takes years of study and professional testing. The difference is that we the people of Riverhead hired and re-hired these professionals by voting them back into office a total of 11 times. The people have spoken time and time again and they have confidence in the integrity and professionalism of our elected assessors.

We do not want to surrender our franchise to a few people, at least I don't. If the supervisor gets his way, the department heads will become at will employees. What skilled professional in their

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right mind would agree to an at will status? Only some political- I'll use the word hack, would grab at that straw.

In this case, at will means to be willing to do the bidding of the supervisor in order to protect their job. Look at the trained professionals we have in place as department heads. The name that pops in my head first and he's standing right back there is Gary Pendzick in the water department. He's a man of great credentials who's served- who I believe won't serve at the largesse of some political boss. He's highly sought after by- I have a friend in the Suffolk County Water Authority and he said he's just love to have Gary work for them in a heartbeat. So, I think that would be a tremendous loss.

The same goes for all our department heads. Mr. Cardinale would have the right to dismiss all of the people without cause under the rules of a suburban town status. They all can't be difficult people. I believe it's not the professional ability of these department heads that is causing Mr. Cardinale to take this drastic initiative.

Rather, Mr. Cardinale's inability to work with or take counsel from department heads with a wealth of experience. A true leader finds a way to work with his people trusting the years of institutional knowledge while moving forward with a clear plan for each department's future goals.

Mr. Cardinale spends most of his time trying to put out fires, demeaning his department heads with his glib or downright embarrassing remarks in public while attempting to deflect blame for errors created by his lack of leadership skills.

The truth is that these department heads are not difficult to work with. Mr. Cardinale just does not have the time, patience, or wherewithal to connect with them and profit from their expertise.

What I fear most of all is the possibility to reverting to the reward system of government. In a legal memorandum, LG-02 in the council's office of the New York State Department of State, the council states unlike cities in New York which show a mix of both at large and ward elected councilmen, only a handful of towns elect councilman by ward. At last count, only 10 towns in New York used the ward system and voters have defeated it where it has appeared on the ballot since the mid 1970's. I guess at least for Brookhaven town who just did that last year I believe.

Council goes on to speculate that the reason for this rejection by voters is the fact that the boundaries are not known by the voters at the time of the ballot, calling it in his letter a pig in a poke. Of the 932 towns in New York State, representative democracy is achieved in almost all of them through the system of electing town council persons as an at large representative.

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I know that most of our elected officials think globally when looking at problems across our town. Imagine that council person from Ward A telling the council person from Ward D that he or she should mind their own business or worse making back room deals benefitting their district at the expense of another. We're a small town and our council people want to understand and have the same say as in the whole town.

They should be held responsible for the big picture. We must also explore how the wards will be divided. I can see three districts of the haves and one district, central Riverhead, being left behind, perennial redheaded stepchild.

Our council people should be responsible for the entire town and not just protecting a piece of turf. This is a bad idea, an elitist idea whose time I hope will never come. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. The last two speakers, one favoring, one not favoring, have been incorrect on at least four things and I want to point that out because I know this from my study of the topic.

Number one - a first class town will not change the position of supervisor in any fashion. A suburban town might.

Number two - it does not change in any fashion the defined executive function of the supervisor. A suburban town might; first class does not.

Number three - a first class town does not permit the appointment of department heads. There would be no change in how department heads are appointed.

Number four - any appointments, and in this case the only appointment would be of an assessor, presumably a professional assessor, would not be the supervisor's but would be that of the town council to appoint.

So those are four things that if we're going to debate a subject intelligently, we better get the facts. A first class town does none of those things.

Suburban does, but suburban has not been proposed."

Jim Flood: "I believe that the eventual target in this is to go to a suburban town."

Supervisor Cardinale: "You may believe that but that is not what's on the table.

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Okay, next comment, please. Sure."

Gene McSherry: "Like I said, I went back before, the beginning, education. Education, educating. Educating the general public onto what this referendum is all about. You know what I'm saying? You've explained four things. Four speakers come up here and some articulated very well their thoughts. And yet you're correcting them on some of the issues.

Think about this. Think through it and say what does the general public out there in the town- they probably don't know anything about a town of a second class and a town of a first class. Their informations are poor. That's why if all of this information was given to the general public, all right, and giving them a logical choice in November to pick out what they wanted to do, whether they wanted a town of the second class or a town of the first class, that to me would be the optimum thing to do.

We're all floundering here because you know why? We don't all have the information that you have and sometimes we didn't have enough time to garner it. I've been on the computer looking for a town of the second class. I went through 74 web pages and never found it. So that particular entity there is something that's a little difficult.

If it wasn't for Lois Phillips putting that ad into the News Review, I wouldn't even have a tremendous idea of what a town of the second class if compared to a town of the first class to the suburban town. And I'm sure 98% of the people in Riverhead don't have a clue either.

