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(The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I'd like to call the meeting to order. The Pledge to the Flag.
(All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Please remain standing for a moment of silence for Bernard P. Creedon, William T. Moller, and Elise S. Webb.
(A11 remained standing for a Moment of Silence)

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. You may be seated.

Okay. I've got one announcement. We have a liquor license application for Barbabianca Corporation, 102 Main Street. If anybody would like to comment on that, you send your comments to the State Liquor Authority on their website.

We've got three public hearings. We're going to start with the first public hearing. We've got a large crowd here tonight, that's great. If everybody could keep the chitchat down to a quiet level, we'll get to our public hearings, and then we welcome the public to address the Board. All right? So we're going to go through the public hearings first.

The first one is a public hearing for the
addition of $\$ 1,243.75$ to the tax bill for $221 / 223$
Center Street, per the assessment of costs to abate nuisances.

The public hearing has been noticed. We have the list of expenses that were incurred by the Village going on the tax bill. I'll open up the public hearing, if anybody would like to address the Board on this public hearing. We're going to do just one topic at a time, and then we'11 get into the public comments. So is there any comments on the public hearing on 221/223

Center Street?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We have no comments.
I'11 entertain a motion to adjourn -- to close.
Excuse me, to close the public hearing.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Close.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: So moved.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.

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Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. The public hearing is closed. We will be voting on that later on this evening. We're trying do to that to get it added to the tax bill, which goes out to the Assessor's Office in March.

All right. The second public hearing is a proposed Local Law amending the on-street parking rules after a snowfall of two inches or more.

It's been noticed. The proposed public hearing has been out to the public. It's been -it was attached to the agenda. If anybody would like to address this, come on up, state your name and address for the record. And we're going to do just this public hearing now, so comments on the amended snow fall law.

MS. ALLEN: Chatty Allen, Fifth Avenue. I think this is a great idea. I mean, years ago, it used to be, whether there was snow or not, you couldn't park on the streets. That was done to have something on the books, regardless of the time of a storm, because you never know when they're going to hit. The cars need to get off the road.

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We have a lot of narrow streets. The plows need to be -- get through. If it happens to fall during the week, school buses need to make wide turns. If cars are on the street and they -- the plows haven't been able to get around them, it's very difficult and dangerous for drivers to be picking -- not just picking and dropping off, but for the students themselves finding a safe place to stand.

So I support this 100\%. You know, no matter how much -- what time of day or night it is, it should be a common sense thing, get your car off the road to make it safe for everyone. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Go ahead.
MR. SWISKEY: William Swiskey, 184 Fifth Street. Shouldn't this law really read if it's forecast to be two inches or more? Because if you park your car there at 9 o'clock at night and suddenty it's -- or you go to bed at 10, it starts to snow and there's three inches by midnight, I mean, I think it should be more along the lines, if it's forecast, you get your car off the street. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Any other comments? Okay.

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MS. SMITH: Liz Smith, South Street. I'm all for the public safety part of this. I have a clarifying question.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Sure.
MS. SMITH: Is there an intention, or maybe what is the intention for follow-up when folks don't take their cars off the road? And I ask this because of the shoveling snow on the street, which is my understanding also on our books as something that people have to do, and if anyone was trying to walk down the streets.

Days after the last snow fall, there were numerous businesses and residents that were not -not shoveled. So I'm just trying to find out, is this -- it sounds good in words, or is there going to be repercussions if people don't follow this?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Well, I could tell you, the intention of the law, was the first question, was just --

MS. SMITH: Yeah.
MAYOR HUBBARD: It said, you know, overnight parking before. The last two snow storms we had happened during the day. So, really, if you were written a ticket for something that says you can't park if it's predicted for more than two inches

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overnight, at 10 o'clock in the morning, the snow starts, technically, you weren't supposed to be off the street. So we're trying to change that so whenever it's predicted, day or not, to get the cars off.

We did write out numerous tickets, only a couple in the first storm. The second storm, there was 30 -something tickets.

MS. SMITH: For shoveling or for the cars?
MAYOR HUBBARD: No, this is just for the cars.

MS. SMITH: Okay.
MAYOR HUBBARD: This is -- that's a different part of the code, though. Well, I'm just explaining this part of it.

MS. SMITH: Yeah. No, great. I'm trying to understand how it's going to manifest.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Right. So it was
30 -something tickets on the second storm. There was only about 15 on the third storm, because most people got off the road. So, you know, the ticketing did help. We don't like doing that. We try to warn people and get them to move. But if it doesn't happen -- the shoveling part is a different section of the code. Within 24 hours,
it's supposed to be taken care of and shoveled. We did not go out and do strict enforcement on that. We had a few complaints. Most people seemed to be complying, but I know there were a few spots that didn't, and we will be stepping that up also.

MS. SMITH: Okay. So the ticketing has happened on the roads, but not on the streets, but potentially in the future there will be --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
MS. SMITH: Got it. Thank you for the clarification.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MS. SMITH: I appreciate it.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.
MR. SWISKEY: George.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Go ahead.
MR. SWISKEY: William Swiskey, 184 Fifth Street.

It doesn't say predicted snowfall here, like you said, it says after a snow fall. I think you should change that clause.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah, we will. I mean, we're just taking comments tonight. But when we go to actually vote on it next month, we will make

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sure that that's in there.
MR. SWISKEY: Thank you.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yup. Anybody else which to comment on the snow flaw public hearing? Snow fall, not flaw.
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I offer a motion to close the public hearing. We will take comments. We'11 discuss it at our work session and we'11 be voting on that next month.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'11 second that.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 right. A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
Al1 right. The third public hearing was proposed local law amending the rental properties code to include all rental properties, and to revise the application requirements.

This is -- it's been noticed and everything

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else. We have a couple of written comments that the Clerk has. Also, we're going to take comments from the public on it.

The intention of this was we had a rental law that was passed, I believe, five years ago that had a lot of exclusions for people that didn't have to apply to it. Owner-occupied, low-income housing didn't have to pay for it, a lot of different stuff. And a lot of places in the Village were not being inspected, because they did not fall into the original rental law.

There's been a lot of talk about a short-term rental law and the Airbnb stuff. We've worked on that for three to four years. It's in Code Committee. The Village Board, we've had at least half a dozen public hearings. We never came up with a consensus of what to do with that. So this was my idea, my proposal to say let's get all the places registered, we know exactly how many we have, and then we can break out the short-term rental part of it in the future. But at least this way, we believe there's around 150 rentals in the Village that slipped through the first rental law and were never inspected.

Our intention is to get all the places

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inspected, make sure they have CO detectors, smoke detectors, safe living conditions for all the tenants that are in there, and then we'11 try to tackle the short-term rental law at a future time.

So that's the brief rundown of what we got. Anybody wish to address the Board on the public hearing on the rental law?

MS. MC ENTEE: Good evening. It's Joanne McEntee, 242 Fifth Avenue.

First, I'd like to just give you a little bit of background of me. I've owned a few homes, and I've also had rental units, or rental homes, sorry.

I have gone through and I feel that there are some things that are omitted or have been omitted from this, the current rental law, because the current rental law is what was on the website; is that correct?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's what's actually in the code, yes.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
MS. MC ENTEE: Right now, okay. I believe that anyone who asks for a rental -- or that is required to have a rental permit should have it prior to them renting out their home. This is not
done currently.
And I also will look at Section 107-3(B), Item No. 2. And it says it's asking for the name, the address and the phone number of the management agent. There is -- and I believe it should not be a P.O. box, I believe it should be a street address. I believe there should also be a street address with the owner. If it's an LLC, corporation, it always should be a street address.

Item No. 5, which is not on there, which I feel that should be on there, is that there should be a floor plan of these rental homes. Years -- I know a while back it was on there; it is not on there currently. And to me, going forward say 10 years, you know what, the next person, say, who was inspecting the house, it doesn't matter -- it could be next year, a different person is inspecting the house, sees something different, they don't know what they're going into. It's easier to see what a floor plan looks like to know what was there.

This also will eliminate people who put up curtains, people who put up partitions, people who actually have locked doors. It certainly would help in inspections.

I understand there is a two-year permit. So, in reading this, the fee is $\$ 100$ per annual -biannual, excuse me, fee. So I -- when I register my car, I have to pay for a two-year annual fee. Am I misunderstanding that these -- the rental permit has -- is paid every six months? Based on what? Or why isn't this -- if this is supposed to be a two-year rental agreement, why are -- why does it state earlier in this agreement that it's two years -- I mean, that it's biannual at $\$ 100$ ? Simply make it simple, $\$ 400$ two years. It's real basic.

When I register my car, it's two years.
When I pay for my car insurance, sure, I have to make payments, and that's what they're doing to the Village. This is not necessary. These are people who own a home, who are -- generally have the funds to have a rental. I feel it's unnecessary to drag it out for $\$ 100$.

I also feel that in 103-9, which is the term of permits and renewal, No. 2, I do not feel that that is even necessary. I honestly feel that what you're saying there is that the inspection by the Building -- that the home should be inspected by our Village Code Enforcer, our Building Inspector,
not to take an -- a sworn affidavit. Anybody can do a sworn affidavit and take it to someone that they know and notarize it. That doesn't make sense to me. Sure, they're telling a lie, but that doesn't cover you completely, in my opinion.

But to take someone's opinion and to be able to say that -- you know, I feel that we should be walking into these buildings, making sure they're safe, and inspect them ourselves, and check the floor plan at the same time.

Section 103-10 is register oath permits. I also feel not only do the -- should the - - I believe it's the permit. It says to state the number of -- oh, they're going to have a register. So I feel this register should also list the number of kitchens.

I'm a bit confused about 103-11, where it says "fees". I'm very uncertain about why the rental fees are exempt for certain owners, stating that, you know, there is a one-year -- excuse me. It doesn't make sense to me that someone should get tax exempt for having STARs, or Veterans, unless you are owner-occupied. If you're owner-occupied, more power to you, I am all for it. If you are not owner-occupied, I do not think
that anyone, any renter that's making money that's really -- has his house as a rental income piece of property that should have an exempt for STARs, Veterans, citizens -- senior citizens.

I do believe that if it was owner-occupied and there was -- and we did have firefighters or ambulance corps in there, that they are entitled and should be entitled to have exempt. But I also feel that should be an owner-occupied residence. But let it be that, not where there's a two-family and they're asking, "Please, just waive me for the fee," because I don't agree with that.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. If I could just clarify that. The STAR exemption, the Veterans exemption only apply for your primary residence, so --

MS. MC ENTEE: It doesn't state that, state that here.

MAYOR HUBBARD: But that's the way the law is written. It only applies to your primary residence, so it would have to be owner-occupied. That's --

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay. But, again, our law does not state that, and senior citizens exempt, and to have firefighters and ambulance corps, it

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doesn't say that it has to be owner-occupied.
They're also asking for sworn affidavits, just, again, from the homeowner, stating that they're going to have a senior citizen there. You know, let's make sure that there's -- give them proof. You know, a sworn affidavit could be done from anybody. Give proof to this Village.

There also is, on 103-12, regulations, Item No. C, and it states that we -- about two -- no more than two bedrooms shall be committed in the basement of a rental property. First of all, number one, I feel that there should be no rental in anyone's basement, with the exception that possibly, if the Board truly still feels that this is necessary, that there has to be two exit doors. There really has to be.

This is -- you know one person, a fire gets at the first door, how are they going to get out? They're dead. That's to me a no-brainer. I would say that that has to do with, I would hope, within the New York State Code, but it really doesn't clearly state that there.

I'm not sure if this is important at this point, but maybe it's something that I need to bring up later on, that these cars that are parked
in these rental homes, they are two cars -- there are generally two cars to a family. We all work. Most of the husbands and the wives work. They both have different jobs, different towns. Our current code, 150-8-12-2 -- excuse me. 150-8(B)-2-C states that we have a code of having one-and-a-half per dwelling unit, per living unit, I should say. To me, that's not adequate. We've seen it at many Board meetings, many Zoning meetings, Planning Board meetings. It's not -it's really -- we have graduated. We have gone beyond that one-and-a-half car. We really need to address that. And maybe now is not the time to bring that up, but is it necessary for me to bring it up again when we talk later on?

MAYOR HUBBARD: No. We've taken all the -all the information is going down, and we will discuss everything that's being said on this public hearing today.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay. Because that's really not in this code here, in this, in this rental law, because there is a separate zoning law for it. So I just -- if it's necessary, I will bring it up.

I feel that -- I'11 leave that for last,

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actually.
Mr. Doug Roberts had in the work session of 9/15, and I don't know if this is still taken into consideration -- is this taken into consideration in all the decision-making, his work session agenda issues?

MAYOR HUBBARD: I'm not sure of the question, Joanne.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay. He had removed quite a bit from his -- what he felt, and he's certainly not an attorney, what he felt was necessary to make it a better rental agreement, but focusing more on the resident and not the homeowner. And the homeowner has to be protected here as well. I mean, items that he's eliminated --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Well, I mean, the comments came from all the Board.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay.
MAYOR HUBBARD: The whole Board had comments on this. It wasn't just one Trustee that had it, or whatever.

MS. MC ENTEE: Right.
MAYOR HUBBARD: This was the consensus of the whole Board --

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay.

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MAYOR HUBBARD: -- myself included. And it's --

MS. MC ENTEE: So let me address it.
MAYOR HUBBARD: That's what we're proposing now as a group effort to move this forward, it's not just one person.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay. So then I will address what he's removing, or, excuse me, the majority, or the people that have discussed it, about removing Section 103-17, which is presumptive evidence of multi-family occupancy. And, basically, it's telling -- it's saying that -he's crossing out just about every -- or, sorry, the Board is crossing out on the $9 / 16$ work session agenda, crossing out quite a bit, almost all of it, if I'm not mistaken. One mailbox --

MR. PROKOP: You're not -- you're not referring to this law --

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: That's in there.
MR. PROKOP: -- that's put before the Board tonight, you're --

MS. MC ENTEE: No, I am. I am incorporating, because $I$ just don't want this to come up after I speak and for me not to be able to say something. I guess I could rebuttal. But I

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just want to make sure that this is -- to me, this is very important. There are people that are -that are doing things incorrectly. There are people that are doing things incorrectly. And, you know, there are extra meters on people's homes, that, in my opinion, should -- it is a rental home, and yet it's not logged as a rental home. So there are removed how many door bells there are, how many satellites there -- are there for antennas and, you know, satellite dishes I should say. Motor vehicles, and registered or not, different -- it doesn't state the out-of-state ones, but we know there's many of them there. But I'm concerned about that being eliminated. I would like it to stay, because I think it's extremely important to stay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Joanne, I'm sorry, I need to get a clarification. You're talking about 103-17.

MS. MC ENTEE: Yes.
MAYOR HUBBARD: It's also in that.
MR. TASKER: It is there.
MR. PROKOP: But she's looking at a
different version.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You're looking at a

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different version, because that, what you're talking about --

MS. MC ENTEE: No. This was Doug Roberts'.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, I'm sorry, I misunderstood.

MS. MC ENTEE: This was Doug Roberts' proposal to take out all the things that do not protect a landlord. And it is easy for anybody to walk in and say, you know, "Sorry, that's not in our law."

