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BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL WORK SESSION MEETING

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Third Street Firehouse

February 1, 2024

6:00 p.m.

B E F O R E:

KEVIN STUESSI, JR. - MAYOR

JULIA ROBINS - TRUSTEE

MARY BESS PHILLIPS - DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEE

PATRICK BRENNAN - TRUSTEE

LILY DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON - TRUSTEE

ADAM BRAUTIGAM - DEPUTY TREASURER

CANDACE HALL, VILLAGE CLERK

BRIAN STOLAR, ESQ., VILLAGE ATTORNEY

All other interested parties

MAYOR STUESSI: I'd like to  
make a motion to open the  
Thursday, February 1st, Special  
Work Session of the Board of  
Trustees. May I have a second?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Second.

MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you.  
All in favor?

(Chorus of "ayes".)

MAYOR STUESSI: Please stand  
for the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon the Pledge of  
Allegiance was recited.)

MAYOR STUESSI: Please be  
seated.

Firstly, I want to thank the  
Board and Village staff for being  
here for this meeting. We are a  
busy Board and it's important to  
do what we can to advance things  
in the Village. So I want to  
thank everybody for that and  
everybody's time. I would also  
want to thank the community for

participating this evening. It's wonderful to see everybody out there and know that you care and I know that we have people who are also viewing on their computers at home and likely later too.

With that, I am going to open up for Board discussion on a couple of different items before we go into some additional things on our list. For the benefit of the public, as everybody should be aware, the Village Board was considering proposed Noise code that was brought to us by our Code Committee.

Our Code Committee did a significant amount of work, which was greatly appreciated, over many months in public meetings, which was then formulated. A new draft was submitted to the Village Board that was worked on by the Code Committee and Village counsel.

That was reviewed. We had several open public hearings on that.

So there has been a very significant amount of public comment over the past several months, both in person and then we also had a lot of letters that were sent into Village Hall as well. The Village Board weighed those and then made the decision, a week ago, to close the public hearing in order to look into potential additions and/or edits in the code, which we will be discussing this evening.

So, to be clear, we are not taking the public comment on that since it has been closed. At the end of the meeting, we'll be taking any general public comments on any number of items that we have here or anything else anybody would like to bring up.

But the goal this evening is for

our Board to come to agreement on what we want to put forward on any modifications to the proposed code. That would then be drafted and then we would public notice it again and open up a new public hearing on modifications to the last draft of the code.

With that, I will open it up to the Board for anybody that would like to start with discussing the draft code that we have and any thoughts on it.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Mr. Mayor, if you'll give me a moment. Since I am the chairman or the responsible trustee for the Code Committee, I would just like to read something into the record so that it's clear as to all the Board members.

And I know that we've all mentioned that we did a lot of work, but I also have some other

suggestions that the Code Committee members have graciously acknowledged this afternoon that they kind of were in agreement with.

So if you don't mind, I'd like to read just something into the record so that it's clear where the Code Committee is coming from.

MAYOR STUESSI: Please.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Good afternoon, everyone. I have inquired with four or five local landscape business owners about their operation and use of leaf blowers, whether gas or electric, over the past week. The time and effort of leaf blower's usage for their labor force is during spring and fall cleanups of yards.

During June, July, August and September, the use is primarily to clear grass clippings from sidewalks, driveways, etcetera.

During the Code Committee's review of Chapter 88 - Noise, we asked the following question:

The type of noise complaints sent to Village Hall in the past few years. They included loud music from the Downtown, Down Street businesses, Fifth and Sixth Street Beach, garbage around the Village, vehicles parked in the wrong direction on Village streets, restaurant dumpsters and garbage trucks.

The mention of leaf blowers did not seem to be in the mix. Within the proposed Chapter 88 - Noise, we suggested no commercial landscaping on Sundays and the expanded definition on unreasonable noise.

Unreasonable noise: Sound that endangers or injures any person or animal, a noise disturbs or discomforts a reasonable person of

normal sensitivities or adversely affects the sleep proposed, health or safety of any person.

Standards to be considered in determining whether unreasonable noise exists in a given situation included, but are not limited to the following:

The volume of sounds;

The intensity of sound;

Whether the nature of the sound is unusual or usual;

Whether the origin of the sound is natural or unnatural;

The volume and intensity of the background sound, if any;

The proximity of the sound to residential sleeping facilities;

The nature and zoning districts of the areas within which the sound emanates;

The time of day and night the sound occurs;

The time duration of the sound;



Whether the sound is temporary;  
Whether the sound is impulsive  
sound or repetitive impulsive  
sound.

I listened to the comments at  
the public hearing on noise,  
reached out to a varied group of  
residents; elderly, young couples,  
families of young children, that  
expressed their landscapers are  
small businesses that will need  
time to retool their business  
operation. Limiting the hours of  
operation, restricting the number  
of leaf blowers in the summer  
months for property were  
preferable to an immediate out-ban  
for a piece of equipment.

I am suggesting the following  
discussion points:

No commercial landscaping  
activity on Saturday and Sunday  
all year except in a weather event  
that would require the use of a

leaf blower.

To include a time limit from June to September, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with the use of one leaf blower per property for the commercial landscaper. And that could be either -- preferably electric.

But that's what was brought to the Code Committee's attention and they all have, kind of, agreed. So I just wanted that --

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm sorry, you said no commercial landscaping on Saturdays, meaning nothing of any kind or simply you're proposing gas powered leaf blowers be used?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, we were suggesting -- the Committee had said no landscaping activity on Sundays. So now there's just Saturdays and Sundays. That included lawnmowers and whatever

commercial. Not residentially,  
commercially.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. And  
then I know we've all discussed a  
number of more minor edits over  
the course of many meetings that I  
think we're all in agreement with.

The other substantive item was  
the clarification and addition of  
language in the Waterfront  
Commercial District for those uses  
that are approved there; i.e. boat  
building, etcetera. Did you have  
any further comments on that? I  
know that --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, it's  
supported, but I also need to  
reiterate that when we went to the  
noise of unreasonable noise, we  
did put into it that the nature  
and zoning district of the areas  
within which the sound emanates.  
So we felt that with that phrase  
in there, that it covered a

Waterfront Commercial or  
Commercial Retail that was dealing  
with a normal course of business.  
I know Patrick wanted to strike  
it, but we put that in there to go  
along with the original first  
statement of the reason for the  
Code Committee -- I mean, the  
code, the code changes.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. Lily?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
mean, I don't really have anything  
new to say. I still think -- I  
mean, I think since we're -- if  
we're changing things, I don't see  
a problem with adding in what  
Patrick and, I think, Trisha may  
have like specified about maritime  
activity.

And I think leaf blowers -- I  
mean, I think Saturday and Sunday  
I don't think are the main days  
that people complain. And I  
understand they're saying they're

not complaints on the books, but I don't think people think that they can call Village Hall and complain because it wasn't really something that was -- like unless you have a decibel meter, you're not going to be able to say, oh, this is --

MAYOR STUESSI: It's a code issue.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Exactly. People complain to each other and amongst themselves, but they are not going to call Village Hall.

I also think enforcement of one per lot is going to be hard. So to me, that doesn't really do enough to -- I mean, when you saw all the people and all the comments we've gotten -- and I understand there's like another point of view, but it's also not a complete outright ban right away.

I mean, I saw landscapers today.

I saw three leaf blowers outside of the Village, but in Greater Greenport. I saw a few a couple of few weeks ago too. So I don't think it's just -- you know, it's not just a seasonal issue.

MAYOR STUESSI: And so, correct me if I'm wrong, you're recommendation at our last meeting was to start with a ban over the summer, allow them again in the fall and then --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Start in January.

MAYOR STUESSI: -- start in January for a ban on gas powered leaf blowers?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: And the hedges -- and incorporating not using generators or idling vehicles are important parts of that. I mean, I think idling vehicles aren't really allowed maybe by other code. I'm

not sure of that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: There is already in the code a language for idling vehicles. That's already in the code. We changed that a couple of years ago. And that was to deal with the buses or the tour busses that were coming and parking along Central -- Broad Street.

Where else, Julie, were they parking? They were parking down on Forth Street because the wedding parties were coming to the local hotels, they were getting dropped off and then they were waiting --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, parking on Broad Street sometimes, yes. And, yeah, I saw them over on Broad Street during the summer and even down in the Jitney lots sometimes you'd see a tour bus pulled up and parked in that no

parking area, you know, where the ambulance usually stands?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But that is in the code.

MAYOR STUESSI: So, Julia, what are your thoughts on the two changes of significance that we're considering in the both maritime work noise issue, as discussed in our last meeting, and then gas powered vehicles?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The maritime thing I agree with. I have no question with that. But in terms of the leaf blower ban, I continue to feel that this is a selective kind of process because you're targeting one specific industry that uses one specific tool and there are many tools out there that are making just as much noise. So within the scope of the noise ordinance, I think that I would've gone along with -- I go



along with the original ordinance,  
but I know that Mary Bess, she and  
I had talked at length, and I  
think that she came up with a good  
compromise.

So I would go along with either  
the, you know, the ordinance that  
was drafted by the Code Committee  
and they did put in a considerable  
amount of work on it, I give them  
credit for that, or Mary Bess's  
suggestion to have no commercial  
landscaping on Saturday or Sunday  
would be a good --

MAYOR STUESSI: So currently,  
the current draft had suggested  
none on Sundays. You're in  
agreement with modifying it so  
that there's no commercial  
landscaping on Saturday as well  
and no further --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And that  
would actually really eliminate  
some noise because, you know, the

lawnmowers do make noise as well,  
the commercial lawnmowers.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And it's  
not as if I haven't seen a fair  
amount of landscapers on Saturday,  
especially in the summertime when  
they push it with the with  
weather, but as I said...

TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's -- so  
you know, so I consider that a  
gesture or a compromise.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I  
think I also need to get a  
clarification because I've heard a  
couple of things. Are we talking  
about the banning of this type of  
equipment for residential and  
commercial?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Yes, that's what I'm talking  
about.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Mary Bess,

do you mean operators or sites  
when you say residential and  
commercial? Are you referring to  
where they're using them or who's  
using them?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Who's  
using them. You know, you or I  
could use a leaf blower in our own  
yard or not? That's what I'm  
asking.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And this  
would also mean that a commercial  
contractor couldn't use an  
electric leaf blower on the  
weekend either, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, what  
she's suggesting is there be no --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Is none.  
Right, no commercial activity at  
all.

MAYOR STUESSI: -- commercial  
landscaping at all on the weekend  
either. Whether it's mowing your  
lawn or any type of work?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Any type of commercial, commercial landscaping. In other words, a residential person can do all the yard work he wants to do on the weekend.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: But I mean, a person hand weeding for money on the weekend doesn't seem like it's going to bother anyone.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: You know, I want to point out, even within --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: That's what I'm saying.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- within the trade of landscaping, a lot of landscapers do other things besides yard work. You know, they do masonry, they do patios, you know, there's --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, that's construction. That falls under a different category.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: That falls  
under construction?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Even though  
they're a landscape contractor,  
they're doing construction,  
correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I mean,  
you can probably argue it both  
ways.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, that's  
what I'm saying.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
just think that the bulk of what  
happens is like people come out  
for the weekend, they're not  
getting their landscaping done on  
the weekends. Airbnb's are not  
getting their landscaping done on  
weekends. And that doesn't solve  
the problem for people who work  
weekends or who work from home or  
who are retired.

So if we're going to spend

2 Monday through Friday 8:00 to 4:00  
3 listening to leaf blowers, to me,  
4 I just don't think -- it doesn't  
5 solve the problem that I'm hearing  
6 is a problem.

7 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But on the  
8 other hand, I'm hearing from other  
9 people who feel that if the ban  
10 goes through, they've been talking  
11 to their landscapers and the  
12 landscapers have pointblank said  
13 that we just won't work in the  
14 Village of Greenport.

15 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
16 But then somebody else will.  
17 Someone will --

18 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The  
19 landscapers' associations --

20 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
21 If people want to pay them,  
22 someone will.

23 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The  
24 landscapers' associations are  
25 working towards getting their

organization and their membership towards electric leaf blowers and that's where everybody has been leaning.

Over on the south side, they did not do an outright ban for two years before they wrote their codes to ban them. And to be honest with you, the Village of East Hampton and the Village of Southampton do allow them to be available for fall and spring cleanups. They just limit the time that they can use them or they limit them to one unit on a property.

And in the Town of East Hampton, if the acreage is over two acres, I think I remember reading, they're allowed to use leaf blowers. So it's an area that I understand where everyone is coming from, but I think we need to compromise a little bit before

we come with a down and outright  
ban.

MAYOR STUESSI: Patrick?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well, I  
think we've listened to the public  
a lot and certainly equivocated  
and deliberated enough for the  
time being. I'd like to see a new  
draft of this ordinance put forth  
that does three things:

It picks up on all the minor  
edits and corrections that various  
people have put forth.

Number two, incorporates the  
prohibition that Trustee  
Dougherty-Johnson has proposed,  
more or less, in the line with  
what she's already proposed and  
includes the exemption with the  
maritime use that I proposed. I'd  
like to see that put forth.

I'd like to see the public  
consider that and then we'll  
continue the process by which we



take public comment from there.

MAYOR STUESSI: I am in support of that idea as well. As I've spoken publicly already, I believe we need to go into a phased out ban of gas powered leaf blowers. This is a big issue with noise and also the environment.

I want to thank Ken Luditure (phonetic) for reminding me a meeting ago that the Village had signed a climate pact on work that needed to be done over ten years ago and we haven't done anything yet. I think this would be a great start towards that with these two-stroke engines.

I also believe, as I've shared, that it is a very significant noise issue. I frankly had entirely forgotten about my career during COVID, working on my computer at my house on my front porch in the living room, when I

was no longer going to the City,  
until I was reminded about this.  
And there were times when I had to  
go into the bathroom in order to  
work and this was Monday through  
Friday.

So I am, as well, in support of  
the Waterfront Commercial change,  
the other minor edits and then  
this modified phase-in this fall  
allowing the commercial leaf  
blowers and then phasing them out  
in the beginning of next year.

And I think it's important for  
us to get further public comment  
on it, but we need to advance  
something. So I think with that,  
that makes the most sense to do.

We can continue to take public  
comment because, of course, this  
will be redrafted and then noticed  
to the community and we would take  
further public comment on it.

I think the most important thing

we need to consider is balancing the needs of business together with what the residents are telling us. And it was certainly overwhelmingly in favor, by the residents that came out and spoke, that they wanted to see this put into place. We had a couple of landscapers either e-mail us or also speak up.

But I've also talked to a number my counterparts in elected office on the South Fork and elsewhere and life went on; business went on. I agree there are some financial hardships that need to be considered. There are some options for people and that's something that I'd like to think that we, as the Village, can potentially help with this transition and I'm committed to doing that, but I think the overwhelming positives of this

will benefit our community.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Again, I'm asking this ban is on both electric and gas.

MAYOR STUESSI: No, just gas.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that's what I asked before.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. We're only talking about gas.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Lily, is that where you're at?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes. Before you asked about residents and commercial, but, yes, just gas.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I wanted to reiterate that, that's all.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Sound good.

MAYOR STUESSI: Anything from anybody else?

(No response.)

MAYOR STUESSI: With that,

we've got three of us that are in favor of moving that forward. I'd suggest that we move on and would direct the Village attorney to get this redrafted and back in front of us so that we can public notice it and take further public comment.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: If it's okay, I'll give you two drafts.

MAYOR STUESSI: Great.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: One that is the bulk of the law and the other that relates only to leaf blowers so you can consider them both separately.

