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TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD

ONE WASHINGTON STREET

HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK 11550

TOWN HALL PAVILION

10:30 A.M.

JULY 5, 2016

TOWN BOARD MEETING

BEFORE: SUPERVISOR ANTHONY J. SANTINO

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APPEARANCES :

SENIOR COUNCILWOMAN GOOSBY (ABSENT)

COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN

COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO

COUNCILMAN HUDES

COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO

COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY

RECEIVER OF TAXES CLAVIN

CLERK AHMAD

TOWN ATTORNEY RA

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK MULLER

TOWN COMPTROLLER CONROY

1 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: I would like to
2 ask Councilman Ed Ambrosino to lead us in the
3 Pledge of Allegiance. Please Rise.

4 (Whereupon, Councilman Ambrosino led
5 the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
6 After the following ensued.)

7 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Thank you very
8 much.

9 Madam Clerk, please, call the roll.

10 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

11 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Here.

12 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

13 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Here.

14 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

15 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Here.

16 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

17 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Here.

18 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

19 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Here.

20 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-

21 Sweeney?

22 COUNCILWOMAN KING SWEENEY: Here.

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: First matter.

24 CLERK AHMAD: Petition of Commissioner
25 of Buildings to demolish and remove detached

1 Garage and porch and remove all litter and
2 debris from property - BALDWIN - north side
3 of Adams Street, 240 feet East of Grand
4 Boulevard - Department of Buildings.

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
6 that would like to be hard on this matter
7 before the Town Board?

8 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
9 After, the following ensued.)

10 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Okay, there being
11 none, I will ask for a Motion, please.

12 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY:
13 Supervisor, I move to close the Public
14 Hearing and adopt the item.

15 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Second the
16 motion.

17 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

18 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

19 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

20 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

21 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

22 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

23 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

24 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

25 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

1 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

2 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
3 Sweeney?

4 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next item,
6 please.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Local Law Re:
8 "Regulations and Restrictions" to limit
9 parking in Bellmore, Oceanside, Point
10 Lookout, West Hempstead (To amend Chapter 202
11 of the Code of the Town of Hempstead)

12 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
13 that would like to be heard on this matter?

14 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
15 After, the following ensued.)

16 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
17 I will accept a motion.

18 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Mr.
19 Supervisor, I move that the Public Hearing be
20 closed and the Local Law be adopted.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Second.

22 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

24 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

25 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

1 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

2 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

3 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

4 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

5 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

6 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
8 Sweeney?

9 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

10 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,
11 please.

12 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Local Law Re:
13 "Parking or Standing Prohibitions" in
14 Bellmore, West Hempstead (To amend Section
15 202-1 of the Code of the Town of Hempstead)

16 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
17 that would like to be heard on this matter?

18 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
19 After, the following ensued.)

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: May I have a
21 motion.

22 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Mr. Supervisor,
23 I move that the Public Hearing be closed and
24 the Local Law be adopted.

25 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Second.

1 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

2 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

3 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

4 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

5 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

6 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

8 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

9 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

10 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

11 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
12 Sweeney?

13 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

14 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next item,
15 please.

16 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Local Law Re:
17 "Arterial Stops" in BELLMORE (To amend
18 Section 197-5 of the Code of the Town of
19 Hempstead)

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
21 that would like to be heard on this matter,
22 please?

23 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
24 After, the following ensued.)

25 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none

1 I will ask for a motion.

2 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: I move to
3 close the Public Hearing and adopt the item.

4 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Second.

5 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

6 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

8 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

9 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

10 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

11 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

12 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

13 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

14 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

15 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-

16 Sweeney?

17 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

18 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next item,

19 please.

20 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Local Law Re:
21 "Marinas and Docks" (To amend Subsection 163-
22 35 of Chapter 163 of the Code of the Town of
23 Hempstead)

24 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
25 that would like to be heard on this matter,

1 please?

2 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
3 After, the following ensued.)