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it's in this version.
MS. MC ENTEE: And it's harder to give them a ticket, a violation.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I understand. But what I'm trying to say is what you're saying in his work session, that was a topic of discussion among us, okay? That 103-17 is in this current --

MS. MC ENTEE: And I agree with that.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Oh, okay. All right.
I'm a little confused.
MS. MC ENTEE: And I agree that it is in there currently.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
MS. MC ENTEE: But if it comes up for discussion, this is an issue, not -- in my
opinion, it should not be removed.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I just wanted to get that clarified. It was kind of a little confusing.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: When is -- if I may. If I may, when was --

MS. MC ENTEE: It was the date of -- excuse me, 9/15/2016 work session for the Village Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Oh, September?
MS. MC ENTEE: Yeah.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: September.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Okay. All right. So that --

MS. MC ENTEE: This is fairly new. This is nothing that we hadn't discussed in the past.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: No, I understood. I just wasn't sure what you were referencing at the time and I was trying to follow through. So this is --

MS. MC ENTEE: I'11 certainly give you a copy, if you want me to forward you a copy.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: No, no, that's no problem. I'm sure I have it in my email.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay.

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TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: I just -- I didn't realize ou were going back to September right now. It's just I wasn't --

MS. MC ENTEE: Well, we don't know what's being brought up, but this is an issue that really should stay in.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
He's eliminating the -- that there is a presump -- these are all presumptives and evidence of a multi-family occupancy.

MAYOR HUBBARD: But those are still in the law. Did you read the law that we're proposing now?

MS. MC ENTEE: I did. I actually did. I spent a lot of --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah, they're in the law that have right --

MS. MC ENTEE: They are.
MAYOR HUBBARD: That's we're talking about now. Okay. So --

MS. MC ENTEE: But please understand that I'm requesting that they do stay. So I'm up here not to say what's good, what's bad.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MS. MC ENTEE: I'm up here to say really

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both, you know, what -- if you want me to just say what should be added, I can do that, because I'm sure people will object to me.

MAYOR HUBBARD: No. I mean, you're saying he proposed something, but it was not removed. It's part of the law that we have --

MS. MC ENTEE: Right.
MAYOR HUBBARD: -- that's in front of us right now, so it was not removed.

MS. MC ENTEE: But we didn't have a hearing back then. We didn't have a hearing back then. What we're doing is having a hearing now, so it's brought up, because it wasn't that many months ago.

MAYOR HUBBARD: No, but we had a lot of discussions on a lot of different topics, and the consensus was to go with what we have proposed right now, and that's what we're taking comments on.

MS. MC ENTEE: Okay.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Because we had a lot of different ideas that went around and they didn't make it into the final draft.

MS. MC ENTEE: Right, I agree.
MAYOR HUBBARD: So that's why. I mean, understand you bringing that up, but, I mean,

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that's not -- that wasn't removed. He might have red-1ined it in the version back then, but it's not part of the law that we have right now, and those items are still in the law that we're proposing.

MS. MC ENTEE: So you're telling me that none of Doug Roberts' 9/15/2016 --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Only what's in the version that we have that's attached.

MS. MC ENTEE: -- are going to be red-lined?
MAYOR HUBBARD: No. What you have, in the attached version you have right now, whatever is in that is what we're proposing to become the new rental law.

MS. MC ENTEE: That's perfect. I will add just for the record that $I$ do ask, just in case it comes up also, 103-18, he had asked for the removal of that as well.

A11 of these do not protect a landlord. You have to worry about a landlord's protection as well, not just the residents'. And Mr. Roberts, in my opinion, is here, or Trustee Roberts is here to mainly focus in on the residents. I get that for a certain point, but, you know what, we are homeowners. There are people that hear who have

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rentals and need their home protected.
Thank you for listening to me tonight.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you. Anybody else wish to address the public hearing on the rental law?

MS. ALLEN: Chatty Allen, Fifth Avenue.
I think it needs to start, which I have said numerous times. Anyone that rents needs to pay a rental fee. It needs to be inspected. It goes along with a lot of what the previous speaker was just talking about as far as every place, whether it's owner-occupied or not, multi-family, single family. Every unit, every home should have to have a rental agreement.

And I do agree with it should be a yearly thing. If you want to have them pay every two years, then you double what you're asking right now. Believe me, with what landlords are getting for rents right now, that's a drop in the bucket for them for one unit. A lot of landlords have multiple homes that they're renting, multiple units.

And I do have one question with -- when you talk multi-family, it usually means two. I don't know what -- like where I live, there's eight

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apartments. Is there a rental fee for each one of those apartments, or is there just one fee for the entire home?

MAYOR HUBBARD: That's something we will have to investigate. The original rental law, that didn't apply to multi-family homes.

MS. ALLEN: Okay.
MAYOR HUBBARD: So --
MS. ALLEN: Because that's my question.
MAYOR HUBBARD: As we move this forward and try to move on after this public hearing, we'11 discuss that and I will have an answer for you.

MS. ALLEN: Okay. Because I feel that whether it's one apartment, one home, or if like in my case there's eight, there should be a rental permit for every single unit.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MS. ALLEN: And I agree with a lot of what Joanne was saying, that, yeah, everyone needs to be protected, you know, the tenants and the landlords. And next time $I$ do have a thing about landlords, but this is a packed house tonight, so I'11 leave that for another evening. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Anybody else wish to address the Board on the rental law public

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hearing?
MR. KREILING: Paul Kreiling, 149 Sixth Street.

Having reviewed an earlier version of it, I have a number of comments. I'm wondering why -first, this is the first time I've seen this final draft of it. It's kind of hard to review it having seen it only just a couple of minutes ago. But my comments are primarily about the burden on the Village itself.

When I look at this -- the earlier version and then I look back at this version, there's a number of things that we have to do as a Village. One is just for the application process. We're talking $\$ 400$ a year -- $\$ 400$ for two years. We have to inspect the building, review the paperwork, maintain a register. And I would assume there's ongoing routine inspections to make sure things are up to snuff. There seems a lot of burden on the Village for very little push-back, very big.

I think that there's also another thing when I was reading it. Following up on complaints, that we will get warrants. Then are we now policemen? As a Village, are we policemen, or do

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we go through proper channels? That wasn't -that wasn't -- that wasn't clear.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We can't issue a warrant ourselves.

MR. KREILING: No. You would have to go through to get a warrant. Now --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes. If there's a serious violation, it goes through the court, and you will get a warrant with the Village Attorney through the court to do that.

MR. KREILING: Okay. What's the time frame in that, as far as -- I mean, if there's some serious violation ongoing like a dog chained in the backyard, whatever, how do we as a Village remedy that, just call the police right away or --

MAYOR HUBBARD: If it's a serious violation, yes, you would call the police. The Building Inspector would go. If they need police assistance to get into a place, they would have the police and then they would get a warrant if it was something that was that serious.

MR. KREILING: Okay. One of the other things that -- the exemptions from the fee, as was spoken before. It looks like the only people that are not exempt are out-of-town owners, or anyone
who is -- owns two houses in this town is not old. I see -- that's the way I read it. We have Enhanced STAR, we have Veterans, we have senior citizens, those who rent to firemen and ambulance workers, those who rent to senior citizens. I think the volunteer firemen and the senior citizens, or disabled, is wonderful. And if \$400 is a motivator for people to rent to low income, I mean, I think, really, there should be a way to up the game for that, because we do have a -- we do have a population that needs to rent. And rents are ridiculously expensive, and we have a number of people -- I mean, I couldn't live on my income. If I didn't have a double income in my house, I couldn't afford my --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Uh-huh.
MR. KREILING: I mean, so that's why we are doubling up, that's why we get -- so I should think there should be some incentive to a landlord to help these people start out, you know, or to finish up, as the case may be. That's the one thing. And that's all I have to say on the rental 1aw.

Now that -- now that it's not including, short-term, because the version that $I$ had just
from the other day didn't include the short-term rental. How many rental properties do we have in this town?

MAYOR HUBBARD: We don't know that for sure, yet. That's one of the issues we've had.

MR. KREILING: A, A.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Because with all the exemptions, people didn't have to register. So now we're telling -- 87 properties were done during -- through the original rental law. We're guessing there's probably 100 to 150 more that were all exempt and they didn't have to go through it. Now we're going to try to encompass those properties in, so that all of the properties are registered and inspected. Whether they have exemptions or not, that's something that will work through the paperwork, but all properties will be inspected.

MR. KREILING: How do we go about -- how do we go about getting that list? I mean, what's -do we go through tax codes, and is that --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Two-family homes, ones that have multiple utility accounts in the same building, stuff like that, owner-occupied ones. You know, it's going to be a process, but we have
additional staff in the Building Department now, so we have a plan. And we feel that we're prepared to move this to the next level with the new additions we've had in the Building Department. And there's really going to be no additional cost to the Village to do this, because the people are on staff. We're just going to step up doing the inspections.

MR. KREILING: Now, my question is, is there a -- is there a time frame when this will be enacted?

MAYOR HUBBARD: As soon as we go through and have the public hearing with the final version and we vote on it, then it takes 30 days after that for it to become law.

MR. KREILING: Okay. Is that enough time for everyone to file and be up to code for this rental season?

MAYOR HUBBARD: It has to pass before we actually can start enforcing it, so it's not something that would have to be -- we're not going to have people be in compliance before the law is passed. So there's going to be a learning curve along with it.

MR. KREILING: Right.

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MAYOR HUBBARD: Or working curve as we go through it. Once it becomes law, then letters will go out as soon as possible, and schedule inspections as soon as we can after that.

MR. KREILING: Okay. So there will be an ongoing process throughout the summer, so it won't really affect many of the people who are doing their short-term rentals for the summer, if they're in good faith?

MAYOR HUBBARD: No. To schedule an
inspection, it takes 45 minutes to do an inspection, so there'11 be more than enough time to do that. We'11 have -- you know, our second Building Inspector will be certified. In May, he finishes his last class, so we'll have two people available to do it, and we're going to get right on. If it becomes law, whatever version becomes law, we're going to try to enforce it as soon as possible.

MR. KREILING: Okay. But there must be a draft -- there must be a period of where things aren't quite inspected, and, yet, they're still -property owners have the ability to rent their properties.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Nobody is going to be turned

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away from renting this summer, if they've got leases and they're a1ready renting. This is trying to get the rest of the Village in compliance of something that started a couple of years ago and kind of just came to a dead end, and we want to enforce the rest of the code.

MR. KREILING: Thank you.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Thank you. Anybody else wish to address the Board on the rental law?

MS. QUIGLEY: Hi. Kathryn Casey Quigley, 518 First Street.

I just have two questions. The first is kind of echoing what the last gentleman was saying with regard to how onerous it will be for the Village to investigate these types of rental facilities and two family houses. Just as an example, my house, I purchased it, it's a two-family, but we're the only family living in it. I'm just wondering how many houses will be like that throughout the Village and how onerous that might be. That's my first question.

And the other one is I'm just wondering if there's anything -- and I apologize, I haven't had a chance to digest this too much, but if there's been any consideration to incentivizing long-term
rentals over short-term rentals? So I know that it's very hard to find year-round housing in the Village. And for understandable financial reasons, individuals are -- want to rent -- do short-term summer rentals, and that makes it really hard for people who live here year-round to afford -- to find affordable rental housing. I'm just wondering if that's been considered in the current version of the law.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I mean, we definitely want to try to encourage people to do long-term rentals, but financially we can't force them to do it. The main objective we have at this point right now is to get all the places inspected, because, you know, just to make sure that everybody is living under safe living conditions. So we're going to attempt to do that. I think that's the reason why you don't have to pay the rental fee if you're renting to a fireman or EMS worker or a veteran. If you're doing that, you're saving a few dollars on it.

The low income people, we had talked about that, but we have some people that have multiple housing units and they're renting to lower income people. But if you've got numerous units, the

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$\$ 100$ fee to have it inspected and go through it, it's not going to be a burden. It's not going to change somebody's rate that drastically, and that's why we kind of took that part out, just to try to get everybody paying for it, you know, to cover the cost of, you know, enforcement and inspections.

MS. QUIGLEY: Okay. Thank you.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay? A11 right. Thank you.
Does anybody else wish to address the Board on the rental law?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 right. I'm just going to have the Clerk read in the two letters, because the people requested -- well, you actually don't have to read it. We11, read them quick.
(Laughter)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Joe, should they be read in, or just attach it? The one lady said can we read it into the record.

MR. PROKOP: This can go on1ine.
MAYOR HUBBARD: But we'11 attach it as part of the record?

MR. PROKOP: It will go online with the minutes. It can go online with the minutes as

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part of the record.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Right. So we'11 attach that to the minutes, so attach the two letters. I mean, one of them was very lengthy, so, I mean -CLERK PIRILLO: Actually, we have two letters. One is from Linda Gordon, dated February 22nd. One is from Douglas Moore of 145 Sterling Street, dated prior.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We will attach them to the records, and that will be added on when we have a discussion on the rental law next month.

All right. Any other comments?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Do we want to close this public hearing, or want to keep it open to take comments and then discuss it at the work session? The feeling of the Board?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I would like to keep it open, so people have the opportunity to make comments before our work session.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think there are some who are -- just discovered, or are just getting caught up with the fact that is a document. I think there are a lot of people here tonight that
perhaps some wanted to speak on the rental law that are taking a step back, so -MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Do you want to make a motion to adjourn it?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'11 make a motion to leave the proposed Local Law amending the rental property codes open until -- until --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Until our work session on --
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Until our next work
session in March. I'm not sure what's the date.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: I'11 second that.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Okay.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay, we can do that.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: We would vote at that point to close it at the March work session?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. We'11 take any additional comment. We'11 discuss it at our work session and then go from there.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: We would also at that
point have the option to adjourn it again?
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Okay. Yeah, good.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah. If we don't have a consensus on the law --

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TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: March 16th?
MAYOR HUBBARD: -- once we discuss it, if we want to make changes to it, we would just adjourn it again, and then come back with a final version to the public again.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Thanks.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That's until the work session on March 16th. So moved.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Jack seconded it. A11 in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
Okay. Next on the agenda is the PSE\&G project public comment period. Just so anybody who here wants to comment on that.

An update on it. The contract that the Village had worked together, our committee, was submitted to PSE\&G, so we sent that off to them.

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Hopefully, they'11 respond back to us shortly. Then we'll make it available to the public and everybody else. That's kind of what I had said at the work session that we're working on. So we do have the final version that the Board has worked on with the Village Attorney and the Village Administrator. So that was sent off today, and we're going to wait to hear back from them.

All right. I'11 open up the comment period on just the PSE\&G project right now.

MR. SWISKEY: William Swiskey, 184 Fifth Street.

George, if PSE\&G says yes to -- will it immediately then go on the Village website, or do we have to wait as an attachment to a -- to a report like this? I mean, most of the people here -- you know, you can't read the rental law in a day-and-a-half that it's been online. So I would like at least to the neighborhoods and the people concerned, that we get it right away once both sides say okay.

MAYOR HUBBARD: If they say okay, as soon as we get confirmation of that, that they said okay to all our terms, we will make it public the next day.

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MR. SWISKEY: Because, you know, it's kind of hard to study it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Without a doubt, yes.
MR. SWISKEY: And there was one other thing.
The terms and conditions of the compensation haven't changed, have they? We're just talking about mechanics of the contract, right?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Exactly.
MR. SWISKEY: Thank you.
MAYOR HUBBARD: You're welcome. Okay. Comments on the PSE\&G project?

MR. KREILING: Paul Kreiling, 149 Sixth Street.

Having reviewed what I find available on your website, I had a few questions on the application.

When I looked at the PSE\&G proposal, I saw in Section B they were talking about coastal resources. And this is Section 3 or III. The project -- "Is the project within a coastal erosion or hazard area?" A "no" has been checked, that it's not.

