

**Village Board Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2009**

A regular Village Board meeting was held on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Dagan LaCorte, Trustee Andrew Haggerty
Trustee Patricia Abato

ALSO PRESENT: Virginia Menschner, Village Clerk
Terry Rice, Village Attorney

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Set Dates for November Meetings:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that our next workshop will be Wednesday, October 28, at 7:00 p.m. A motion to change the Board meeting from November 2 to November 9, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Upon vote, the motion was carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

A) New Member - Suffern Volunteer Hose Company - Lawrence J. Vogel, Jr.:

Chief Dan McInerney said that he had one item on the agenda and that is for the Village to insure the following individual who has applied for membership at the Volunteer Hose Company and that would be Lawrence Vogel, Jr. A motion approving the new member was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Upon vote, the motion was carried.

Chief McInerney said he would give a quick update on the Fire Department. He said they have had 216 calls through the end of September. This week is Fire Prevention Week and they have four programs scheduled - Sacred Heart School, R.P. Connor School, the Y.M.C.A., and Suffern Library. There are three members taking the Firefighter I Class and they will complete it on December 15. And he has six new members waiting for the next class in January to start. He said we are doing very well with membership.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said he should know but have we received the bids on the new truck yet? Chief McInerney said they will be coming in this Friday at 11:00 a.m. Chief McInerney said that at the County Parade held in Tallman on September 12, they took a Best Appearing Pumper Trophy and the Most Members in a Line of March. The Board congratulated them. Chief McInerney thanked them.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that we have two resolutions that he is going to ask Mrs. Abato to read.

Trustee Abato said the first one is for an electrical inspection company. The electrical inspection company called the New York Board of Fire Underwriters went out of business and since then some of the inspectors have sought to open their own companies. She said we have two requests for permission to do the electrical inspections. The first one is from the New York Certified Electrical Inspectors. The two inspectors seeking approvals are Jerry Caliendo and John Metsger. The second is from the New York Electrical Inspections and Consulting LLC. The two inspectors seeking approvals are John Wierl and Pierre Belarge. A motion approving the electrical inspectors was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Upon vote, the motion was carried.

CULTURE & RECREATION:

Mrs. Gail Curtin said that since the last Village Board meeting the Recreation Department sponsored the Village of Suffern Senior Citizen Picnic on Wednesday, September 9. She said they coordinated the employee observance of 9-11 on Friday morning, September 11 and later that evening the 9-11 observance for the community at the Donna Hallett Park. They had a senior movie afternoon at the community center on Thursday, September 17 and they had Suffern Day and the fireworks on Saturday, September 26. Mrs. Curtin said upcoming events include the Suffern Day Committee Wrap-Up meeting and she would like to remind each of the Board if they could either shoot them an e-mail or give them a call to let them know if they will be attending on Thursday night. The first DARE Dance for this school year is Friday, October 16. Downtown window painting Saturday, October 17. Wyldlife returns to the community center on Saturday evening, October 17. The Lions Club Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday evening, October 20. Senior movie afternoon on Thursday, October 22. LEAD returns to the community center for this school year on Friday evening, October 23. And the traditional Halloween Parade and Costume Judging will be held on Sunday, October 25. Mrs. Curtin said that they will see also on the sheet that was given to them that the target start-up date for the Stay Fit Senior Program still remains the last week in October and that is based on the fact that we were told that the equipment will be arriving this Thursday. She said that she supposes if that changes, she will come back with the change in the date but that is their target date. Tickets are on sale now for the trip to New York City to Radio City Music Hall and that will take place on Sunday, November 15. She said that two things that she would like to discuss with them is one is authorization for Nancy Christopher, Lou Ciaccio and herself to attend the NYS Recreation and Parks Society Downstate Conference, one day only, November 18. The total cost for the three of them is \$190. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee LaCorte, seconded by Trustee Abato.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan

Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Mrs. Curtin said that she would also like authorization, and she did speak to Mayor Keegan and he is in favor of setting the date for the Pearl Harbor Commemoration for Sunday, December 6. And she thought they would bring it to them tonight to make sure that date meets with all of their approval. Mrs. Curtin said it will be Sunday afternoon, December 6.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:

A) Contract - Scuffy Carting to Marangi:

Attorney Terry Rice said that we have two things tonight. He said the condominiums and co-ops are located in a container district and they have a contract which the Village lets out occasionally for the pick-up for their garbage and refuse. The last contract was awarded to Scuffy Carting. They have proposed to assign their contract to Marangi. Once we received that, he requested that Mr. Sawicki and Mr. Lindsay review Marangi's history to make sure that they are capable of performing the contract without any problems. And in addition he asked Mr. Zordan, our Treasurer, to review their financials to determine if the company is financially sound. Everybody has agreed with respect to their individual areas of expertise that there is no reason why Marangi should not be assigned the contract. We met with Marangi on Thursday in order just to go over the transition and any other issues that might exist and one of the things that they were going to discuss but Marangi offered right off the bat was that they would pick up once a week the construction and demolition material that is left out in those areas by the dumpsters. The contract, which has been renewed a number of times or re-led a number of times over the years never specifically required the carters to pick up construction demolition material. Waste Management had been doing it. It wasn't part of their contract. Scuffy generally wasn't doing it and that created a problem. The contract itself expires, he believes, May 31 and the Village has the ability under the terms of the contract as it was bid an option to renew it for another two years. Now the construction and demolition material obviously became a big deal for the people living in those areas so probably the Village would have re-let the contract if there was no agreement from Marangi to pick up the construction and demolition material. They have agreed to do it. The Village Board obviously has made no commitment as far as what they are going to do at the end of this term - whether or not they are going to renew it or not but it certainly goes a long way to satisfying the Village and the residents that Marangi is going to do everything they can to have good pick-up and to accommodate the people there. So if the Board has any questions, he knows that Mr. Marangi is here tonight. Otherwise, he thinks based

on the recommendations of our various people that it would be appropriate to agree to consent to the assignment of the contract to Marangi for the balance of the existing term.

Mike Marangi from Marangi Disposal said he would welcome taking any questions that any one would have. He said the only mistake that he thinks that Terry had made was that we're willing to take any of the bulk items as far as furniture, beds, mattresses, refrigerators, stoves and anything in the construction debris like tile or cement and he does believe even with the old carters that they were in the same and you would have to pay to get rid of that. Attorney Rice said but wood and minor stuff like that you will take? Mr. Marangi said exactly. Tile, cement, kitchen tiles, windows, which he doesn't think there is a whole lot of that, he thinks more of the material that you are trying to get rid of up there are refrigerators, mattresses and stuff like that. He said he will get them a whole list together so they will know exactly what he is talking about so there is no problems in between. Trustee LaCorte asked if he had a list that he could e-mail. Mr. Marangi said yes. Trustee LaCorte said that he thinks that everybody can appreciate this up there and he worked with the boards and the problem had been not construction debris. He doesn't think there is any expectation if they do work. He thinks it is more, as you said, those items. In addition what about water heaters. Mr. Marangi said any of the metal appliances - water heaters, dishwashers, refrigerators, trash compactors, the metal tubs. Like he had said at the meeting on Thursday, one of the biggest things they want to try to do is to come in and try to make the place a little neater, try to clean up as much as they can, and he understands that it was a little bit of a problem in the past and they will try to help us out by removing that stuff for us. Trustee LaCorte asked who the contact is. Is there a contact. Mr. Marangi said it would be him and he will give him a card before he leaves. He said Virginia has his card and he has other cards to hand out. And call him any time with any problems. There are also other people that he introduced. He think he told Terry that there is one other person besides him that also can take any questions or any phone calls or anything. Trustee LaCorte asked if he was going to keep the same dumpsters or are you going to keep Scuffy's stuff. Mr. Marangi said that one of the things that he had asked for and the Board can make any commitments to him but what he had said was for him to switch all those dumpsters out - he thinks there are 136 of them to be exact - and it is going to take him at least six months to do that. He is hoping that in giving them good service along with taking the bulk, he is hoping that we would do an extension on the contract if we are happy with the service because it is going to take him six months probably to switch all the dumpsters out. He said they have their own welding shop. They make their own dumpsters. They sand them down and they have a spray booth. And they put them all aside and obviously some of the equipment up there now is getting a little rusted and there are holes in some of the dumpsters. And again they would love to be able to switch them out and he is hoping that by proving to them in the next six months that they will do, if not, as good a job and better. Trustee LaCorte said

