

Minutes of the Town of Riverhead Board meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Sean M. Walter	Supervisor
John Dunleavy	Councilman
James Wooten	Councilman
George Gabrielsen	Councilman
Jodi Giglio	Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT:

Diane Wilhelm	Town Clerk
Robert Kozakiewicz	Town Attorney

The meeting was officially opened at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Walter with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Dunleavy made a motion, which was seconded by Councilman Gabrielsen to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2014 Town Board Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 3 letters of opposition to the Special Permit Application of URT from North Fork Environmental Council, Laurie Graham and Jim Graham
- George Bartunek – two letters outlining two areas of concern regarding the EPCAL DGEIS prepared by VHB
 - Grassland Creation Alternative
 - Passive Recreation Trails
- Patricia Johnson – letter regarding municipal services to private roads in particular Harper Road part of the Oak Hills community
- George & Eileen Edenfield – letter regarding municipal services to private roads in particular the Oak Hills Community

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (CAC) CORRESPONDENCE

- CAC Res. #2014-23 – Reeve, SCTM #600-86-4-16.7

FIRE DISTRICTS

- Jamesport Fire District – 2015 Annual Budget Summary
- Manorville Fire District – 2015 Annual Budget Summary
- Riverhead Fire District – 2015 Annual Budget Summary
- Wading River Fire District – 2015 Annual Budget Summary

REPORTS

- Tax Receiver – Utility Collection Report October 2014 - \$973,261.88
- Police Department Monthly Report September 2014

APPLICATIONS

- East End Tourism Alliance – Canoe, Kayak Paddle Board Event on Peconic River on July 18, 2015
- Riverhead Adventures – 5K Trail Run at EPCAL on May 30, 2015 and September 19, 2015
- Event Power – Triathlon at Riverfront Parking Area on August 8th and 9th, 2015
- Competitive Event Group – Triathlon at Schiff Boy Scout Reservation, Wading River on August 15th and 16th, 2015 and September 26, 2015

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Wooten commented on the Holiday Bonfire on December 13th from 4-8 p.m. on the Riverfront. Santa Claus will be present and the evening will end with a fireworks display at 8:00 p.m. .

Councilman Dunleavy commented on the Lion’s Club Christmas Parade on December 7th at 1:00 p.m. from Osborne Avenue to McDermott and then into the parking lot. Santa will be handing out gifts to the children and will be sitting for pictures.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Supervisor Walter: “We have one Public Hearing. It is now 7:06 and the Public Hearing is scheduled for 7:05 and we open the Public Hearing actually at 7:07 now and this is a Public Hearing where citizens are invited to express their views on local housing and community development needs to be met with funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). Chris Kempner, did you want to add anything to that?”

Chris Kempner: “This Public Hearing is to solicit verbal and written comments and input as the Town of Riverhead 2015 Community Development Block Grant application under the Suffolk County Consortium Allegation of Federal Housing and Urban Development Funds.

The Town of Riverhead 2015 Community Development Block Grant Funds are expected to total approximately a hundred and forty-three thousand two hundred and sixty one dollars and have in the past included allocations for the Home Improvement Program, Program Administration, Public Services, Public Facilities and Public Infrastructure Projects.

Public Service Projects may not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars in total which is a fifteen percent maximum of the total Grant and may not be less than five thousand dollars individually. Public Services include counseling, soup kitchens and senior services providing at least fifty-one percent benefit to low and moderate income person and we’ve received a few letters from some of our previous funded organizations that do very good work in the community and help some of our neediest populations including the elderly and people in need of food and health services at home also Maureen’s Haven which helps the homeless population.

All projects must be located in low to moderate income areas or serve special populations such as seniors. The Community Development Department would suggest potential grant allocations for public facilities programs go to the Town of Riverhead Home Improvement Program and perhaps a project of the Town of Riverhead Senior Center.

Administration Funds this year are going to be limited to five percent of the total allocation which is approximately seven thousand one hundred and thirty and our final determinations must be submitted to the County by December 3rd so you would look for the grant approval to be on the December 2nd hearing and we've given you the allocation of the 2014 Grant and I think this evening we have a few members of the audience that would like to discuss their organization's mission."