So I mean in all fairness, I believe that this really should go on the ballot in November with obviously a tremendous amount of information being given to the people to make a logical choice on what they would like to do with their town and not just doing it right here.

I really believe that this should be tabled, all right, and it should be basically put to the voters in November to let them decide what they really want to do with this town. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Next comment, please."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Phil, can I say something?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Go right ahead."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Okay. And I agree that the- this is not taught in high school, town civics, and people say to me well, you

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like to give civic lessons. In the state of New York, there's 932 towns. One of the largest towns is the town of Hempstead with 732 population. One of the smallest towns is the town of (inaudible) with 51 residents. So it goes from the large to the- in the middle there's 930 other towns.

Councilmatic districts, people want- and as Mr. Flood said there's only 10 towns out of 932 that have councilmatic districts, most of all the rest of the town voted it down.

The courts have determined the towns are true municipal corporations. From 1950 to 1990, the population of the towns in New York state have increased 110%. The migration from city people to the towns decreased city population by 20%.

There are two classes of towns and it's based on population, there's town of first class and town of second class. But it's based on population.

In 19- when the class of towns were originally authorized, they were fairly clear cut differences between the powers allocated to different towns. The town powers were broadened however in 1970- in 1964 to all towns and local laws formerly possessed by only suburban towns. By local law we can change from somebody that's elected to somebody that's appointed, someone that's appointed to somebody that's elected. We can do that by town board resolution.

If we wanted to get rid of the assessor's office we could by town board resolution, abolish the elected assessors and have appointed assessors. We could do that with the highway department. We could do that with any town office, we have that power.

In 1976, the towns- all the towns were granted the authority to create and abolish elected as well as appointed officers and restructure the administrative agencies of town government by local law. Town- also they removed the town justices from the town board because they didn't want the judicial and the legislative bodies to be on the same board.

We can remove- we can also do that by the legislative and the- we can create a town manager to manage the town like the supervisor. We can give him the powers to manage the town. Town board resolution, we can do that. In 1976, New York state legislature gave us that power.

All the town's discretionary authority rests on the town board. Exercise both legislative and executive functions, we do that right now. We can also pass it on.

The supervisor's job under this town board is to act as treasurer and have care and custody of monies belonging to the town, disburse

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monies, keep accurate and complete account of all monies, make reports as required, pay fixed salaries, and other claims and lease, sell and convey properties of the town when so directed by the town board.

The basic source of the supervisor's power lies in a position of judicial political leadership and the ability to use his leadership to influence the policies of the town board. You have to be able to influence, talk, communicate with the other town board members, makes a good supervisor.

In 1976 Article 3B of the town law was enacted, once again, enabling any town by local law to abolish a town- to establish a town manager form of government. Where it is constitutionally permissible, some officers which are elected by statute may be appointed by local law. Conversely appointed by statute you may make that elected. Both types of local governments require public referendum. A town may also change the office of any of its officers by local law.

The ward system of electing town board members is alternative to the at large system of elected and authorized by Section 8185 of the town law. As of the year 2000, 10 of the 932 towns in New York state use the ward system and voters have defeated it whenever it was on the ballot except for Brookhaven last year.

So the only difference between a town of the first class and a town of the second class is that speed limits and councilmatic districts. Everything else this town board up here, the elected officials, can do. So when people say that one class is better than the other class because you're going to have more authority they're wrong and I think- I agree with the person that just spoke, we have to have education on this so everybody knows what the difference between a town of the first class and a town of the second class is.

The town of the first class is only a step towards a suburban town. You have to be a town of the first class to make that step to a suburban town and I think we're just too small, we're only 32,000 in population. People want to elect their assessors, they want to know- and we have professional assessors. They've been to more schools than someone just getting out of college and have a degree.

So I think that the town- we have to stay the way we are and we have to let the people have their choice of what they want. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, next comment from the public. Yes."

Sean Walter: "Sean Walter, Chairman of the Riverhead Conservative Party.

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First I want to start out- I understand that Madelyn Sendlewski is ill and anybody that can hear my voice, I'd like them to pray for her because I understand she is very ill, so we're speaking about assessors, just say a prayer for Madelyn.

My notes are all over the place after listening to the speakers. Phil, I love you, I really do love you. But I see this as a giant power grab. I also love Dick Amper. When I sit in church at 7:30 in the morning and Dick Amper's voice comes as a lector, my head pops up, I think this is really kind of neat that he's the lector at my church. But you have to be- there has to be some transparency here.

What we're doing and make no mistake about it. What the board is trying to do or certain members are trying to do is move from second class to first class to ultimately suburban. Now, before I even mention the points that I want to make, a lot of comments were generated about the town of Brookhaven.