MAYOR STUESSI: We need it with the Waterfront Commercial.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Right. That's going to be incorporated into the bulk of the -- right, with the minor changes to the bulk. You'll see when I provide

it. I think it's easier, for discussion purposes, to have it as two separate laws. You can adopt them at the same time; you can adopt them separately. It's up to the Board.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. I'll take a look at the draft.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And you'll get that to the Board before it's public noticed, right?

MAYOR STUESSI: Oh, yes, of course. Yes, of course.

All right, let's move on to Code Committee recommendations on Village code Chapter 44 - Assemblies and Chapter 101 - Recreation Areas and Beaches.

We have not yet put this in front of the public. This is, again, a significant amount of work from the Code Committee. I want to thank everybody for that. The Board has a draft of it. It's

been in work session. I want to open it up for discussion for anybody on the Board who would like to speak first regarding any potential edits or changes or items they had concern about.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I can start.

MAYOR STUESSI: Please.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think my first one was the concession agreement partly just because it's bracketed and I think that was because maybe it wasn't going to be included, but...

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The concession of the Code Committee, after reviewing it, felt that the concessions -- concessions was a topic that we did not feel comfortable being put down in any particular park area, especially down at the end of Fifth and Sixth Street Beach or especially in

Mitchel Park. They felt that that was something that needed further discussion and further research.

And part of the feeling was since the conception of Mitchell Park was to be an economic engine for the Downtown Business District and we have a fair amount of food establishments, that placing competition in either of those places just was not something that we wanted to consider.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

And my personal thought was that the concession, especially like above the Marina office and Mitchell Park is not a terrible idea, but that's just my thoughts honest.

The next thing was the permitted caterer, which was also bracketed. And I know we discussed this a little bit the first time we talked about it. I think we do



want to have a list of permitted caterers. We have to think about how we do that and how it's like fairly done.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

And then like Kevin, I think, had talked about maybe just saying that any restaurant in the Village is a permitted caterer.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, that was my suggestion.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

It's simple.

MAYOR STUESSI: Looking at anybody that's licensed in the Village and doesn't have any type of serious Health Department issues and they're properly licensed, should be considered potentially a permitted caterer for it. My fear was that, you know, it ends up being a thing where it gets utilized, but

they're utilizing outside services  
from outside the community.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So you're  
really talking about a mass  
assembly permit?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, an  
assembly permit that be approved  
for any type of event.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Yeah, I was going to the  
definition, I'm sorry.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
okay.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
441-A, resident is also bracketed  
and I remember Patrick had some  
good points about this. I don't  
remember exactly what they were,  
but I didn't actually see resident  
used in this chapter. So I'm not  
sure we have to define it or what  
the purpose of defining it is.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think

that was maybe...

VILLAGE CLERK HALL: Can you  
bring your mic closer?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: This was a  
draft where we were coming back to  
the Village Board with some  
questions and I believe probably  
that may have been carried over  
from -- that probably shouldn't be  
in here to be honest with you.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
My next one is at 44-2(C). If I  
can find it. Oh, the bracketed,  
in no event shall any person be  
permitted to offer for sale any  
food, beverages, goods,  
merchandise or services in  
Mitchell Park except catering  
services provided by the permitted  
caterer.

It just seems like that wouldn't  
allow -- like, I know there have  
been, previously, like sales for  
raffle tickets for Maritime or the

possibility of a farmers market,  
PTA bake sales at the Christmas  
event, which they wanted to do  
this year. So it seems to me that  
that should just be with Village  
Board permission things should be  
allowed instead of just saying  
that they're not at all allowed.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We have  
not allowed it in the past with  
the fees. I believe we even have,  
if you take Maritime Festival, we  
have had the hospital do their  
purchase of tickets have been out  
Mitchell Park. I think that  
Mitchell Park should be something  
that's an open air. It is for  
everybody.

And if you remember the Maritime  
Festival originally used to have  
all the vendors in the park and  
they were moved out into the  
street. Part of that being that  
the amount of traffic and taking

up space, it was more meant for cultural or events that would bring people in, i.e. the ice skating rink.

Shakespearean Park is one function that goes on. We have the library that presents our own Dances in the Park. I think that that was just meant to be for everyone and not someone making a profit off of it.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Right, but it would limit like if we wanted to sell T-shirts for Dances in the Park, which is something we talked about for next year. Like we wouldn't be able to do that with this language.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But you

don't --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

-- the wooden boat or maybe it wasn't a wooden boat, but when they used to raveled off like win

a boat, that was in the park.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, I  
remember that.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
It would have been many years ago.  
But I just don't think -- I  
understand what you're saying, but  
I think like just with our  
oversight, it's not like we're  
opening it up to anyone can sell  
anything all the time. It's with  
Village Board approval certain  
things are allowed.

MAYOR STUESSI: That makes  
sense to me.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
mean, I think that language is  
already in here. So this would  
like not allow it just in Mitchell  
Park, but it seems like, to me,  
that we should have that say-so  
because some things we might want  
to allow like T-shirt sales or  
raffle tickets or farmers markets.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: And it would  
3 seem to me that it gives the Board  
4 more ability to make decisions on  
5 what is appropriate for use of the  
6 park and then not discriminate on  
7 some of these things like you're  
8 talking about.

9 And my understanding is that  
10 Mitchell Park was designed and  
11 built to be the heart of the  
12 community and to be utilized for  
13 events and that's why it was a  
14 large public area created. And  
15 there are things that might make  
16 sense to consider, whether it's a  
17 farmers market or working a  
18 Maritime Festival and you're doing  
19 some things in the park.

20 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
21 To clarify, the T-shirts for  
22 Dances in the Park would be  
23 raising money for Dances in the  
24 Park and like there's Camera  
25 Obscura T-shirts that were raising

money.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, but you're not filing for a mass assembly permit for Dances in the Park, correct?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: This is asking if a mass assembly permit is needed.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Okay. It just seems to just ban it completely altogether, but I may be wrong about that.

MAYOR STUESSI: Why? Should we be filing for a mass assembly permit?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, we shouldn't. We own the property. It belongs to the Village residents. So any event that comes in there that we have in the past that requires a mass assembly permit is why it comes before us,



because we have to take a look at it and if we have input from the community that they don't -- aren't comfortable with it and when we vote on a resolution, they have the opportunity to speak.

I think that we're starting to get a little bit into the weeds a little bit on that one.

And as far as the farmers' markets, farmers' market is a function that I have dealt with and, Lily, you have dealt with as well. They are -- they destroy land; they destroy grass. Where do you fit the parking?

It's not just a simple thing to say, put a farmers' market in Mitchell Park. But that's a discussion that we'll have when we get to that point.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I don't think they destroyed the land on the Polo Grounds, but --

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, I mean

I --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: From

someone who has helped run  
farmers' market recently and we do  
the Shelter Island one, I'm very  
familiar as to the activities that  
go on and what the side effects  
are from an activity of a farmers'  
market and that's all I'm --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I was  
using as an example of something  
that I believe would be a big  
community benefit. And I think if  
our Board were to consider it, we  
should be able to consider it and  
then put rules in place such that  
it was managed in such a way that  
makes sense.

I mean, I think there's other  
things make sense for Mitchell  
Park as well that people have  
approached me about, like an art  
fair for example.

Outdoor art fairs wonderful events that are held in a lot of different places. And anything we do potentially in Mitchell Park will add to the character of the Village and potentially businesses, especially if we look at doing things on the shoulder seasons as well.

I think by removing the language, as Lily had suggested, it simply allows for some of these things to potentially happen, but nothing would happen without Board approval.

Anybody else have any thoughts on it?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I recall that we actually had something called en Plein Air auction, I believe, in Mitchell Park. You know, where artists display their wares and then people came in and put bids on them. I don't know if

there was any actual transaction,  
you know, money exchanged at the  
time. I think it was just a  
bidding auction. Do you recall  
that at all?

MAYOR STUESSI: Were they  
bidding something other than  
money?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: No. They  
were bidding with money, but they  
weren't doing --

MAYOR STUESSI: Then it was a  
financial transaction.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Anyhow. So  
I -- yes, I'm not in favor  
actually of permitting concessions  
in Mitchell Park. I think the  
idea of catered events on the  
upper deck of the marina office is  
a bad idea.

I think that a couple of reasons  
why it's limited there, we have no  
kitchen in there; there's no  
bathroom up there for any of that;

who is going to be checking the capacity of how many people are up there? You know, I mean, it is a building that can only sustain so much weight. Who is going to be responsible for the cleanup? Is it going to be Village staff or is it going to be the people that are doing the event? And then there's a liability issue as well.

So I mean, I personally, you know, I was on the Board when we initiated the initial Mitchell Park policy. It was never supposed to be a place where there we're was commerce and money being made. It was always --

MAYOR STUESSI: It was actually designed as event space by the architects of the former Board when Mitchell Park was designed. And there is a kitchen pantry in there for the storage and cleanup of food utilized for

events.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I spoke to the marina manager and he said there's a tiny little sink in there and a refrigerator that has room for a bottle of water, that's it. There's no bathroom and that's all the kitchen that's there.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, the bathrooms are down -- the public restrooms are downstairs.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, you have to go down to the public restrooms.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Well, or the marina has restroom that marina guests can use.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, the marina guests are paying for those bathrooms.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right, but I'm saying if a marina guest wanted to have an event

there, they can use the marina  
bathrooms.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, the  
marina guests, they do use the  
marina sometimes --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. She's  
talking about making an event.  
And I think part of the issue  
going way back was that we did  
have an event there that the tent  
was extremely large and it took up  
most of the area in front of the  
carousel. And several residents  
were upset in the fact that they  
could not walk around or have the  
freedom of that park with the open  
space.

And that building is there -- if  
you remember, was mainly  
originally supposed to be the  
office for the harbor master or at  
one point there even had been  
discussion of it being a ferry  
terminal building, but that was

part of the thought process that was in the design. So I think the small kitchen was put upstairs for other reasons than for events.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

It just seems like it's such a big deck and a beautiful spot and it's kind of a waste of space.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I don't

know, I walk up there quite often when I can and I see a lot of people walk up there just to look out over the harbor. So, as I said --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And somewhat

of a problem is with graffiti in the past as well.

MAYOR STUESSI: Did you have

any thoughts on an art fair or farmers' market or something like that and the ability for our Board to approve something that might have a public benefit in the park?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: You know, I



mean, personally, I think the way the park is being used right now is the way it should be used. I don't think that we should be -- you know, I know that the Maritime Festival stopped -- was unhappy that they weren't able to do any, you know, stands and vendors in the park, but I remember when they moved it out to the street and now everybody has to be out there now. Doesn't the hospital sell tickets on the street now, Mary Bess?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: (Nodding.)

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Then they do have their drawing in the park. You know, when they do the actual drawing at the end of the festival, they do it over by where we do Dances in the Park.

MAYOR STUESSI: What about the North Fork Pride Festival that we had with the parade and the stations that were set up there.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, they weren't selling anything specifically. They were giving out things, but I don't think they were selling anything because I went to that festival. I was there in the park.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I'm just not sure why it's a --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It was all informational kinds of things they were handing out.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: -- what's the logic behind let's sell things on a public street, but let's not sell in the park? To me that doesn't really make any sense. Like, if we're allowing it in our public streets and sidewalks, why wouldn't we allow it in the park?

MAYOR STUESSI: Patrick, any thoughts?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well, this

has become a pretty wide range of conversation because we're talking about the park, we talked about the marina office. I always liked the idea of trying to use that upper floor of the marina office as a concession area. I thought that made sense. There are no bathrooms, but if that deck is accessible -- I believe it's handicap accessible because of the ramp.

I'm interested in your concerns about you seem to be opposed to using that as a concession area, but I think some of the things you talked about like garbage cleanup and access to restrooms and liability are the same kind of things that we deal with with other areas like with the mass assembly permit for instance.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So I agree,

the liability is a real issue, but I feel like we have ways to mitigate that. I feel like that upper deck is underutilized. Because it's not built out with a substantial kitchen or anything, I think it would be very limited, what we could do there. I think it would meet the requirements for public health and hygiene because there's like a handwashing sink.

MAYOR STUESSI: Right.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think some of the things that are happening out there where there's graffiti or there's people loitering, I think one of the ways to overcome that is to utilize that space more and not have it so vacant and underutilized. So I'd be in favor of considering a concession.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: What kind of a concession are you

considering? I mean, what kind of concession are you thinking about?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We can sell like ice pops or something up there that wouldn't require a lot of preparation. Like something that's made maybe offsite. Like the way a food truck operates, but using that deck. I haven't really thought this through, but I thought that that would be a good way that we could add something to the park.

MAYOR STUESSI: And, again, we're not considering what the specific use would be. We're just considering should we change the language in the code that we could consider this and have the ability to do something and it would up to the Board to make a determination.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I like the idea of it. Of course I'm interested in my colleagues'

concerns about what the liability and downsides of it are, but I feel like it's underutilized.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, also having worked with the bid, I could anticipate that there's going to be -- somebody is going to feel badly that they weren't chosen. So I could see some disagreement as --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I could also see that there would have to be no alcohol use on top of that. That from a sheer safety point of walking about or, you know, human behavior, that would be a big liability on our part.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We already prohibit alcohol, open consumption, in the park, right, in Mitchell Park?

MAYOR STUESSI: Except when there's the Maritime Festival and it's allowed.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But we  
also waive that.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yes. That  
comes under a special event.

MAYOR STUESSI: That's  
something that a determination can  
be made at a later date when we  
we're reviewing some potential  
use.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Lily, where  
did you start with your comments?  
Was it about the concession; about  
concessions in the park?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Well, it's this last -- it's: In  
no event shall any person be  
permitted to offer for sale any  
food, beverages -- it's Page 5,  
the first paragraph; food,  
beverages, goods, merchandise or  
services in Mitchell Park except X  
catering services provided by  
permitted caterer in connection  
with mass assembly event of the

type described in clause 2 or 3  
above to the extent expressly  
contemplated by the terms of the  
applicable mass assembly event or;  
Y, pursuant to a concession  
agreement entered into pursuant to  
Chapter 101.

And it's in brackets, which is  
also why -- I wasn't sure -- it  
seemed be that those were like  
things that were questionable or  
maybe we weren't leaving in. And  
my thought is don't leave it in,  
sorry.

MAYOR STUESSI: Is what was  
left in brackets, Mary Bess,  
because the Code Committee was  
suggesting that --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: You mean  
the i.e. relative to --

MAYOR STUESSI: -- review it?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
This (indicating).

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: (Perusing.)



TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

The: In no event (indicating).

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I mean, I'm not in favor of over intensifying the use of Mitchell Park. Like I don't want to see people selling stuff there. I don't want to bother the other merchants in the bid area that would feel like they're competing against, kind of, low overhead operators.

I'm just talking about the upstairs in the marina office. So like in the very limited sense, that could like be utilized as a concession, maybe it's on a rotating basis; maybe people become eligible for it in different years.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, the other thing I think we, as the Board, should consider: Are there other places that we might want to consider a potential concession?

Might we want to consider putting out an RFP for somebody to rent paddle boards somewhere? At the Sixth Street Beach by example, a very discrete paddle board rental place is done in a lot of other communities. I've seen it in West Hampton. They make money off of it. God knows this Village needs to try to find ways to be creative and make additional money.

I'm not suggesting we do anything inappropriate, but whether potentially it's a few events a year that we're charging to rent out the space on top of the marina office or potentially looking at paddle board rentals on the beach, it's extra income for the Village, which we desperately need.