Supervisor Walter: "Ok, great. Would anyone like to be heard today? Good evening."

Zona Stroy: "Good evening. I'm Zona Stray and I'm here representing Open Arms. It's nice to see all of you again. I'll just read our letter for the record.

We'd like to thank you for the opportunity to request support again for Open Arms Care Center Emergency Food Pantry and Project CARE, the free health screening program which serves our pantry clients. We are again requesting a Community Development Grant of five thousand dollars primarily to support the food pantry. This funding will allow the Open Arms Food Pantry to continue distributing food to individuals and families who might otherwise go hungry.

As it has been for more than twenty years, the Open Arms Food Pantry is staffed completely by volunteers, many of whom have been clients. This program is a lifeline preventing hunger for many people in this community. The Pantry serves approximately three hundred households on a regular basis each year and more than about fifteen hundred individuals. Each pantry client receives enough food for three meals a day for three days and we depend on Community Development Funding to keep up with the growing demand for assistance.

While we receive support from local food banks and donations from individuals and businesses in the community, we are sustained largely by funding from the Community Development Grant. The attached page which just explains how we will use the funds says that we will use the funds for food and shopping bags primarily for the pantry and occasionally to buy diabetic testing supplies. We look forward to the support of the Town once again. Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you Miss Stray. Anybody else like to be heard this evening?"

Felicia Scocozza: "My name is Felicia Scocozza and I'm the Executive Director of Riverhead Community Awareness Program. I believe this is my fifteenth year of standing before you requesting these funds. We appreciate the support you've given us in the past and we are requesting Community Development Block Grant Funds to help support our alcohol, drug prevention program counseling and community services for students and their families in Riverhead schools specifically Roanoke Avenue Elementary School.

Roanoke Avenue Elementary School is comprised of sixty-nine percent classified as economically disadvantaged, seventy-two percent of the students there belong to a minority group, thirty-two percent are classified as having limited English proficiency and as of October 2014 seventy-two percent receive free or reduced lunch according to school records. These characteristics support the contention that the majority of students in that school have characteristics that put them at risk and they would benefit from our full-time Social Worker who

spends half her time at Roanoke and half her time at Philips Avenue School and the Community Development Block Grant helps offset some of the costs to pay her.

In 2013 seventy-five percent of our students at Roanoke Avenue School and their families who receive services provided by this Grant were from very low income households and thirteen percent were from low income households according to HUD. The remaining thirteen percent were from moderate so all these students that we serve them that the guidelines for this Grant and we do hope that once again you consider our request. Thank you.”

Supervisor Walter: “Thank you very much. Does anyone else wish to be heard?”

Jackie Tapley: “Good evening my name is Jackie Tapley. I’m actually a Riverhead resident but I’m here representing the Dominican Sisters Family Health Service. I coordinate the Helping Hands program for the last seven years and I’ll just read for the record the letter that was sent. It’s addressed to Mr. Maiorana.

Ok. The Dominican Sisters Family Health Service Helping Hands program is a twenty year service program designed to meet the non-medical needs of the frail elderly and disabled of any age living in the township of Riverhead. The services include light housekeeping, laundry, shopping and friendly visiting which promotes a healthy lifestyle for the frail elderly and disabled by ensuring that their basic non-medical needs are taken care of.

The Helping Hands Program give frail elderly and disabled people the additional help that they need to stay healthy and remain living at home. Housekeeping, laundry and shopping are often tasks that would be too difficult for an elderly to perform without serious risk to their health. Even the basic housework may be too strenuous for someone in a frail condition, putting them at risk for a fall or other serious injury. Elders who are not able to take care of their basic needs without difficulty risk living in unsanitary or unsafe conditions as debris, garbage and germs accumulate in their homes over time.

Seniors who are unable to take care of their shopping needs may suffer from malnutrition. Many elderly or disabled people who live alone suffer from depression, as a result of the isolation that comes from not being able to easily move around. The Helping Hands provide more than just housework for our community’s elders; it gives them something to look forward to, a friendly face and feeling of companionship that is so crucial to maintaining positive mental health.