4 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
5 I will ask for a motion.

6 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Mr.
7 Supervisor, I move that the Public Hearing be
8 closed and the proposed Local Law be adopted.

9 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Second.

10 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

11 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

12 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

13 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

14 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

15 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

16 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

17 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

18 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

19 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

20 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-

21 Sweeney?

22 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,
24 please.

25 CLERK AHMAD: Propose increase and

1 improvement of the Town of Hempstead Refuse
2 Disposal District - Town of Hempstead.

3 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
4 that would like to be heard on this matter?

5 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
6 After, the following ensued.)

7 COUNCILMAN HUDES: I move the Public
8 Hearing be closed and the proposed increase
9 in improvements be adopted.

10 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Second.

11 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

12 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

13 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

14 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

15 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

16 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

17 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

18 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

19 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

20 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

21 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
22 Sweeney?

23 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

24 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,
25 please.

1 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed increase and
2 improvement of the Bowling Green Water
3 District - Town of Hempstead.

4 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone like to be
5 heard on this matter?

6 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
7 After, the following ensued.)

8 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
9 I will accept a motion.

10 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Mr. Supervisor,
11 I move the Public Hearing be closed and the
12 proposed increase be approved.

13 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Second.

14 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

15 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

16 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

17 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

18 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

19 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

20 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

21 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

22 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

23 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

24 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
25 Sweeney?

1 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

2 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,
3 please.

4 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed increase and
5 improvement of the East Meadow Water District
6 - Town of Hempstead.

7 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone like to be
8 heard on this matter?

9 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
10 After, the following ensued.)

11 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
12 I will accept a motion.

13 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Mr. Supervisor, I
14 move the Public Hearing be closed and the
15 proposed increase be approved.

16 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Second.

17 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

18 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

19 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

20 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

21 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

22 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

23 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

24 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

25 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

1 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

2 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
3 Sweeney?

4 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next item,
6 please.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Increase and
8 Improvement of the Levittown Water District -
9 Town of Hempstead.

10 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone like to be
11 heard on this matter?

12 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
13 After, the following ensued.)

14 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
15 I will accept a motion, please.

16 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Mr. Supervisor, I
17 move the Public Hearing be closed and the
18 proposed increase in improvements be
19 approved.

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there a
21 second?

22 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Second the
23 motion.

24 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

25 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

1 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

2 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

3 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

4 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

5 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

6 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

8 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

9 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
10 Sweeney?

11 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

12 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next items,
13 please.

14 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Increase and
15 Improvements of the Lido Point Lookout Water
16 District - Town of Hempstead.

17 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Is there anyone
18 that would like to be heard on this matter?

19 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
20 After, the following ensued.)

21 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
22 I will accept a motion, please.

23 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: I move the
24 Public Hearing be closed and the item
25 adopted.

1 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Second.

2 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

3 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

4 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

5 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

6 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

7 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

8 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

9 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

10 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

11 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

12 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-

13 Sweeney?

14 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

15 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,

16 please.

17 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed Increase and

18 Improvement of the Roosevelt Field Water

19 District - Town of Hempstead.

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone like to be

21 heard on this matter?

22 (Whereupon, no response was heard.

23 After, the following ensued.)

24 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,

25 I will accept a motion, please.

1 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Mr. Supervisor,
2 I move the Public Hearing be closed and the
3 proposed increase be adopted.

4 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Second the motion.

5 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

6 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

7 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

8 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

9 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

10 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

11 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

12 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

13 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

14 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

15 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-

16 Sweeney?

17 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

18 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Next matter,

19 please.

20 CLERK AHMAD: Proposed increase and
21 improvement of the Uniondale Water District -
22 Town of Hempstead

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Okay, Martha Ann
24 Brady.

25 Good Morning, your name and address

1 for the record.

2 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Martha Ann Brady.
3 517 Mize (as heard) Court, Uniondale.