I grew up in the town of Brookhaven. I am a transplant. Don't kill me, I spent my younger years there, and councilmatic districts needed to be in Brookhaven because they are some 500,000 people. I think somebody mentioned there are 70,000 people per councilmatic district. In Riverhead, we'd have eight.

But I want to caution you as a practicing zoning and planning lawyer in Brookhaven, there are some problems with the councilmatic districts. Nothing that won't be overcome.

The first thing is in the Brookhaven's infinite wisdom, they all get unelected every- I believe it's every two years, they all get unelected or reelected. They're up for reelection every two years. What a silly thing to happen. So that whole town board is going to change every two years. That can be fixed, make no mistake about it.

But the things that can't be fixed are the special interests. The special interests have taken over Brookhaven and by doing- by moving from second class to first class and then possibly if you do it to suburban, the special interests are going to have a lot bigger hold on this town than they ever did before.

Just to give you an example, if you're to do something in Brookhaven, unofficially they whisper into your ear, if you want this done, you have to go see certain special interest groups, civic organizations, or other special interest groups, and get their approval to get this done.

Because the special interest groups have taken over that town board. And that's not how the political process is supposed to work. It's the Republican, the Democrat, Butch Langhorne's party, the Conservative party, those are the parties that are traditionally the ones that select the candidates to do the jobs, to run for the

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different positions. And by doing— by allowing the possibility for councilmatic districts to come in here, you're going to have one thing, you're going to have special interests run the town.

And that may not happen for a long time because smart guys, a lot smarter than myself, may turn around and say, all right, I've got to get involved in those special interest if I want to be elected to town hall.

But the question comes down to this. Every two years, the Conservative party, the Republican party, the Democratic party we screen candidates. They run ads to find candidates. We have 32,000 people so I would assume that the board wouldn't be foolish and (problem with CD).

Make no mistake about it, this is the first step, the second step will be to generate a petition to force councilmatic districts. You are going to have eight— one person for 8,000 people. Now that's great because I live in Wading River and I'm probably going to get one and a half people. So I'm going to have more control over the board as a Wading River person than anybody else is so that's good for me. But it's really not so good.

And what's going to happen is when I as a leader of the Conservative party call out for people, I'm not going to find qualified people in 8,000. I can barely find qualified people to sit on this board out of 32,000 people. So you are deluding the pot.

The other issue is that those 8,000 people will be in office forever because you can knock on 8,000 doors in about six weeks and do everything everybody ever wants for those 8,000 people for as long as they want to be so you're not going to have what we have here. This board flips back and forth all the time which is good. That's good in a democracy.

So the point being is that the special interests are going to control the town and this is just an example of trying to grab more power for the supervisor's office. I know, Phil, and I agree with you, first, second to first doesn't do that but first to suburban does that and it's a huge deal.

Let me just clue you in on another problem with Brookhaven. When the parties shifted last year, the supervisor's staff went department head to department head and said by the way, pack up your bags and get the hell out of here, you're fired. And they did that. And it happened. God rest his soul, Jack Hansen was here for a long time and the fact is he would never had been able to survive in a system if he was elected as a commissioner. And Andrea Lohneiss and many other people have been here a long time and they would not be able to survive because as commissioners, in a suburban town, as

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commissioners, they'd be out every single time there was an administration change.

And the fact is they are good hard working professional people so that we really have to worry about this. This is not just a little change, Phil, this is one step to a very large change and we have to look back and say, listen, do we want to be the sleepy little town, Dick, that you came to? Because I want us to be the sleepy little town. I know we're not going to be but it seems to me that keeping the second class standard might be one thing that could keep us that sleepy little town.

And on the last point, everyone knows their assessor. If you want something, a farming issue, you call Paul, he's there every morning before he goes out and does his field work. You pick up the phone or you come to town hall at 8:00 and I'll tell you what. Paul will be sitting at his desk. I can guarantee you if you appoint an assessor, you are never going to get an appointment with the assessor the same day you call him. You know, maybe you'll get him in a couple weeks.

It's the same thing with Laverne. These people- we know these people. The town residents know these people. There's a comfort level with these people. I don't understand the need to reach out and change this classification for the purpose of appointing an assessor and for the second purpose of changing speed limits. The town- listen, I spent five years in the town attorney's office. We changed speed limits all the time. All you have to do is give notification to the state, they never object to it, and then you change the speed limit. So it's not- there's no issue with changing the speed limit.

In fact, as Phil said, there's really no change from first to second or second to first. It happens when you go to suburban. So if there's really no change, then leave it alone. If you don't leave it alone, then the thought has to go through everyone's mind that we're not going from second to first, we're going from second to suburban and that's it. And we're going to put commissioners in and I'm going to get my agenda and well, you know what, that is good for the party that's in power.

But I just- I really want to leave you with the thought that if you want it to remain a sleepy little town, I think this is one of the ways we could at least try and I think we are competitive, Dick. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "One question."