And I think by freeing up the language in the code such that we can make those decisions, we, as a

Board, can get a bit more creative on finding additional ways to general revenue.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

That was in some of my comments later. Like yoga classes at Fifth Street already have been happening. And so instead of them being like illegally happening, why not allow them and make some money off it and do it in a regulated way where we are, you know, we make sure they have insurance or whatever they need to be doing.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Speaking to your T-shirt sales, Lily, actually we have precedent for that already. They've sold T-shirts at the carousel actually. They're not doing it at the moment, but they did over the years and, you know, I could see selling T-shirts during the dances; not like, you

know...

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

It's just, to me, this language makes it sounds like you can't do that. I mean, maybe there's some -- because we're the Village doing it, maybe we're above the law, but, to me, that language saying in no event shall any person offer any sale of anything sounds, to me, like you shouldn't. I mean, I guess if you're selling carousel tickets, maybe T-shirts is the same thing, but...

I think it's something to think about. I think concessions, whether it's paddle boards or yoga classes or food. I mean, people also sell water during Dances in the Park, technically illegally. Often it's kids. Nobody says anything to them, but there might be a need for it. Like if someone was legally selling concessions at

that space, people might buy water  
or buy an ice pop or buy whatever.  
And, again, we'd be making money  
off of it.

To me it's not that different  
than the ice rink or the carrousel  
or Camera Obscura, which are  
already things in the park that  
charge money and that we benefit  
from and the community benefits  
from.

Some of my other things were  
small, like fixing the spelling of  
Mitchell Park and I think on the  
-- I don't know, there like was a  
summarily that was struck through  
in 44-7 that seems like we  
probably don't need to leave it  
in.

MAYOR STUESSI: Anything more  
substantive outside of grammatical  
or spelling errors?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
mean, I did have -- there was

something in 44-8(A) about --

MAYOR STUESSI: And you  
mentioned something about dogs?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Oh, yes. Well, it mentions --  
Chapter 39, which is animals,  
which doesn't actually say a dog  
has to be on a leash. It just  
says that it has to be under  
control of its owner or a  
responsible person. And, again, I  
guess what I'm saying is I'm not  
sure the park should be more  
restrictive than the street.

There's plenty of people who  
walk very well-behaved dogs off  
leash on the street. Like, I  
don't see it being a big issue and  
I don't think we need to change it  
and make it more restrictive. I  
think if the dog was under  
control, then I don't think it  
should be an issue.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The dog is

under control until it's not under control though.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Then it's a problem.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Anything can happen in the moment.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But I mean a dog could get off a leash too. I'm not in favor of legislating against any bad thing could happen ever. I think if it's not a problem -- I mean, unless we're going to change the other code and say, okay, people always have to have their dog on a leash.

I mean, I see it all the time. I do it myself with my dog. If we're talking about the Polo Grounds, plenty of dogs -- it's a huge space. It's usually not -- there's hardly anyone there. I don't -- I've said this before, I don't want to vote for something

where I'm going to break like --  
and I see it all the time. I have  
friends -- I mean, like, I don't  
know, I'm trying to legislate for  
the larger community and if it's  
not a problem and I see that  
people are like, it's fine as it  
is, I don't see the need to change  
it. But, you know, I may be in  
the minority on that, but I'm not  
going to feel good about voting  
for something that then makes me  
always breaking the law.

MAYOR STUESSI: Any other  
thoughts on the code or concerns?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
The Third Street basketball court,  
I thought, maybe should be open  
later because I think we're saying  
it closes --

MAYOR STUESSI: Remind me  
what it says, one hour after  
sunset, correct?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:



Yes, and there are street lights.  
I just drove by it tonight. The  
street lights are on. I mean, I  
understand it's a residential  
area, so maybe it's different than  
the Skate Park, which is open  
until 10:00.

And I know noise is an issue,  
but it just seems to me that it  
shouldn't necessarily be. And I  
think people do use that later.  
So maybe 7:00 or 8:00 is a more  
reasonable time.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, in the  
summer it might be 10:00 if it's  
an hour past sunset.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Right, but in the winter like  
right now.

MAYOR STUESSI: In the depth  
of the winter.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
6:00. Maybe people want to play  
until 7:00 or 8:00.

MAYOR STUESSI: I think we  
finely hit sunset after 5:00 the  
other night, which was a lovely  
thing.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I like the  
idea of making it later for Third  
Street basketball. I do know that  
there's people in the community  
that complained about noise from  
there, so I think we have to take  
their concerns into consideration.  
My own son uses it a lot and they  
stay after dark because there's  
lights there. So I guess they're  
not supposed to be there.

MAYOR STUESSI: What would  
make sense to you there?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well, I  
think...

MAYOR STUESSI: It sounds  
like we're really talking about  
the wintertime. Instead of an  
hour after sunset, what might it  
be?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. I could see it just going a little bit later. I think Lily had proposed 10:00 or something?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I said maybe 7:00 or 8:00. The Skate Park is 10:00. But I know it's a residential area, like maybe 9:00?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The State park is a lot more out of the way though.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: This is right in the middle of a residential neighborhood.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes. But I don't think like even 9:00, to me, is not unreasonable.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, in peak summer, an hour past sunset is going to be even later than that.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Right.

MAYOR STUESSI: So it's a question of during the winter, would it make sense to allow it? Anybody else have any thoughts on this issue?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: On the basketball courts or on Chapter 44?

MAYOR STUESSI: The basketball court.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, the basketball court is in Chapter 101.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes, it is.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think there's two ways to deal with it. We either have a cut off time 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, or we could stick with the hour after sunset, but that could be tweaked. It could be two hours after sunset or something like that.

MAYOR STUESSI: So maybe two

hours after sunset in the  
wintertime, but only an hour after  
in the summertime, so it's not  
11:30 at night?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Something  
like that.

MAYOR STUESSI: What's latest  
sun sets in the summer; anybody  
know offhand?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: 9:30.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: 9:00,  
9:30.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: So that  
would be 10:30 then an hour after  
sunset.

MAYOR STUESSI: That's what  
it is now. But two hours in the  
summer might be too late. It  
might appropriate in the winter,  
but not the summer.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
had another thing in 101, which I

said before about the balls and --

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm sorry,  
balls?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Balls. Don't throw balls unless  
you're in an area that is  
specifically made for throwing  
balls -- I'm paraphrasing -- or  
stones or javelins. I think we  
should take that out. I think  
people should be able to skip  
stones at the beach or throw the  
ball for their dog that they have  
under their control or play catch.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: You're in  
Chapter 101?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
am in Chapter 101, sorry.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: We do have  
signs at the beaches right now no  
dogs allowed, but nobody follows  
them.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
But this is not just beaches.

Again, we're talking about like again, the Polo Grounds, right? Unless we're not talking about the Polo Grounds because it wasn't specifically mentioned.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Speaking of the Polo Grounds, my suggestion would be that would be a location that I would like to see a farmers' market, but I don't see a farmers' market happening in Mitchell Park. I don't think that's a good idea. Plenty of room at the Polo Grounds, plenty of places for people to park and very easy to set up out there.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
No foot traffic.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I know we did try to do a farmers' market in one of the parking lots on South Street, I think, right? One of the ones over by the IGA?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, we

took --

MAYOR STUESSI: The farmers' market moved to five different places over several years, correct?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: At least three that I know of. Well, four. The Ice House, the Polo Grounds, the Second Street parking lot and then it was originally the church, Patrick's house, the parking lot.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It used to be in the Methodist Church parking lot.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yeah.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, the Methodist Church.

MAYOR STUESSI: I don't know of any successful farmers' markets that exist are aren't in the heart of the Town or Village. If you look at all the ones on the



eastern end, they're all in the heart of the community whether it's Sag Harbor, West Hampton, Southampton, East Hampton, Montauk. They're adding another one in Amagansett.

It's unfathomable to me that we don't have a farmers' market on the North Fork and I think Mitchell Park a very logical place to consider it, in addition to other things like an art fair.

Like, if we start doing events like this on a regular basis over at Moores Lane, we're then drawing business out of the business community when things that benefit the business community belong in the heart of the downtown, whether it's a farmers' market or an art fair on a fall afternoon.

We don't need to make a decision tonight on whether we want it or not. It's just a matter of do we

want the code to give us the ability to make some of these decisions. That's what we're talking about.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

It's also if it's allowed. To me, why would it be allowed at the Polo Grounds? Like I'm not sure why Mitchell Park is so special. I know it's right in town --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I

understand why Mitchell Park is so special. Because the people that come here to visit and the people that live here access to the waterfront, they have a big area that they can sit and they can understand our Village and our history.

And I just, at this point, it's an open park. It's for everyone and cluttering it up with objects and events -- I understand events at times, but putting something

permanently there every weekend is something that I think the business community should be involved in in creating those events and not the Village government. So, I'm sorry. I am strongly --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I agree it's special.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I very strongly have been in support of that since the day that it was controversial when the Village took it over and took it off the tax rolls, but it's for the people. The Village of Greenport residents have put their heart and soul into that piece and it's a beautiful open space and I want to see it continue to be a beautiful open space.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: My last thing in 101 is about swimming because it looks like

we're only allowing swimming maybe  
within the buoy'd --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's all  
we're allowed to do with our  
permit. We have to get a permit  
to have that enclosed area from  
Suffolk County.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's a  
liability issue for us.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
We can't say swim at your own  
risk? I mean, again, it's just  
we're prohibiting things that  
people do all the time and I don't  
think laws should be like that.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, I  
don't think we give tickets for  
people if they want to swim  
outside of the ropes, right?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
But we're saying that --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: They can  
swim wherever they want.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But we're saying that we --

MAYOR STUESSI: Brian, are you aware of any State or County laws would require us to restrict swimming within a certain area?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: You don't have lifeguards, do you?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: We have one lifeguard in one little area.

MAYOR STUESSI: We do there in that area.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Sometimes.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Then yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: But people swim on the Forth Street Beach all the time with no --

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Then yes, you're subject to the Suffolk County regulations that specify what you can and can't do. And it

does include keeping a certain  
area designated for --

MAYOR STUESSI: Where you  
have lifeguard. So in an area  
where you don't have a lifeguard,  
doesn't simply putting up a sign  
that says swim at your own risk,  
no lifeguard on duty as it is on  
the entire South Fork --

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR:  
Correct.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
I'm just -- I don't think that no  
person shall swim, bathe or wade  
in any waters or waterways in or  
adjacent to any beach except in  
such waters and such places as  
provided therefore and in  
compliance with such regulations  
as are herein set forth and may  
otherwise be adopted from time to  
time. And to me it sounds like  
you can't swim or wade anywhere  
else.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I'm in violation of that with one of my neighbors over there (indicating).

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Yeah, exactly.

MAYOR STUESSI: We don't swim together though, Paul. She swims separately.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
And I mean, wade -- I don't know. It just think -- it seems unnecessary to me.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Brian, is this just a case of being very cautious about liability that we have that language that specifically prohibits swimming anywhere outside the bathing area?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes. There's no reason to do that other than for avoidance of liability purposes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And would you recommend that we keep it that

way?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: Rather than putting up signs that say swimming at your own risk as opposed to having nothing?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Any sign is helpful. It doesn't mean you have to. Every case will be different if something happens.

MAYOR STUESSI: Of course and anybody can sue for anything they want to.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR:  
Always.

MAYOR STUESSI: It doesn't mean they're going to win.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR:  
Always.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And we always could expand the swimming area by applying to Suffolk County and expanding the area that we're designated, correct?



TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But then we need a lifeguard and,  
like, buoys, right?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR:

Correct.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, we  
already have a lifeguard and  
buoys. We already have a  
lifeguard and buoys. If we want  
to expand the area we already have  
in existence, it's a matter of  
just expanding the buoy lines down  
further the beach.

MAYOR STUESSI: But I think  
Lily's point is we have additional  
whatever the number is, call it  
250 yards, 500 yards.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Even Glass Beach at Mitchell Park,  
people wade where.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: If you  
have additional linear feet, I  
believe you do have to have a  
certain number of lifeguards on

that calculation.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct.

I always was under the understanding that a lot of this was put in so it would protect us as far as liabilities and insurance companies, that we actually had something in the code that would cover us. Whether we enforced it or not wasn't really the issue. It was a matter of it's stated that you weren't supposed to be there. Am I not correct?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: What stated, the code or --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The code states that.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: That you're not supposed to be there.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: To be there.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: That should be enough, but, you know,

there are other circumstances that I would prefer, if we were discuss about liability, that we would do it in executive session.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: There are other considerations.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. Let's do that, whether it's tonight or another night. I'm confused as to why 75 miles of the South Fork doesn't say no swimming, it just says swim at your own risk when they don't have areas with lifeguards.

What other items do we have? Patrick, I know you had some.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Lily, are you finished?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I have comments on Chapter 44. Some of these are specifically for

counsel. So in the first Paragraph 44-1 under intent, we use the term residents. And Lily brought this up before. So as a matter of consistency, we seem to be using residents sometimes and citizens other times in different chapters. And we also have a definition of residents.

Again, Trustee Lily brought this up, but the definition of resident that was offered is very narrow because it requires being domiciled in Greenport. So that would exclude people who are not legally domiciled here, which I don't think is our intent; weekenders, people spending six months in Florida or something.

So I think we should try to have consistency across the different chapters with that terminology of resident.

Under the definitions --

MAYOR STUESSI: No issues  
with doing -- it makes sense,  
right?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: No.  
One of the things I just recently  
recommended to one of my other  
villages was, place at the  
beginning, in your general  
section, the definitions that  
apply throughout and indicate that  
these definitions shall apply  
throughout the code except where  
otherwise defined in specific  
chapters.

So that you have one place for  
definitions. It's consistent  
throughout except when you intend  
to have a different meaning within  
a particular chapter.

It requires some work to get  
that done, but that may not be a  
bad way to assure exactly what  
Trustee Brennan is referring to.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I'd

recommend that too.

Under charitable organizations we refer to 501(c)(3)'s and there's 25 or 30 different types of 501(c)'s and I just want to make sure this is what we intend here with 501(c)(3). Because this comes up later in the chapter where under Section 44-2(c), okay, so mass assembly events open to the public for purposes of benefitting a charitable organizations.

So what's unclear to me there is whether the organization has to be charitable or it just has to be the beneficiary who is a charitable organization. For example, like if a gardening club wanted to hold an event in Mitchell Park and the garden club a 501(c)(4), can they make a donation to the Audubon Society, which might be a 501(c)(3) and

meet this criteria? Or is it our intent not to allow organizations that are not 501(c)(3)'s because that's pretty specific.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Now there's other kinds of 501(c)'s that are political organizations, which I could see we would want to prohibit from the park.

MAYOR STUESSI: Other than the freedom of speech, if it's a natural occurring protest occurring protest, which we would have to allow.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right. So that's my question. Is it our intent here to be that specific about the 501(c)(3)? And in the case where it has to benefit a charitable organization, again, does that mean that that's the group that's holding the event or is there a second or third party

that's, in fact, the beneficiary  
of the event?

MAYOR STUESSI: Do you  
remember this being discussed,  
Mary Bess, in Code Committee?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think,  
in all honesty, we were talking  
about -- that is open -- any mass  
assembly event that is open to the  
public and held for the purpose of  
benefiting a charitable  
organization. I think it was more  
of the event, whoever was holding  
the event, that it would be for  
the purpose of benefitting a  
charitable organization, I think.  
It's been a while since this was  
discussed.

John, do you remember?

MR. SALADINO: I thought it  
was the direct beneficiary. It  
was one of the things that came  
up. Some bikers who couldn't hold  
an event and profit from it would



make a donation to St. Jude's. We thought that would be inappropriate.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I agree. Okay, so maybe we could just clarify that a little bit or maybe it's adequate the way it is written. That was my concern.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR STUESSI: I mean, maybe it's at the discretion of the Board and just mentions charitable organizations without specific. Because if we're approving a mass assembly permit, we have that discretion.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We have a lot of discretion.