4 Um, I know Uniondale Water District is
5 the oldest water district in the Town of
6 Hempstead dated back to 1933 according to the
7 flyer that we get on the testing that comes
8 through.

9 Um, I pulled up the Legal Notice and
10 find that, um, they are proposing 1.1 million
11 dollars for fixing this or updating whatever
12 and I see the other Water Districts and I am
13 assuming it is the same for the other Water
14 Districts.

15 If I had a leaky faucet in my house
16 and didn't repair it until it was running
17 full flow and the Water District saw this,
18 they would, according to my bills, they would
19 come after me.

20 Why is this taking so long to update
21 these things since 1933?

22 Have there been other initiatives in
23 between?

24 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Certainly there
25 have been.

1 To be more specific, I will have
2 Commissioner Reinhardt from our Water
3 Department explain.

4 COMMISSIONER REINHARDT: Good Morning,
5 the work as proposed under this initiative is
6 the acquisition of property and design being
7 professional design of a new well in the
8 Uniondale Water District for additional water
9 capacity for the District.

10 The District operates currently a peak
11 flow deficit.

12 It is augmented by surrounding
13 Districts.

14 This will provide additional wells to
15 meet the demands of that District.

16 Every year we have ten million dollars
17 of improvements that are done throughout our
18 Water Districts.

19 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: The new Well is
20 to meet increasing demands?

21 COMMISSIONER REINHARDT: Correct.

22 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: It is not a
23 repair of the existing mains or wells or
24 anything like that?

25 COMMISSIONER REINHARDT: Correct.

1 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Thank you.

2 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Oh, you are very
3 welcome.

4 Anyone else on this matter?

5 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
6 After, the following ensued.)

7 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
8 I will accept a motion.

9 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Mr. Supervisor,
10 I move the Public Hearing be closed and the
11 proposed increase be adopted.

12 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Second the motion.

13 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

14 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

15 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

16 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

17 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

18 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

19 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

20 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

21 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

22 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

23 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
24 Sweeney?

25 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

1 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: On the
2 Administrative Calendar.

3 CLERK AHMAD: On the Administrative
4 Calendar, this morning, we have Items 1
5 through 49.

6 COUNCILMAN HUDES: I move the
7 Administrative Calendar, 1 through 48 and
8 further move that the Hearing date for Item
9 49 be adjourned to September 6, 2016.

10 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Second the
11 Motion.

12 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Okay, just for
13 the record, do any Members of the Board want
14 to sever any items on the Administrative
15 Calendar?

16 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
17 After, the following ensued.)

18 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: There being none,
19 I will, now, call on residents that want to
20 speak about specific matters.

21 Mr. Felix Procacci?

22 FELIX PROCACCI: Felix Procacci. 1165
23 Barn Street, Franklin Avenue, New York.

24 Item Number 35.

25 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: 35?

1 FELIX PROCACCI: Yes, I mean, there
2 are two questions. Why is the Town hiring a
3 private investigator and you already have one
4 and why do you need a private investigator?

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Mr. Ra?

6 TOWN ATTORNEY RA: We have in-house
7 investigators.

8 We have a need for an investigator who
9 is retained and to do certain other types of
10 investigations.

11 FELIX PROCACCI: What type of
12 investigations?

13 TOWN ATTORNEY RA: I will have no
14 further comment on the types of
15 investigations that we do.

16 FELIX PROCACCI: Can I FOIL the types
17 of investigations - -

18 TOWN ATTORNEY RA: No.

19 FELIX PROCACCI: - - That the company
20 does?

21 TOWN ATTORNEY RA: Well, they haven't
22 done anything, yet.

23 The short answer is these are
24 investigations, so, by definition they are
25 highly confidential, so, we have a need for

1 an outside investigator in the Town of
2 Hempstead and that is why we are retaining
3 this firm.

4 FELIX PROCACCI: How can the residents
5 be rest assured that this money is not being
6 wasted and the investigation is really in the
7 public interest if you will never state what
8 that interest is?