Sean Walter: "Yes."

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Supervisor Cardinale: "You are aware and would acknowledge would you not, that your theory about second to first to suburban aside, that if one wanted to go from second to suburban directly, that is perfectly permissible? There is no necessity to go to first class town if one's intent is to go to suburban and hence that's the failure in your argument. If you really wanted to go to suburban, you could go from second to suburban."

Sean Walter: "You are a master at this."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That's true, is it not?"

Sean Walter: "It's absolutely true but you're a master at incrementalism. It is- we don't want to take big steps. In politics we never take big steps. As soon as you take a big step, they're going to (inaudible) you. So you make little steps and this is the first in the little step and the next will be suburban."

Supervisor Cardinale: "In your opinion, but we also would agree that nothing's going to happen unless there's three members of the board that vote. I could vote up and down, we need three voters."

Sean Walter: "I would say that, right, that you just forget about this thing and let it die its natural death."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We need three voters and you could go from second to suburban."

Sean Walter: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "But we've chosen to go, hear a public hearing on second to first. So why don't we have the public hearing on what's proposed, second to first, and not talk so much about suburban. Can we have another comment?"

Councilman Bartunek: "Sean, Sean- "

Sean Walter: "Yes, I'm sorry."

Councilman Bartunek: "I just realized that when all three of us are in church on the same day, Dick is always to my left and you're always to my far right."

Sean Walter: "I have to sit on the right- "

Councilman Densieski: "I just want to know what kind of church this is that will take you three."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Joan."

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Joan Griffin: "Good evening, Joan Griffin from Baiting Hollow. Maybe I misunderstood what Dawn said that the major difference is that we would have one elected assessor instead of three--"

Supervisor Cardinale: "One assessor appointed by the town board instead of three elected."

Joan Griffin: "Oh, okay, one assessor appointed, the town speed signs, and councilmatic districts would also take a second vote to happen. Right?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Correct."

Joan Griffin: "And so councilmatic districts, the one gentleman said there would be eight of them altogether?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "There could be no more than- there could be no more than six council people so there would be six or four districts."

Joan Griffin: "Okay, and then Sean mentioned that special interests groups, that they would start controlling the whole thing over here. I belong to a civic organization and you could say at the civic organization, I'm for this, I'm for that, I'm against this, I'm against that. They can say they have 800 people in a civic, but when it comes down to voting on election day, they'll say yeah, yeah, I'll vote with you, I'll do what you say, president so and so of the civic, I get inside that little voting booth and I vote the way I want to. I'm not going to vote the way the president of the civic tells me. I have my own mind- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Specially since it's Rex."

Joan Griffin: "I know. But you know, you have your own mind, you don't have to agree if 501 people out of 1,000 say yeah, it's a good idea, the other 499 aren't saying it's a good idea. They'll vote the other way when it comes to election day. So I wouldn't put a lot of stack in the special interest groups."

And I think it is a good idea, we should come into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and get into first class status. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, any other comment. Go right ahead. Anybody that wants to follow, please do."

Richard Amper: "I do think it's important that you made a distinction that what's in front of this town board tonight is to move from second to first because Sean spent most of his time about what he dislikes about councilmatic districts and that's an argument to be had at a different time. I don't think it's an incremental thing. And as

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you pointed out, you don't need to do the first class thing to get it there.

The second item that Sean mentioned that was troublesome to me is the notion that Brookhaven has been taken over by the special interests. In fact, Brookhaven has in fact been liberated from the special interest. We're just redefining special interest. Civic groups are the public interest. They're the public that live in the community that pay their taxes, they're the hundreds of people that elect this government and the government is supposed to be responsible.

They may have an opinion, they may lobby you for a particular piece of legislation, but that's the public interest. That's very different from the special interest. The special interest in Brookhaven were for example the developers and the developers had a hell of a lot more influence when they could simply say this is what we're going to do for every member of the town board and they were dealing with people who were not accountable to their neighbor.

It's hard for Barbara, for example, to go back to Jamesport and say I'm sorry, we're going to do a lot of development over here because the special interests want me to do that if she's representing people who don't want to see that development. So, in fact, the benefit of these hamlet based representatives, is that they are, in fact, much more responsive to the public interest, to the citizens who live there and make up the numbers and, indeed, those 8,000 people who can send them back and elect them again.

So everybody's a lobbyist when it comes to government but we do have to make a distinction. The people who— the public interest is all of us. Clean water is a public interest issue; clean air is a public interest issue; over development is a public interest issue.

When you're talking about special interest, special interest by definition means that the benefits accrue to a special not majority group of people and that would be the developers who make money whether or not it helps or hurts us, a union that takes care of its people whether or not that's good for the public or not.