I mean, I live at the end of -- I live on the end of Sixth Street, and I'm often over at the end of Fifth Street, and I have noticed over the

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last two years, maybe, foundations from the old oyster house are starting to show up. The areas of where the telephone wires, you can see them out 40 feet, you can see the wires going out. There is erosion going on there. The beach is alive, it's constantly moving, so there is quite a bit of erosion there. I was wondering if it really is a coastal erosion area. All our beaches are being worn away, that's part of the natural process.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Paul, can I just ask one question?

MR. KREILING: Yes.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm sorry. You're referring to on the website to the SEQRA document?

MR. KREILING: The document -- top right-hand corner of PSE\&G.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's the SEQRA document.

MR. KREILING: Yes, SEQRA, yeah.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct. You are aware of the fact that the Village has hired Cashin Associates? I believe, Joe, we're supposed to be hearing from them any day, our responses to that SEQRA. That was their original document. So I just --

MR. KREILING: I -- good.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We, as a Village Board, made a decision to take the extra time and the funds to respond to that SEQRA in a more positive way for the Village.

MR. KREILING: Thank you.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
MR. KREILING: But now, the other things -yes, good.

MR. PROKOP: The coastal erosion hazard line is designated by the State, and I think that that's what -- I think that that's what they're referring to. It's an area that's actually designated by New York State, and I don't believe that the area that you're referring to, the area that you mentioned has been designated by New York State as an erosion hazard area, but we'll take -I'll take a look at it.

MR. KREILING: Regardless of the New York State, there is quite a bit of erosion going down, and movement, movement of sand all along there, filling in. You know, I mean, you can walk quite a ways out there and you can feel the current going through there and it is moving. And, generally, it is moving from west to east.

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MR. PROKOP: Okay. We will mention that to the consultants. Thank you.

MR. KREILING: Okay, that's it. The other thing is jack pits. When I read about their process, the process of digging this before the sequence of events, now they will be coming down with a lot of trucks and building some sort of jack pit to take the effluent out of their small bore hole, which they are pouring clay into to lubricate the blade. And, I mean, it is a process that they've done a thousand times, they're not making it up here, unlike the other -- unlike the other one, where they didn't make it. Where is this jack pit going to be? And they gave dimensions of it at 10-by-15. I don't know. When I think of a pit, I think of 10 --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Paul knows that.
MR. KREILING: -- like there's three dimensions. There's only two here.

Ten-by-15 is just, you know, lines on --
lines in the sand. And are they going to dig something? Are they going to put something down? I think there's a hazard -- there's a hazard there of runoff.

MR. PALLAS: If I may, just to clarify that.

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I think that was in their original, their very original concept, as I understand.

MR. KREILING: So it's on the website that I looked at.

MR. PALLAS: It's their SEQRA document, original SEQRA document. I believe the pit, if you will, that's going to be significantly smaller than that as described. I don't recall the exact dimensions. I think --

MR. KREILING: We11, 10-by-15 is that big (demonstrating).

MR. PALLAS: Yeah. No, I understand, yeah.
MR. KREILING: It's not very big. But there's a lot of -- there's a lot of effluent coming out. They are digging. I mean, I've seen dredging. They're pulling a lot of stuff out, and then it has to water off, which means it has to settle. Then they have to put the water back in the water. There's going to be a lot of clay and stuff floating in the water. That's got to go somewhere. And then they're going to take, I guess, the sediment and they're going to pump out, move -- take it off, off site?

MR. PALLAS: Yes, the -- again, I have to go back and reread the entire process, as I
understand it, but yes, that is the case.
MR. KREILING: From what I understand, that they're going to take the effluent, what's ever left over that doesn't water off, and they're going to pump it into trucks, drive it up Fifth Street, because they haven't dug the trench yet. I believe that's the order. And they're going to drive these large trucks, 5,000 gallons, 5,000 gal1ons.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no.
MR. PALLAS: No, there's no.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No.
MR. PALLAS: There's no fluid that's going to be removed from the site.

MR. KREILING: There will -- they're digging a pit. They're digging a hole. Something's got to come out of that hole.

MR. PALLAS: They're going to reuse the fluid as part of the process. They -- whatever water comes out is going to back in, they're not going to be taking that away.

MR. KREILING: When you dig a hole, you take something out of the hole. Where does that go?

MR. PALLAS: That, again, will settle out, and whatever is settled out will be carted away,

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yes.
MR. KREILING: Okay. Now all that carting away is going to be heavy traffic on Fifth Avenue or Fourth Avenue, or whatever avenue they drive up. This heavy traffic on the streets, just from a physics standpoint, most of these roads were designed for small vehicles. It's just tar underneath it, it's sand, and our hundred-year-old cast iron pipes. I'm concerned with compression. I believe PSE\&G is on the hook to repair them, I just want to make that clear, if there is any damage?

MR. PALLAS: Yes, they are.
MR. KREILING: Okay. And one of my other concerns is, as they dig the pit on Fifth Avenue, Fifth Avenue is at the high point of that peninsula, if it's in -- so if they're doing it during the winter, we all know that most of our heavy storms come during the winter; am I correct? I believe most of our heavy rainstorms and the heavy snowstorms, and when they come, there's a lot of runoff. And the runoff goes on the side streets towards Widow's Hole, towards the bay, down Fifth Street, and Fifth Street always floods. I mean, it's flooding more and more every year
with the rising sea level that is a myth.
I'm wondering if we can ask PSE\&G to help us mitigate the runoff, from adding to their burden, to help with mitigating runoff on the side streets, as well as paving Fifth Street. Can they, in fact, help us by -- on the side streets that run off, do something towards keeping it from running into the bay?

MR. PALLAS: Just for my clarification, are you talking about during construction?

MR. KREILING: During construction, and as a further bit of negotiation for PSE\&G towards PSE -- from the Village.

MR. PALLAS: We11, I can speak to during the construction part. They are going to do a certain distance each day, and that's not going to be left exposed. So they will, you know, do temporary patching.

MR. KREILING: Dig it, fill it, dig it, fill it?

MR. PALLAS: Correct, correct. So it's not going to be the whole trench from -- it's not like Fifth Street is going to be exposed for any length of time at all. It's as they go, they will temporarily patch.

MR. KREILING: Okay. Thank you for clarifying.

MR. PALLAS: As far as posts, that's a separate matter.

MR. KREILING: Yeah. I'm just -- I'm just concerned with all of that effluence running in there, because, I mean, we have oyster farms there and everything else, and it's going to be -- it is a problem, and I thought maybe we could have them help us fix it. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Anybody else wish to comment on the PSE\&G project?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We'11 end our comments on that, and we'11 move to public to address the Board.

As we have a large crowd, if everybody could just five minutes a piece, just to let everybody have a chance to speak. We've got all night, we'11 let everybody talk, you know. So this is open to any topic on the agenda. Just your name and address for it. Let's just stay on point. Let's let everybody be heard. Thank you.

MR. KAPELL: Good evening. Dave Kape11, 245 Fourth Street in Greenport.

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Mr. Mayor, Members of the Board, I want to discuss Resolution No. 23. This resolution dances around a very serious challenge for the Village, but it doesn't hit the nail on the head.

Nearly 20\% of Village residents are under the threat of deportation by operation of the recent executive orders executed by President Trump with respect to immigration. The vast majority of these people are decent, hardworking people, trying to make a life for their families and their children. Seventy-five percent of the kids in the Greenport School are from these families. Their labor is the backbone of the Village and North Fork economy. Without them, the Village economy will tank and the school will be forced to close.

We didn't create this problem. It's by operation of a dysfunctional immigration system that works as well as a screen door on a submarine.

There's no argument from me that the border needs to be secured and that we should remove any criminal aliens from our country. But to have the Village gutted of $20 \%$ of its population and $75 \%$ of the kids in the Greenport School would be an

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unmitigated disaster for Greenport. No matter your position on immigration, this is not good for our Village.

I call on the village to enact a resolution that expresses concern to our Congressmen, to our two Senators, and to the President of the United States, calling on them to enact comprehensive immigration reform that would address border security, remove criminal aliens from the country, and create a legitimate opportunity for hardworking, decent people to make a way in our country and in our Village. I submit that this is the leadership challenge of our time for this Village Board, and I think it's imperative for you to act.

One last thing I'd like to say is that the last thing the Village -- these folks need now is for the enactment of a housing rental permit law that many people interpret as being targeted at immigrants living in the Village. So, please, take this under your serious consideration, I call on you to do so. Thank you very much.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Thank you.
(App1ause)

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MR. SWISKEY: I warned you, Jack. William Swiskey, 184 Fifth Street. I told you to keep your hat -- steel pot on, didn't I, Jack, in other words, when you took this job?

Anyway, I wanted to speak on an agenda item. It was -- I lent my agenda to somebody else. I think it had to do with the BST. I think it's 13, Bollam, Sheedy \& Torani and the sewer increase.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
MR. SWISKEY: We're approving -- is that study already done?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes. They came back with paperwork to us and we talked about it at the Audit Committee.

MR. SWISKEY: So they've already done the study, and now we're authorizing them to do it.

MAYOR HUBBARD: No, we're authorizing to pay it. We're accepting the study that they did and we're paying the bill.

MR. SWISKEY: I don't have it. What exactly does it say? I don't have it, so --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Ratifying the acceptance of the proposal as submitted by BST \& Company, per the bid opening of October 6th, for the rate study.

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MR. SWISKEY: Yeah. That's a proposal to do a rate study. You're telling me they've already done the rate study, you have it in hand, and now you're going to pay for it. I mean, either this resolution is worded quite wrong -- should this -at a previous Board meeting, did you authorize BS\&T to do this study?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes, we did.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, we did.
MR. SWISKEY: So then shouldn't this say to accept the final report as submitted by BST and authorize payment?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Resolution ratifying the acceptance of the proposal as submitted.

MR. SWISKEY: Proposal is something you propose to do the work, at least the way I understand it, right, Mary Bess?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. In this particular case, it's still in draft form, so it's still a working document at the moment, and we've been presented with a bill.

MR. SWISKEY: Yeah, but what I'm saying -well, I won't argue on it. It's just very ambiguous language, and I was wondering, because I FOILed for it and I haven't received it yet and I
was --
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, it's still in draft form. That's -- it's still a working document between the committee and BST.

MR. SWISKEY: It's not a legal document, it's a basic -- I don't think it's exempt from the FOIL law. It's not a legal document, it's a draft they gave you.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's a draft.
MR. SWISKEY: Drafts are actually --
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's an internal document at the moment.

MR. SWISKEY: Interna1, internal document at the moment.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's an interna1 document.

MR. SWISKEY: Any idea what the rate increase on the sewer is pegged to be?

MAYOR HUBBARD: There was a lot of numbers and a lot of figures in it, and we need to discuss that as a whole Board, because the Audit Committee is on1y -- two members of the Board were there, and the rest of the Board needs to discuss it.

They propose a lot of things in there, Bill, but $I$ don't think we're going to go with

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everything they proposed. But we got prices, they did the work, and now we have to review it as a Board and come up with what we want to do moving forward.

MR. SWISKEY: We11, I just would fee1 more comfortable if I got to see it and knew what was in there and could comment on it, because --

MAYOR HUBBARD: We11, I believe once we pay for it, we've accepted it, and then it will be able for you to get a copy of it.

MR. SWISKEY: So I can get a copy of it tomorrow if you --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Well, we're not going to pay the bill. We'11 work on the check tomorrow.

MR. SWISKEY: Yeah, but, I mean, you authorized --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Monday. It should be available on Monday, you know.

MR. SWISKEY: Al1 right, because that's -you know, that's what I've been trying to get at. Yeah, I mean, it's kind of hard getting documents out of this Village sometimes, sort of like pulling teeth, you know what I mean?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Once we accept it and pay for it, Bill. The taxpayers are paying for it,
not us.
MR. SWISKEY: Yeah.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 the taxpayers are. It's your document once we pay for it.

MR. SWISKEY: Yeah. A11 right. Thank you. That's all $I$ wanted to know.

And, oh, about the other thing, this Village Board really doesn't have much -- and I don't say this in a mean way. The Federal Government sets the law, they determine whether they're going to enforce it or not, and the hard reality of this law is they are going to enforce it, and there isn't much -- we can holler and we can scream, but we can't do anything about it.

And what really shocks me is we discuss some important issues here, like what's going wrong at our $\$ 5$ miliion $1 i g h t$ plant, million dollar sewers, things, and nobody comes to the meetings. Those to me are very important issues. They have to do with the financial structure of the Village and the health of the Village. And somebody puts a resolution on the agenda that doesn't really mean anything and 100 people show up? It's amazing. Thank you.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you. Okay. Who else

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would like to address the Board. Go ahead. Okay, you're next?

MS. QUIGLEY: Kathryn Casey Quig1ey, 518
First Street. I
Can't think of anything more important for everybody to be here tonight. I think there's -(App1ause)

It's not often that things that are happening at the Federal Government so directly affect our small, little community here in Greenport. And I commend the Village Board for considering this resolution that is symbolic, but symbols have a lot of power, as we know. And I very much encourage that this resolution be passed, and that it be just the beginning of what we do to help support the Latino community here in Greenport.

My husband also wanted to be here this evening, but he couldn't make it, because he was traveling, so I'd like to read something that he wrote on behalf of him. His name is David Ryan Quigley.
"Things I have never had the privilege" -"Things I have had the privilege never to have feared. That one of my children wouldn't have a
parent to put them to bed at the end of the day. That my elderly mother or father would be ripped from the life they had been living for the past 30 years. That when I leave in the morning, it would be the last time I see my wife. That the police and Fire Department may not be there to protect my family when we were in danger. That rushing to the hospital for an emergency brought with it the added danger of deportation. That my -- that my children might be taunted for the color of their skin. That if it did occur, that maybe nothing could be done to stop it. That my neighbors, my town, my existence could be ripped out from under me at any moment.

We are a small community living close together. Let us in this quiet village do what we can to help people feel safe and protected, to make sure people feel welcome. Why wouldn't we do everything in our power to ensure that each and every one of us is afforded this privilege?

Some might consider this a token gesture, but I ask you, have you truly ever felt any of these fears. We're able to in one small act make our neighbors feel safe, to ensure that they know we all belong to the same community. Thank you.

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(App1ause)
MR. KEHL: Robert Keh1, 242 Fifth Avenue.
I still don't believe that this Village should have to draft any resolution declaring the Village of Greenport a Welcoming Village. If you are here legally, you're always welcome. There's a big sign that says as you come into Greenport, "Welcome to Greenport".

I'd like to thank all the people that stand behind Joanne and I, and are tired of Trustee Roberts going behind the backs of the Mayor and the Village Trustees and citizens of our Village on immigration, the police force, and other situations in the past. This only puts the Mayor and the Board in a very awkward position and makes resolving problems far more difficult. Joanne and I especially don't appreciate being called 1 iars by Mr. Roberts.

So for all the people that stand with us, and the President of the United States, and U.S. Constitution, you can make your voices heard by calling this number, 866-347-2423, to report any obstruction of justice as far as our immigration laws, employers that employ illegal aliens, anyone to renting illegal aliens, and anyone aiding and
abetting illegal aliens. This includes the clergy. That number again is 866-347-2423.
(Outburst from the Audience)
MR. KEHL: Make sure you mention Doug Roberts by name.
(Outburst from the Audience)
MR. KEHL: We want to make sure that Mr. Roberts gets all the credit he deserves. Thank you.
(Applause from Members of the Audience)
AUDIENCE MEMBER: Good job.
MS. GORDON: Good evening.
AUDIENCE MEMBER: Good job.
MS. GORDON: Dinni Gordon, 152 Sixth Street.
I'm speaking on Resolution 23.
Some of the opposition to this resolution seems to be based on the assumption that to state a welcoming position now suggests a previous attitude in the Village that we weren't welcoming. I see a much more affirmative purpose.