MAYOR STUESSI: The language in the code should reflect that rather than making it too onerous.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes and too narrow.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, where we

don't have the flexibility.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: The next thing is the definition of permitted caterer. I know we spoke about this before. My only concern with permitting caterers is that it's another burden for the administration of the Village.

So we're overtaxed in so many ways and the people doing a great job, but to unload to add another --

MAYOR STUESSI: What if it simply says caterer who operates a catering restaurant within the Village of Greenport? Would that makes sense or how does the Board feel about allowing anybody --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, the reason for doing this is you want to keep it local. Like you don't want --

MAYOR STUESSI: I think we should do whatever we can to support local business.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I

agree with that. I guess I just think there may be caterers who like maybe it's not a restaurant. They could be local, but they don't have a restaurant right in the Village. So, to me, that seems like a little unfair, but it is an easy way it do it. And I agree with Patrick. Like I don't really want to have another complicated list of people keeping.

MAYOR STUESSI: I don't

disagree.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Maybe we

can just somehow tweak the definition to make it simple. Like you were saying, maybe it's just the Village or Town of Southold or something. Maybe they don't have to have a restaurant, they just have to be a food vendor without layering on a permit.

MAYOR STUESSI: Julia or Mary

Bess, do you have any thoughts on it?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think maybe -- you know, I know when the East End Seaport Museum does the Maritime Festival, they have a list of the caterers and people that they use. But in terms of us keeping a list, I mean -- you know, again, is this for concession or is this for a special event that you have to have a permit?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
For an event.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: For an event only.

MAYOR STUESSI: I mean, Suffolk County Health Code rules as far as they need to have their health permit. It's just a matter of, do we want to restrict it in any way geographically to a business that's operating in the

Village, the Town, the North Fork  
or allow anybody? I mean, we  
could also make this decision or  
any future Board can make it when  
approving a mass assembly permit.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, I  
mean, that's the way we've done it  
in the past, right, was for a mass  
assembly permit?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, part  
of this -- I believe that part of  
this and maybe John will correct  
me, was when we were starting to  
get into the discussion of  
concessions. I think that was,  
you know, within the Village,  
which I don't agree with. But I  
also feel that --

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm sorry,  
what do you not agree with?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Concessions.

MAYOR STUESSI: Not doing --  
okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I

think this is how the discussion of permitted caterers came around. But I also feel that in the mass assembly permit, we're asking, when an event wants to be held in Mitchell Park, we're asking a particular group of questions. And one of them, I think, is food and if it's being catered or whatever.

So the Board would have a discussion as to if they felt that the caterer was somebody that violated something or they were unsure and wanted to check. We, as the Board, would be able to go back to the applicant for mass assembly and say, we need more information about that person or that catering business.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I just don't want to see the Village make the businesses feel that they're putting -- you know, they're

bringing in people that are going to be in competition with them, you know? I mean, do we need to do that? If I had a restaurant, you know, I would say, well, why are you bringing somebody in to compete with me and giving special...

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I think that's why I was suggesting we look to our local business community before we look to the outside for doing anything like this. But that can be done in Board decision approving any type of permit.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, one at a time, one-off.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I think so.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think that's better.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think if we can't keep this really simple,

I would --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I would like to take it out; that's what I'm saying.

MAYOR STUESSI: I agree.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think we all agree with the sentiment.

MAYOR STUESSI: Right.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's why it's in brackets to be honest.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right. Okay, all right.

Then I see in 442 there's a couple of references to events involving more than 100 people. I think that makes sense. I don't know if that was a placeholder type number or you felt, Mary Bess, like 100 was the right number.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's a number we, kind of, came up with. Especially for the events that take place in Mitchell Park or



some of the other areas have  
always been more than 100 people.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. And  
then I'm curious about 442(b)(2),  
which refers to spontaneous  
demonstrations. I found this  
intriguing. Is this a normal way  
to handle this language about a  
demonstration being spontaneous if  
it occurs within 48 hours of an  
event?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think we  
found a Town of Southold -- the  
Town of Southold has it somewhere  
in their code or it's their  
standard policy that they have.  
They have -- if you remember the  
marches that were taking place a  
couple years ago in reference to  
the incident where a person -- the  
police brutality and there was  
march in Cutchogue.

Part of that was -- oh, Peconic  
Lane I think it was. They had to

give the police department X  
number of hours notice before they  
started because they close the  
roads down.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: I  
would point out it's in line with  
First Amendment Constitutional  
protections.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay, good  
to know.

All right, we talked about the  
benefits of the club.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: If you  
notice in 44(3), application  
procedure review contents of mass  
assembly, you get down to Section  
44(3)(e) and it does -- it says,  
i, food and beverages are part of  
the application process.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Uh-huh.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.  
Especially for catering needs, the  
Suffolk County Health Department  
permit.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: All right.

Under 443, Section 2(f), it refers to the application having a name and contact persons of the organizer of the event. This is another area where, I think, consistency is important. I know in our entertainment permit, I think we're using term responsible party or contact person.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So it would be nice if we could incorporate the same language here just to be consistent because those things do kind of overlap.

MAYOR STUESSI: Makes sense.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: All right.

Okay, under 44-8, other applicable requirements, there is a provision in here, B, for general liability insurance and I was just wondering if we should have some kind of blanket indemnification. This is

a question for Brian. Should we have boilerplate indemnification that is part of those applications?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Can you prepare one?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So that would be above and beyond the insurance certificate, correct?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR:  
Correct.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
While we're in 44-8(a) strike through and like the end is stricken. Was that because -- do we want to take that out? The which involves the payment of any fee or the making of any donation in order to participate, like that we take a ten percent fee or do we want to leave that in?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: What page are you on, Lily?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Page 9, 44-8(a). The A itself is struck through and then the very end is struck through.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: A fee

equal to --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Yeah.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. We

struck that out.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Well, then probably the whole -- all of these should be struck out because otherwise it doesn't make any sense.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Also in the

center of that paragraph there's an X in parenthesis, which I think is a placeholder for some kind of monetary amount. So...

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay,

yeah, to pay a use fee not less than and to the extent --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I

think the X might be a -- there is  
a X and then there was a Y and  
then was a Z.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay, so  
it's an enumeration?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Yes. I mean, I had a question  
about this. Like this \$5,000 fee,  
but then I saw that we can waive  
anything. So maybe we can leave  
that in because it seems a little  
bit high to me and I wondered -- I  
have a memory of there being like  
a boat-related event with a tent  
by the marina often in the summer  
and it is a private event and  
it's, you know, people aren't  
allowed in unless --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
the --

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Coast Guard  
Auxiliary?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: -- the  
Coast Guard Auxiliary.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But do they pay \$5,000? I mean, I guess what I was wondering is, do we have existing events that we want to keep and are we upping the price a lot on them?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, I

think that was based upon the size of the tent. We had specific limitations. I think the tent could be like 20 by 80 or something like that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And it had to be in the spot that was off of the marina office.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But I mean, are we charging them \$5,000?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. We charged them something, but I don't, off the memory, remember what it is.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Is this a

place where we can pull these fees  
out into the schedule?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
where it would end up being  
because this was created before  
that concept.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
guess also just to go back about  
how the park is used. Like, to  
me, that event is something that  
always struck me as a little like  
-- a private event in the park  
that is only allowed for -- and  
I'm not saying we should haven't  
any of those, but, to me, that's  
why where it -- I'm like, this is  
a public park, so why are we  
having private events?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think  
there was something about that  
group because it was raising  
public awareness about boater  
safety and --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Awareness,



yeah --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: We gave them the building because of that. They were doing some education.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually they do have some type of a presentation that they do during the day for boaters if I remember correctly.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: They do, yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And there is a presentation of awards for people and some other things that go -- and it's been a long time since I've been to one. But the dinner, there's a catch with the dinner.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's a dinner, yeah. Dinner, drinks and stuff like that. It probably goes for about four or five hours, something like that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I can't

remember, but it was also another  
-- it was an event that was  
preexisting.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But if we are allowing --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It was --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: They keep  
the tent set up and they do a  
breakfast the next morning too.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well,  
that's because the people stay in  
the marina.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: They  
actually rent slips.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: All right.  
My last comments are in 44-8(f)  
and (g). F refers to not setting  
up structures for a mass assembly  
permit ahead of time. And I was  
think thing about the fire  
department carnivals where the  
rides tend to arrive three or  
four days ahead of time. And so

we just want to make sure we're not creating a problem for the fire department in that case. And it's the same thing on the breakdown. Sometimes the rides don't all disappear the next day. They -- it takes a couple days.

MAYOR STUESSI: I think that's important point and we should give the Board a certain amount of discretion to approve setup and breakdown. I think whether we choose do it for the fire department or some outside entity, the Board can make that decision.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Right.

Okay, and then G is similar. It talks about signage for special events. It limits it to five days prior to the occurrence. I don't really remember, but I think the fire department signs were up for a long time.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Like a month? Is that wrong?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no. It's usually two weeks I think it usually is, but I don't think they're supposed to on telephone poles either if I remember correctly.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So I have no problem that we have the discretion, as these things come in, to deal with them. I just want to make sure we're not setting ourselves up for a conflict here. I mean, maybe it's fine to have the limitations in the law and then still use our discretion when we're looking at a particular application. Maybe that's the safest way to go about it.

MAYOR STUESSI: So then --

but if it's in the code, how do we  
overrule what's in the code other  
than looking the other way? To  
Lily's point, I don't want --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Or you  
could put into each of them: At  
the Village Board's discretion if  
that's included.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. Rather  
than saying the three days.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Correct.  
I mean, there are ways to say at  
the Village Board's discretion,  
correct, Brian; the way it's  
worded?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes.  
What you should do is basically  
say: We subject to the amount of  
time provided in the determination  
by the Board. If no time is set,  
then it shall be five days.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

MAYOR STUESSI: That makes  
sense.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Can you do that?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That would be great. All right, that's all the comments I had on 44.

I have some comments on 101. All right, so here in the 101-1 - Purpose, it refers to citizens. That was my comment earlier about residents.

We already talked about concessions.

Under unreasonable noise Section 101-2 - Hours. It talks about the parks over on Sunrise and then it says with the exception of the Village campsite. Do we need to add to that saying, which regulates itself or determines its own hours of operation? How is the campsite hours determined?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: I

don't know.

MAYOR STUESSI: It would seem like we should probably say campground hours subject to Village Board determination.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: You should adopt -- I mean, maybe it's here in your code, I'd have to look, but if you don't have it, you should adopt campground regulations specifically.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, the camp ground doesn't really close because people are there all night.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: We have a check-in time, don't we, Mary?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah, I think -- I don't have copy of the --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, you're not going to say people can't be there after -- I mean, that's the point of the

campground.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, I had some relatives stay there a couple years ago and they do have a check-in time.

MAYOR STUESSI: Right, but that's policy of how it's operated. I think what Patrick is saying is it needs to buyback with what's written in the code or say something about Village policy.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We've used a vender/contractor to operate the campground, right?

MAYOR STUESSI: No. I mean, sort of. It's effectively an employee who gets an hourly wage plus the ability to stay there.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: All right, under 101-6 - Liabilities for Injuries. The last sentence makes reference to motor vehicles or motor boats parked in the right-of-way. I think we should



add to that public waterway  
adjacent to any public park,  
right; because we're talking about  
motor boats?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, makes  
sense to me. Anybody else?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
fine.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Alright.  
Under 101-6(m) Trustee  
Dougherty-Johnson already referred  
to this, about the prohibition  
against throwing balls. I think  
that should be loosened. I think  
we should only be regulating the  
most dangerous things like arrows  
and javelins and lawn darts or  
something like that.

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm with you  
on that. Does anybody --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, in  
fairness, this was copied out of  
the Town of East Hampton or the  
Town of Southampton's Beach Codes

in all honestly.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay.

MAYOR STUESSI: So what are your thoughts on it? Are you okay with balls and eliminating sharp objects?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: As far as the ball throwing, I don't have a problem with that.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Is that what it says? It says throwing balls?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's funny, I just watched a movie where somebody got a concussion, got hit in the head with a soccer ball.

MAYOR STUESSI: My daughter broke my ribs with a ball she threw with at me about ten years ago.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I know and if you're playing hardball, you know...

MAYOR STUESSI: But the other

daughter never hurt me with her  
bow and arrow amazingly.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Under  
Section 101-10 - Mitchell Park, it  
makes reference to the skating  
park, which doesn't seem like it's  
the right place for it because  
this is a section about Mitchell  
Park.

MAYOR STUESSI: Is it the ice  
skating rink?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's the  
ice skating rink.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: It says  
skating park, so...

MAYOR STUESSI: That's  
confusing.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
And in that too I think the fact  
that there's a 10 and a 25. Like,  
we have to make the choice there,  
right?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

And I think I would say let's keep  
in 25.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
what it's been, 25.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Okay. I don't see a reason to  
make it smaller, personally.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I agree.  
All right, and then the final one  
101-12 - Penalties for Offences.  
So we're making a schedule for  
fees. Can we make a schedule for  
offences so that we don't have to  
the have dollar figures in the  
code?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. Brian,  
no issue with that, right?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: None  
at all.

MAYOR STUESSI: It makes it  
easier, as we discussed, with  
everything else.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: From  
time to time by reso.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: That's it  
for me.

MAYOR STUESSI: Julia, did  
you have anything else you wanted  
to discuss?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: No.

MAYOR STUESSI: So I'd like  
to go back to concessions and then  
anything paid in the parks as it  
relates to it.

And so my concern is with, as I  
had expressed earlier, the way the  
language is written, it doesn't  
give us the ability to make  
decisions on certain things that  
might make sense.

And I don't want to have a  
debate on what those things are  
right now, but whether it's a  
farmers' market in Mitchell Park  
or Morris Woods Park or whether  
it's in the Polo Grounds or  
whether if it's an art fair or  
something the Business Improvement

District -- a number of individuals have come to me recently about wanting to look at doing a winterfest event.

And so one can imagine during the depths of winter right now when not much is happening, especially now that we don't have an ice rink, if the BID wants to put together some sort of event that's in Mitchell Park, the heart of Greenport, and bring in a temporary ice skating rink, bring in snow bails and ice carving and sell hot chocolate and sell t-shirts and candles from whatever and it's done from local stores, this seemed to me like it would be wonderful for our community.

It would also bring people into the park and I think we, as a Board, need the ability to work with our Business Improvement District and others to be creative

to find ways to bring people to Greenport in times where we might not have or look at things that add to the community, whether it's an art fair or potentially a farmers' market. And the way the code is written, it is so limiting that if we pull back on the code to allow discretion for the Board, where we're not allowing anything to happen, we're just allowing us to have a discussion about it.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I agree. I mean, I think it's what you just said. It's not allowing it any more than it's just allowing us to allow it in certain instances if we want to. It's not like letting everyone sell everything all the time.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think it makes sense, but where specifically do we need to address that? Is that the concession

thing again?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Also --

MAYOR STUESSI: Under paid  
events in the park.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

That one little paragraph about  
not selling anything in Mitchell  
Park.

MAYOR STUESSI: Selling in  
Mitchell Park, but not paid.

Julia?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I'm still  
undecided on this to be honest  
with you. I feel that  
commercialization of the parks  
doesn't sit well with me.

MAYOR STUESSI: So the  
Business Improvement District  
wanting to do a winter festival  
and existing businesses for this  
period of time, selling stuff, you  
would not be in favor of?



TRUSTEE ROBINS: If they came  
to us and asked, yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: But the way  
the code is written --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- can't  
they?