So that's important— it's really important to make a distinction between what the public interest which I think might benefit from that. But that's not on the table tonight. Let's make it absolutely clear we're not going to vote for councilmatic system of government. We're simply trying to decide whether to go from a second to first.

And I want to leave this with one other observation. When you (inaudible), Mr. Supervisor, you made corrections. You said there were some mistakes with some people that had been to the podium made but one of the things that you did not address was the notion that the

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government of Riverhead is not necessarily going to benefit or be hurt by a change from second class to first class.

The whole problem is that you simply lack the capacity to lead and you can't work with any of the people who work here. I was wondering if that was something you might also want to correct along with some of the other things that were said.

I think we're talking not about a specific supervisor. I think we're not talking about a specific party. It think we're talking about the mechanism by which we all want to govern Riverhead going forward. I love the quaintness of the place; I hope it never loses its charm. But it does need to be functioning in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and it does need to have all the tools that are possible. Remember, you don't have to use them all but you probably want to have them available to you. That's all."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Can I just say something?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Go right ahead."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to clarify something that the Supervisor said. In 1962, the legislature created an additional classification of suburban town. Suburban towns must be classes— must be towns of the first class. We cannot go from a second class town to a suburban town. We have to go through first class.

You can have a permissive referendum but at the same time a second must go through a first to be a suburban. So you have to be a town of the first class to be a suburban town."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I do not believe that to be accurate but then again I don't believe a lot of what you said was accurate.

I want to— implicitly I did answer the question earlier. My department heads, I'll be meeting with them every Monday as I have throughout the first three years of my term; I'll be meeting with them individually every quarter. There will be no change in my relationship to my department heads by first class town. I would have no— this board would have no greater authority over department heads than it has today under a first class town. That I am certain of. It would be different in a suburban town but not for a first class town.

Comments, please. Please come forward."

Ed Purcell: "I have two questions. If now it takes three assessors to do what the assessing department does and you're going to change to an individual assessor, would that mean that you'd have to enlarge the department because you're going to need more assistants

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and to hire professionals from the outside as opposed to people who have been voted in, you may have to pay them more to get--"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't believe that that would be the case but when- we would have to appoint a professional assessor. I would point out this, that we only have the right to have elected assessors. The town- any town that wished to keep elected assessors had to affirmatively move to keep them. The state of New York recommended appointed professional assessors 36 years ago."

Ed Purcell: "Yeah, I know they did."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So we took the affirmative action of resisting that state advice 36 years ago and I'm suggesting- no, I'm not suggesting, the hearing is exploring whether we would be better served with an appointed professional assessor."

Incidentally, our assessors are fine because they've become educated. We may be replacing an assessor soon. The problem is that the people that come in, come in without the education and then take several years to come up to par. That hurts us. If we had an appointed assessor, they would be appointed with the qualifications. That's- "

Ed Purcell: "But you said there would be only one--"

Supervisor Cardinale: "One and assistants. The- presently the three assessors make approximately if my recollection serves me, \$220,000 plus benefits. So you would have to try to work- expect to work within that budget for an appointed assessor and any supportive staff."

Ed Purcell: "And something that we're not- you're not debating on now but councilmatic districts, would that be as per population or per what was the voters in the last gubernatorial election. Would that be how it would be determined? By the number of voters or would it be by the people in the districts?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Oh, I see what you're saying. Would it be by gross population or by voting population."

Ed Purcell: "That's right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't know. Does anyone here know, because I don't. Do you know? Good question, because I don't know. Yeah."

Ed Purcell: "I thought I had heard somewhere that it's by- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Voting population- "

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Ed Purcell: "-- voting population as opposed to-- and that could make a drastic, really skew things for one area of the town or another."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Yes, next comment. Jim, James."

James Wooten: "I, too, went to the internet tonight to try to get some education on first class and I went to the New York State town law and you can't get-- it's like looking at the-- you can't read it.

But I'm a little confused. We touched on a lot of different things. Going from second class to first class. Now it's-- just involved speed limit signs and assessors."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Pretty much. That's it."

Ed Purcell: "Well, I don't think the speed limit signs are going to be catapulting this to go in the right direction, you know, I'll be honest with you. You know, twenty something years on the police department, it would be nice if you had policemen to enforce the speed limits, but to change the speed limits is not the catapult. I don't think it's a good idea at all. That's all."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I would point out that the speed limit issue is as you know, I think, that in order-- if you come up tonight somebody will later and they'll say give me a speed sign increase at this place, I can only do this. Safety committee reviews it, it goes to a recommendation from them, then it goes to the department of transportation. We wait three to six months and then they give us an answer. So we don't get speed signs up fast under those circumstances. It takes six months to get a speed sign change. That's not healthy.

And incidentally I should mention one other thing and then I'll take any other comment and wrap it. You can't be a town of the first class unless you have at least a 10,000 minimum population. So that's why we're having the discussion.