As a nation, we are in a very anxious time with respect to our immigrant population with the Federal Government announcing a dragnet that will inevitably sweep up people who are our neighbors, our colleagues, our employees and employers, in
the Village, too, and tenants.
Here in Greenport, we can't reject the mandates of national and local law enforcement, and this resolution is not trying to do that. But we can send a message to vulnerable residents that we appreciate their contributions and are concerned about their future. We can also announce to surrounding communities and to the country at large, and you probably know that hundreds of other cities and towns are debating this kind of resolution right now.

We can tell other communities that we are proud of our immigrant heritage, which is very considerable and very -- it's an exciting part of Greenport. And we are remembering it as we move forward into the new demographics of the United States.

This nation will become majority minority in just a couple of decades. That is the reality, and this resolution is a symbolic gesture that embraces it. Thank you.
(App1ause)
MR. WORTH: My name is Chris Worth. I'm an immigration attorney. I don't live in Greenport, but I have many clients who do.

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I'm sorry that Trustee Roberts has put the rest of Greenport in an awkward position, but I have many clients who are also in an awkward position. I've got -- I've got clients -- no, not clients, I've got people that come into my office yesterday asking how they can use this new dragnet against undocumented people, asking how they can report them, using a number like the speaker who just came up here, how they can report them to the authorities. I've got clients who've been here for decades, who's children are in the schools, who are contributing to the community.

And, you know, as a citizen, you said that what is this going to do? Well, what does this --

MR. SWISKEY: It's the law.
MR. WORTH: What does this -- no.
MR. SWISKEY: Are you going to tell these people to break the law?

MR. WORTH: But what is symbolic --
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mayor. Mayor, I'm sorry.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Address the Board.
MR. WORTH: Sorry, sorry. But what does
this flag mean to everyone? You know, I'm sorry, no. I saw someone running today carrying a flag,

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waving it. And you know what that means to me now? It means Trump. It means get rid of the immigrants. And that's our symbol. Okay? That is our symbol (banging fist on lectern).
(Outburst from the audience)
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mayor, I'm sorry. Mayor, could we --

MR. WORTH: I'm sorry.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mayor Hubbard.
MR. WORTH: I'm sorry.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mayor Hubbard.
MR. WORTH: Our country --
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Would you please ask him to address the Board, please?

MR. WORTH: Our country is a nation of immigrants. Okay? We're built on immigrants, that's what we're all about.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Not illegal immigrants.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Please, address your
comments to the Board.
MR. WORTH: Sorry.
MAYOR HUBBARD: It's the public to address the Board, not -- we're not going to get into a tit for tat. Address the Board.

MR. WORTH: Sorry. Sorry I lost my cool. I

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just want to tell the Board this.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MR. WORTH: That my clients come to me, and in -- and what they're asking now is how do they protect their children when they get deported? Where are their children going to go? Who is going to care for them? And it's just not what this country is about. This country is about welcoming immigrants.

And I believe that what Trustee Roberts did is symbolic, but we need to -- we need to be issuing symbols now. We need to be -- you know, this is an opportunity for Greenport to mean something. It's an opportunity for Greenport to be a symbol.

It's -- you're not in an awkward position.
This is a town of immigrants. You're in a position of opportunity to speak truth to power, that your employees and the members of this government are not going to drop a dime on the people that built this community, and that go to the schools, and that run the businesses, and that are our neighbors. That's -- that's what this is. This is an opportunity, it's not an awkward inconvenience.

And I apologize for losing my temper.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MR. WORTH: Thank you for the opportunity to speak.
(Applause)
MS. COWDEN: Margaret Cowden, Cedarfields Drive.

I've been on the North Fork for the better part of 35 years, and part of what attracted me to live in Greenport was the diversity of the Greenport community. It seems to me, as I shop in stores, eat in restaurants, stop at farm stands, on a daily basis I'm witness to the contribution of the immigrant community in Greenport and on the North Fork at large.

I truly believe that it's in our own economic and social self-interest to welcome and protect the immigrants in our midst. But even more compelling to me is the moral imperative.

I am grateful that I was born into an America that was already made great by generations of immigrants. I feel like I owe it to this generation and future generations to be a welcoming presence.

The Statute of Liberty has always been a
powerful image to me. And while we have not always been successful in living up to the vision it represents, we've been at our best when we've tried. I'm deeply concerned by the voices in this country that seem to want to extinguish that flame of welcome, and I'd be immensely proud of this community if we take a stand to keep that flame alive. Thank you.
(App1ause)
MS. GOODMAN: Hi. My name is Robin Goodman. I actually live in Orient, so -- but I hope you'11 let me talk, because as an Orienter, obviously, I spend a lot of time in Greenport, because it's the only place I can do any shopping.

So I just wanted to pick up -- well, first of all, I have a sign, too. For those of you who can't read Spanish, it says "A Welcoming City".
(Applause)
MS. GOODMAN: But, basically, I just wanted to speak really quickly to the point of the proclamation put forward by Trustee Roberts, and the Mayor, and the rest of the Trustees that are -- it's under -- that are considering it about it being symbolic.

It is largely symbolic to declare a town
like Greenport, a village, a "Welcoming City", but it's not strictly symbolic. There is anecdotal evidence, and if you go to welcomingcity.org, it might be plural, it might not be, there's lots of anecdotal evidence and other data that proves that Welcoming Cities actually experience economic benefits from being such.

Newtown, Connecticut has declared itself a Welcoming City. There are some cities that even have welcoming weeks that are like where the retail shops and stuff open their doors and, you know, celebrate the diversity amongst the shops and the restaurants.

Personally, I don't understand what Greenport could stand to lose. I work at a vineyard and I have my job, and 29 other people like me who are tasting room associates also have their jobs because -- precisely because of the fabric that includes immigrants that work in the vineyards. I mean, yes, there are some well educated, well heeled white kids out there who want to learn how to make wine, and that's all great, but we all know that the majority of the people doing the work, the labor and the hard lifting at the restaurants, washing our dishes,
pouring our coffee, tending the vines, are from Guatemala, from El Salvador, from Costa Rica.

And, anyway, I'm getting off the point. But, basically, I just -- I do not know what Greenport stands to lose.

There's a proclamation on that wall extolling the virtues of smoke detectors, and smoke detectors are great, they save lives, but we're talking about human beings. So, while declaring Greenport a Welcoming City doesn't imply that it's not -- it hasn't been a Welcoming City beforehand, I think that voting down this proclamation unfortunately would send a message that it's not a Welcoming City, and that's very unfortunate that it wouldn't be in the future. Thank you.

## (App1ause)

MS. MENCOS: Rose Mencos, 415 Front Street, Greenport.

For one, we're all immigrants, we're all
illegal. The only one that this country actually belongs to is the American Indian. So we're all basically immigrants, number one.

Number two, the law that Trump had passed about deporting immigrants, like say, for example,

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they grab me and my kids are in school, that's fine. They're going to send me or my husband, or whoever, back home to where we belong to, okay, fine, but they're taking the children and sending them to the State. The State's going to come and they're going to be put up for adoption. That's wrong. You know, I feel like if they're going to take, take everybody, number one.

Number two, without the immigrants, we wouldn't be here. You know what I'm saying? These businesses wouldn't be surviving. This country would go down the tubes. So I think that we should start welcoming everybody and be together as a multinational, whatever you want to cal1 it, of everybody. Thank you.
(Applause)
MS. SMITH: Liz Smith, South Street, Greenport.

Thank you to Mayor and the Board for listening to the many of us that just want to make sure that you understand how this is hitting us.

I agree, I think there were great points made about the immigration component of this, but I actually think this is beyond immigration and that words matter. And the language that I've

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been hearing that makes me very upset is the "us" and the "them". It's hateful. And it doesn't matter if the "them" is someone who's been here for a year, or someone who speaks Spanish and has brown skin. "Us" and "them" isn't going to get us very far. So if I could just ask for folks to try to remember how much those words matter and to stop the hate speech, because ultimately what unites us is far more than what divides us.

I saw a quote today $I$ just want to read to you. It's from what I would consider an unlikely source, who's our representative in the First Congressional District, Lee Zeldin.
"None of us can say or do enough until terror, anti-Semitism, prejudice, hatred and racism is eliminated in every form." So I'11 leave you with that and just say thank you.
(App1ause)
MS. RUDDER: I'm Pene1ope Rudder, 639 Second Street. And I'm probably going to be redundant, but $I$ think more is more in this case.

When I first read the resolution, my first thought was, well, sure, you know, I assume that of Greenport already. And then I heard that six letter word repeating in my head, "assume". And
what I've learned in my life is that when I assume things, it leaves a lot of room for misunderstanding. And so my thought is that why not spe11 it out, you know, as Doug and the Board are considering.

We're really good at proclaiming our diverse human doings here in Greenport. We get real excited about the diverse new restaurants, the diverse new business opportunities, all the things that are commercial that are happening in our Village. It's on social media, it's in the newspapers, it's everywhere. We're really excited about the human doings, and we're very open about it. There are no assumptions there, it's in print, it's all over the media. And, yet, here we are considering the human beings, and I think we need to prioritize that and make sure that that is our very first consideration, because it is the human beings that are going to create the sustainable life here.

This proclamation or resolution, or whatever you want to call it, has at the essence of it the welcoming and the encouragement and the support that we give to the human doings, but I think we need to really look at, no matter what their
background is, whatever, whatever, just open our hearts up, because this is our Village heart, these human beings.

Whatever we do next as human doers, that will create the destination. And I think that's where the focus has been so often, is on Greenport as a destination. And I think we really need to look at Greenport's heart, and I think that's what this resolution or this proclamation does. And I don't think leaving the heart of the matter in anything should be left to an assumption. I think that you need to really state it and put it out there.

And today I looked up -- I looked up "fear", and I tried to find what was the exact opposite of fear, and over and over the word "trust" came up. So I will just leave you with that.
(Applause)
MS. NEFF: Ellen Neff, 629 Second Street. We're very busy on Second Street.
(Laughter)
MS. NEFF: We live in unsettling times, and I think this welcoming and affirming statement is called for, and for -- the perspective I'm thinking of tonight is the perspective of history.

I happen to be in heritage Irish and German. And in the 1880s, the kinds of things that my ancestors found in the cities that they came to, Pittsburgh and Cleveland were -- they were unsetting times.

And I like very much what former Mayor
Kape11 talked about. It is a bigger issue. Many, many times since the 1880s, for my family, that laws have changed in this country, and immigration, not ever easy, they got right with the law, they contributed to the society. And I have no reason to think, except for the unbelievable arguments about what is fair now on the national -- on a Federal 1eve1. We will come to that at some time. It's not just in

President Reagan's time that we're able to come up with a new immigration law. It will come, it will come. And to be called, or to name ourselves as a welcoming and affirming community, in a community that is this diverse, and I certainly picked it for my family in the late 1960s because of the kind of diversity $I$ found in this community. And it certainly served me well and my children, who now are almost 50 years old, in that time. It's a good place to be, and it's not ever going to be
just one kind of place.
(Applause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay.
MS. ALLEN: Chatty Allen, Fifth Avenue.
I got upset by the lawyer's remark, because we all know who he was talking about, who's a Marine, and we watch him.

I am not a Trump supporter, never was, never will be. I don't agree with what he is doing on the Federal level as the President. So to have one of my kids carry the American flag and have negativity thrown at him, yet you have people here that are feeling they're the ones being attacked, this goes both ways.

That was extremely upsetting to have that negativity and hatred thrown at one of my kids. No, he's not biologically mine, but he's one of my kids.

I was born in Eastern Long Island Hospital almost 56 years ago. I have lived in the Village of Greenport my entire life. I have worked here my entire life. I graduated from Greenport High School. Greenport has welcomed everyone. That's what bugged me about why do we have to have a resolution or a proclamation, and then it turns
into -- I believe it was Liz that said, us -- me being a white female against someone of color. That's not what Greenport is, but that's what this resolution, proclamation has brought out. People like myself are afraid to speak, because if we say something, we're called a racist and hateful.

Greenport cannot be a sanctuary city, because we do not have a Police Department. I am not looking for anyone to be ripped from their home, for children's parents to be taken from them. That's not right. Yes, we have a lot of people here, and they work and they bust their butts, and they raise their kids. I disagree with Mayor Kape11, that that's the reasoning behind this rental law. No. The rental law is to make a playing field for everyone. It's not to try and grab people to send them out of here.

I mean, this has been going on well before President Trump was elected. This rental law has nothing to do with what's going on. But to see just what $I$ have read online in one day, and I wasn't even online for that long, about this resolution, $I$ personally don't feel Greenport has to state we're a -- Greenport has always been welcoming.

I am not -- I personally have not seen anyone being threatened that they're going to be ripped from their homes from people in the Village, the Village Officials. But as Village Officials, you have to follow the letter of the law as well. And if something comes down, you have to follow that. But it upsets me that putting this out there, you're -- the Village is now being divided. And if you don't vote for this resolution, well, like was said at the work session, "Well, we're going to see what happens with that. Vote for it or we'll see." That's a threatening statement by an elected official, and that should not --

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: That's not what was said.

MS. ALLEN: The Mayor and the Board should be able to use their own minds, and if they -- now I'm afraid after listening tonight. If you don't vote for this, this Village is going to become even more torn apart, because people are going to now even -- pull even further apart and start attacking each other more because you did not do this. If you do it, then it's also going to be like that.

To me, I personally -- and there's a lot of people who didn't show up this evening that feel the same. Why do we have to make a resolution that we're a welcoming village? We always have been. I don't understand it. But this really upsets me, the divide that is going on since this was put out. Thank you.
(Applause)
MR. SWISKEY: Ladies first, Arthur.
MS. TAYLOR: What a crowd. Teresa Tay1or. I live at 22 Oriole Lane.

You know, those of us who feel safe, who are so-called legal, have been lucky to have been blessed by the birth lottery and not much more than that. Our ancestors were not all legal. In the late 1890s and the early 1900s, one of the names that Italians were called was WOPs, and what WOPs meant was "Without Papers". So don't think that because you have -- you consider yourself now legal, that that is all was required to do was to be born. Why? Well, not just the legal should be blessed.

All who have lived here, our neighbors and our friends, and some who have become friends because they are immigrants, should be loved. And

I hope that this resolution will reflect that sense of love for each other.
(Applause)
MR. TASKER: Good evening. Arthur Tasker.
I live at 17 Beach Street in Greenport.
First of all, to correct an error of fact. Mr. Roberts said, with respect to voting on his proposed resolution, "Go ahead, vote against it, that would be an interesting thing," as quoted by the Suffolk Times, not what was cited earlier.

My grandparents, two of them, one set of my grandparents came to America in 1889 from deep center field in Italy. I have a copy of their passport and their steamship ticket, fortunately, so we have some memory of that. But they suffered exactly the kind of thing that Teresa just spoke to.

I'm glad to see that Trustee Roberts' proposed resolution survived. Frankly, I guess I misunderstood, because I thought it got deep-six'd at the work session, but I'm glad to see it survive. I'm sorry that he was left hanging out to dry on that, because I think he took a bad rap. I regret not speaking on the subject at the time of the work session, but, frankly, I was a bit inhibited by the only speaker with regard to it,

Ms. Gordon's eloquence, and I didn't feel that that was an act that I could follow, but it also gave me a little time to collect my thoughts.