there were a number of meetings on this. He said that he doesn't think that anyone felt that Scuffy wasn't living up to their part of the agreement. It was just, he thinks, that what happened there was that Interstate or Waste Management was delivering more services than when the contract. It makes sense with a larger corporation if you call up someone wants to satisfy you. It is not coming out of their pocket. When you deal with a smaller company, additional dumpsters or whatever obviously cost money. So he thinks what happened is that when they took over they were delivering on a bid spec that was really outdated and did not sufficiently take care of it. And obviously the number one issue was the bulk. And what Mr. Marangi is saying here is going to make a lot of people happy. Trustee LaCorte said that another issue was problems with the dumpster covers. He said from what he remembers were that the old ones which were metal were very heavy so people couldn't open them. Mr. Marangi said everything there now is plastic. Trustee LaCorte said or they were the plastic ones which were flimsy and tended to break off. But he thinks they have improved and they have been replaced over time and he thinks now they are in pretty good shape. Mr. Marangi said they will do whatever. He said he would really like to start right in the beginning. He said to start replacing them one by one. Trustee LaCorte asked if theirs are the heavier or the plastic type covers. Mr. Marangi said they would be the same type container - a steel container with a plastic lid. Trustee LaCorte said that what may also be worthwhile as a suggestion if they would like - and he is sure he is busy and it may not be a bad idea to have a meeting with all the presidents in that group. They periodically get together because he thinks there may be some areas that don't have enough dumpsters. Mr. Marangi said not a problem. Trustee LaCorte said if they could get those taken care of then he thinks that they are more likely going to be fully satisfied. Mr. Marangi said he thinks there might be a couple of areas where they tried to put dumpsters in where it is for newspaper only. So they will look at that. They will relook at it and maybe there is another area where they can put another dumpster or maybe take a couple of things out for the paper. He said that he would be glad to make the meeting. He has no problem with that. Trustee LaCorte said that is great. He said that everyone is going to be very happy about that - about the bulk. Mr. Marangi said again as long as they don't go into a situation where they take advantage of them and they start trying to get the tile. And he thinks they don't have a lot. He thinks a lot of the contractors take their tile and the windows along with them. But they would take carpets, etc. Trustee LaCorte said once a week you are typically going to come by? Mr. Marangi said yes, he figures that would be it. He said probably once a week on a Friday before the weekend. Somebody inquired about recycling. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that they are going to have meetings. Trustee LaCorte said he will have the contact information. Mr. Marangi said he would be glad - like he said, he just doesn't want to be the new person coming in and telling them all of these things.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that he and Mayor Keegan met with Mr. Marangi and his associate last week and he thinks one of the things

that is impressive is that they have been working with the Town of Clarkstown. They have had a contract with them for how many years? Mr. Marangi said since 1956. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that is a long time and they are pretty well satisfied and there are a number of condominiums in Clarkstown and a number of other clients and they are all satisfied and this was proven when Charles did research. He told them good luck. Trustee Abato said that she was one of their customers in the 70's and 80's in Spring Valley and they were always very happy with them. She said they never changed until they moved. Mr. Marangi said that hopefully they will feel the same way now.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said he will entertain a motion to assign the contract from Scuffy Carting to Marangi Carting. Attorney Rice said subject to them picking up bulk once a week as set forth in their letter dated October 2, 2009. Also subject to provision of the Certificate of Insurance naming the Village as additional named insured and the requisite bonding. Attorney Rice said as of when. Mr. Marangi said tomorrow. Attorney Rice said to get the bond and the insurance in tomorrow and you can. The Village Clerk said you said tomorrow? Trustee Abato said he said tomorrow. Trustee Abato said how about if we make it for Wednesday, so that will give them some time. Attorney Rice said they will need to get us the insurance and the bond. Trustee Abato said we will do it for Wednesday so they can have tomorrow to get all of their insurance. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that would be October 7. Trustee Abato said she made the motion, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Upon vote, the motion was carried.