If we were the population when the town was initially determined to be a second class town, we wouldn't have the option. Now we have the option because we've reached 30,000 population.

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Any other comments? If- sure, go ahead and then I'll keep it open for written comment for 10 days."

Sean Walter: "Phil, you have all the power to control the town for the most part. There's a town board resolution passed in or around 1986, I've read it, they passed it I think it was '86. I could probably find it again, it's in the clerk's office, giving you all the power to manage the town and the department heads. The town board did that, gave it to the supervisor's office so from the perspective of management, there is no issue here. There really isn't."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I would agree with you on that. This has nothing to do with my executive management authority. It has to do with speed signs, assessors, and the opportunity in the future to possibly go to council districts."

Sean Walter: "And it doesn't take six months to get a speed sign. It's quite a bit quicker than that."

Councilman Bartunek: "I don't agree with that."

Sean Walter: "You have to go to committee."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's taking a long time. George is on that committee. Would you come up, please, if anybody else has any comment, otherwise I'll move to the next hearing. Yes, sir."

Dan Hilton: "Good evening Board members, Mr. Supervisor. I was hesitant to come up here. I'm fairly new to the town and I'm also from Wading River, probably seven years now I moved to the town. And when I first voted, opened up the curtain, I saw the assessors, you know, listed there and I really couldn't make that call. Their credentials weren't there, I knew nothing about them.

I knew about Phil, I knew about some board members through the papers but I couldn't make that call on the assessors. Thank you."

Barbara Grattan: "Sir, could I have your name please."

Dan Hilton: "I'm sorry. Dan Hilton from Wading River."

Barbara Grattan: "Thanks."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, sir."

George Harkin: "Hi, George Harkin from Calverton. I think if you look at the history of the voters here in Riverhead, the voters like to vote, the voters like to govern. Any time that there's been a referendum to expand to four years the supervisor's term, the clerk's term, any other term, it's been defeated. The people like to vote.

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And if I have a problem, I have four people that have to answer to me as council people, not one. And from the outside so far tonight that are proposing that we go to a first class town, they said we don't have to change everybody because everybody's good which means that we the people, the electorate, already have the tools are doing a good job. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Mr. Harkin. All right. I'm going to keep this hearing open for written comment through Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of January at 5:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. and I appreciate all the comments. They've been thought provoking and yes we have a letter I'd like to put in the record from- and then we can close the hearing.

Okay, you can read it into the record and then we'll move to the next hearing."

Barbara Grattan: "This is from Art and Marilyn Binder. January 9, 2007, Riverhead Town Board. Dear Board Members: Due to prior commitments we are unable to speak before the town board regarding the potential change to town of the first class status.

We are of the opinion that the future livelihoods of the three current town assessors may be at stake if and when town status was to change.

The current board of assessors (BOA) has proven their competency over the many years they've served this town through the bad times as well as the good times.

The people multiple times as proof of their competency, have reelected them.

For the town board to change the rules in the middle of the game, by altering town status and basically end their careers, would be morally unconscionable.

If the town board feels so strongly about changing the town status, we would hope that the current BOA are retained until their futures can be decided by themselves and their families.

We truly hope that politics does not enter into any decisions that affect people's lives.

Respectfully, Art Binder, Marilyn Binder."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. That will be a part of this record and we will be discussing this at work sessions within the next few weeks. Anybody that wants to make further comment, please

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remember that it's open until the 26<sup>th</sup> and it being 8:22, I'll determine this hearing closed for verbal testimony."

Public hearing closed: 8:22 p.m.  
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Public hearing opened: 8:22 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "The third and final one for the night is the 7:15 hearing for consideration of a proposed local law to amend Chapter 106-10 entitled Waterways of the town code. Would you- I believe this involves the Peconic Lake area and would you tell us what we're proposing here, please, Dawn. I think I have it here if you don't have it handy. It is 10 horsepower engines or less in a specified area.

Yes, and we'll let the people who would like to leave now do so and thank them for their participation."

Dawn Thomas: "Okay, this proposed local law would amend- to add Section 106-10 to the Riverhead town code which would preclude a person from operating a boat with an engine in excess of 10 horsepower on any section of the Peconic River west of Peconic Avenue."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I know, George, you might want to comment on this."

Councilman Bartunek: "I'd like to enter a letter from Legislator Ed Romaine, January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Last July I alerted you and the members of the town board- this is to Supervisor Cardinale- Last July I alerted you and the members of the town board to an issue that exists with inappropriately sized boats navigating through the area of Peconic Lake.

Realizing that jurisdiction over Peconic Lake is divided between the towns of Riverhead and Brookhaven, on behalf of the residents I requested both towns enact matching ordinances instituting a horsepower restriction on boats operating in the Peconic Lake.