I'm surprised by the posture of the Board, several members of the Board, that I seem to encapsulate as, "Everybody already knows Greenport is a welcoming village, so despite the current threat to our immigrant community, we really don't need to reassure anybody." And that was --

Trustee Roberts and -- Trustee Robins, rather, and Trustee Phillips were cited in the Suffolk Times, was questioning the need for the resolution, saying the feel -- saying that they feel the Village is already welcoming. "Our actions in Greenport speak louder than our words," say Ms. Phillips. I hope she's right, but given the current events, I'm not sure that she is.

The need for reassurance is even greater at this time, given the current situation, perhaps, than it ever was. And there's some recent examples of this having been met in just one day's run through the New York Times.

Based on the situation that migrants -here, I'11 read you a brief section from The Times. "No going to church, no going to the

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store, no doctor's appointment for some, no school for others, no driving, period, not when a broken headlight could deliver the driver to ICE for deportment."

Within the past day or so, the Suffolk County Police Commissioner, Timothy Sini, said in a recent interview, "Whether it's fear of criminals or fear of law enforcement, if people are not" -- "if people think they're going to get deported every time they speak to the police, it's not helpful." That certainly affirms the concern -- reaffirms the concern for immigrants being able to act in a civil matter.

More recently, confronted by a recent town event, Town Hall event, Speaker Ryan sought to reassure a woman, an undocumented immigrant who was protected from deportation under President Obama. Mr. Ryan sought to reassure her. Ryan said, "If you're worried about, you know, some deportation force coming knocking on your door this year, don't worry about that," he said. If that wasn't reassurance, I've never heard it. (Laughter)

MR. TASKER: Finally, Mr. Trump, after batting down a question at his press conference,
that was trying to raise the issue of anti-Semitic events and threats and so forth, he finally, on Tuesday -- it wasn't unti1 Tuesday that President Trump spoke directly about the recent bomb scares. What took him so long to do that?

I think it's appropriate to keep in mind some words of about 70 or 80 years ago that were directed at the then, the Nazi regime in Germany, but may be apropos today, by Martin Niemöller, who was a prominent Protestant Pastor, who emerged as an outspoken public foe of Adolf Hitler, and spent the last seven years of Nazi rule in concentration camps. And he said as follows:
"First they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out, because $I$ was not a socialist. Then they came for the trade unionist, and I did not speak out, because I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out, because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me, and there was no left to speak for me."

It's beyond my comprehension that we could fail to reassure our immigrant community.

I urge the Board to adopt Resolution 23, confirming the Village of Greenport as a Welcoming Community.
(Applause)
MR. NORTH: I live at 525 Second Street, Christopher North. I'm in favor of Resolution 23.

It sends a reassurance of Greenport Welcoming Community, welcoming people here. As myself being a student at Suffolk Community College, we are going through the same issue. So I feel this adoption will help the community, assurance of the undocumented people that we are welcoming our people here in the community.
(Applause)
MS. CRUZ: Hi. Margaret D. Cruz, 25
Washington Avenue.
The most disturbing thing about this is that when the man held up the number for people to call, he got hissed. And I'm, of course, I'm from -- I mean, my father was from the Philippines, he came here. I'm sure he was illegal and then he got -- became a citizen. But as someone else said, unless you're a Native American, you are a descendent of an immigrant. And now, of course, there's a whole attack on immigrants.

But, basically, what I'm saying is the reason I think that this resolution came up, even though this is a welcoming village, is because the

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flavor in the country has become very negative towards immigrants, dark people, people who are strange, not white, basically. And I don't know what I'm trying to say, except so that has brought people into different sides. And this town and this village, I would like to see people somehow communicate in a way where they can talk about their differences and not hate each other.

I mean, if our town could be a model for communication and connecting, and getting over the hatred around these issues, it would be wonderful. So all I would say is, I would advocate, and I've advocated for this with the Anti-Bias Task Force, is that there be workshops for people, or the Town hold things where we -- with people who can moderate discussions, so people can get to know each other.

The main thing about peace is that if you know somebody, you don't hate them. That's usually the way it is. If you know somebody, you like them. You get to know them, you get to know their differences. Okay, so what? You know, it's like it reaches your heart.

So I'm sorry if I'm being silly or seem simple, but I really think that it's a shame that
the people who are against this got hissed, because that doesn't, in my opinion, give a good example of being open and willing to share each other's views. Thank you.
(App1ause)
MS. SPAR: I'm Sonia Spar, Southold Town.
I'm going to begin from what we just heard, and it is the more we get to know each other, the less hatred and the less bias and the less prejudice we see in each other, because we see that we are human beings.

We cannot -- we need to understand that there is a direct connection between the language that we use and the environment we live in. If we see that there is bias and prejudice permeating into the daily discourse, when we're dealing with every single issue that goes beyond that, words matter, you know. And we have been working in the town, because we need to bring respect and civility.

And what is this resolution? This resolution is words, because, as I said before, words matter one way or the other. Prejudice and bias leads to hatred, and hatred left unchecked, it leads to hateful action.

And if I go first into that side about, you know, why that resolution, would positive language matter, is because a couple of months ago, the FBI released their report on hate crimes, and there's another year that hate crimes increased. And what we have over the year, hate crimes have increased for many minorities in the country. And to give you an idea, every ninety minutes there is a hate crime incident that is happening, because bias, prejudice, hatred was left unchecked.

It's scary, we're living in a scary word. So why the resolution matters? Because those are positive words, because those are words that defy this bias, because we live in an amazing town, yes. And this resolution is very inclusive, yes. You know, you see me. I'm a Latina, I'm a woman. What didn't you see? I'm a Jew. I'm a first generation immigrant. I may make mistakes when I speak English, and I speak Spanish to my kids. So I'm afraid that someone is going come and say, "Speak American because you're in the United States"? Yes, nowadays I do. I am afraid and I'm a member of this community.

So we need to understand that we need to speak out against discrimination, bigotry and
hateful language, because it impedes the ability of good people to live in dignity and equality. For that reason and for everything that we see on the online world, and for everything that we're seeing on the online world, and for everything that we seeing on the dialogue that we are not having, because one side or the other, or the three sides, or whatever, how many sides that we have, we're not listening and we're not speaking respectfully, and we forgot about civility, that we need to agree to disagree in a very respectful manner.

So words do matter. When you say he110, it's completely different than when you ignore someone when he's passing by. So, yes, we are welcoming -- a welcoming town, but we're also a destination town. So, yes, we can all agree here that we are, you know, a welcoming community, that all the minorities -- because it's not just the Latino community. We have the LGBT community, we have the Muslim community, we have the refugees communities, we have the Jewish community.

## (Applause)

We have everyone here, that we need to be able to feel welcome. But as a destination, we

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have people coming to our town and we need to make sure that our core values as a -- values as a community are also respected for the commerce, you know, for those who come and visit us, because more and more we have more visitors. And I'm scared when I see Confederate flags on motorcycles.

So why this is important? Because this is a positive message. This is taking a stand in a time when hatred is going unchecked.
(Applause)
MR. BULL: Stephen Bull, 24 Beach Street.
I don't agree with everything that Arthur sometimes and I talk about.
(Laughter)
MR. BULL: But $I$ to definitely agree with this proposal and with Arthur's words, as well as David Kape11. I think it was -- and other people in the audience that have spoken tonight. I think their words were well chosen, and passionate, and with great feeling. And I especially appreciated the people who were against some of the things that got talked about, because we haven't been talking about these issues. They've been in the room for a while. We are immigrants, descendant
of immigrants. I'm an immigrant to Greenport, I came from New York City.
(Laughter)
MR. BULL: So I think that this dialogue that we're having now, this proposition 23 is opening up a dialogue that we can have with each other more in the future and keep talking about this issue, because this is one of the most important features of this country, this ability to bring immigrants into a culture that's always going to be growing. Thank you.
(Applause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Thank you.
MR. HARRIS: Pete Harris, 212 Knapp Place, Greenport.

I -- two of my grandparents emigrated to this country from Poland, came across on a ship, went past the Statute of Liberty, Ellis Island. And, you know, they -- they were looked down upon back in their day to the point where my grandfather had to change his name to get work, because they were looked -- the Polish, the Italians, the Italians, they worked -- in this area, they worked in the brickyards. The Polish, they worked in the brickyards, they worked on the

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farms, but you were a second-class citizen.
And, you know, the thing that bothers me the most when you talk about immigrants or -- and this welcoming to Greenport, is that the part that bothers me the most is how many of these immigrants are having two, three and four families living in a single-family home, when we got supposedly upstanding citizens that rent and are putting people in three and -- like I said, two, three and four families in a single-family home and lining their pockets. And, yet, they make -they -- oh, we got -- Greenport's got to be a Welcoming Community. Welcoming for what? To make a buck. Thank you.
(App1ause)
MR. WRIGHT: Good evening, Board. I'm Bill Wright, I live at 655 Flint Street.

There's one subject we haven't touched tonight and that's security. We have several illegal immigrants, aliens, whatever you want to call them here, haven't been properly vetted. We have maybe 20 million of them, 15 , who knows. I think it's pretty important that we consider the security of our country also. And it's great that we allow immigrants here, it's the greatest thing
in the world, but let them be immigrants. These folks here that are here illegally are stuck here as aliens, not immigrants, they're stuck here.

Now, we need to give this current administration in Washington a chance to deal with this, because there hasn't been any other damn administration that was willing to deal with it at al1, they just passed the buck.

So, listen, I have no hatred for anybody. Welcome to America. Come here so we can vet you, and that's great. You know, unfortunately, we haven't done that. And now we have this big old boondoggle, and we got everybody that's divided, or whatever. We need to give this administration in Washington a chance to really deal with this, so that we can all come together and have some sort of reasonable solution to this.

And that's all I got to say. Thank you very much.
(App1ause)
MR. TILLMAN: Art Tillman, Mattituck. I want to thank the Board and the people here for hearing outsiders from Mattituck.
(Laughter)
MR. SWISKEY: We always do that,

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Mr. Tillman.
MR. TILLMAN: But Greenport is very important to my family. I've got two - I I've got three kids living out of state. Why? Because there's no work out here. And they sure as heck are not going to take the jobs that the immigrants are taking, so they live out of state. As soon as they come home, they want to got to Greenport. So Greenport's a destination for even people in my own family. And those of us that have been around a while, we've seen this place evolve, I mean, it's unbelievable. Some of the old-timers think back 40 years ago. Geez, it's absolutely amazing.

Then I read in the Suffolk Times that the average price of a house in Greenport is 550,000 .

MR. SWISKEY: That's low.
(Laughter)
MR. TILLMAN: If you own a house. I'm talking to people here that are half a million worth. So with all that's been going on, and the topic that is immigration, property values keep going up. My kids can't wait to come home and recreate here. And I just thought I'd mention that.

I should have -- I left my hat in the car,

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and it says Czech on it, because I'm Czech, and I'm proud of it, and everybody is proud of what they are. Wouldn't it be interesting if everybody had a hat on here with your nationality on it, and then perhaps we could begin the discussion.

I think the great challenge for all of us as individuals is to take the fundamental faith in how we were brought up and take it into the world. We hear messages in church, we say our prayers, many of us read the bible, we try to be good people. To take it into the public forum, to the job, in our relationship with other people, that's the great challenge of our faith, and that's what I'm trying to do.

I'm here because last week I read some comments in the Suffolk Times that, you know, they weren't very nice. And I'm thinking about all of this stuff, and I'm thinking, well, maybe I should go down there, but I don't know. I don't live there, but maybe they'll let me talk, so here, I'm here, and I'm glad I came after Peter.
(Laughter)
MR. TILLMAN: I noticed that -- for a
reason. I notice out here in Greenport the notion of illegals always seems to be hooked up with

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people of color. You get out of here and you go a little west, and it's not too far, I can't tell you the numbers of Polish illegal immigrants that I know. Three of them come every two weeks to clean my house, illegals. They didn't cross the Rio Grande. They didn't have a coyote take them across. They got over here on a visa and they didn't go home, and they're illegal. And they're as worried as the Hispanics are here, very worried.

This cleaning lady is like a daughter to me and she tells me, and I love this kid, they're really worried. And they've got a daughter here, they don't know when they're going to be yanked from home, etcetera, etcetera. So if you doubt that, I don't think anybody would -- is going to do this on my advice, go down to Our Lady of Ostrabrama at the Polish mass. Afterwards there's a social hour. At that social hour are all kinds of young people with kids. There's a whole new generation of Polish people, most of them located in Riverhead, Flanders and further west. So you -- you have to think of this beyond a skin color. And I guess that's basically all I want to say, except one more thing.
(Laughter)
MR. TILLMAN: The thing that crossed my mind when I was reading some of those nasty comments, somebody said, "Well, we've always been welcoming." Well, if you're always been welcoming, I guess what you're doing here is just saying we're welcoming.

Jesus said if you have a candle, and you have a candle in Greenport, you always had a candle, you've always been welcoming. And it goes back to the days when seamen from all over the world came here, of all colors from all places, and you welcomed them, and many of them stayed. Well, you've got a candle. Don't hide it under a bushel, let the world see. Thank you.
(Applause)
MS. KEERAM: My name is Amy Keeram (phonetic), and Art gave me the intestinal fortitude to stand up here, because he's from Mattituck and I'm from Southold, so I hope you will listen to me.

The man who works in my yard came to the door the other day to reassure me that he had a green card, and that I should not worry about him being taken away. And I was nonplussed. I didn't

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know exactly what to say, because I certainly would never call anyone to have him taken away. And he said to me -- so I said, "Well, let's talk about this for a minute." And he -- he said, "Do you know, there are many millions of good people who are immigrants, but I want you to understand that there are some criminals that need to be looked at." And there is an issue of drugs coming through, and people need to understand that.

So I listened again to what Mr. Trump was saying when he spread the net yet further to include people who are criminals as those who had a ticket, or a headlight that was out, or a DUI, which I don't approve of. But, anyway, I don't think you should get deported.

And then that night $I$ went to a meeting in another place at a church, oh, probably about 40 miles away, and they had there at that church standing room only, like 600 people. And I think 90\% of them were Latino people who are very worried about what was going to happen to them with this situation.

They had two speakers from Manhattan who were attorneys, who discussed with these people exactly what it meant to them, how they should be

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proceeding, what they needed to say if they were pulled over. It was incredibly educational. And the community put this on so that these people would feel welcomed and loved by the people they were working for.

I saw men and women come into that church, and, finally, I left, because I'm just a white woman, I don't -- and I'm privileged, I don't need to have that information, and I didn't want to take someone else's place. But there were people there with domestics who work in their homes, who accompanied those domestics there, because they wanted those people to come and be informed. And they cared that much about them that they accompanied them, even though those domestics who spoke only Spanish did not want to come.

And I don't think that it was a matter of exploitation, because I've had people help me with my mother when I was taking care of her, and you 1earn. You become involved with those people, which is such a huge issue. If we would just get to know these people and know that $95 \%$ of them are -- they may have come here illegally, that's done, they're here. Their children are here, sometimes their grandchildren are here.

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It's almost like you have to reach into your heart and understand that this was not easy for any of us. It was not easy for my Irish ancestors who came here. In fact, they may have just slipped aboard some boat somewhere, I don't know. But you just have to reach into your heart. And these people were embracing. I don't understand what's so hard about embracing people who are having a hard time, who are good human beings. Criminals? But I don't think the headlight guy is, that's just out of control. Thank you very much.