A fee scale is provided for those able to pay for services. There is no charge for those who meet the eligibility requirements. Referrals are accepted from patients and families, neighbors and friends, social and community service agencies, religious affiliations and the Dominican Sisters Family Health Services Certified Home Health Agency. So far this year we have provided one thousand one hundred and fifty-one visits to one hundred and two clients for a total of twenty-four hundred sixty-six service hours and that’s with four workers.

Please consider the continuation of funding this much needed program through the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Funding. Thank you.”

Supervisor Walter: “Thank you very much. Does anybody else wish to be heard?”

Larry Oxman: “Good evening. I’m here on behalf of the Long Island Science Center. Our Director, Michele Pelletier apologizes. She is not able to make it and asked me to fill in, I am on the Board.

The Long Island Science Center has been serving the Riverhead Community for ten years, for over ten years, and our focus, if you don't know, is on math, science and technology but particular importance is how our programing serves underprivileged students and families from Riverhead and other Long Island Communities.

Our program augments and supplements the local school district's science and math curriculum. This is especially significant for school districts that can't necessarily afford all the science programs I may have enjoyed as a child myself.

We're asking for a grant, I believe, of fifty thousand dollars. This is going to be divided into a number of fashions so it's not (inaudible) situation so some of the issues of the Grant would be to refurbish exhibits. As an example the museum was, received a Leonardo de Vinci exhibit which was a world class exhibit at one point in time and it had traveled the country. It's been in storage for a very long time. We would like to refurbish it. I think de Vinci is quite a topic and would inspire our young scientists in the community.

Other aspects of the Grant would go towards handicap accessibility to our new building which we're in contract in the downtown, to help improve the downtown. That would also be true for an enhanced storefront so basically if awarded this Grant would help improve Main Street and provide education and enlightenment to low and moderate income families as well as the public at large.

I don't have something to submit in writing. Once again I was just asked at the last moment. I would be glad to submit it tomorrow."

Supervisor Walter: "Larry as is our custom I'll leave it open till the 26th before Thanksgiving so I'll leave it open till the 26th.

Larry Oxman: "Thank you very much."

Supervisor Walter: "Ok, thank you. Does anyone else wish to be heard?"

Steve Romano: "Good evening, Steve Romano, Riverhead. I'm not here to support or not approve any of the programs that the people are speaking about just to remind everybody where the funds come from which is our Federal Government which is a structurally flawed, dishonest budget that sooner or later we're all going to pay the price for; probably our children and our grandchildren. It's eighteen trillion in debt yet we have the money to hand down to every county, every municipality to hand out money and I'm not saying this is where we should start the cutting but just to say how do we delude ourselves to get to this point where we want services but we're not willing to pay for them. Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you. Does anybody else wish to be heard, Maureen's Haven? Just state your name and affiliation for the record."

Dwayne Wagner: "Thank you. My name is Dwayne Wagner. I'm on the Board of Directors of Maureen's Haven. I've been on that Board for eight years, past Chair of the Board.

First thing I would like to do is thank you for your past support of Maureen's Haven and I'd like to give you an update as to what we've done over the past year.

For those who are familiar with Maureen's Haven, it's mission is to advocate and protect the East End's homeless in addition to utilizing thirty-two houses of worship to provide overnight

shelter from November 1st to April 1st utilizing fifteen hundred volunteers that comprise those congregations. It also has a Day Center that is located in Riverhead. In that Center we have an Executive Director and two staff members who provide programs like resume building, interviewing skills, assistance in finding permanent housing. Maureen's Haven is more than sheltering the homeless in its churches, we're very proud of that. The hallmark of the program I think is the compassion that is shown to our clients. They are not treated as numbers. They are invited into the individual church families and they're treated accordingly by the volunteers within those church families.