It is for this reason I am pleased to show my support of the town's proposal to amend Chapter 106-10 of the Riverhead town code entitled Waterways. The restriction of boats with engines exceeding 10 hp from operating on any section of the Peconic River west of Peconic Avenue will prohibit the use of high powered boats that have caused concern to the area residents.

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Your cooperation in achieving this is greatly appreciated. It is my hope that the town of Brookhaven will join in your efforts to make this ordinance as effective as possible.

And the town of Brookhaven did pass Resolution #44, November 21, 2006 also restricting outboard horsepower to 10 horsepower."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, that's the proposal. Is there any public comment at this time? Okay. If there is no public comment verbally, I'm going to leave it open until the 26<sup>th</sup> 4:30 p.m. for written comment should someone learn of it and realize they wish to comment. And I'm going to— it being 8:25, the hearing having opened at 8:22, we're going to close it."

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Supervisor Cardinale: "And we're going to take comment— we have resolutions 40 through 88. We'd like to take any comment from the public in regard to the resolutions. If there is no comment on any particular resolution, and they are kind of a less than exciting group, we will consider them and then take public comment from— on any matter that you wish to comment on that is within our purview. Actually, we'll take it on any comment. I can't stop you, but we'd like it within our purview. Okay, do you want to fire away?"

Resolution #40

Councilman Densieski: "Town of Riverhead North Winds Wading River budget adoption. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #41

Councilwoman Blass: "Nature Conservancy open space property budget adoption. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. This is on the River Club piece. Any day now I'm going to see some contracts. Right? Great. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #42

Councilman Bartunek: "Accepts cash security of Dr. Meyerson (DJ Realty). So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #43

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes the release of security for Art Sites, LLC. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #44

Councilwoman Blass: "Accepts resignation of a bus driver. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes, and I'd like to thank Mister (inaudible). He was very much a gentleman. Thank you."

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

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Resolution #45

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints youth counselor in the police department. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. I just would like to comment. Even though I do understand the time sensitivity of this particular resolution, I would hope that the board would not in the future approve prior to civil service qualifying the individual. But I understand why it was done in this case. Yes."

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

Resolution #46

Councilman Bartunek: "Sets salaries of various recreation employees for the year 2007. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #47

Councilman Dunleavy: "Sets salaries for 2007 part time recreation positions and summer personnel salaries for the recreation department. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #48

Councilman Densieski: "Sets the fees for usage of recreation and other town facilities. So moved."

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Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #49

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints a part time recreation aide/youth sports to the recreation department. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #50

Councilman Bartunek: "Appoints a part time recreation aide/youth sports to the recreation department. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #51

Councilman Dunleavy: "Appoints laborer in the sanitation department. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #52

Councilman Densieski: "Appoints executive director of the youth bureau in the office of the supervisor. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

The Vote: "Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "It's a long time in coming and I think this is a great improvement, so I vote yes."

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

Resolution #53

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the publication of a help wanted ad for automotive equipment operator. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #54

Councilman Bartunek: "Discontinue position of a part time account clerk typist. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #55

Councilman Dunleavy: "Reappoints legal representation, planning consultants, engineering, computer, court reporting, board transcription, appraisers, land surveyors and interpretation consultants. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #56

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Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes attendance at the 2007 training school and annual meeting held by the Association of Towns. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "I had a conversation with Mark Kwasna. I am asking him for the list of highways that are going to be paved for 2007. I promised him that I would vote yes for this tonight but I swear if I don't have that list tomorrow, I'm going to change my vote."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Okay, so it's a tentative yes."

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "I vote yes. I'm looking forward to three days of Mark's company. I'll get all the answers I need."

Councilman Bartunek: "Maybe get the list."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Maybe get the list, too."

Barbara Grattan: "Is that a yes?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, that's a yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #57

Councilwoman Blass: "Ratifies temporary sign permit of Riverhead Little League. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #58

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes registration fee schedule for Police Athletic League (PAL) programs for year 2007. So moved."

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Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #59

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes umpire/referee fee schedule for Police Athletic League (PAL) programs for the year 2007. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #60

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes town clerk to publish and post notice for a local law to consider an amendment to Chapter 58 entitled Dogs of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #61

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the supervisor to execute an agreement with Jacqueline O'Sullivan for board transcription. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #62

Councilman Bartunek: "Approves Coastline Cesspool and Drain Service d/b/a Artco Cesspool and Drain Service as drainlayer for Riverhead Sewer District. So moved."

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Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #63

Councilman Dunleavy: "Approves Chapter 90 application of East End Olds Club car show and swap meet. So moved."

Councilwoman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #64

Councilman Densieski: "Authorization to publish advertisement for meat and poultry. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #65

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorization to publish advertisement for propane. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #66

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorization to publish advertisement for work clothes. So moved."