## (Applause)

MS. GIVEN: Hi. I'm Mary L. Given, 327
Fifth Street, Greenport. I've lived in Greenport my entire life.

And I just have to comment on the flag, because that constitutes freedom to me, and many generations of my family fought for that flag. And I really did not appreciate the comment. I just had to say that. My dad is speaking through me right now. Thank you.

And I don't envy you. I don't envy you to have to vote on this resolution. I just -- I do respect all of you, and vote your heart. Vote
your heart. Don't be bullied into voting any way. I don't think that you're hateful if you don't vote for it. Just vote your heart. Search it and vote it. Thank you.
(Applause)
MR. WORTH: Could I have one minute?
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay, briefly, yes.
MR. WORTH: Thank you. Just to address the flag point. I'11 admit my own ignorance. I did not know that man was a Marine. But all I meant about the flag was that it's a symbol, and that it means something. And that I see from the White House a lot of hate, and I think that a lot of people, other people see it, too. And a lot of good people have died for that flag. A lot of people more honorable and brave than myself have died for that flag, so it means something. And that's why it's so important that we all defend it. And when we see it, when I see it, anyway, starting to mean something different, starting to mean something hateful, and I hope I'm wrong, but when I see it to start to mean something hateful, I wanted to say something.

And everyone who talked about civility is exactly right. No one should lose their cool,

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because the First Amendment being something. And when people start to get aggressive, then the dialogue stops. So those points are well taken. And I didn't mean to offend anyone whose family is a veteran.

And I think, this is my last point, as that as my work is day in and day out I work with immigrants, and I see their fear every day, all day long, and it takes a bit of a toll. And its difficult to see, because not that long ago I was telling them that maybe they could stay, maybe there was -- the family could stay together, and now it's a whole different conversation, and it's just difficult. So thank you for the time to rebut.
(Applause)
MS. ELKIN: Hi. My name is Bridget Elkin. I'm from East Marion, New York. Thank you for giving myself the chance to speak.

Others in the room have alluded to this, but I just think that it's really important for the immigrants in this room, legal or illegal, to know whether this resolution stands or not, I just want to be crystal clear that this -- I think many people in this room want to be crystal clear that
this is a sanctuary city, and the East End, and there will be people to help you. It is a welcoming town.
(App1ause)
MS. ELKIN: And I hope that the Board stands with us on that. But $I$ think it's really important to note that we don't need a resolution to be that, we are that, and we will continue to be that for everyone.
(App1ause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Is there anybody else that would wish to address the Board?

MS. PEREZ: I would like to, actually. It's hot in here.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
MS. PEREZ: I had to sit back there. Hi. My name is Minerva Perez. I live in Sag Harbor. I come here as much as I can. I bring my daughter, she's 19, and a lot of friends live here in Southold Town. I was recently invited to Southold School to speak to a class there about some work that I do for OLA of Eastern Long Island. I am the Executive Director.

I wanted to share a story, a very brief story. I've been lucky also to be called into

Southampton Town Police to do Latino diversity training for all Southampton Town Police personnel. That is the fruit of labor that started about a year ago with conversations with the Police Chief, Police Lieutenants, The Town Supervisor about how important it was to develop and build the trust amongst all of our community members, including those who are Latino, both documented, undocumented, all members of our community, because we are one community. And so now I'm getting to do that. I'm getting to spend all this amazing time with police officers, men and women, some detectives, and really kind of talking about some difficult topics, and bringing in conversations as they happen throughout the day. So it's not a static PowerPoint presentation, it's a dialogue. And I've actually gotten police officers to speak back, which is amazing, because it's very, very hard, and it's a good dialogue.

One thing that I shared with them toward the very end of the presentation that I give is a story that I call "Boy Meets Seal". And what it is, is recently I volunteered at East Hampton High School to be part of their mock interviews, where
they get a bunch of people from the community just to sit down and have the eleventh graders kind of file through and do these mock interviews, so they can get ready for their world, for interviewing for jobs, for colleges. They get dressed up, they have a resume. They're very nervous.

And I had about 20, I guess, students that I met. One of them was a boy, Latino descent. And he sat down, very good handshake, great eye contact, no sneakers. And we talked about what he wanted to do. And he had looked me in the eye and he said he wanted to be a Navy Sea1. And then he said after that, he wanted to come back and be an East Hampton Town police officer. And I just thought about that, because I know these stories exist, but it was one thing to be sitting across a table when there's so many other things that I keep hearing that aren't so positive about our Latino members of our community. And I just thought, my God, this is -- you know, I had to be reminded of it, duh. This is our future. This boy is going to be that for us, and we're too tired to raise our hands, our voices, let alone defend this country.

These children that want to do nothing but
be American, because they are citizens, most of them in these schools that we have out on the South Fork, want to serve their country and will die for their country, and it is their country, and whether their parents are documented or not, and that's what that boy represented.

So what I did is I ended up talking to the Village Chief of East Hampton, who said, "You know, by the way, there's a guy in the East Hampton Town P.D. who's an ex-Navy Seal, and you should know that." And I said, "Great." So then I talked to the Chief of Police for East Hampton Town and he connected me up with this guy, and a couple of emails, couple of texts later, we made the meeting happen with just this eleventh grader and myself and this police officer, and this boy was just star struck. Just sort of sat across the table with him -- he didn't even know what to say. I said, "Come on, you're here. You know, this is the man that kind of embodies everything you want to do with your life. And then you want to come back after you serve this country and then you want to serve the people of East Hampton Town. Here he is, ask him the questions."

And this police officer was a little, kind
of -- you know, he knew what he was getting into, and he was gracious enough do it, but he was taken aback by the boy, how he was looking at him, what he saw in him. There wasn't this division, it was something else. And it just about made me crumble, but I kept it together. And the police officer gave him all these different guidance on what kind of colleges to look at.

And it turns out the boy is not yet
documented. He's in the middle of working on that. And that didn't even stop him from saying that out loud. And I left that meeting and I just thought I have to share this story over and over and over and over, and over and over and over again, because this is our future. And that motions like this, although they seem symbolic, are so much more, that we are letting our youth, we are letting our children and the parents of those children willing to let them sign up for the Marines, for the Navy Seals to defend this country and give their lives for that. We are giving them the message that they are welcome here.

And I would like to you, because I'd like to go back to the South Fork and say the bravery that I see here, potentially, the bravery I see in this
room, even to have the conversation, it's brave, that I would like to take back to the South Fork as a mode1. And I thank you for that, for considering it, and I thank everyone.
(Applause)
MS. MC ENTEE: Joanne McEntee, 242, Fifth Avenue.

What really sparked this whole issue was at the work session, which most of you have not come. Most of you are not members, or do not come here, who are not members of the Village of Greenport, which is great to see everyone here.

What I do -- what the last -- in the work session was Mr. Roberts has -- had designed this format of whereas, whereas. And it stated, "Whereas, foreign born Greenport residents and U.S. born residents transparented (sic) to Greenport are a vital part of our Green -- or of our community. Whereas, regardless of where we are born, or what we look like," and blah, blah, blah.

My point is that what he was failing to mention in this whole document that he wants to -or resolution, what he wants to put into place, was that he was failing to mention all about
illegals.
We are here because we are all immigrants, and for him not to -- to not put illegals, but say it in a very soft fashion, and saying basically we are a sanctuary city as well, with the other resolution that he had attached.

What I don't like is that there are criminals here. There are people who do not do the right thing. They come into this country illegally. They already have made a criminal action. Furthermore, we have MS-13, which I'm sure many of you are well aware of.

By the way, I'd love to see you all at the next work session, at the next Board of Trustees meeting, because this is what we need in our community. So that's what sparked it.

Now the proposal goes on to read, and it was changed dramatically, "Whereas" -- the biggest problem that $I$ do have on the current one is "Whereas, regardless of where we are born." It still includes illegals. He is not addressing the problem of all the people that we have here that are -- that have caused crimes.

I'd also like to ask the Board, when we pulled off on the website, it only had the
"whereas" part. So the first part of it, does that stay, where it says, "Resolution declaring the Village of Greenport a Welcome Committee (sic), request the Board to join in of supporting this symbolic, but important, gesture to communicate with our residents that we honor" -"we honor diversity and recognize the contributions of immigrant residents," and it keeps going on. Will that stay? Because I can't imagine a resolution starting as "whereas".

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Every proclamation begins that's way. It's a format, like the one about smoke detectors begins with "Whereas", "Whereas", "Whereas".

MS. MC ENTEE: And it just starts as "Whereas"?

AUDIENCE MEMBER: And "Whereas", "Whereas", "Whereas".

MS. MC ENTEE: So -- and that's how it's going to --

MAYOR HUBBARD: Are you reading what's on our agenda tonight?

MS. MC ENTEE: Yeah. It just says -- it starts as "Whereas".

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Joanne, are you reading

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from the -- okay. Apparently, everyone needs to understand that --

MS. MC ENTEE: I pulled it off of the website.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. You're reading the, "Whereas, the moral wellbeing and financial" --

MS. MC ENTEE: Correct.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That's --
MS. MC ENTEE: So is there something before that? Because at the work session, there was another paragraph.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: This has been -- this has been revised.

MAYOR HUBBARD: This is what's actually -this is what we're voting on, is what's on the agenda.

MS. MC ENTEE: Thank you. That's a11 I needed to know. So, Mayor, will you be signing this as well?

MAYOR HUBBARD: It's being -- it will be voted on by the Board. Nobody signs that.

MS. MC ENTEE: Nobody signs it, okay.
MAYOR HUBBARD: No. If it passes, it wil1 be by resolution, ratified with the Village,

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Greenport Village Board of Trustees, with the date. That's how all our resolutions get passed. MS. MC ENTEE: Okay. That's fine. Thank you.

So I have been here at the Board of Trustees meetings, work sessions, ZBAs, Planning Boards. Many of you have not been. Bob Keh1 has been here as well for the past four, five years. And I'm definitely going to say four years we've been here. We go to a lot of these meetings.

One of the things is Mr. Kapell came up here and stated about how many illegals -- about the $75 \%$ of the children who -- in our school. Well, you know, who are paying those taxes? Are -- you know, is he -- what is he -- what was he -- he's left already, so he doesn't have time to rebuttal. And, you know, sad, because I'd really like to look further into that. If there's $75 \%$, who -how many of those are legal? How many of those are illegal of the parents? Who is paying the property taxes? Okay, so the homeowner. But does the homeowner realize that of those homes, there could be four, there could be six children in those homes, that are sending them right to our school district and we are paying the taxes, all
of us, including Bob.
This is not right. If I'm not mistaken, it's about 18, a little bit more for school taxes per child. That's huge. We can't afford that. So let's figure this out.

I'm just curious to know, and I'm not -- I'm going call out Mr. Kape11 right now. How many illegals are he -- is he harboring?
(Outburst from audience)
MAYOR HUBBARD: But that's -- I mean, that's, you know --

AUDIENCE MEMBER: How about you? How about you?

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Hey that's enough.
MS. MC ENTEE: Now I walk -- okay. Excuse me. But I walked past one of his homes and there are eight mailboxes. If you read the resolution, it calls for how many mailboxes? Eight mailboxes, one home.

We need to accept the President as he is today.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Everybody, please.
AUDIENCE MEMBER: He's not my President.
AUDIENCE MEMBER: He ain't mine either.
MS. MC ENTEE: He may not be what we like,

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what you don't like, but he is our President. We've all accepted the President in the past, and we need to accept the President --
(Outburst from the audience)
MAYOR HUBBARD: All right. All right.
MS. MC ENTEE: -- as he is today.
The biggest issue here tonight is not immigrants. The biggest issue is the illegals, illegal immigrants. We have MS-13 in our town. We have MS-13 in the Town of Southold and in the Village of Greenport. It's been known and it hasn't gone away. Those are the people that are the dangerous people, so let's work on that first.

I don't think this resolution is going to be -- is something that we need to sign, as I've been here, my family came into Ellis Island, my great-grandparents, they came in here. They started with their businesses, in the tailor business. They went up, they moved into other businesses. They are still in -- have other businesses.

What concerns me is that -- and this is great, but you walk downtown, you see a lot of different, say, a lot of different restaurants down there. It's -- we have a big amount of
people that are coming here.
My children work in the restaurant business. Do you realize that they work on the books as true Americans. They are getting paid less than the people, the immigrants, because they don't have their papers, that are working in the --

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Lie.
MS. MC ENTEE: Excuse me. That are working in the rest of the community. They are getting paid 1ess. My kids are getting paid less --

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Lie.
MS. MC ENTEE: -- than what these people are getting paid in cash. This is an unfair thing to do, and those people of those restaurants need to be called out. Could be restaurants, it could be in any other type of business within this community.

Years ago this was a dumping ground. We don't want it to go back to a dumping ground. A lot of you don't remember it, but let's go back to the '70s. I've been here for a long time, my family has been here for a long time, and it's been a dumping ground. So let's not -- let's fix what we have, let's make it right, not -- let's not harbor the illegals. And if there are certain
people that come in and remove them, sorry, you're here illegally, you've committed a crime, and those are the people that need to leave.

There is much crowded housing, and that's because some of these people don't care. They don't care where they live.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Like they have a choice?
MS. MC ENTEE: Yes, and it's the truth.
There are -- there -- well, come down, come down Fifth Avenue and you'11 see. I live right next to one.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Do you have more, Joanne, because we have people waiting, too.

MS. MC ENTEE: I do.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. We're trying to keep them brief, so.

MS. MC ENTEE: I also do want to mention that this is a -- this is a minor detail, but we've had three, three accidents on our street, all hit and run, three homes right in a row. We spoke about this at a ZBA meeting, and I have spoke to a Board -- a Board -- a Trustee as well about it, and I did post it on Facebook.

What happened with this, one of these issues -- not one of these issues, but another hit

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and run -- excuse me, not a hit and run. Another drunk driver hit my daughter's car. It was an illegal who hit my daughter's car, caused about \$2500, \$2600 worth of damage, and guess who was stuck with the bill? She was. No insurance, no driver's license. There was nothing we could do. No license, no registration, nothing. You take him to court, and guess what, he walks out with a fine.

So these problems need to be addressed first. And I believe in a Welcoming Community, but we don't need a resolution to resolve all these issues. We've been here long enough. We al 1 know each other. I don't know the people that are here from East Marion, and Orient, and where else, but as a Greenport rule of thumb, everybody knows everybody here, and we don't need something that is, in my eyes, frivolous. Thank you.
(Applause)
MS. DINGLE: My name is Susan Dingle, and I am from way west in New Suffolk. Yes.
(Laughter)
MR. SWISKEY: Oh, my God that's out of the wor1d.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: You're not allowed to
speak, I'm sorry.
(Laughter)
MS. DINGLE: And before that, before that, I was from the City, so I'm just really grateful for your tolerance in allowing me to speak tonight as well.

I have been very moved tonight. I came here because I read about the work session. And I wanted to be present as an observer who is deeply committed to respect and civility. As a member of the Anti-Bias Task Force, I believe that that is what we really need to focus on, and I've heard a lot of that tonight.

I've heard people courageously speaking views that might not have been agreed on by a lot of people, but it was really heartening that people did speak, people did say what they have to say, and I think it is the beginning of a new opportunity for Greenport.