MAYOR STUESSI: The way the  
code is written, you can't sell  
anything in Mitchell Park.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well,  
we've already had that to begin  
with, so it's not anything that's  
new. The mass assembly permits  
have always come forth and it's  
been in the Board's discretion as  
to how it's going to proceed. I  
mean, the BID comes in for the  
Easter egg hunt; it comes in for  
-- what are some of the other  
events that they have?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
But they're not selling  
anything --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The egg

roll.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, they're not selling anything because they want to encourage them to go into their stores downtown. The Halloween parade is the same way. It's bringing them in with the events, but it's not competing with them monetarily where they're actually going downtown and actively shopping in the stores or eating in the restaurants downtown.

MAYOR STUESSI: Right, but I'm not talking about Joey's Pickle Company from down island coming and setting up in Mitchell Park. I'm talking about our Business District setting up an event in the depths of winter to attract people to the Village, paired with a winter film festival at the movie theater.

We don't currently have the

ability to approve that because of the way the code is written. It says you can't sell anything in Mitchell Park, correct?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Well, I think the code right now we can. But this code -- (indicating).

MAYOR STUESSI: Right, that's what I'm saying, with the way it's written.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Yeah. And also, I mean, I don't think it's just like BID, it's like the PTA. Like I don't see why the PTA having a bake sale at the Christmas Parade or -- like, if people in our community want to do that, why would we not have the ability to say -- I mean, and we don't always have to say yes to every single thing, but to me, the PTA wanting to have a fundraiser, like I don't think that's going to

take away from businesses.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, I completely understand your point about not commercializing the park and it would be very different if the Maritime Festival were looking to put a whole bunch of stuff that was competing with the businesses in Mitchell Park versus on the streets, which, you know, one could have an argument about that as well, versus the existing businesses.

But to do things that are great for the community and bring more people to the park, my feeling is that the way this is written, it's not going to give us the ability to make those decisions. I mean, a winter festival, there could be a lot the of things done to drive more people here during the winter if there was more flexibility. Or you know, on an October weekend do

an art festival and, you know...

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Where was I was just reading they're doing a winterfest. Is it up at cast that they're doing --

MAYOR STUESSI: Southold Town has it and actually Sag Harbor has one this weekend as well.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We have the Washington's birthday parade on the day that the winterfest in Southold. But getting back to the PTA with a bake sale, having it -- you know, there needs to be a set time. I mean, they asked to do it, in fairness, during the Christmas parade and that's a fire department function. You know, that's the other thing is we need to be clear that if a mass assembly permit is applied for, that the group responsible is aware of any additions that we make to it.

I firmly believe that we have the discretion with mass assembly permits to deal as long as we have in the code that things are at the discretion of the Village Board.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. So we just need to modify the language in here to eliminate anything sold in the parks because, frankly, this language would prevent the fire department from having the carnival at the Polo Grounds and selling churros and cotton candy the way it's written.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think part of this got confused. You know, in retrospect in looking at it, there was a juggle between Mitchell Park and the other areas as to what they do.

MAYOR STUESSI: No, I understand.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I don't think that was the intent.

But as I said, we have always had the discretion as a Village Board with the mass assembly permits to create what we feel is best for the Village.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. So the only other thing that we may want to consider as part of that is the outright ban on alcohol versus the Village Board being able to make a decision on whether alcohol is allowed in one of the parks as part of a Board decision for it for a permit.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, that already is.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: -- basis right? To suspend it like they do for the Maritime Festival.

MAYOR STUESSI: Doesn't the new language -- I apologize, I don't have my copy in front of me. Doesn't the new language -- did you bring it up, Lily -- suggest

that --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I didn't bring it up, but I was thinking about it. It was in there.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it also matches along with the code that we already have of no open container.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, it seems to me that that's already -- I mean, I don't know why the parks would be any different than the street or the parking lot. It's already banned. So do we need to ban it again? I don't actually remember where it is right now.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: 101-4.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think that was taking -- it was discussions dealing with what we have as a Village policy for Mitchell Park and combining it



into the code. That's where a lot of this discussion came from and that's why some of this was entered into, because it was already in existence in the policy that we have. But, once again, we have a no open container law, which we, as a Village Board, can waive on a case-by-case basis.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes. I think this language allows for that the way it's written. Except to the extent specifically permitted pursuant to any duly issued mass assembly permit, no person shall consume alcohol.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's already in there. The exception is in there.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I had one more small thing that I did bring up last time, is the playing or operation of any sound

reproduction device being banned.  
That's on Page 14, 101-8(g). To  
me just, again, if anyone is  
playing a video on their  
cellphone, we're banning it.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think  
that's a little bit on an extreme.  
Most of that was dealing with the  
fact that we have multiple  
complaints from the Fifth and  
Sixth Street area dealing with  
boom boxes and --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
But is that covered by  
unreasonable noise in the noise  
code? I just don't think banning  
any --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, a noise  
reproduction device -- Brian,  
correct me if I'm wrong -- to  
Lily's point, could mean a whole  
bunch of things including a  
cellphone, me playing iTunes,  
right?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Right, or even your cellphone  
ringing.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Right.

It depends how it's defined. I'm  
trying to find a definition.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

And then that's also on Page 15  
under 101-10 Mitchell Park, no  
additional equipment or structure  
or sound reproduction device shall  
be placed, used or operated by any  
person except pursuant -- so  
again, yeah, to me that's a  
cellphone and that's the whole  
park.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And that's

not what we discussed in Code --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I

understand, but like --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We were

discussing about other things.

I'll be honest with you, that's

getting a little -- okay. I don't

1  
2 imagine someone sitting next to  
3 someone who's sitting there  
4 privately listening to tunes on  
5 their phone are going to be  
6 causing a disturbance for a great  
7 amount of people.

8 TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

9 But it's technically against the  
10 code. That's my issue with it. I  
11 don't -- if we pass this as this  
12 and then I'm there on my cellphone  
13 listening to a video, I'm breaking  
14 the law and I don't want to break  
15 the law that I am passing. So  
16 that's how I think about it.

17 Maybe I'm being too technical,  
18 but, to me, it sounds like you're  
19 saying don't play your cellphone.  
20 And I know that it's because --  
21 like I get because we're trying to  
22 block like someone with a big  
23 speaker, but it just seems like  
24 that's covered by unreasonable  
25 noise and the Noise code. So we

don't also have to say no sound reproduction devices.

MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody have any thoughts on the Noise code governing versus --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I don't think the Noise code is going to cover it because it's going to be the actual -- what is it, the actual unit itself, they cannot tell them to remove it. I mean, the biggest part of this was to deal with the complaints that came from the Fifth and Sixth Street area dealing with the amount of noise that was being emanated from boxes that projected very loudly down the road. So unless Brian can figure out how to write that type of language, I don't see how --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, then why wouldn't that fall, to Lily's point, under unreasonable noise in

the Noise code?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Well, it's here under unreasonable noise and it's also in the Noise code.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes, the definition of sound reproduction device is any device designed to be used or actually used for production, etcetera, of sound, radio, TV, tape recorder.

IPhone, any phone, can be a sound production device based on the second part of that that it's actually used for that purpose.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I think this is such an area subject to interpretation. It's going to be very hard to nail it down very specifically in the code. One person's music is another person's noise.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, that would seem to me that's where the

Noise code would govern; about, you know, levels of offense by the noise it's creating, whether it's from my iPhone or boom boxes don't even exist anymore I don't think.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Or someone singing in the shower that's too loud and you can't stand it.

MAYOR STUESSI: Patrick, any thoughts?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: (No response.)

MAYOR STUESSI: I mean, we're in the weeds on this.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah.

MAYOR STUESSI: But it's an antiquated descriptor, to Brian's point, that it covers a cellphone.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We're in mass assembly right now, right?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. We're in recreational uses.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: And what section specifically?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

101-8(g) and then also 101-10(b).

I mean, one is specific to Mitchell Park. The other is general. Otherwise, they're basically the same.

MAYOR STUESSI: Brian, do you have any thoughts on this? Is there anything we should consider in the Parks code verses allowing the Noise code to govern and enforce it through the Noise code?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Not off the top of my head. I have to think about it.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think we can address it in Chapter 88 because this is just a reference to Chapter 88.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So no need to change it in Chapter 44, but we might be able to slice it up in Chapter 88 to somehow include, you



know, personal phones or something.

MAYOR STUESSI: So can I make a suggestion? Why don't we let Brian come up with a couple suggestions and share it with us in the spirit of what we've talked about. Everyone good with that?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes. I would do it in Chapter 88 so that we don't have a special --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I feel strongly that the number of complaints -- and that's how we dealt with the code in reference to a lot of the issues in recreation and beaches at the areas down at Fifth and Sixth Street Beach.

And it wasn't and iPhones and maybe I'm a little antiquated in boom boxes, but it was groups of 50 people having a gathering, a family gathering, where they had

music that was excessive and they were using speakers.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, no, I'm in complete agreement with you.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: All right.

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm just suggesting that Brian takes a look at how best to parse this because we don't want somebody -- again, us to have to enforce somebody using their cellphone and playing music at a low level versus somebody who brings a portable speaker or boom box blasting it out, which is a code enforcement issue or police issue with noise. So why don't we have him put something together --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I do think that we need to have a cross reference to 101, Brian.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Okay.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think the reference is there. So G

references Chapter 88. I'm just saying that the parsing can be done in Chapter 88.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, honestly, G, I think, is fine because it says except to the extent permitted, referencing the terms in Chapter 88. The 101-10 where it just says no sound reproduction devices in Mitchell Park, I think that's -- that's not -- because then we just shouldn't haven't phones in Mitchell Park. Which that could be cool, a phone-free zone, but I don't want to enforce it. I don't even want go.

MAYOR STUESSI: All right, so we'll have Brian take a look at this and make a suggestion.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: That's fine.

MAYOR STUESSI: Is there anything else on mass assemblies and parks that anybody thinks we

aught to consider?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I might just -- in the public parks definition, I'm not sure why we don't specify the Polo Grounds. I know it says, you know, that it's not a complete list, but I might add it just so it's clear.

MAYOR STUESSI: Makes sense unless anybody thinks otherwise?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Because it wasn't clear to me. But other than that, no, that's all I have.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, it says any park, playground, athletic field, boat launching ramp, Skate Park. Well, isn't the Polo Grounds an athletic field?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Multiple.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Multiple athletic fields?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I mean, the whole area, that's just

not -- it's just we specifically mentioned so many that I just don't know why not to mention that, but it's just a suggestion.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, actually the Code Committee is working on the definition of Park District and what's --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I know it says including without limitation, so it's like not a complete list, but it just seems like why not list it so it's clearer.

MAYOR STUESSI: So again, on that one, we'll review it with counsel. These are the suggestions to make sure we've captured everything in parks.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I agree with Trustee Lily. Because it says skate parks located in Moores Woods and by being that specific, it implies -- it may imply that

the area outside the Skate Park is not included.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, and frankly the Skate Park exists in Polo Grounds, not in Moores Woods and I think we should be doing what we can to protect Moores Woods as a nature area as opposed to a more active park with skating and baseball and things like that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But it says leased by, maintained by or otherwise under the control of the Village of Greenport regardless of whether zoned as a Park District. I mean, okay, I don't want to get into the weeds on it. We tried to cover every aspect that was within the Park District in the public park. That's why we're specific of it and not all people know that area as the Polo Grounds.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: Maybe we don't have to call it the

Polo -- I just, to me, it wasn't clear that it was included just because it wasn't mentioned and the Skate Park specifically was.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay, shall we move on?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: Great.

So the next item I have on here is campground maintenance, funding and pricing. The Village Board has a copy of a comparison study of rates at both the Village Campground and East End Campground less than half a mile away from us, which you'll see is dramatically different.

Candace, I would ask that you get a copy of this from Adam and we add it into the agenda package because it wasn't posted in the agenda.

We are dealing with some very significant issues on campground

maintenance that has not been taken care of for quite a bit of time. I would estimate, at this moment, we're at about \$50,000 worth of work that's going to need to be done in order to bring the buildings up to health code and some other safety issues relative to electric, etcetera, and deal with cutting back trees and other things there. And we have, I think, it's about \$12,000 left in the budget at the moment.

And so what I'd like to discuss with the Board is looking at raising our rates for this summer in order to generate some additional income to help support the work that needs to be done just get us to basic maintenance level of it such that we aren't violating any issues relative to Suffolk County Health Building code, etcetera, in addition to the



general cleanliness.

We did not yet post rates for this year. We have accepted some reservation requests, but, again, have not published rates for 2024 and would like to move forward with formally accepting reservations and publishing the rates for anybody else who is inquiring about it.

And so I would open it up for Board discussion on what they think might be appropriate. Obviously it's a very significant difference when you're taking a look at the East End Campground charging \$2,400 a month verses the Village campground having charged \$750 a month in the peak summer months from June to September. So one could suggest that we take X percentage and just apply it across the board. It might make sense. It might a reasonable

increase for this summer without going all the way up to what East End Campgrounds is at.

I have toured their campgrounds as well. Their facilities are certainly in better shape, but it's -- they don't have a lot of other outside activities like some places do.

We, obviously, have the benefit of being even closer to the Village. But it's something we need to make some decisions on tonight so that we can press forward with getting the work done and also get the rates published and out in front of potential renters for the summers.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: So I have a question, what does East End Campground offer as far as to their customers, just the rental space?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, and

they've got a small outdoor rec  
area over there as well.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Do we have an ampage? I see that  
there's a 30-amp and 50-amp.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, we  
don't.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

We don't offer --

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think  
we're all 30-amp.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah,  
we're all 30-amp.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: They don't  
have a little store there? They  
don't sell anything, do they, to  
people?

MAYOR STUESSI: I don't  
believe so. I don't recall seeing  
it.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Do they  
have a pool?

MAYOR STUESSI: I don't think  
it's in use anymore.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
Have we done any of the math of  
like, if we wanted to raise, let's  
say \$60,000? Like, I guess I  
would be in favor of raising it,  
but not raising it as little as we  
can. You know what I'm saying?  
Not going to their rates.

MAYOR STUESSI: No, no. I am  
by no means suggesting that we go  
to their rate when they're  
anywhere from 50 to 250 percent  
above where we are, but 10 or  
15 percent across the Board might  
make sense immediately.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I would  
play devils advocate. I'd ask say  
why not go closer to market rate  
and then just underprice to be  
competitive. So we want  
occupancy, right? I think this is  
what the marina pricing has been

trying to do, right?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well,  
we've been for a number of years.  
And I also have to ask Adam.  
Adam, the year 2023, we jumped  
from 2022 to the rental amount of  
189,000 and we went, in 2023, to  
227,000 because we had upped the  
rates in '22, believe, correct?

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM:  
If it wasn't in '22, it could have  
'21 or the year before.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think it  
was '22.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: It was  
'22.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It was  
'22, okay. So the PNL on the  
campground, have we generated one  
as far as the income versus  
expenses coming out of there?

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM:  
I don't have that in front of me,  
but I can produce something like

that.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR STUESSI: But the expenses have really just been the cost of the individual working there.

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yeah, utilities and personnel.

MAYOR STUESSI: Not much. There was tick spraying that was done last year, some Village laborers were just doing some general cleanup, but there was no maintenance and there hasn't been maintenance on the building in a very long time.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, so the revenue that's been generated has gone back into the general budget for other expenses?

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Correct.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, that's what I needed to know.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think that's the right idea, to look at the PNL, but I would argue that it's willfully inadequate because of too much deferred maintenance and some obsolescence. Like we don't have the 50-amp hookups that larger trailers require now or twin 30's. So I do like the idea of looking at the PNL, looking at it like a business, but we're not really --

MAYOR STUESSI: I think we can do that at the end of this year for next year.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, we're not really reserving funds and the place has depreciated too much.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm not disagreeing with you, okay, but we did have the argument in previous Boards that we needed to have this money that was being generated to go back into the campground and it

was deferred into the general budget instead to keep the tax rate low. Okay?