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Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #67

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorization to publish advertisement for diesel fuel. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #68

Councilman Densieski: "Extends bid contract for milk. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #69

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorization to publish advertisement for food. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #70

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the town clerk to advertise for bids on a Lee-Boy 7000 asphalt paver or approved equal. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #71

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes the supervisor to execute a municipal mutual aid and assistance agreement between the Town of Southampton and the Town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #72

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the accounting department to transfer park and recreation funds for the installation of timber bollards at Stotzky Park. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #73

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the accounting department to transfer park and recreation funds for the installation of exercise stations at Stotzky Park. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. May we have a vote?"

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. This will be a good improvement I believe and I vote yes. I'm not going to use it, I just voted yes. Let's not get carried away. A good improvement for other people to use, but go ahead."

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Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #74

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorize the Riverhead multi family housing corporation to initiate dissolution procedures. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #75

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law to amend Chapter 108-56 entitled Signs of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #76

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law to amend Chapter 108-129 Uses-Village Center (VC) zoning use district. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #77

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes sewer district employee to attend course. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #78

Councilman Dunleavy: "The next resolutions I think are because of Councilman Densieski and myself and the new housing law and we're starting to see what we're doing with it."

Authorizes legal action against owners, tenants, occupants, and mortgagee of the property located at 50 Sigal Avenue a/k/a Segal Avenue, Riverhead, New York. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

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

Resolution #79

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes legal action against the owners, tenants, occupants and mortgagee of the property located at 31 Northville Turnpike, Riverhead, New York. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #80

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes legal action against the owners, tenants, occupants and mortgagee of the property located at 29 Rabbit Run, Riverhead, New York. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #81

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes legal action against the owners, tenants, occupants and mortgagee of the property located at 1508 Main Road, Jamesport, New York. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #82

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes the supervisor to execute an agreement between Town of Riverhead and Thomas P. Parris Entertainment/Music-senior center. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah, I'd also like to thank Mr. Parris because he does a great job and the seniors really appreciate all his efforts over there. He's like part of the family. So I'll vote yes."

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

Resolution #83

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes the town clerk to post and publish notice for public hearing regarding a local law to amend Chapter 108 Zoning Empire zone of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

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Councilwoman Blass: "Awards bid for the repainting of Plant 8 and 9 standpipes in the Riverhead Water District. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Resolution #85

Councilman Bartunek: "Grants excavation permit as provided by Chapter 62 to Stoneleigh Woods at Riverhead, LLC. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Before I vote on this, Leroy, I had called your office today on this. We- are you going to do an inspection on this to see what was removed thus far? Stoneleigh. This is the second 10,000 foot on the excavation permit, they split it into two 10,000 feet. There was a suggestion made by someone who might have been completely misinformed that they believe that there was more than that out already."

Leroy Barnes: (Inaudible)

Supervisor Cardinale: "Could you monitor that, please? Okay, I called you today but I didn't get you. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #86

Councilman Dunleavy: "Adopts a local law amending Section 108 entitled Zoning of the Riverhead town code (108-97-Major Subdivision). So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

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

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "The only question I have is did we have discussion- this was sufficient?"

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Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. This was the one that would amend, George, the manner in which we take the subdivision. It is not the cost. Same thing, but we're taking— instead of all at the end so people like Burman can hold us up for months on a lot of money— "

Councilman Bartunek: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I spoke to— I spoke to the planning director today on it and this does what we want it to do and we've had a hearing."

Councilman Bartunek: "Okay. I vote yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay?"

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

Resolution #87

Councilman Densieski: "Awards a bid for modular recreation office building. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

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

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. And I'm glad to see we're going to get the recreation facility at Stotzky, that little facility is going to be rebuilt for our new leader of the department, 1978, how long ago was that, 29 years ago? I went there with my children who were then little, very little and the overwhelming impression at the time having just moved into town was what a dump. So you can imagine what it looks like 30 years later. That's that little building at Stotzky."

Councilman Bartunek: "Temporary, temporary facility."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It was a temporary facility that lasted for 40 years. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #88

Councilwoman Blass: "Motion to pay bills."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

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

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

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. We've considered the resolutions. We'd like to take comment on anything within our purview. Please come up."

Leroy Barnes: "Yeah, Phil, on the building department monthly report, I think there was a type. We collected like \$155,980."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. What does it say?"

Leroy Barnes: "\$11,980."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I'm much happier."

Leroy Barnes: "I knew you would be."

Barbara Grattan: "I'm sorry."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you very much for pointing that out. Any comment or any matter within our purview, I'll be pleased to take. I'd also be pleased to go home and have dinner. Going once, twice, three times. I will see you back here 9:30 tomorrow morning for the work session and more fun. Thank you."

Oh, I have a special project for you. It's one I couldn't give any- I certainly couldn't give- I don't think Barbara would be the appropriate one. Marty couldn't make it, I told him, and couldn't make it next week- "

(At this time, the CD ended)

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 p.m.