I have to say that I secretly would like to live in Greenport, although I don't right now.
(Laughter)
MR. SWISKEY: You want to buy my house?
MS. DINGLE: Although I doubt I could afford it. I just want to say -- I just wanted to say
that you do have before you a really challenging decision, and a great opportunity, a great opportunity to share the loving heart of Greenport with a wider world, and we need your example. I would -- I don't want to tell you about the controversies that rack New Suffolk, but --
(Laughter)
MS. DINGLE: It's true. There is never a teapot so small that you can't find a tempest in it. (Laughter)

MS. DINGLE: So I ask you to set an example for other towns by supporting a resolution that is more than symbolic. It is saying this is who we are. And I think it's an -- I think it's an opportunity for this conversation that's beginning tonight to be taken into new forums, that there be opportunities for people to really share their fears about illegal immigrants and their -whatever the feelings are, that we can all listen to each other and be present for each other, because we are all citizens together. We are all citizens together in a country that gives us all the opportunity to have free speech and to respect and support each other. And that's where I would like to leave it tonight.

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And I hope that you will, that you will feel the -- what it is right for you to do. And I thank you all. Thank you for listening.
(Applause)
MS. PEABODY: Good evening. My name is Carolyn Peabody and I'm from Orient, which is the other direction, and I'm here to speak in support of Resolution 23.

I'd like to just share some information and then sort of share my perspective. And the information is that there was a recent Cato Institute report, which is, as you might know, not terribly liberal. And that Cato Institute report, very recent, found that, in fact, people who are immigrants are much less likely to commit crimes than are people who are citizens. And people who are undocumented immigrants are, in fact, much less likely to commit crimes than even they are, so -- and, certainly, you could imagine that the Cato Institute probably checked the number quite a lot.
(Laughter)
MS. PEABODY: So just to reassure everyone along the lines that certainly there's crime, and people, you know, in desperate times oftentimes do
desperate things. But that as a general statement, the findings are we're much less in danger from people who are undocumented.

And I'd like to sort of share my perspective, and that is -- this is kind of why I do what I do, but I think -- I think to myself that I was born, I think somebody said it earlier, kind of by the, you know, luck of the universal draw. I was born to have unbelievable privileges to be in a country, to be a citizen of a country in which I'm really very protected and have tremendous rights. But it could have been that this country was not a great country, or that I was born someplace else.

And so I think to myself, if I were a person in a country where the trade -- the International Trade Agreements had really bankrupted my country, or my -- the place that I live, or where there was tremendous violence and war, and gangs, and I had a family, and I wanted to be safe and I wanted my family to be safe, and I think that I would probably do whatever the hell I had to do to get out and to take them and be protected, and I would do whatever I had to do, and I think most of us would. I think that there's a fundamental drive
that we have as responsible adults to both survive, and also to protect the people that we love.

And so I think about that, and I think, well -- so if I was -- I was born in that situation and $I$ was in a country where the government said that I was not an acceptable human being, but I was living there and I was contributing to the town, and I was working hard, and I was doing everything that $I$ could as best as I could, which most people who are undocumented are really trying to keep their heads down and do the best that they can. And I think to myself, if I was that person, and I was working really hard, and I knew that the government was after me, or that it was possible that they were after me, and that I had -- I was surrounded by a community of neighbors and people that I didn't feel I could turn to, even though they're my neighbors, I would be -- I would be -- I would not feel that it was a welcoming committee -- community.

I feel that it's a -- it does -- people, everyone is saying it's a symbolic act to say this, to have this resolution. But I think that the most important part of it is, is it's a
statement to people who are extremely frightened, and who really desperately believe in this country, and believe in the values of the country, even though we think that they don't, but many people think that they don't, they're here because they love this country. And I know, because I've talked to many, many people.

And it just strikes me that this resolution is one way, one small way, but an important way to make a statement that the town, this Village believes that it's important to embrace the people who live here and who have contributed to this town. I mean, when you say -- you go downtown, those -- many of the best restaurants in town now are Latino restaurants. The most amazing things that are here in the Village, much of it is as a result of the work and the efforts of people who are -- we're calling, quote, illegals.

So I would really urge you to think about what you might do if you put yourself in the shoes of the people that are in a very precarious situation.

And remember that, as Ellen Neff said, history is going to remember us, and we would really want to be on the side of supporting
people, and supporting human life, and doing the right thing. Thank you.
(Applause)
MR. KREILING: Paul Kreiling, 149 Sixth Street.

Regardless of what goes on with the resolution, there's one thing all of us should remember, and it has to do with Ellis Island, it has to do with immigrants. On the Statute of Liberty is a plaque, and she's been given the name "Mother of Exiles".

From her beacon-hand glows world-wide welcome; with mild eyes commanding. The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.
"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries her silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

Thank you.
(App1ause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Is there -- okay.
MS. DECKER: One more. Sorry.
MAYOR HUBBARD: That's al1 right.

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MS. DECKER: Lynn Decker, 547 Third Street.
A couple of things. When I came in, I didn't know about the resolution, how I felt about it. Doug and I do not agree on a lot of things, but, ultimately, I would support what he has written, because I think it is -- it's generic enough that I feel the Board could sign it without getting yourselves in trouble. And it does make a statement to the community about what kind of community we are.

And just to go a little further, I'm back in the corner there where there's a lot of different opinions than what I'm saying.

MR. SWISKEY: You survived.
MS. DECKER: So I'm hearing some mutterings back there. And somebody before said the best thing about this meeting is that there is now a dialogue, and that's the most important thing. And if Trump has done nothing else, he's brought out all the ugliness that does exist in America, and we do need to talk about it.

I understand your mutterings back there, I truly do, and I appreciate it, I know where you're coming from. By the same token, I believe in supporting the immigrant population here.

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We live on Third Street. There's a whole lot of folks down there, they pass us every night when we're out having wine on our porch, and we have dialogue with the immigrants. They're delightful, hardworking people. They deserve to be here. There's a lot of lousy ones here, too, they deserve to go. But I think we need to have dialogue.

And something that bothered me was I saw somebody from this side of the room try and give a business card or something to someone from that corner of the room to have further dialogue, and that card was just totally rejected. That's sad.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Yup it is.
MS. DECKER: And we need to work better on that.

## (Applause)

MS. SIEGEL: Debra Siege1, 520 Carpenter Street. And I just want to say it's true, that I wish I had come to these meetings a lot more, and I'm happy to be engaged now. And I would urge to vote for this resolution, because it -- I think it's more than symbolic, actually. I think there's a lot we can learn. I think that being undocumented is a civil issue, not a criminal
issue, if I'm not mistaken. So when we hear the world "illegals" or calling people illegal, they're not illegal, it's a civil issue. And I think that we should move in our country toward a humane path to citizenship or working legally in this country.

So thank you. And I hope to come back, or at least pay attention online.

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah.
MS. SIEGEL: As much as you can put online is great, so thank you.
(Applause)
MS. MC PHALL: Yeah, hi. Christine McPhall, I'm from Mattituck. And thanks for letting me give my opinion.

Although I live in Mattituck, I have taught English and interpreted in this community for many years. So I started teaching English here in Greenport almost 20 years ago, and I worked -- I had the great privilege of working with the first wave of people that came from Latin America.

I just wanted to say that supporting this resolution is not really supporting crime, it's not endorsing crime, it's just showing the support to not rip families apart. I have seen people
have been -- someone mentioned that people aren't being ripped from their homes. Ten years ago there was an ICE raid in Greenport, and I had students ripped away from their families, leaving children behind here in Greenport.

And I would just say also that I have the great privilege now of knowing a lot of the children that have grown up from those original -that first wave of people that came. They were in their twenties. They were all young people coming here to survive horrendous conditions in their countries. Many of them have begun to raise wonderful American citizen children here. I'm also a child of immigrants, I'm first generation American.

So I just wanted to say that, that it's really not supporting crime. You really are just letting people know that you're not interested in having them being ripped away from their families.

And just one other thing. One of the things that is being recommended to some of the immigrant families is to find someone who will be a proxy for your children, if, in fact, you don't come home one day. And today I received my first phone cal1 from a dear friend and former colleague who

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was concerned that she would not come home one day, and she asked me if I would be the proxy for her child. And I just find that to be incredibly sad.

So I really didn't think I was going to say anything tonight at all, so thanks for letting me.
(Applause)
MS. GOODMAN: Can I say one thing very quick1y?

MAYOR HUBBARD: What's that?
MS. GOODMAN: Can I say one thing very quick1y?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Yeah.
MS. GOODMAN: I don't want to keep you, because I already spoke, and I'11 speak --

MR. SWISKEY: We're quite liberal here.
MS. GOODMAN: Yeah, I just -- that's good to know.
(Laughter)
MS. GOODMAN: I just wanted to say two things. So one is a personal anecdote, which I'11 just say really quickly. I have actually lived in five different countries.

MS. BRAATEN: I'm sorry. Can you state your name again.

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MS. GOODMAN: Robin Goodman. So I have lived in four other countries, probably for more time than I lived in America. So partially for high school, for graduate school, twice, and for work. I lived in France for over 17 -- for over 13 years, excuse me. I lived in Switzerland, Geneva, I don't recommend it, Wales, absolutely fantastic, and London.

After 13 years of doing nothing but pumping money into the French economy, I wasn't able to stay, because I had always been a student. My family, part of my family lived there, but not close enough where I could get residency. It was a horrible experience. I went through application after application after application. Likewise, in England, where I probably -- don't ask me how, because I didn't have this much money, but somehow managed to pump over $\$ 100,000$ into the British economy and then couldn't stay.

So if I haven't been at meetings, in part, it was -- prior to this one, in part, because I didn't live here. Also, I live in Orient, but I am very happy to be engaged now. I don't drive, but, again, if anyone will give me a lift home, I'11 come to every meeting you'd like me to.

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(Laughter)
MS. GOODMAN: So that's settled.
Also, I just wanted to speak to the other point. So the first anecdote was just to say how -- these aren't positions that people have arrived at easily. Certainly, I haven't, not just because I've adopted some sort of 1 iberal agenda, but through living it, through lived experience. I was undocumented. I know what it's like to go to an airport and to be anxious, to have a carte de séjour, but not to have a citizenship, not to have a carte de residence. But to have lived in a country for 13 years where I wasn't welcome, I was torn away.

I hardly know -- I've met people out here, because I've gotten involved in these sorts of issues. All of my friends live across, the other side of the pond. I mean, it was a really, really upsetting, horrible thing in a place, in a country, a town, a city, a village where you've put so much into your heart and soul, and, you know, not -- not to be welcome. So that was that.

And then, also, just a more logistical prosaic point. Many people who are undocumented actually have national employment identification

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numbers. They're employed and they pay taxes.
AUDIENCE MEMBER: Right.
MS. GOODMAN: They don't get any tax
returns, and they don't get any benefits. So for the person who was terribly frightened about basement apartments and illegals, I just wanted to set that straight, that that's actually -- a lot of money is being put into our economy by people who get nothing in return, not even -- not even a warm welcome.
(App1ause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Anybody else?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 right. We11, I want to thank everybody for coming. It's been a good dialogue. We're going to move on to our regular agenda now.

MR. SWISKEY: Do it quick, George, I'm getting tired.
(Laughter)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Al1 right. I'11 offer RESOLUTION \#02-2017-1, RESOLUTION adopting the February 2017 agenda as printed. I so move.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?

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TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried. Trustee
Roberts.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-2,
RESOLUTION accepting the monthly reports of the Greenport Fire Department, Village Administrator, Village Treasurer, Village Clerk, Village

Attorney, Mayor and Board of Trustees. So moved.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-3,

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RESOLUTION declaring as surplus, and no longer needed for Fire Department purposes, two vehicles formerly used as Chiefs' vehicles for the Greenport Fire Department - a 2006 Chevrolet Suburban and a 2003 Chevrolet Tahoe. So moved. TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second. MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-4,
RESOLUTION approving the Board membership of Paul
Pallas on the North Fork Chamber of Commerce, representing the Village of Greenport. So moved

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

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MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-5, RESOLUTION approving an increase in the wage rate of Recreation Department employee Joanne Jackson, from $\$ 14$ per hour to $\$ 16$ per hour, effective March 1st, 2017. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-6, RESOLUTION ratifying the hiring of Michael Davis and Kerstan Pringle as seasonal, part-time employees at the Village of Greenport Ice Rink and Carousel at a pay rate of $\$ 10.00$ per hour, effective February 3rd, 2017. So moved.

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TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-7, RESOLUTION ratifying the hiring of Megan Gevinski as a seasonal, part-time employee at the Village of Greenport Mitchell Park Marina Office at a pay rate of $\$ 12.00$ per hour, effective February 2nd, 2017. So moved.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)

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MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-8, RESOLUTION authorizing Village Administrator Pallas to work with Historic Preservation Commission Chairman Bull on two grant applications for the Certified Local Government program through the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation District; with only in-kind services, and no monetary expense, to be incurred by the Village of Greenport. So moved.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-9, RESOLUTION approving the purchase of an oil/water separator in the amount of $\$ 47,646$ from Highland Tank and Manufacturing Company, the sole source provider, to be expensed from Account E.0352.205

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(Transmission Substation Equipment). So moved
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-10, RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform attached Budget Amendment \#3648, to transfer the remaining balance of the 2016 Tree Committee grant funds to fiscal 2017, and directing that Budget Amendment \#3648 be included as part of the formal meeting minutes for the February 23rd, 2017 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.

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TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-11,
RESOLUTION authorizing Treasurer Brandt to perform attached Budget Amendment \#3649, to fund professional services to be provided by J.R. Holzmacher for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, and directing that Budget Amendment \#3649 be included as part of the formal meeting minutes for the February 23rd, 2017 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. So moved.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-12,

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RESOLUTION scheduling a public hearing for the 2017-2018 Tentative Village Budget at 6:00 p.m. on April 11th, 2017 at the 01d Schoolhouse, Front and First Streets, Greenport, New York; and directing Clerk Pirillo to notice the budget hearing accordingly. So moved.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-13, RESOLUTION ratifying the acceptance of the proposal as submitted by BST \& Co., per the bid opening on October 6th, 2016 for a rate study of the Village's sewer and water utilities, for a fee not to exceed $\$ 10,976.00$, to be expensed equally from Accounts F.8310.413 (Special Services) and G.8110.411 (Misce1laneous Expense). So moved. TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.

MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-14, RESOLUTION approving the agreement between Munistat Services, Inc. and the Village of Greenport with respect to the Annual Information Statement as required by the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission, at a cost of $\$ 3,500.00$, to be expensed proportionately from the General, Water, Electric and Sewer funds; and further authorizing Mayor Hubbard to execute the agreement with Munistat on behalf of the Village of Greenport. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.

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TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-15,
RESOLUTION authorizing the addition of \$1,243.75
to the property tax bill for the Property 221/223
Center Street, Greenport, New York, 11944; per the public hearing held on February 23rd, 2017. So moved.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-16,
RESOLUTION amending the Village of Greenport
Travel Policy for Officials, Officers, Management and Employees to include a $\$ 35$ per day meal expense reimbursement limit, and stating that

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valid receipts must be provided for requested reimbursement. So moved.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-17, RESOLUTION approving the Public Assembly Permit Application as submitted by Joe Cortale, on behalf of the Floyd Memorial Library, to use a portion of Mitchell Park from 4:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. on July 18th, 2017 for the annual Children's Concert. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
tRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.

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MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-18, RESOLUTION accepting the bid for the removal of specified Village trees and stumps, in the amount of $\$ 11,450.00$, as submitted by Johnson Tree Company, the sole bidder, per the bid opening on January 26th, 2017. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-19,
RESOLUTION declaring as surplus, and no longer needed for municipal purposes, the fourteen (14) painted canvas rounding board images for the Village of Greenport Carousel. So moved.