To give you some numbers for last year, five thousand four hundred and sixty-three beds were made between November 1 of 2013 and April 1 of 2014. Three hundred thirty-seven individuals participated in the overnight program. The statistics I'm giving you are in the handout as well. Three hundred thirty-seven individuals participated in the program. Thirteen clients were moved into permanent housing so part of the goal again, is to get our clients employed and into permanent housing. Fifteen percent of the clients that we had were newly homeless and they basically reported that they became homeless due to a job loss and just basically a change in their income. That's important for everyone to understand. I mean statistically if you look at statistically many people if they lost their paycheck within six months if they didn't have family members that would step in and allow them to live in their home could very well become homeless. So when people look at the program and the people we serve, many of them if you're walking down the street you would never think that they were homeless. I participate as an overnight host in my church and I've actually had working homeless. People actually have jobs that couldn't afford rent.

And just in conclusion, the funds that you have provided and even to address that last comment, we engage in private fundraising. We engage in advocacy in connection with Municipal Boards like yourself. The dollars are used to assist people that basically are helpless at the time that we're helping them so I think I am thankful, I think our staff is thankful that there is government funding to assist. We don't just rely on government funding we raise a lot of money privately and basically in this economy it's a matter of aggregating all of the sources of funding and that allows us to accomplish the mission that we have. So if you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you. We're well aware you're doing a great job and opening that Center has relieved I know some of the folks still drop your clients off at the train station but I know you guys are working hard to stop that and thank you, thank you very much. How many days a week do they actually, I would imagine they're picking people up tonight. How many days a week do they drop them off at the train station verses your Center?"

Dwayne Wagner: "My understanding now is that, our move was to go exclusively to the Center. If there's any dropping off its maybe one but our goal when the Day Center was established was to have a place during the day that not only having people benefit from having some respite during the day when it's cold but also we offer the job training, we have computers there. So the whole idea is to break the cycle."

Supervisor Walter: "You've made a huge difference just in opening that Center. Thank you."

Dwayne Wagner: "Thanks for your support."

Supervisor Walter: “Anyone else wish to be heard?”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I just want to thank all the groups that are here today. Maureen’s Haven who help the homeless and the people that really need beds during the wintertime. I see them picking up these people with the vans and taking them out to churches and dropping them off and feeding them breakfast in the morning.

CAP, I work with CAP. In the schools they do a great job. We have counsels actually in three schools; they have volunteers in the Pulaski Street School so they do a great job.

Open Arms, I’ve worked with Open Arms, feeding the needy and that’s what we need. People today with this economy need food, need help and Open Arms gives them that.

Dominican Sisters, I haven’t worked with you guys but you do a great job and the Science Center teaching our kids all the science stuff which they need. So all these organizations that spoke today are good organizations and I just hope we can help as many as we can with funds that we get from the government.”

Supervisor Walter: “We’re limited at this point to twenty-five thousand.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “So thank you everybody for being here and speaking and I hope we can do it.”

Supervisor Walter: “Thank you John. We didn’t here from Bread and More Soup Kitchen.

Councilman Wooten: “We’re going to get a letter.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok, so we’re going to leave it open. We’re limited to twenty-five thousand in five thousand increments Chris if I’m not mistaken so we’ll leave it open for written comment. As I said Larry can submit it as well, not Larry but the Long Island Science Center to November 26th, 4:30 in the Town Clerk’s office. Thank you very much for doing God’s work everyone.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:27 p.m.

Left Open for Written Comment Until November 26 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #774

Councilman Dunleavy: “Adoption of Investment Policy for the Town of Riverhead, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “And I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote Please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #775

Councilman Wooten: “East End Arts Council School House Improvement Project Budget Adoption, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #776

Councilman Gabrielsen: “General Fund – Engineering Budget Adjustment, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #777

Councilman Gabrielsen: “General Fund – Justice Court Budget Adjustment, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #778

Councilman Dunleavy: “Authorizing Removal of Fixed Asset Records from System, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #779

Councilman Wooten: "Authorizing Removal of IT Fixed Asset Records from System, so moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And Seconded."

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #780

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Adoption of Municipal Finance Disclosure Policy, so moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Seconded."

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. "Resolution adopted."

Resolution #781

Councilwoman Giglio: "Scavenger Waste Fund Budget Adjustment, so moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

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

The Vote: Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy yes, Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #782

Councilman Dunleavy: "Riverhead Sewer Fund Budget Adjustment, so moved."