My thought is is we could get an idea from the PNL what kind of money we could be able to generate out of it and towards the repairs. Okay, but it's also part of a capital budget, which I'm assuming that's what we're going to have to generate.

For any discussion of any improvements here, we're going to have to generate a capital budget on it. So we need to kind of get a general idea of what the income is going to be.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Is the campground a separate enterprise?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No. It's part of the general fund like Mitchell Park -- I mean, the Marina is.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: The Marina



is not separate?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, no.

The Marina used to be a separate enterprise fund when I was first on the Board. And then when we refinanced the bond, we included Mitchell Park -- the Marina into the general fund because we were, by our accountant, told us we couldn't really operate it as an enterprise fund, okay? But we did get a general handle over those years that we had that separate information to get an idea on how to raise the rates.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So I was saying earlier, I like the idea of, you know, analyzing the market, raising the rates close to it, but below market. But I would also argue that we should step into it over time.

So if we set a target that we want to be at 90 percent of what

East End Campground is charging,  
we can split that over like three  
years.

MAYOR STUESSI: I would agree  
with that.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: So we  
don't, you know, upset too many  
people who have reservations.  
It's not fair to them or even a  
longer period. But I think we  
should move in that direction for  
sure.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
would also say that, I mean, I  
have a feeling that like the  
campground is used by like  
seasonal workers, people --

MAYOR STUESSI: Not many. I  
mean, it tends to be vacationers  
more.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
I've seen some of those. So I  
guess there's an argument to be  
made for like keeping it not --

you know, not keeping it exactly  
with the most touristy market  
rate.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

But I mean, I don't think a small  
-- like going up a small amount  
this year to raise that money so  
that we can maintain it makes  
sense and I don't think it would  
break the bank for people.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I  
also think we need to know  
exactly -- getting back to the  
capital budget, we need to  
understand and have an idea of  
projecting out over the next five  
years what we need to fix.

I know that the electrical  
system needs to be upgraded  
because they are not just the  
small RV's any longer. The RV's  
I've seen in there are the  
luxury --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, this is the same thing we need to look at for the Marina as well as part of our capital budget because there's a significant amount of that. It is underserved and we're losing people because we don't offer the power that the newer boats are looking for.

So as it relates to this and making a decision tonight, does anybody have a recommendation on a percentage that we should look at as an increase that we can discuss?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I calculated in 50 percent and then down to 25 percent and I agree with Patrick that we should probably, over the course of three years, gradually increase to close to what the East End Campground is charging. So 25 percent this year?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think the Mayor and Patrick were also speaking of -- in other words, what percentage below the 2,400 -- and, Patrick, am I getting your idea about that it should be what percentage we should decide should be below what the East End Campground is doing, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, you're suggesting that we should target being 10 percent below our competitor in three years and gradually increasing every year?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah. I don't mean 10 percent exactly. It could be 15 percent. But we also have to factor for the difference in amenities and things like that. If East End Campground is nicer, we have to be realistic about what we're providing.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, and I

think too, as I had suggested, I think it was our last meeting or prior, we need to have a longer term discussion about the campground and whether it should stay a campground, whether we should look at it for affordable housing; whether we should look at expanding it or not.

I mean, there's a wider discussion to have about it, but we need to solve for the immediacy of getting funding to make repairs and improvements, together with at least trying to remain somewhat competitive and get it cleaned up.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I think a 10 or 15 percent would do us for this year. I think that's a more -- to start. And then we can always see, rather than like jumping 25 percent right away.

MAYOR STUESSI: So what were our revenues last year?

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM:

The revenues last year were --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: 227.

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM:

-- 220,000 approximately.

MAYOR STUESSI: So 10 percent  
is \$22,000.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

That's not going to get you to  
your 50.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It was  
227,000.

MAYOR STUESSI: Pardon me?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Wasn't your number 50 that we  
need?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Okay, so maybe go up.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, but  
you could look at -- 50 is for the  
repairs to the restrooms and  
things. I mean, you can amortize  
that cost of repairs is going to

last five to seven years,  
hopefully, right? I mean, it gets  
a lot of use so...

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The  
depreciation on that probably is  
going to be ten years; for the  
building it will be ten years.

MAYOR STUESSI: I mean, we  
don't have quotes yet, but one of  
the things we have to decide is  
whether the building needs to be  
entirely rebuilt or we're able to  
put some additional Band-Aids and  
make some more minor improvements,  
but it's easily 50 grand in total  
work in the park.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's  
concrete block though, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: It's wood.  
It's wood on a slab.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Julia, you  
need to pull the mic closer to you  
because she's not hearing you.

The transcriptionist is not



hearing you.

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm pushing mine further back. I know my voice carries.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: You're the only one that doesn't need a microphone.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I think something in the 10 to 15 percent range would be reasonable.

MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else have an opinion 10 versus 15 percent; more, less? Mary Bess, what are your thoughts?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm comfortable with the 15 because I know the electric needs to be upgraded, but that's not what this is going to be for. I'm assuming this is to just take care of the building that's falling apart?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, this is to take care of the building that's falling apart, cutting back

trees and doing some other general maintenance. We wouldn't be able to replace the electrical unless we find some addition money in our next fiscal year.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But I do think that we need to -- I would like to see that with this increase, that within the next year before next year's season begins, that we have some sort of a capital plan put together.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, well, that's where I'd like to have a much more robust conversation about long term use as to whether we want to stay in the campground business or look at other options, whether it's leasing it or using it for housing or something else.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I also think that the income it generates is kind of important to us all too.

MAYOR STUESSI: Oh,  
absolutely, but there are other  
ways generate that.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: This  
jump-up right now is just to  
stopgap measure?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: We still  
have to do the analysis.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: But the  
other question that I'm now asking  
is since we have not had -- this  
discussion kind of has crossed  
over two different  
administrations. They did accept  
some payments. Are we just going  
to honor those who have paid the  
rent or are we going to --

MAYOR STUESSI: We haven't  
accepted rent. We've accepted  
deposits against --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I'm sorry,  
deposits.

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

3 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Did we  
4 accept deposits or do we have some  
5 full year rentals?

6 VILLAGE CLERK HALL: We have  
7 reservations accepted.

8 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: For the  
9 full year?

10 MAYOR STUESSI: No, we do not  
11 have a full year.

12 VILLAGE CLERK HALL: Not a  
13 full year.

14 MAYOR STUESSI: We have a  
15 deposit.

16 VILLAGE CLERK HALL: We have  
17 reservations confirmed. Lisa  
18 confirmed reservations before she  
19 left.

20 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
21 right.

22 MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, that's  
23 only with some deposits, not the  
24 full year rent.

25 VILLAGE CLERK HALL: I don't

believe that's accurate.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. Well, Paul is obviously not here, but I think we can take a look at that very easily and anybody that has a deposit, we had not published this year's rates. If for some reason there is some misperception, we can deal with that on a one-off basis, but we need to publish our 2024 rates and then charge appropriately and move forward.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: This was done in '22, right?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, we did do it in '22. That's why the rates -- I'm not sure why it says '23 on the website, but we did do -- pass a resolution in 2022 to up the rates.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: About how much, about 10 percent?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think

that's about what it was, Patrick.  
I'm sorry, my brain is a little  
fried on that one. But I do hope  
that while we're looking at the  
rates that we will also look at  
rules and regulations, which we  
have done in the past, to see if  
what we changed them to is  
working.

Because at one point we had  
trailers, people who were  
elongating their storage of their  
boats on trailers and some other  
things that were going on up  
there. And I believe that the  
current manager has been working  
very hard and, you know, I do hope  
that we also have the --

MAYOR STUESSI: You mean,  
last year's manager?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, last  
year's manager.

MAYOR STUESSI: -- welcome to  
reapply for it.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right, but I'm just curious to see that we'll be supplementing the road crew and helping with the tree removal and grass cutting and stuff up there that needs to get cleaned up for this year?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, it's going to be a combination of internal and external, the work, just like we do on the Village streets. You know, whether -- you know, some things the road crew does and then there's other things we contract out for.

But the biggest amount of work and expense here is going to be true construction and some electrical work, which Rick has already made phone calls and is getting pricing on it. So is everybody agreement on the 15 percent?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yeah, I

mean, that's the thing, do we think that 15 percent is going to cover the work that has to be done?

MAYOR STUESSI: It will not cover the work this year.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: The basic construction? Not the electric. We said we wouldn't even think about the electric --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Julia, no, it's not going to cover everything.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: It's not? Okay. But it's going to be usable? I mean, it's safe in other words?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, we're not going to open it if it's not safe. It's not safe right now. So, no, we can't open it in the current condition.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I do know we did pass a resolution last



year to upgrade the internet connection there and I'm not sure that that took place. Did it takes place, Adam?

VILLAGE CLERK HALL: No.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No? But we put money aside for that I believe. So that's something you might want to look into.

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, maybe the structural question should be something we should ask.

MAYOR STUESSI: The structure question?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Yes. In other words, that the building is safe to be used.

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm saying it's not, which is why we need to do the work. That's what we're intending to do.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay, and

you're getting estimates right  
now, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: Correct.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Okay.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Ballpark  
you think \$60,000 or more, right?  
Because this 15 percent jump up is  
going to produce about \$30,000.  
So it's going to cover, at best,  
half, probably more like a third.  
Our 60 is going to become 90.

MAYOR STUESSI: And I think  
we have 12,000 remaining, so...

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: But I think  
we've agreed that we can't bump up  
the rates so much to try to cover  
this in one --

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Not in one  
year.

MAYOR STUESSI: We haven't  
kept pace, over years, with what  
our competitor is and so we need  
to look at raising it  
incrementally over time and then

looking at a true comparison of us versus them and anything else. We may make a decision that we want to add a swimming pool or something at some point, like what might make it more attractive and generate more money.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I really think we should sell the nature of it all because it's got Moores Drain right there even though it does turn green, but it does have Moores Woods for walking and it has great natural attributes that are right across the street.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, well, I mean, I think that speaks to doing what we can to fix Moores Woods and get the trails back into the shape that they need to be in.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That could actually be a, you know --

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Save money on tick spraying maybe.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Do you recall that they built a dozen cottages down there, the KOA, a couple of years ago too. I don't know if they ever put them into use or not.

MAYOR STUESSI: They do. They have a combination of what's effectively like a pre-manufactured unit that's like a cabin which that has sewer going to it, electrical; it's really nice. And then they also have yurts.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Oh, they have yurts?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Really?

MAYOR STUESSI: Nice ones and that's, obviously, a completely different rate scale.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Right, right. So we're really a

different -- we're a much more  
basic campground than they are.  
You know, for now, 15 percent has  
to be what we're going to go with.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. Is  
everybody in agreement on  
15 percent?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: Let's put up  
a new rate chart and we will  
discuss in Village Hall with Paul  
communicating to anybody that has  
it a deposit reservation.

Next up --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Wait,  
wait. And then you'll make sure  
that there's a -- you have to have  
a resolution to raise the rates.  
Brian, correct?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yes,  
and there's something I still need  
talk to the Board about before you  
finalize that resolution.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's

what I thought. So we'll probably put the resolution on our next coming up regular Board meeting agenda?

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, the problem is going to be that we have people who are looking to...

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: When is our work session?

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: The 15th I think.

MAYOR STUESSI: If we need to have a discussion, we'll go into executive session when we're done here --

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: It's legal advise, so, yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. Yes, we need to have a resolution for it.

MAYOR STUESSI: The next item, Number 4 -- Bulkhead work and living shorelines. I know I've talked to a couple of people,

individuals, as I've seen you around the Village. I had a really robust tour and meeting with Paul Pontieri, who is the Mayor of Patchogue, and has been for 20 plus years. I've gotten to know him at a couple of other mayors' and supervisors' meetings.

I went and looked at what they did down in Patchogue in the marina area. Very impressive. I think it's something we should take a look at in certain places. We have some pretty significant resiliency issues, Fifth and Sixth Street Beach in particular. We're going to need to be addressing as it relates to the fact that the roads are under water quite often during storms. This is a great example to look to.

As part of that, Number 5 - Climate plan and partnership of Southold Town. I had a meeting

with Supervisor Krupski, together with Quinn, his new government relations director for the Town, to have a follow-up from prior discussions we had with the last administration relative to a climate plan, which was funded in our last budget, I believe I mentioned in the last meeting, of \$100,000 towards that.

The first item that they're looking to do is to do a complete survey of the Town and they would work with us and the Village as well with their GIS person to map every area where they've had significant issues with flooding, in particular, those areas where roads have been washed out and are impassable.

There's a meeting being scheduled that the police department, the fire departments, from all of the hamlets will be



participating in that I'll be in  
as well. And I'll share more on  
that as that advances.

Together with that, the goal  
would be able to utilize this for  
decision making and then focusing  
on areas that are in the  
particular focus and work together  
with them putting together a true  
climate plan.

We're going to work to put  
together a inter-municipality  
agreement, which will come in  
front of boards to review. That's  
also being done for the new  
housing regulations that are being  
considered too. Obviously there's  
still work that needs to be done  
there.

Number 6 on that item - Housing  
people can afford. We had a great  
meeting in the firehouse a few  
weeks ago. It was wonderful to  
see the 75 people here. We're

working on coordinating a couple of other meetings here in the next several weeks with some different constituencies in the Village, a Spanish speaking one at the church and then looking to do one with the service community with the restaurants and hotels along with the workers, many whom live here; many of whom do not.

Number 7 - The mini train operations discussion and budget. Adam and I had a meeting together with Rick and the Rotary the other day. They are in the process of working to schedule State certification of the mini train. The goal is to have that done by March 15th. They're looking to schedule it in the first couple of weeks. There's some additional work that needs to be done on the train to make sure that it is going to pass the test.

One of the concerns of the Rotary and the team and their experts who are looking at this is to ease into ridership of the train such that it isn't overused too much initially, which might cause problems to break it down.

So the thought was potentially we start with one day a week; pick a day, whether it's Sunday or Saturday, and operate it for four to six hours and then grow from there, which I think makes a lot of sense rather than potentially opening for a bunch of three-day weekends and then potentially having to shut it down because there's issues with the train running.

The belief is that the train will likely end up working better once it's being utilized on a more regular basis, but that should be eased into with the commercial

running of it, together with testing it. And then we could very easily determine, you know, call it after July 4th weekend, yes, everybody feels like we should add an additional day to it.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: So that train is sort of like the LIRR. It comes in and they can never turn it off.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay, and I mean, we have a legal agreement with the Rotary that has conditions with us operating it. By not operating it full-time, is that -- do we need to amend this agreement?

MAYOR STUESSI: I haven't looked at the agreement in a few months, but my recollection was there was no minimum operating time for numbers of days per week, was there?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I thought there was.

MAYOR STUESSI: If there is, I think we should maybe look at modifying it because this recommendation is coming from them. There might be a few other things we want to take a look at as well.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: There are some things in there that we need to review.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. We can do that. Rick is going to be having a follow-up meeting with Don Fisher and then the other fellow who is a train expert. You know, he used to manage it with Frank. So Rick will be coming to our next work session to talk a little bit more about plan for utilizing it for the summer and Adam has a very loose budget to take a look at.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Sounds good.

MAYOR STUESSI: Any other thoughts or questions on that from anybody?

(No response.)

MAYOR STUESSI: Number 8 - Skate Park fundraising and maintenance budget. This is obviously something we need to give a lot of consideration too. It's been underfunded for a long time and there's maintenance issues that need to be taken a look at.