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TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-20, RESOLUTION allowing the Carousel Committee to conduct an auction of the fourteen (14) painted rounding boards for the Village of Greenport Carousel, as well as for prints for the rounding boards, with the auction proceeds to be used exclusively for improvements to the Village of Greenport Carousel, with the improvements to be recommended by the Village of Greenport Carousel Committee. So moved.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.

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TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-21,
RESOLUTION amending Resolution \#01-2017-9 to
include an increase in the seasonal rate of stay
for the Village of Greenport McCann Campground,
from $\$ 2,900$ to $\$ 3,400$ per season. So moved.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-22, RESOLUTION approving the use by the Greenport Farmers Market of a portion of the municipal parking lot at South Street, to be designated by the Village of Greenport on Saturday mornings from

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8 a.m. to 1 p.m., beginning on June 24th, 2017 and ending on September 16th, 2017, at a fee of $\$ 420.00$ payable by the Farmers Market prior to June 24th, 2017. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-23, RESOLUTION adopting the attached resolution confirming the Village of Greenport as a Welcoming Community.

Are we reading this, or are we just voting on it?

MAYOR HUBBARD: We11, finish your -- finish your motion.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: So moved.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Second. Okay. Before we

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actually vote on this, I'm going to read off what we're voting on, the wording of the resolution. WHEREAS, the moral well-being and financial prosperity of our global community and individual, local neighborhoods depend on ensuring that ALL residents feel valued and welcomed -- and welcome; and

WHEREAS, all Greenport residents are vital threads to the fabric of the Greenport community and neighborhoods, all with their own, unique perspectives and original ideas, and all contributing to the vibrant diversity that we all value; and

WHEREAS, we continue to honor the spirit of unity that brings neighbors and families together and makes our community the kind of place where diverse people feel appreciated and want to live, participate, and raise their families; and

WHEREAS, regardless of where we were born or what we look like, we are, as always, Greenport residents united in our efforts to continue building a strong community; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing and applauding the contributions that we all make to sustain and enhance our already vibrant culture and growing
economy, we continue to make our community more prosperous and more inclusive to all call -- to all who call it home.

Okay. So we got a motion and a second. I'm going to ask the Clerk to call the role.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Could we have a discussion first?

MAYOR HUBBARD: Was there a discussion?
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Trustee Philiips.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Sure.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think that there's a couple of things that need to be put out for the public to be clear on this resolution. And I think Trustee Roberts will agree that this is not the original resolution that he had proposed at the work session, correct?

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Yes. The Mayor edited it.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. That this is a document that, and is one of the things I believe in the discussion, that I strongly believe that we have always been an inclusive community. I think that we all live by example. Those who are actually Greenport residents who are in the audience follow this process. And, Mr. Tasker, I do practice what I preach, okay?

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I also said during the work session, unless someone didn't hear me, is that perhaps we could reword this resolution to really represent what our Village is.

I was a little upset by the gentleman, the attorney, Mr. Worth, in his comment about the flag, because I think that that flag represents more than just the President of the United States. I think it represents all our history of us being immigrants, our parents being immigrants, how we came to be into this country. And our forefathers fought for those stripes that are on those flags, so I'm upset at that.

And I think that this resolution has been changed to actually reflect what we are in the Village of Greenport. And perhaps some people feel we don't need to do it. Maybe not, but it's a -- it's a symbol of who we really are, and where we're going, and what we've been.

So, on that note, I don't know if anyone else would like to comment, but those are my feelings at the moment. I put it out this morning for a discussion. It was very interesting, some of the comments that I heard back on my Facebook page. But we are Greenport, we are all in it
together, and we all take care of each other.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Any other discussion?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Let's do it.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. I'11 have the Clerk cal1 --

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: If I may.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Oh, go ahead.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: If I may. Yeah, I wasn't sure if you were talking.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Oh, I was going to make a comment when they call the roll, but that's okay.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Okay. After all this, thank you, everybody, for coming. Thank you, Mr. Mayor, for allowing this forum.

He may not want me to tell people this after all this, but I was welcomed to Greenport by Ray Chute, who came over to say, "Welcome to town," and, "Are you going to cut your own lawn or do you want me to do it?"
(Laughter)
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: And that's -- that -- I want people to know that, yes, I drafted the first version of this. I was very happy with the Mayor's edits. I was welcomed to town 10 years ago in the way that I try to welcome other people
to town, the way many of you have welcomed me to town. I came from Northport, that far away place, and --
(Laughter)
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: No, it is, it's a different place. And I just want to thank everybody for that. I'm humbled by it.

We have -- there's no doubt -- you know, former Mayor Kapell said it tonight. There's no doubt that we have an immigration challenge in our country. And I'm going to echo Mr. Swiskey. That's going to be dealt with by Federal elected officials, not us, and we have to let them do their jobs. But this is -- this is a nation of laws. The rule of law is important. And one thing I'm going to stand up for is that any law enforcement that happens anywhere must be within the scope of the Constitution, the writ of habeas corpus, and folks need to be given due process. And so I'm going to stand up for that.
(Applause)
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: So one concern I've had, the reason why I wrote this, is that in a lot of our meetings -- and, again, please do keep coming to our meetings, this is great. Greenporters,
please keep coming, participate, Zoning, Planning.
We hear a lot of talk of, at some of these meetings, of "these people" and "those people" and "them". And my goal in putting this resolution out was for our local government to make a bold statement in the form of "we", not "we" and "they", but "us". Not "us" and "them", just "us". "My neighbors", not "these people" or "those people". And that could be on the most mundane variance before the ZBA. Let's just try to do that, and that's why I wanted to put this out.

To those of you who have been here for generations or many years, thank you for sharing your place of origin with people like me, who come from inside of -- from Long Island, from the U.S., from other places abroad. I respect your legacy and your tenure here, and I continue to learn from you. Chatty, I continue to learn from you about what's going on here, and I appreciate that you hold me and others accountable from this podium.

This resolution is not intended to say to any of you, any of you, particularly long-time Greenporters, including you, Mr. Mayor, including my fellow Trustees up here; this resolution is not intended to say to you that you haven't welcomed

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new people. It's about asking you to join me in a symbolic statement that Greenport has always been a welcoming community and will continue to be such. No change in Federal Governments or Presidents, or anything like that, will change that about us. This is an amazing place.

And one of my favorite things about Greenport is that we can come here and have this discussion, and we can disagree like H-E double hockey sticks. Me and Mr. Swiskey can disagree on just about everything under the sun. He can say it's yellow, $I$ can say it's purple.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no, but wait a minute, you're taking my place.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Right.
(Laughter)
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: But come Halloween time, he's going to be out in the street begging me to come in with my kid and have some of his candy and check out his amazing blow-up popcorn machine and stuff.
(Laughter)
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: So that's -- that's why this place is great. And so I'm just trying to have us put something on paper and make a symbolic
gesture, and I truly didn't mean to offend anybody who's been here a long time. And thank you for the time, and thank you for listening.
(App1ause)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Any other discussion?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. Clerk, cal1 the roll.
CLERK PIRILLO: Trustee Roberts.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Yes.
CLERK PIRILLO: Trustee Robins.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'm going to make a statement before I give my vote, which I just want to say that I am honored to be able to vote to pass this resolution tonight. I value my position here on the Board, as being a member of this government and being able to do it for everybody.

Somebody said, "Do the right thing." This is what's in my heart, this is what $I$ believe in. So I heard everybody tonight. I pray for this community to heal. I pray for this country to hea1. I hope we can come together. I vote yes. (Applause)

CLERK PIRILLO: Trustee Martilotta.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Yes.
(App1ause)

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CLERK PIRILLO: Trustee Phillips.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I stated before how I felt. Is Liz Smith still here? I guess she left. Okay.

MS. SMITH: I'm here.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: She's sitting down.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The are, the we, the who, the what, the when, the where, I think that's all conversation that makes our community. I have always felt that no matter whoever chose to live in the Village of Greenport became the community, and it didn't matter whether you've been here for 100 years or two years.

So on that, and I'm voting with my heart. I'm glad this resolution has been changed to reflect what our Village of Greenport really is to other communities and to other towns, which I think, obviously, by the number of people that are here tonight, they must agree with us. So I'm voting yes.
(Applause)
CLERK PIRILLO: Mayor Hubbard.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Yes.
(Applause)

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MAYOR HUBBARD: Okay. So the resolution passes five to zero. Trustee Martilotta.

TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Here we go.
RESOLUTION \#02-2017-24, RESOLUTION approving the attached resolution in support of the preservation of tax exempt financing. So moved.
trustee Phillips: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: All in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. RESOLUTION \#O2-2017-25, RESOLUTION scheduling a public hearing for 7:00 p.m. on March 23rd, 2017 at the Third Street Fire Station, Third and South Streets, Greenport, New York; regarding a proposed local law amending Chapter 132 (Vehicles and Traffic), Section 43, Schedule V: (Stop Intersections) of the Village of Greenport Code, to add a stop sign at the following locations:

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Madison Avenue at Fifth Avenue (heading east), West Street at Fifth Avenue (heading west), and at Fifth Avenue at South Street in both directions (heading north and heading south) ; and directing Clerk Pirillo to notice the public hearing accordingly. So moved.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Second.
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: RESOLUTION \#02-2017-26, RESOLUTION approving all checks per the Voucher Summary Report dated February 17th, 2017, in the total amount of $\$ 405,713.58$ consisting of:
o A11 regular checks in the amount of \$367,122.94, and
o All prepaid checks (including wire transfers) in the amount of $\$ 38,590.64$. So moved. TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

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MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried.
I want to thank everybody for coming this
evening. It's been a very good discussion.
And I'11 offer a motion to adjourn at 9:55.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Second
MAYOR HUBBARD: A11 in favor?
TRUSTEE MARTILOTTA: Aye.
TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBERTS: Aye.
TRUSTEE ROBINS: Aye.
MAYOR HUBBARD: Aye.
Opposed?
(No Response)
MAYOR HUBBARD: Motion carried. We are adjourned. Thank you.
(Applause)
(The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.)

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I don't believe there is an unbreakable continuum of all rentals from long term down to high turnover, day by day rentals. At some point, stable residential occupancy gives way to a commercial hotel/motel type of operation. The latter should not be permitted in residential districts.

I would like to make a few suggestions regarding the inclusion of Short Term Rentals (STR) in the rental code:

1. Registration should be required for all rentals, whether transient or long term. The rental code should not exempt STR or other rentals such as seasonal rentals. All rentals of 29 days or less should be deemed "transient" as presently defined in the rental code. Seasonal rentals of more than 29 days should fall under the regular rental code requirements.
2. If registration is implemented without ${ }^{3}$ any further restrictions on STR's, there will then be no limits to this commercial activity in residential districts. The number of STR properties and the frequency of this activity in each home would be unbridled. The VBoT should insist on controls on STR activities. It should be clear to STR owners that their operations are considered a commercial use in residential zones and, thus, require a set of operating criteria.
3. I suggest code to define a threshold of transient rental activity (STR) over which constitutes a commercial rental activity in a residential district. Such commercial activities are prohibited in residential districts. For example, code could specify any rental of less than 29 days' duration, occurring more than 4 times in 6 months would be defined a commercial operation and restricted in a residential district. By using this definition method, limited ST rentals may occur under a predetermined threshold. The VBoT could set the threshold criteria to what it believes would be toleratexd by community standards. Under such a definition, incidental or occasional STR would be allowed, but full-time commercialization of STR would not be permitted. (Note: several South Fork villages have threshold definitions for STR to prevent full-time, high-turnover STR's)

Under a frequency threshold rule, owners could rent for different periods - a day, a weekend, a week or a month - just within the allowable number of rentals. This would allow resident homeowners the opportunity to rent intermittently when they are away or willing not to be in their house during intermittent rentals. But, the threshold would not support the full-tilt commercial rental of individual residential houses.

Those who wish to buy or build STR properties solely as commercial enterprises would not fall under the permitted frequency and thus be prohibited. I do not have much sympathy for those who are creating hotels in our residential neighborhoods. I do sympathize with and support resident homeowners who wish to gain some revenue with occasional STR.
4. B\&B's are considered a commercial use in residential zones, and the code has a set 'of operating criteria. Numbers of rooms/guests, required lot size and required

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number of parking spaces are established as well as owner occupancy required during guest stayovers. Should the rental code be modified to include STR without any restrictions, the code for $B \& B$ 's will become moot. Why would any $B \& B$ operator continue under the $B \& B$ code when doing a STR would no longer have restrictions?
5. There was a clear consensus on the Code Committee and reflected in various subsequent public discussions: owner occupied STR (i.e. two family dwellings) would be acceptable for STR. This is like B\&Bs where a principal residence is occupied and rentals occur. In the case of an owner occupied two family house, STR of the other residential unit should have similar standards as B\&B, but occupancy could follow the NYS code occupancy allowances. I suggest including owner occupied STR in the B\&B code.

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Final Note: There should be some reference in the rental code to Section 8 rentals which are vetted and regulated by other means. However, forgoing Sec 8 to the regular rental market should require rental registration.

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If I'm not mistaken you will be hearing from the public again tomorrw regarding rental laws
I would like my input recorded - I am not in town and unable to attend the meeting
At Village meetings, some had suggested that all rental laws be grouped together in a section of the codes for easy access and comprehension for everyone. This can provide the types of rentals in the Village and compliance for each. Sort it out and clean it up. I agree with this idea.

Also, the comment stated several times at Village meetings by citizens, that 4 or 5 people, who know each other can inhabit a rental. This special dispensation is the root of unavailable rentals in the Village because landlords are getting at a minimum of $\$ 500$ - per person for this "type" of rental which most families, couples etc. cannot afford. I know of someone who was paying over $\$ 800$ - a month for a room with a shared bathroom and no*kitchen facilities. He had to move because the place was roach infested. Someone he worked with let him stay in their home. Without kitchen facilities,local hispanic food establishments are necessary and thrive while others don't and some hispanic businesses are doubling as living quarters.

If this "type" of rental is allowed to continue it has to be called i.e. a "boarding" apartment or such. Hence a special permit with a high cost, capacity requirements enforced i.e., 2 people per bedroom and 1 year lease. Otherwise, they will overload the apartment and the revolving door will never stop. I live next to 214 Fifth Street which has a revolving door, 5 families downstairs registered at the school, people come by to pick up mail from mailbox etc. This can be very upsetting because the inability to establish neighborly relations and the fear of one coming through the revolving door may have a criminal tendency.

Creating availability of rentals should be high on the list. I believe the Town of Southold is truly working to create more rentals. I think last year, secondary buildings on properties were permitted to become rentals. There are a least two on Fifth Street where this occurs and it is not legal. Make it legal, get your permit money and provide living space for renters. Town of Southold is also looking at commercial properties for residential rentals. In Canada, an owner of a rental apartment can lease out bedrooms in an apartment with individual leases for each room. My point is, there are solutions all around, this is nothing
new, maybe it's time to adopt and/or adapt some of this good solutions for Greeport's housing problem. The permits should generate quite a bit of revenue.

The obsession with Air bnb seems like a smoke screen to the real problem and shooting fish in a barrel. Gov, Cuomo is working with Air bnb - please google this. I would bet that Airbnb has a minimal amount of registered rentals in the Village advertised. Many of Airbnb are rooms in a home create a permit for that.

I would like to see the Mayor and Trustees go with the flow, get permit money for every type of rental in the Village and I mean every type. Make the cost substantial but not ridiculous and that in itself will adjust the rental availability. Town of Southold is working toward solutions not fighting the necessity.

Thank you
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