9 TOWN ATTORNEY RA: Well, I would
10 imagine, from time to time, we will
11 discipline employees or find things that go
12 on at our facilities or people breaking in,
13 things like that.

14 There are a thousand different things
15 that happen, so, I don't know exactly how to
16 answer your question.

17 FELIX PROCACCI: This is sixty-four
18 dollars an hour, I know we have investigators
19 on salaries, here and, now, we are going to
20 pay this firm sixty-four dollars an hour.

21 I think the public deserves some
22 explanation for it because, otherwise, there
23 is no accountability, you know.

24 I know just - - I will give you a
25 perfect example when I FOIL receipts from

1 outside attorneys, you redact a lot of stuff
2 that doesn't need to be redacted.

3 You say, "privilege" but it is not
4 privileged.

5 So, if there is not accountability,
6 you get away with it and I have to go through
7 extraordinary means to get it un-redacted.

8 I am an unbiased person and, you know,
9 you don't want to share why you're hiring
10 this investigator and that is very troubling
11 because, you know, use it for a lot, nothing
12 in the public interest matters.

13 We are borrowing 12.7 million dollars
14 in the Resolution, we are proposing it last
15 year at the Budget Hearing.

16 I am asking a question, how much money
17 has been borrowed but not spent, yet for 2015
18 and that number was 11 million dollars and it
19 is on the video.

20 Watch it.

21 Um, how much money have you borrowed
22 and have yet spent?

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Mr. Conroy?

24 MR. CONROY: Mr. Supervisor and

25 Members of the Board:

1 We borrow on the basis of need to
2 answer your question.

3 My office would be glad to entertain
4 you after the meeting and tell you exactly
5 what we borrow, what we spent to date.

6 FELIX PROCACCI: All the items.

7 COMPTROLLER CONROY: Yes.

8 FELIX PROCACCI: Okay, that is fine.

9 Number 28, freelance photographer, I
10 asked this question. I have your mailing
11 regarding, um, you know, the Town spent
12 cutting discretionary spending.

13 Has the budget for freelance
14 photographers been cut?

15 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: A fulltime
16 photographer has retired or about to retire,
17 so, by replacing that fulltime employee with
18 hourly freelance people, it will be a
19 significant cost savings to the Town.

20 FELIX PROCACCI: We will not replace
21 fulltime, okay, that is fair.

22 I like that.

23 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: I am glad you
24 like that.

25 FELIX PROCACCI: Thirty-nine

1 through forty-six, I don't want to speak on
2 any of them, but I wish the Board would
3 change the policy on allowing others, myself,
4 if necessary, to speak on calling for a
5 Public Hearing, that person my only have that
6 day to come to a Town Board Meeting and they
7 may not be able to come the day it is being
8 discussed, so, they would like to put on the
9 record, what they have to say, so, I wish -
10 - I don't see any negative effect on the Town
11 Board or the Government.

12 I just see a benefit and encourage
13 more public participation, so, I wish the
14 Town Board would change the policy.

15 It never use to be that way. I feel
16 they changed when I started talking about it,
17 that is the feeling I get, you know, anyone
18 that wants to speak on calling of a Public
19 Hearing should be able to speak on the
20 details of it because that is where it really
21 is - - explain to the public and, um, I don't
22 understand, there is, you see, explain what
23 the purpose of having that restriction.

24 Is there any reason for it?

25 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Mr.

1 Prococci, I have explained in the past that
2 when we are calling the Public Hearing, we
3 are simply calling the Public Hearing.

4 Anything that is said at that aspect
5 of the Administrative Calendar does not go on
6 the record for the actual Public Hearing
7 because it is not the Public Hearing.

8 Therefore, we limit the comments of
9 anyone with respect to calling the date of
10 the Hearing, simply to what is actually
11 before the Town Board, which is calling the
12 date of the Hearing, the actual Hearing,
13 then, obviously, people can share their
14 thoughts and concerns because, then it
15 becomes part of the Public Record, that is
16 that answer.