I will say the great news is the Skate Park Committee has made some good progress on fundraising and also looking at some things that should be added in over time and additional fundraising is part of it. We will have some maintenance increases in our budget for this year for the Board to review. And then hopefully also some additions

to the plan that the Skate Park Committee has for doing additional fundraising. I know they had submitted -- was it three dates, Candace, for different events coming up?

VILLAGE CLERK HALL: Four.

MAYOR STUESSI: Four events. That will be on the next work session?

VILLAGE CLERK HALL: Three events, four dates.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Speaking of their maintenance budget and just backtracking to the mini train, do we have a set idea or budget was created for the first year of us operating it by any chance?

MAYOR STUESSI: That's what we're going to be discussing in the February work session based off the recent conversation we had

about ramped down hours from what we originally talked about.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay because I do know that there was one created a while ago. Adam, did you ever find that?

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yes, I did.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

DEPUTY TREASURER BRAUTIGAM: Yes, it was several scenarios that were mapped out. I did have to tweak and edit them, which I did for --

MAYOR STUESSI: So we discussed -- I think it was in May -- a three-day summer period of operating the train that will be for closer to eight hours a day, which everybody, as I said, from the Rotary feels is too aggressive.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay.

MAYOR STUESSI: So that's why



they want to start with one day  
four to six hours and grow from  
there.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay. I  
just --

MAYOR STUESSI: Which I think  
makes sense.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Right.  
I'm just concerned what about what  
our expenses are going to be.

MAYOR STUESSI: As am I.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: We'll get an  
idea how many employees need to be  
there. In other words, who is  
going to run the train; is that us  
or is that --

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. The  
agreement the Village signed with  
the Rotary is they fundraise and  
paid to build everything that's  
there and then it all gets turned  
over to the Village to operate.  
We bare every expense on  
operations, maintenance, etcetera.

And if for any reason we don't maintain it properly, they have the ability to take the train and remove it.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And so when we do this operating budget, we'll have a determination of how many employees we need there to operate it, maintain it and collect tickets and all that stuff, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: It's at least four at any given time. You need somebody driving the train and you have to have somebody in the back of the train for safety and then you need a ticketing person and then you need somebody managing people getting on and off the train so that they don't end up on the tracks.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Okay and then the Skate Park --

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: You have

your engineers cap?

MAYOR STUESSI: I do. You have yours?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: No.

MAYOR STUESSI: I actually would rather be in the back of the train. It's the safest part of the train.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And then getting into -- I realize that the Skate Park group is doing the fundraising, but are there any expectations from them as far as the maintenance budget? You know, how much they, you know -- I don't want to say control, but what they're expecting from us as far as maintaining things?

MAYOR STUESSI: They're expecting a lot. And I can tell from you having gone to a bunch of events, those kids look at me and they're like, how come you guys have a new train, but we haven't

seen the money to keep our Skate Park in good condition? So I think, yeah, we have to put our heads down and figure out how to do some of the stuff that needs to be done here.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Well, will we get a report on what work needs to be done, an assessment of it, so that we can get prices; I mean, what areas need most attention?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Well, I think they also --

MAYOR STUESSI: It's been done.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think they also -- I think it would behove -- I mean, I know I've seen it and I know you've seen it, but I'm not sure everyone else has seen some of their ideas of what they --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, they're

looking at a much longer phased-in plan that's going to cost a million dollars, plus over time. And the way it would be done at a certain point when they're more ready with it, we'll have them to the Board to present. But it's, you know, adding different pieces and removing existing ones.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: How do they do their fundraising? How does this work? Is it the Friends Committee?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It's similar to the Friends of Mitchell Park.

MAYOR STUESSI: They've been doing different events and inviting people and then they're also doing fundraising direct with potential donors.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I know about the events, but where does the money go?

MAYOR STUESSI: It's a  
501(c)(3), which is effectively  
like the Friends of --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yes, it's  
similar to the Friends of Mitchell  
Park concept.

MAYOR STUESSI: Number 9 is -  
Ice rink disposal and funding for  
a new one. We don't believe  
there's really any inherent value  
in the existing ice rink. We've  
tried going out to see if anybody  
might find any value in any of the  
components of it and thus there  
hasn't been any success with it.

There is, of course, value with  
the Zamboni that is there. We  
will hopefully know more in the  
next, we'll call it, four weeks or  
so of what we can possibly get for  
it. My recommendation to the  
Board would be that we look at  
potentially disposing of the  
Zamboni and taking the money into

the Village because we need it rather than keeping the Zamboni in storage and not running it for the next at least two seasons.

Because in the best case scenario, it's highly unlikely that we will be able to achieve funding and construct a new ice rink in the next 12 months.

There's a good chance we can get funding for a new ice rink if the Board wants to consider that as a downtown revitalization grant that we intend to apply for this coming year, but that award doesn't come until the end next year and there's a lengthy process that we have to go through as part of that.

So, again, the best case scenario would be just to have a brand new built ice rink would be the winter of 2025.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Is that County, the downtown  
revitalization?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: No, it's  
the State.

MAYOR STUESSI: It's for the  
State. And the program we would  
participate in is called New York  
Forward, which was launched by the  
governor last year for the first  
time. The DRI plan is for larger  
communities. The Forward Plan is  
for the smaller, walkable  
communities and one award would be  
awarded to a walkable community in  
Long Island and at that's for four  
and a half million dollars.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON: I  
think there is a County grant.

MAYOR STUESSI: It's a  
totally separate thing.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:  
It's not as much money, but could  
also work.

MAYOR STUESSI: So there's a



Jump Start Program and then the  
Jump Smart Program of which one of  
those municipalities can apply  
for. And the other one, which is  
new this year, only not for  
profits can apply.

And there were two awards  
granted in Greenport as most of  
you know. One was to the  
Greenport Movie Theater, the North  
Fork Arts Center, for \$385,000 and  
then one was approved for the  
auditorium for a quarter of a  
million dollars.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: My  
question -- and I think I strongly  
believe it should be back  
downtown, the ice rink, but I do  
know there's been some suggestions  
that it be in other areas of the  
Village. Before we get into the  
grant writing, I'm assuming that  
they're going to want a decision.  
We need to make a decision on the

design and where it's going to be located, correct?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, that would be an important part of a grant proposal. Yes, I know the prior Board had discussed potentially moving it over to the Moores -- or to the Polo Field.

I believe, as well, it belongs in the Downtown District because it's something that drives energy and business into our Downtown District.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And giving past history, the ice rink was part of the idea of the economic engine of bringing people downtown in the wintertime. And from an observation on my part -- and I'm not sure if you've all seen it -- but over the weekends, we have not been as busy as we have in the past over the winter months because I haven't seen much

traffic of people walking around.

I would almost assume that the carousel rates sales might be down as well because you used to see parents walking around with children. They would go to the ice skating rink a little while, they would go ride the carousel and then they would either go out for lunch or they would go for the bookstore or they would go in the retail stores. So I've noticed a difference without the ice rink being downtown.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah, and, you know, the past few years where it's been less than a week's worth use. I think last year was two days worth and about the same the prior year. It's been an issue, which is why we decided not to put it up this year because there was no reason to have it sitting there empty and not working.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Well,

I'm not in favor of trying to mothball and store the Zamboni. I think that would be a mistake. But I think we need to know two things. One is what we could reasonably get and expect for it in a sale. And then what the likely replacement cost would be if it's only like two or three years out. So we have to kind of weigh those.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, we'll take a look at that at our next work session.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: And I agree with you, equipment that doesn't move continuously, freezes up -- excuse the pun -- freezes up its engines rather quick.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yeah. Well, that's the concern and having somebody give us a real value knowing that it's 18 years old or

whatever it is at this point.

Julia, any thoughts?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Global warming, that's my big concern. That, you know, when we had the ice rink set up the last time, we couldn't keep any ice on it because it was too warm most of the time and it's just wet. And unless you want to put a cover over it, which I've been opposed to ,the expense would be significantly more than what we're setting up right now. I'm not sure if it's going to work or not. I hate to see us spend the money on it and then the ice never freezes.

MAYOR STUESSI: It will if you have the right equipment.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We never had the right equipment.

MAYOR STUESSI: Our equipment was dated and not maintained well.

I will speak as a father of two daughters who ice skated literally from two and four years old all through to today. We used to live in Idaho and there is a nationally world regarded ice rink that Olympians come and skate on in the summer and it's fully outdoors. And the only thing they have is there's like a sail clothe that comes over that's opaque that light is able to come through, not all of it, that's pulled over it and for a couple of hours has peek sun over it. And it had been in existence for 40 plus, 50 years and they just did a renovation of it in the past 18 months.

My daughters grew up skating all 365 days a year. They used to skate five to seven days a week, both indoors and outdoors, even up at 6,500 feet in July where it was 85, 90 degrees.

So it can be done, but I think we're going to need a take a look. There's a lot of different options. There's a true ice rink that's is on ice that requires a certain amount of infrastructure. And there's these new ones that you see in different places that aren't ice. And it's a artificial material, but it's a completely different skating experience; all the way to not have anything, and all at varying levels of price.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I got my information from Paul Pallas. He's been the person responsible for maintaining it. So I'm kind of going by what he said, but we need to get a list on it --

MAYOR STUESSI: As part of looking at what we might want to look for funding for in a Downtown revitalization grant, there's a number of other things we might

want to consider too.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

Right. I just know people do miss it. I've been hearing a lot from people this winter saying, where's the ice rink; what's happening?

MAYOR STUESSI: I know. The business community is -- strongly to Mary Bess's point, it was highly additive to their business in the time that it was working back in the day.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: And years ago it was great. It's just the last three to five years, not so much.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: If you don't take care of refrigeration equipment properly and maintain it properly, which I have watched over the years how that has taken place, it eventually does give out.

MAYOR STUESSI: You have to



pull your microphone closer to  
you.

TRUSTEE ROBINS: I just said,  
I'm going to do some research on  
it. I want to decide different  
options, scenarios and things like  
that.

MAYOR STUESSI: Great.

The next item up is a resolution  
accepting the proposal submitted  
by L.K. McLean Associates, P.C.  
for consulting services for the  
Village of Greenport Building and  
Planning Department per the  
proposal dated January 8, 2024,  
and authorizing Mayor Stuessi to  
sign the contract between the  
Village of Greenport and L.K.  
McLean Associates, P.C.

I make motion for approval. Do  
I have a second?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Discussion,  
please?

2 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

3 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Has the  
4 chair of the Planning Board and  
5 Zoning Board approved the --

6 MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. She  
7 took a look at it and made some  
8 comments and those were  
9 incorporated into it.

10 I don't know, did Paul have any  
11 discussion with you, John?

12 MR. SALADINO: No.

13 TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I have one  
14 question.

15 TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Would you  
16 like look at it?

17 MR. SALADINO: I think it  
18 should be -- it shouldn't just be  
19 me. I think it should be  
20 submitted to the Board and the  
21 Zoning Board could mesh and should  
22 be able to look and have an  
23 opinion about it --

24 MAYOR STUESSI: When is your  
25 next meeting?

MR. SALADINO: -- if you want  
our input.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: The third  
Tuesday. What is the third  
Tuesday? It's two and a half  
weeks from now.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: They don't  
have to have a meeting to review  
it.

MR. SALADINO: No. It could  
be sent to us and then --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I think  
there's two things, okay? First  
of all, I did ask if it was sent  
to the Planning and Zoning. I do  
know it went to Planning because  
Trisha and I did discuss it.

MR. SALADINO: Well, you have  
three members of the Zoning Board  
here. Did we get it?

AUDIENCE MEMBER: No.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: The other  
issue is that we need to get this  
in existence to continue the

current projects that are before  
the Planning Board at the moment.

MAYOR STUESSI: Can I make a  
suggestion we approve it as is  
subject to any further comment  
from the Zoning Board? And then,  
if there's further comment from  
the Zoning Board, we'll take that  
into account and you can ask for  
any modifications to it.

Essentially what's been done is  
the hourly rate has been raised a  
little bit and then there's been  
some clarification on the language  
relative to work product and  
getting information back to the  
Village in a timely manner.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Which is  
Number 6 is the one that I have a  
question about.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yeah, I do  
have a question about the -- they  
wanted a carveout to be able to  
work in the Village.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That's  
Number 6.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. I  
don't think that's a good idea.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: To  
work in the Village?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: At  
Village Hall?

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: No, no. To  
work on projects that are before  
the Village.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: No.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: It says  
here -- let's read it: Is pleased  
to serve the Village as outlined  
in this proposal. However, we do  
not wish to preclude ourselves  
from engaging in private land  
development services within the  
Village. We recommend the Village  
consider hiring a secondary  
consultant in addition to LKMA who  
was effectively -- excuse me, who

can efficiently safeguard the Village interests should LKMA face a conflict of interest in future projects. This Proposal assumes that LKMA will have the opportunity to participate in private land development activities within the Village, subject to disclosure by LKLAKM (sic) to the Village. These activities include, but are not limited to, civil engineering services, surveying services, architectural design services, and building design services. We can recommend a secondary consultant at the Village's request.

That's the first time I've ever seen that.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Yeah, it makes sense where there is no possibility of Planning Board review where they'll get involved, but if it's something that they

may ultimately have a chance to  
get involved in, it shouldn't  
be -- they shouldn't be doing the  
work there.

MAYOR STUESSI: Maybe we  
should ask them to strike it.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Okay. I  
think so. If you think it's  
unusual in your experience.

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, this is  
also only square mile. It's not  
like we're talking about a  
contract with Suffolk County to do  
extra work.

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: I  
think with your new procedures,  
they'll be plenty busy.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes. Okay,  
so why don't we table this. We'll  
make that change, we'll send it to  
the Zoning Board to review, as  
well and add it on to our work  
session for next month.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Yes, thank

you.

MAYOR STUESSI: The next  
item we're still awaiting --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: We have to  
vote on it to table.

MAYOR STUESSI: Okay. I make  
a motion to table it. Second?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Second.

MAYOR STUESSI: Second by  
Patrick.

All in favor?

(Chorus of "ayes".)

MAYOR STUESSI: I'm going to  
make a motion to table the next  
one. We're awaiting a revision to  
this one. May I have a second?

TRUSTEE ROBINS: Second.

MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

(Chorus of "ayes".)

MAYOR STUESSI: With that,  
I'm going to open it up to public  
comment. If there's anybody from  
the public here this evening that



would like... how are you this evening, Dinni?

MS. GORDON: Thank you.

Dinni Gordon, 152 Sixth Street.

Dinni, D-I-N-N-I.

I got curious as the debate over the Noise code went forth about how communities and states that have implemented electric -- essentially how they've transitioned to electric lawn care.

And so I poked around in the literature and I wanted to make a little presentation tonight about what I've learned that I thought might be useful, but it seems to me it's very late now and it may be better for me to wait to do that until you have the words that -- the wording for the code and the proposals before you to do it. It's up to you. I can do it now or I can do it then. What do

you think? Mayor? Shall I --

MAYOR STUESSI: I'd be happy  
to hear what you have to say.

Anybody feel otherwise?

(No response.)

MS. GORDON: Okay. It's late  
and I didn't want to take too much  
time, but I'll be quick. One of  
the things that interested me was  
to see how much transition to  
electric lawn care and, more  
largely, long -- equipment  
noise -- equipments of many kinds,  
how much work is being done and  
how many communities have decided  
to do this including places like  
Washington D.C. where it's four or  
five years old. So there is some  
experience.

Something that's sort of  
interesting though is that there's  
been a real surge in interest in  
this. I think partly -- and the  
literature suggests this -- as a

result of the fact that many people are working at home now who weren't working at home before.