Councilman Wooten: “Second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes, Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes Walter, yes.
Resolution adopted.

Resolution #783

Councilman Wooten: “Authorizes Notice to Bidders for Maintenance and
Emergency Services Contracts Riverhead Water District, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes.
Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #784

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Accepts Highway Superintendent’s Personnel Report and
Request for Town Board Resolution to Effectuate Personnel Request (Robert Pecker), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes.
Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #785

Councilwoman Giglio: “Authorization to Publish Advertisement for Food and Meat
Products for the Town of Riverhead, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes.
Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #786

Councilman Dunleavy: “Authorization to Publish Advertisement for Street Lighting Parts for the Town of Riverhead; so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #787

Councilman Wooten: “Adopts a Local Law to Amend Chapter 101 Entitled “Vehicles & Traffic” of the Riverhead Town Code (101-10. Parking Prohibited, Ostrander Avenue); so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #788

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Adopts a Local Law to Amend Chapter 101 Entitled “Vehicles & Traffic” of the Riverhead Town Code Entitled “Vehicles & Traffic” of the Riverhead Town Code (101 - 10. Parking Prohibited, Pulaski Street); so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #789

Councilwoman Giglio: “Adopts a Local Law to Amend Chapter 108 Entitled “Zoning” of the Code of the Town of Riverhead, Article XIII; Supplementary Use Regulations (108-64. Prefabricated Dwellings), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #790

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes the Use of the Henry Pfeifer Community Center for Monthly Low Cost Spay and Neuter Services, so moved."

Councilman Wooten: "Seconded."

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

The Vote: Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #791

Councilman Wooten: "Adopts a Local Law Amending Chapter 108 Entitled "Zoning" of the Riverhead Town Code, Article XX, Subdivision Regulations (108-95. General Provisions), so moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #792

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Adopts a Local Law Amending Chapter 110 Entitled "Stormwater Management and Erosion and Sediment Control of the Riverhead Town Code (110-6. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans), so moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Seconded."

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

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted."

Resolution #793

Councilwoman Giglio: “Authorizes Emergency Ambulance Repair, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #794

Councilman Dunleavy: “Rescinds Resolution #459 of 2010, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “I can’t support demoting or penalizing an employee for recognizing and bringing to light injustices within our system. I’m going to vote no.

Vote Continued: “Gabrielsen, no; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #795

Councilman Wooten: “Accepts Donation of Band Saw from North American Surveillance Systems, Inc. for use by the Buildings and Grounds Department, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #796

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Authorizes Settlement of Legal Action by Nora Chodkowski against the Town of Riverhead; so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter.”

Supervisor Walter: “I’m going to abstain. I don’t really think there’s a conflict of interest here but the lawyer that represents this plaintive is a lawyer I’ve used before so I’ll abstain.”

Diane Wilhelm: “Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #797

Councilwoman Giglio: “Approves the Chapter 90 Application of Competitive Events Group (2015 Deep Pond Triathlon – August 15 and 16, 2015), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Can we (inaudible) formulating for next year, fees and stuff and we’re supposed to bring it up at the December 4th meeting. There’s no time limit on these. This is for next year. Can we table this?”

Supervisor Walter: “Well Jill were we going to put the cost? I don’t think there’s any police cost or anything with this. (inaudible)”

Councilman Wooten: (Inaudible)

Robert Kozakiewicz: “I think the question. On page two it’s subject to the execution of an agreement and taken of a fee as determined under that agreement no later than July 1 of next year.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok, that’s what we wanted to discuss. (Inaudible) We’re going to charge the (inaudible) to that. Police costs.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Well it’s just police costs but it’s other stuff we may use. We’re approving things without going over what we want to go over to start charging for some of our services like Buildings and Grounds and stuff like that so I think that we should. There’s no immediate time for us to pass this now why can’t we wait until. I don’t understand why we can’t wait until.”