B) OTB Decision:

Attorney Rice said that the Board may recall that a couple of years ago, after the Code Enforcement Officer had given OTB a number of violations for property maintenance and litter and so forth because the property really was not being kept in a very good state, OTB sued the Village claiming that we did not have the authority to write appearance tickets. The appearance tickets were written under our own Village code under the property maintenance and littering sections. Their claim was that the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, which provides, it is a strange provision, but provides specifically with respect to OTB facilities. It is only the County that can enforce the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and the state code does have some provisions as far as property maintenance and so forth. So they sued us in state court. Judge Weiner, he believes it was, ruled in their favor. We appealed the decision to the appellate division and we just received a decision reversing that decision and determining in fact that the Village does have the authority to issue appearance tickets under our own Village code with respect to those items. So when Mr. Loniewski hears about this he is sure he will be back trying to make sure that they maintain the property. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that in our discussions earlier this evening, what happens in the appellate division is that more than one judge hears it and in this instance four judges heard it and it was unanimous

and it would probably mean that the plaintiff is not going to appeal to the Court of Appeals. He said obviously he could. Attorney Rice said that it is unlikely. He said the Court of Appeals in New York - generally there is no right to appeal to the Court of Appeals. You have to make an application for permission for leave to appeal, which is very rarely granted - only when there is a very important issue of public concern. So even if they do make such a motion it is unlikely that the Court of Appeals would grant it. Trustee Abato said that she just wanted to congratulate him. She said she thinks this is a really big decision and she thinks he did a great job. So thank you for that.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

A) Accept Letter of Resignation - Dispatcher Joel Henriquez:

Chief Clarke Osborn said that he had just a few things on the agenda and then he has a few informational items for them. The first thing is that he is asking the Board to accept a letter of resignation from full-time dispatcher Joel Henriquez. He said that Joel has been with us for the past four years and he recently was hired as a full-time police officer by the Orange County Sheriff's Department and he is wishing Joel well and he is asking the Board to accept his letter of resignation. A motion to accept the resignation was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Upon vote, the motion was carried.

B) Appoint Ceasar Munoz to Full-Time Dispatcher:

Chief Osborn said to replace Joel he would ask that the Board replace him with one of our part-time dispatchers - Ceasar Munoz. We would ask him to go from part-time to full-time. He is coming off of a certified Civil Service list of Village residents and we are asking the Board to appoint him as of tomorrow's date to a full-time dispatcher's position. A motion to appoint Ceasar Munoz was made by Trustee LaCorte, seconded by Trustee Haggerty. The Village Clerk asked as of tomorrow? The Chief said as of tomorrow.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Patricia Abato

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Chief Osborn said he had just a few informational items. He said that as most of them know, we have our DARE Hockey League which is going on right now. He said they currently have 9 teams of Suffern players that participate in our league. We have a grade 2, 3, and 4 league and a grade 5, 6 league. He said that he sees several people here today that have children in the league and have played in the league. He said it is a great league and what they are

looking to do is to repaint and resurface the rink. He said they built this through donations in 2002 and we just contacted the Rockland County Sheriff's Department Community Service Unit so we are either going to have them paint the rink for us or if that doesn't work out, he just wants to let them know that we have already purchased the paint and we are going to paint it within the next few weeks. So he just wanted to let them know what is going on. The league is going great. He invites everybody up Thursday and Friday evenings. It is a great time and we have a lot of - mostly Village residents in the league. So he just wanted to let them know that they are looking to do some construction and some work up there obviously on a volunteer basis.