And one of the articles I read said the demand is coming from the suburbs and the suburban types who have desk jobs that they're now doing at home are really behind this.

And literature often puts this issue at the center in the context of the larger movement around the country to go electric in many spheres. I mean cars we read about all the time. The Washington Post has been quite active in writing articles about this and interviewing people and having interviews -- interesting interviews about this.

The headline of a recent piece is: Lawn Care is Going Electric and the Revolution is Here to Stay. And the focus of the story

is about an Atlanta suburb that has gone all -- I mean, not Atlanta -- Alabama suburb that has gone all electric. Not a place where you -- not a state where you would think that this was developing.

There are lots of sources with good information about improvements in battery technology to lower cost and increase power and also market information about the demand for electric products. One study found that -- and this was as of 2021, so it's presumably a larger number now -- but in 2021 it was estimated that 44 percent of the market for electrical equipment -- 44 percent of the market for equipment is now electric.

And the Washington Post report quoted a Black and Decker executive saying that the sale of

U.S. electric products for lawn care rose 75 percent in five years.

Also there are lots of tips about how to meet the challenges of transitioning. And the literature does say it isn't easy to do this, that there are challenges and that moving into an electric future requires a cultural change, a lot of negotiation.

And naturally I have been very much in favor of -- I don't want to get into that argument, but I have been in favor of Lily's proposal, but I also have seen, as I read the literature, how the gradual phasing in of the change is probably the best way to go.

Many places that -- many of these sources are things that I would never have read before. My favorite is Family Handyman

Magazine. I spent some time with Family Handyman Magazine, which has lot of tips and also there's an organization of the American Green Zone Alliance.

And these groups publish lists of things you can do, things you should look into. And some of them are monitoring groups that -- monitoring and consulting with groups, communities that want to do -- make the change to electric lawn care, but are unsure about how to do it.

The National League of Cities and other urban websites cite the importance of tying change to a local climate program and pointing to Portland, Main. It's interesting, both Portlands have these climate programs which include work on lawn care and electrifying lawn care equipment. Toledo, Ohio; smaller communities

like Holland, Michigan and many communities in Westchester County in New York; Rye and Pleasantville, which have converted completely to electric.

Both the National League of Cities and the Washington Post piece emphasize the importance of holding the municipality to the new standard and I realized I don't know. Are Greenport Village workers using gas powered equipment?

MAYOR STUESSI: They aren't currently and we have already started researching electric powered leaf blowing.

MS. GORDON: Yes, because one of the articles makes the point one of the ways you bring the culture along is to show that your Town --

MAYOR STUESSI: So we actually --

MS. GORDON: It's not just the commercial landscapers who are changing; it's the Town itself.

MAYOR STUESSI: I think you may not have been here at the last meeting, but I had referenced the tree contract the Village entered into to have a number of the trees removed.

MS. GORDON: Oh, yes, yes.

MAYOR STUESSI: The company that came and did that work utilized some high powered electric leaf blowers and we asked for that information from them and are looking at some others as well.

MS. GORDON: Good, good.

The kinds of tips that they provide include, for example, relying on homeowners to supply the equipment. That would be hard, I think. That was what they did in this Alabama situation, but



the suburb -- I looked up the demographics of this suburb and it's a lot of very affluent people, so maybe that wouldn't work here.

Using rebates programs, which we now have in New York State.

Keeping fines for penalties low.

By the way, Sonia Spar, whom some of you may know, a very well-connected Hispanic woman who is close to the community of Spanish-speaking people all the way from -- all the way really from Riverhead to Orient and she says the thing that exercises the landscapers is mostly that they're worried about the high fines in the South Fork proposals or the South Fork bans.

And in East Hampton, supposedly, according to her, the fines, the penalties are being imposed and they are very high, like \$2,500 to

\$5,000; as opposed to Pleasantville where I spoke with a member of the Board of Trustees where the fines are \$500, and in some of the other places that I looked at. There seems to be a huge range in the choices that municipalities make about this.

Keep the fines for penalties low, implement the ban gradually to get cultural acceptance. The American Green Zone Alliance and Quiet Communities both together have a certification process that includes an online course for landscapers in English and Spanish. Their message is, don't get left behind. I think that's the theme, you know, get on the bandwagon. That's the sort of PR message that a lot of these articles and new sites send.

I was interested that the Atlantic Magazine, James Fallows

who's a probably an 80-year old  
now reporter from way back, was  
interviewed and also has written  
an article about his discovery of  
the problems of his personal, and  
then professional discovery, of  
the problems of leaf blowers and  
his involvement in the Washington  
D.C. effort to ban them, at least  
partially.

And he goes into a lot of the  
medical consequences of the noise  
and pollution. It's an  
interesting piece. And if anybody  
is interested in getting links to  
some of these articles, I have  
them all on my computer and all  
you need to do is get in touch  
with me.

So that's my little report. And  
I'm -- I got very interested in  
this stuff. So if you want more,  
I will keep looking up what other  
communities have done. So that's

it. Thank you.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thank you.

MAYOR STUESSI: One question,  
do you mention this Fellow or  
Fallows writer's --

MS. GORDON: James Fallows.

MAYOR STUESSI: -- age  
because it's a sign of wisdom or  
some sort of discriminatory thing  
here?

MS. GORDON: Well, I may have  
some bias towards octogenarians,  
but he's been around for a very  
long time and examined a lot of  
very important issues. I mean,  
he's sort of a prominent person in  
journalism whose views are  
listened to.

MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you.  
Is there anybody else from the  
public that would like to speak  
this evening?

(No response.)

MAYOR STUESSI: No? Joe?

MS. WADE: Randy Wade

Sixth Street, Greenport.

Mainly I want to thank you.

Listening to you all is so  
impressive. You're so thoughtful  
and respectful even if you don't  
agree and I just thank you for  
everything you've done.

And Dinni's research is lovely.  
As an addendum, there's a study  
that California did that showed  
that in nine months the companies  
were able to make back the money  
by not having a gas powered leaf  
blowers because they didn't have  
to pay for gas, they didn't have  
to lube the thing, they didn't  
have to pay for spark plugs.

So that sounded optimistic to  
me, but, you know, whatever it is,  
they will certainly pass it on to  
the customer. I'm sorry, John,  
but they will and it's worth it  
because nobody really has the

right to harm their neighbors.

Peace like that.

The couple of other things, you mentioned the campground and it sounds like you're just beginning to talk about what to do there. I was shocked about how -- you know, there's like some of these things RV's are hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of an RV. So I'm like kind of surprised that 750 a month seems really low for that, but you've already made the decision.

My recommendation is, if they're going to have the 50-amp service, that I would hope it be metered so that if somebody is staying there for a summer, I think they should be aware that they're going to be paying. It probably doesn't matter if they've got such an expensive RV.

And it's great you're looking

into the ice rink. My son also played ice hockey all his life and is very excited about the Calverton Rink and said it's really gorgeous. And he's playing now all over.

But the -- with the grants, would the grants be the same kind of grants that we apply for for sidewalks or maybe it would be a different thing?

MAYOR STUESSI: Totally different issue. We've discussed in past meetings funding for sidewalks. We're using GIPPED (phonetic) grants; we're also bonding for it.

MS. WADE: Oh, that's great.

MAYOR STUESSI: And, yes, as part of downtown revitalization, we want to include some of that. We're actually starting sidewalk work Downtown here within the next 45 days.

MS. WADE: Oh, bravo.

Excellent. That's really great.

I remember hearing conversations about how if the equipment could be in the ground, it can keep it colder and the only two places that I could imagine, one is the parking lot furthest away from IGA on South Street, but I don't know if the neighbors -- if that is a good place or not.

MAYOR STUESSI: Sidewalk equipment?

MS. WADE: Ice rink equipment to keep it -- to be able to get that kind of coldness, it's better if your infrastructure is in the ground and not just like moved into place in the winter. I remember that being said. I don't know if that's true at all. And then there's also the parking lot south of the railroad dock. And it seems like those two places



might be the kinds where, you  
know, there could be --

MAYOR STUESSI: The parking  
lot south of the railroad is an  
MTA lot.

MS. WADE: But it's under  
construction. A Greenport Village  
project is going to be redoing it.  
And so as part of that, money  
could go towards putting this  
under what would be parking in the  
summer and ice rink in the winter  
unless you're thinking of  
something entirely different. It  
was just a thought.

And then it's great that you  
have a Communications Committee  
because for the leaf blowers and  
putting out words that will be  
wonderful.

Are you organizing a Southold  
Zoning code update workshop?

MAYOR STUESSI: I am working  
with the Town of Southold to do a

session in the Village of  
Greenport for the larger Greenport  
community --

MS. WADE: Great.

MAYOR STUESSI: -- on their  
comprehensive plan and potential  
updates to it as it would effect  
the outer edges of Greenport  
within Southold Town.

MS. WADE: Right, no, that's  
great. Because, yeah, even like  
the Enclaves in Southold, I mean,  
we all care about a lot of  
different things even if it's in  
another --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, that's  
purely a Southold Town issue that  
you should discuss with them.  
This is purely relative to the  
potential zoning update of land  
within the immediate vicinity of  
Greenport.

MS. WADE: Okay, but it's a  
Zoning code update so they'll be

2 changes to code that aren't just  
3 specifically where to put the  
4 uses, it will -- it will be --

5 MAYOR STUESSI: It's a Town  
6 issue and I would refer you to the  
7 Town for any questions. It's  
8 going to be noticed in the  
9 newsletter and you're welcome to  
10 attend the meeting. We are simply  
11 providing the location and the  
12 Town Planning Board will be here  
13 presenting. Not the Planning  
14 Board, but the chief planner.

15 MS. WADE: Yeah, okay, great.  
16 Well, the other towns have Civic  
17 organizations. We don't here and  
18 they're doing the tabling and the  
19 organizing how it goes I think,  
20 but maybe your Communications  
21 Committee could.

22 Do have you a date yet?

23 MAYOR STUESSI: No, we do  
24 not.

25 MS. WADE: Okay.

MAYOR STUESSI: It will be in the newsletter.

MS. WADE: Yes. Thanks, great. Thank you.

MAYOR STUESSI: You're welcome. I apologize if anybody else wanted to speak. We're going to do a quick break for a few of us who need to use the restroom and then we'll regroup here in five minutes.

(At this time a brief recess was taken.)

MAYOR STUESSI: Anybody else from the public that wanted to speak?

MR. SALADINO: My name is John Saladino and I live on Sixth Street.

Just about the resolution that you tabled. The Zoning Board has never availed itself of the planning consultant, so I don't know how -- you know, if we need a

report from the consultant, we usually get it from the Planning Board; we look at theirs. So if you choose to table it because of us, please don't. You know, we --

MAYOR STUESSI: Well, I think we agreed we need to fix that one item, which we're going to do. And as a courtesy --

MR. SALADINO: As a courtesy, we would be glad to read it. I'm sure everyone would be interested and glad to read it. I'm not sure what would happen.

The other thing I would say is, I would encourage the Board -- the Code Committee's meetings are public meetings. It was created as a public meeting. They're advertised on the website. I would encourage -- I know some members of the Board didn't attend in the past because they thought it would violate the Sunshine Law,

whatever, the Public Meeting Law.

It is a public meeting.

So when I sit and I hear -- I heard a trustee tonight say, I don't to vote for anything that I know I'm going to break the law, you know, I don't want to break the law. If we had that -- if the Code Committee -- and for the interest of full disclosure here, I'm a member of the Code Committee -- if you had that input, if the Code Committee had that input prior to drafting the language for the code, it would help. You would hear another perspective. You would hear somebody that's, perhaps, on the other side of the coin say, well, you know -- and I don't want to single one trustee out.

TRUSTEE DOUGHERTY-JOHNSON:

That's fine.

MR. SALADINO: But if it's

about, well, I walk my dog. I don't want to put my dog on a leash. And if you hear that, you can formulate an opposing point of view and perhaps you can come to an agreement in how that particular portion of any part of the code could be drafted.

I have a different philosophy. I kind of think because I disagree with the law, it's still a law. You know, I still have to abide by it. And as a private citizen, I don't get to draft legislation that's kind of suits my lifestyle. You know, sometimes you just have to just say, well, you know, it's for the greater good.

So I would ask, some of you have attended. The Mayor makes it his business there to keep us in line --

MAYOR STUESSI: Don't I wish. Who is he kidding?

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: Yeah,  
you're right.

MR. SALADINO: But I would  
encourage you to come.  
Especially, I mean, there's a ton  
of stuff coming up that,  
obviously, you guys are going to  
have to talk about and vote on and  
enact into legislation. It would  
be so much easier for the Code  
Committee to have that input  
before it gets to this point.  
This way, it's debated. And  
obviously there's always going to  
be somebody that, you know, has an  
issue with something and it's your  
job to voice it and debate it with  
each other.

But from listening tonight, I  
thought those two, 44 and 101, I  
thought they would be so  
uncontroversial that it would be  
like, oh, all right, we'll just  
talk about this. I didn't even



bring the draft order. It's like all right, we'll just talk about it and they'll put it on the agenda to talk about it.

I didn't know. You know, I didn't know because there was no opposing points of view. And if we had it, it would probably have worked out a little better and you could have spent a little less time talking about it. So I would ask you to do that.

As for as the Noise code. I have got a lot of say about that, but I know it's late and will wait for the next time. Thank you.

MAYOR STUESSI: Thank you, John. Anybody else like to speak? I think everybody has spoken already. With that, I'm going to make --

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Excuse me, I just have a comment. May I?

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: I just want to remind the Board that the planning chairperson asked us to give more guidance on the payment in lieu of parking provisions.

MAYOR STUESSI: So there was something drafted that had been sent to the Board and to her as well. I thought Paul had resent that. He didn't. He's out sick, as everybody is aware. So I'll make sure that that is resent tomorrow.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: In all honesty, I don't think we ever received that.

MAYOR STUESSI: Then maybe the Board wasn't copied inadvertently.

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: That may be part of the problem.

MAYOR STUESSI: I know Brian had spent some time drafting it and taking some input from

Planning. So we'll dig it up,  
I'll get ahold of Paul and --

TRUSTEE PHILLIPS: I mean, as  
I sent the e-mail to you all, it  
had popped up in my calendar, that  
we hadn't discussed it.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes, we'll  
find it and we'll resend it  
tomorrow.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Thanks.

MAYOR STUESSI: Yes.  
What are we going into executive  
session for, Brian?

BOARD COUNSEL STOLAR: Legal  
advice.

MAYOR STUESSI: I make a  
motion to go into executive  
session for legal advice.

TRUSTEE BRENNAN: Second.

MAYOR STUESSI: All in favor?

(Chorus of "ayes".)

(Whereupon, the meeting  
concluded at 8:57 p.m.)

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(Whereupon, at the conclusion of the executive session, at 9:17 p.m., the Board voted by motion of Mayor's Stuessi, seconded by Trustee Brennan and adopted unanimously to come out of executive session.

Upon coming out of executive session upon motion made by the Mayor Stuessi, seconded by Trustee Robins, and adopted unanimously, the Board increased the campground fees across the board by 15% over the 2023 rates.

By motion of the Mayor Stuessi, seconded by Trustee Brennan, and adopted unanimously, the Board closed the meeting at 9:18 p.m.)

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, REBECCA WOOD, a Shorthand Reporter and  
Notary Public in and for the State of New York,  
do hereby certify:

THAT the above and foregoing contains a  
true and correct transcription of the  
proceedings.

I further certify that I am not related,  
either by blood or marriage, to any of the  
parties in this action; and

THAT I am in no way interested in the  
outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my  
hand this 15th day of February, 2024.

  
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REBECCA WOOD