Supervisor Walter: “John, this is the police and they don’t even use; the Deep Pond Triathlon, they do it on the ship. The only thing you would need are TCO’s and police; there’s nothing else in there that’s subject to that agreement. This is fine but this one is good with that.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And second it.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, no; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #798

Councilman Dunleavy: “Approves the Chapter 90 Application of Competitive events Group (2015 Deep Pond Triathlon – September 26, 2015), so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, no; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #799

Councilman Wooten: “Approves the Chapter 90 Application of Riverhead Adventures, LLC (5K Trail Run at EPCAL Veterans Memorial Park – Saturday, May 30, 2015), so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes, Gabrielsen, yes, Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, no; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #800

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Approves Chapter 90 Application of Riverhead Adventures, LLC (5K Trail Run at EPCAL Veterans Memorial Park – Saturday, September 19, 2015), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, no; Walter, yes. “Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #801

Supervisor Walter: “Before we take this one up.”

Someone: “(inaudible) done last year and only required police personnel.”

Supervisor Walter: “Ok, it’s only police personnel and they have the same issue. Sounds good. Can we move this one?”

Councilwoman Giglio: “Approves Chapter 90 Application of East End Tourism Alliance/Riverhead Foundation for Marine Research and Preservation (“Paddle Battle” Water Race – July 18, 2015), so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Seconded.”

Acting Supervisor Tobin: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy no, Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #802

Supervisor Walter: “And this is the same. This is Riverhead Rock Triathlon; same thing, police. (inaudible) Ok, well we may make it subject to (inaudible) at least subject to the police department so we may pick them up on the sanitation too and I have no problem doing that John. I have no problem making them do it.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Listen, we’re going to be short on the budget this year and I just to see if we get a lot of these out of town people that come to Riverhead and have fairs and come here and take our money back to the towns that they come from and I think you should give us a time to structure something and bring it to the Board and let the Board vote yes or no on that.”

Supervisor Walter: “Can we move the Resolution?”

Councilman Dunleavy: “Approves the Chapter 90 Application of Event Power (“Riverhead Rocks Triathlon” – August 8 and 9, 2015), so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “John, with all due respect I think we are putting together a schedule of fees that they’re going to have to pay and these are great events because it brings awareness to people from other towns to come and look at what we’re doing in our revitalization efforts so I agree with you. We need to get the money in so, but I’ll support it because I know we are going to be putting together a schedule and they will have to follow that schedule so yes.”

Vote Continued: “Gabrielsen.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “I think as a Board some of these events that we should really approach them and tell them about the needs like you said John for recreation or whatever and you know, kind of push them to come forward with some money. I think they should pay for this.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “We use Building and Grounds to clean up after these events and we don’t get any money in return for that and I think taxpayers shouldn’t be burdened. People come from out of town making money from an event and then going back home again.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “So the use of or facilities is got to be worth something. I think a dollar amount moving forward, yes.”

Vote Continued: “Wooten.”

Councilman Wooten: “Actually it’s a fine balance, you’re right. It shouldn’t cost the taxpayers, it’s an unseen benefit. There is a fine balance that we have to reach and I think (inaudible). I vote yes.”

Vote Continued: “Dunleavy, no; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #803

Councilman Wooten: “Authorizes Co-Sponsorship of Weekly Sunday Farmer’s Market from November 16, 2014 to May 17, 2015, with the Riverhead Business Improvement District Management Association, Inc., Authorizes Approval of a License Agreement with Designated Farm Vendors Regarding Real Property Located at 221 East Main Street, Riverhead, so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #804

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Authorizes the Acceptance of Donation from Riverhead Adventures, LLC (Long Island Adventure Race), so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, no; Gabrielsen.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “I want to thank Chris Whitt who is a local Riverhead who is donating six thousand dollars. It’s going to Stotzky Park playground equipment which is really in disrepair so I think that was a good target for this money so I vote yes.

Vote Continued: “Wooten, yes; Dunleavy.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I vote yes, and I want to thank Chris for his donation.”

Vote Continued: “Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #805

Councilwoman Giglio: “Sets Date and Time of 15th Annual Town of Riverhead Bonfire and Holiday Celebration, so moved.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, no; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #806

Councilman Dunleavy: “Authorizes Extension of Time to Remit Real Property Taxes for Senior Citizens Receiving Enhanced Star Pursuant to Section 425 or Section 467 of NYS RPTL, so moved.”