17 You may not agree with it.

18 You may not like it. It was the
19 answer two weeks ago. It was the answer two
20 weeks before that, okay, so - -

21 FELIX PROCACCI: I absolutely
22 understand your answer.

23 It is usually implemented, the policy.

24 For some sort of reason, people want
25 to get their voice heard.

1 I do video record the meetings. You
2 video record the meetings.

3 People want to be heard and that is
4 the one day they can make the meeting.

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: It is not part of
6 the Public Hearing.

7 We are not going to argue the point on
8 the Administrative Calendar for the matter
9 that is actually being called.

10 It is only part of the Public Hearing
11 at the Public Hearing.

12 You may not agree with it.

13 FELIX PROCACCI: I agree with that,
14 that portion.

15 I just don't understand the reason for
16 the restriction for the - -

17 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: That is fine. We
18 agree to disagree.

19 FELIX PROCACCI: Okay, thank you.

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: No one else on
21 the Administrative Calendar?

22 Administrative Calendar, okay, come on
23 up.

24 Name and address for the record.

25 DIANE MADDEN: Diane Madden.

1 243 Cherry Place, East Meadow, New York.

2 Number 11, can you, please tell me is
3 that money for - -

4 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Sure,
5 Commissioner Marino?

6 COMMISSIONER: This Bond Resolution
7 calls for a 150-thousand-dollar capital
8 expenditure at the animal shelter.

9 Two specific items, one, to upgrade
10 the Vet room and the other to upgrade the
11 drainage problem, both of these were seventy-
12 five thousand, total, one hundred and fifty
13 thousand.

14 DIANE MADDEN: This is not in
15 connection with the - -

16 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Structurally, no.

17 DIANE MADDEN: And, Item Number 35, I
18 would like to commend hiring an investigator,
19 I think that never happened before in
20 previous administrations and I have to say, I
21 am not confident with the current
22 investigation in place.

23 This will bolster that investigation
24 and get down to the truth, so, I am glad to
25 see this happening.

1 And, um, I think it is admirable.

2 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Thank you.

3 Okay, anyone on the Administrative
4 Calendar?

5 Mary Ellen Kreye?

6 Name and address.

7 MARY ELLEN KREYE: Mary Ellen Kreye.
8 436 Locust Avenue, Uniondale.

9 So, on the Item Number 3, about the
10 open and abandoned buildings.

11 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Yes.

12 MARY ELLEN KREYE: I know Mr. Ra is
13 investigating the possibilities, which I
14 brought up, the Uniondale Community Land
15 Trust.

16 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Yes.

17 MARY ELLEN KREYE: And, I would like
18 to direct his attention to the work that was
19 done in Boston with the street initiative,
20 where they work closely with the City
21 government in order to take care of abandoned
22 homes, that is something that he could check
23 into.

24 On Number 21, underground ejection
25 control, what is "underground

1 | ejection"?

2 | SUPERVISOR SANTINO: 21?

3 | MARY ELLEN KREYE: 21, yes, please.

4 | SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Mr. Conroy?

5 | MR. CONROY: Underground ejection
6 | control stands for insects and the like. We
7 | are funding money here to monitor and
8 | maintain, at the directive of the EPA to
9 | ensure that situation is mitigated.

10 | Again, it is standard water - -

11 | MARY ELLEN KREYE: It sounds weird to
12 | call it "underground ejection."

13 | And, the last one I am interested in
14 | is 32, the question about radiation of
15 | permissible hours of structural work on
16 | buildings, so, this is temporary suspension
17 | of enforcement, what were the hours and why
18 | are they being adjusted?

19 | SUPERVISOR SANTINO: I believe and
20 | Commissioner Rottkramp, you can correct me if
21 | I am wrong, this is still Hurricane Sandy
22 | related.

23 | We are allowing work on Saturdays and
24 | Sundays and in others, we would not

1 necessarily allow work to facilitate
2 buildings that were damaged.