Councilman Wooten: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #807

Councilman Wooten: “Authorizes the Supervisor to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with Brixmor Property Group, Inc., so moved.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Resolution #808

Councilman Gabrielsen: “Pays Bills, so moved.”

Councilwoman Giglio: “And seconded.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. Resolution adopted.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “I’d like to make a motion we take the annual Town Budget off the floor to vote on it and it’s a constitutional right to vote yes or no and I think we should be given that right so I make a motion that we take the annual Town of Riverhead 2015 annual budget off the floor, so moved.

Councilwoman Giglio: “I’ll second.”

Supervisor Walter: “Moved and seconded. Vote please.”

The Vote: “Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen.”

Councilman Gabrielsen: “I just find this a little, I’m not saying disturbing but I’m trying to understand it because the way it works is that unless a Board member or members come forth with an amended budget which I don’t see here then the Supervisor’s budget becomes the budget. I think we’re going through something here that makes no sense to me so I’m going to vote no to taking off the floor.”

Vote Continued: “Wooten.”

Councilman Wooten: “I understand everyone wants to be heard on how they feel about this particular budget but you’re right short of having something in its stay to consider it’s just jumping through hoops so I vote no.”

Vote Continued: “Dunleavy.”

Councilman Dunleavy: “We’ve had requests put in with this Town Board to cut the budget a little more. I don’t want the taxpayers to be in the middle of next year to have to borrow money to get us past and the Town Board, I just think I should have my right to vote how I feel about this budget so I’m going to vote yes.”

Vote Continued: “Walter.”

Supervisor Walter: “I’ll stand by the budget. I’ll abstain.”

Diane Wilhelm: “The motion did not pass.”

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Supervisor Walter: “Anybody else wish to be heard tonight? Yes.”

Steve Romano came forward to speak about the Budget stating he did not know how the Board could say the budget was a structurally sound budget.

Supervisor Walter responded by saying there has not been a structurally sound budget since 1999.

Steve then said he is not in support of a tax increase but when the Board was discussing the landfill and the forty million dollar bill he feels that really is the issue that is dragging and not allowing the Board to do the things they want to do. He said he would have supported the tax increase because he feels that the residents have to start paying for what they want and if they won't cuts have to be made. He continued by saying the nine million dollar reserve is now at zero so now if the Board wanted to build a court complex or do infrastructure at EPCAL the Town can't because the funds are no longer there.

Supervisor Walter told Steve he would get the Town through next year. He said when he started in office there were three hundred and twenty-one employees. As of January first there will be two hundred and eighty-nine employees which means the work force has been cut by ten percent but that alone will not balance the budget. He said that it's only the general fund that is in trouble and in order to save four million the Board would have to cut twenty-five to thirty employees out of one hundred thirty employees. This is something that cannot be done. Supervisor Walter continued by saying the Town has not borrowed any money and they don't intend to borrow any money. He said that technically they are behind eight million because the CPF Fund is behind four million and in 2017 they run out of CPF funds and the general fund will then have to start paying it. The Supervisor said that along with developing EPCAL they are working with Assemblyman Fred Thiele to extend the CPF deadline from 2030 to 2040 and then put in the state legislature that the Town of Riverhead would automatically qualify to refinance its CPF debt through the Environmental Facilities Corporation thru 2040. If this is able to be done Riverhead would be able to refinance the remaining debt down to two point seven million dollars from five point nine million dollars.

Steven thanked the Supervisor for the clarification he gave concerning this matter. He then asked if the Town had come to a decision on maintaining and plowing private roads. Supervisor Walter said a Public Hearing will be held on December 2nd. Councilman Dunleavy gave a clarification by stating this had nothing to do with paving the roads this hearing only concerned plowing and repairing pot holes in the roads.

Steve asked if condominiums would be covered. Supervisor Walter replied that they would not.

Again Steve thanked the Board for their time.

Councilman Dunleavy: “I would like to make a motion that we close the Town Board meeting.”

Supervisor Walter: “All I favor?”

Collective ayes. Meeting is adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned 7:57 p.m.