3 COMMISSIONER ROTTKAMP: That is
4 correct, Supervisor, Saturdays and Sundays.

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone else on the
6 Administrative Calendar?

7 Name and address for the record.

8 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Martha Ann Brady.
9 517 Mize Court, Uniondale, New York.

10 In regards to one of these properties
11 on Number 3 in Uniondale, Number 350 Newport
12 Road, um, that is one of the older ones that
13 had been boarded up for a number of years an
14 about two months ago, I noticed it was being
15 fixed up.

16 There is a car in the driveway. There
17 are people outside.

18 Is this, um, a legal residence or is
19 this squatters living in there?

20 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Commissioner
21 Rottkamp?

22 COMMISSIONER ROTTKAMP: Supervisor, we
23 boarded this house up, however, I don't know
24 from that.

25 I have to look into that.

1 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Okay, thank you.

2 Okay, Number 5, roadwork in the
3 unincorporated areas of Uniondale includes
4 some of this roadwork?

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Yes, it is Town
6 wide.

7 There will be some in Uniondale.

8 MARTHA ANN BRADY: I know they did
9 Hempstead Boulevard and Uniondale Avenue, all
10 the way to the High School and one of the
11 areas that is substitute for Uniondale Avenue
12 is California Avenue from Cedar Street to
13 Front Street.

14 It is a rollercoaster and a friend of
15 mine lives on there.

16 I asked her when was the last time
17 that this road was repaired, not just patched
18 up?

19 It has patched on patches and it is
20 more than fifty years since this has been
21 done.

22 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Can we address
23 the overall question.

24 COMMISSIONER: This is a bid. This is
25 an award for a bid for a contract.

1 It is our requirement contract.

2 This is new repairs around Town,
3 different areas, catch basins, that type of
4 stuff.

5 We can look at California Avenue,
6 though.

7 MARTHA ANN BRADY: In a car, no in a
8 big truck. You don't feel it.

9 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Commissioner
10 Costano, I would appreciate if you would look
11 at California Place personally and see what
12 the Highway Department can do.

13 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Thank you.

14 One more, if you don't mind, um,
15 Number 42, prohibition of left turns in
16 Uniondale, can you be more specific on that?

17 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Yes, from our
18 Traffic Control Department.

19 TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICER: I would have
20 to do research on this, so, I would be able
21 to have information.

22 I will take the information down from
23 the residents, name and phone and have it for
24 the next Town Board Meeting.

25 MARTHA ANN BRADY: Okay, thank you.

1 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Anyone else on
2 the Administrative Calendar?

3 (Whereupon, no response was heard.
4 After, the following ensued.)

5 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Okay, there being
6 none, then, it has been moved and seconded,
7 Madam Clerk, if you can call the roll?

8 CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

9 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

10 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

11 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

12 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

13 COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

14 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

15 COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

16 CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

17 COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

18 CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
19 Sweeney?

20 COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

21 SUPERVISOR SANTINO: A motion to
22 adjourn the meeting?

23 COUNCILMAN HUDES: I move that the
24 meeting be adjourned.

25 COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Second.

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CLERK AHMAD: Supervisor Santino?

SUPERVISOR SANTINO: Aye.

CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Ambrosino?

COUNCILMAN AMBROSINO: Aye.

CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Blakeman?

COUNCILMAN BLAKEMAN: Aye.

CLERK AHMAD: Councilman D'Esposito?

COUNCILMAN D'ESPOSITO: Aye.

CLERK AHMAD: Councilman Hudes?

COUNCILMAN HUDES: Aye.

CLERK AHMAD: Councilwoman King-
Sweeney?

COUNCILWOMAN KING-SWEENEY: Aye.

(Whereupon, the official meeting was
adjourned.)

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I, Melanie Dorman, a Certified,
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in and for the State of New York do hereby
certify that the foregoing testimony taken in
the matter of the testimony taken on
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I SET MY HAND THIS DAY.

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