Chief Osborn said that secondly they have been working for the past two years - over two years - on state accreditation. The accreditation process in New York State - to be an accredited police department is where the state gives you 132 standards that you have to meet. It is a pretty rigorous set of standards and most police departments are not accredited. When he took over as Chief a few years ago he said that he eventually hoped that we would get to this level and we have changed literally every policy in their department and they have changed several different rules and regulations and equipment and they are ready for accreditation status for them to be - they are ready for the state accreditors to say that they are coming down and they are coming down on October 20, 21, and 22 for three solid days to really inspect our department, to stop our officers 24/7 and ask them about policies and procedures. So we are just about there. They are fine tuning everything and working very hard day and night at this and he just wants to thank them for letting them get through this process. It has been a little bit rigorous but he thinks it is well-worth it and he thinks they are going to have good results, he hopes, at the end of it. And this past Saturday, which he reported to the Board on for the last few months, in regards to this, we had a massive top rail exercise and the Zone 4 Terrorist Task Force, which is basically headed by local departments and the state police and the FBI have chosen the Village of Suffern to do a, what they call, a top rail exercise which is a live drill at our rail yard for a simulated terrorist attack on a commuter train. And it was very well attended. The Sheriff's Department received a grant and several agencies were involved including, obviously, us. We took the lead on it because it happened in the Village of Suffern and we were assisted by the Ramapo police department. And just to give them an idea the massive scale of it, we had the Sheriff's Patrol here, the NYS police - several zones of the state police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the NYC police department, the MTA police department, NJ Transit. We had SWAT teams from Rockland County which were part of Clarkstown and Spring Valley, who had their own SWAT teams, as well as we had bomb units from the Rockland County Sheriff's department, state police and the FBI's weapons of mass destructions unit here. We had three command vans set up and our job was to basically call the shots because we didn't know what was going to happen. Basically they brought this to us and just told us basically the parameters that they were

going to act within and we did not know what simulated terrorist takeover of a train and a mass shooting and it was actually a very good exercise. He said we actually learned several things that we were not aware of. Different agencies that we contacted and one of them, just to give an example, they realized that there is a place called Brookhaven Laboratories in Long Island which basically deals with radiological and biological weapons and they were onsite with us determining the size of the weapon. There was one point where we couldn't get close to it. He said just to give an example it was pretty well thought out and it took about five straight hours and we actually ended up getting through it very well with very good reviews at the end. So he just wanted to let them know that they appreciated it and he thinks most people in the Village received a 911 call just to explain it because if you didn't know what was going on and you started seeing the air support and everything else, you would probably think it was something very critical seeing the units that came through Suffern that day. And he just wanted to thank everybody for their support and it went very well.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that before going into public participation there are a couple of items that he is going to be placing on the agenda and he wanted to bring them out in case any of the public would want to comment on those. He said the first one is that we were approached by the Village of Airmont and the first item would be for sign preparation and gas pump use by the Village of Airmont. And we proposed to provide signs and he has done this with Charles Sawicki, our DPW Director, to provide signs and we will charge the Village of Airmont a 5% handling fee for materials and that would be sign blanks and posts and labor at a rate of time and a half for our sign machine. If we continue this agreement with Airmont over the years, it will result in significant income as all stop signs and yield signs are subject to federal standards which would mean that all of Airmont's existing stop and yield signs will have to be replaced with reflective signs with reflective strips. You have seen some of those in the Village of Suffern. We have replaced some of ours. They have replaced none of theirs. Also, federal regulations are also going to apply to street signs and street signs are going to have to get bigger - from six inches to nine inches. So the baby boomers, and he is like a pre-war baby but he is married to a baby boomer, so that they will be able to see the signs. In relation to the gas pump, we are going to let the Village of Airmont use our gas pump at a premium of 10¢ per gallon. They are currently paying the Town of Ramapo 20¢ per gallon so we are giving them a good deal. They currently have two pick-up trucks and as he mentioned they are currently paying the Town of Ramapo 20¢. The other item has to do with the street sweeping proposal for the Village of Airmont. The Village of Suffern has a street sweeper and we have an attached proposal and it would be for one street cleaning during the spring and one in the fall. They have approximately 36 miles of road. We have labor depreciation on our machine, maintenance, supervision, fuel and disposal costs of some of the debris that we will be picking up and the total for one run would be \$13,829 and for two would be \$27,658. So we are going to

be presenting this to the Village of Airmont and they can either take it or leave it and he can tell us that he has had conversations with the Mayor of Airmont and he is very interested of course. They are not bidding out the provisions of signs. They are saying that we want Suffern to provide them and we would be glad to do that and the same with the gas pump.

Trustee Abato said that she didn't think the Board had decided to actually go forward with this so she doesn't think we can send anything over to Airmont until the Board has decided that it is their pleasure to do that. Deputy Mayor Meehan said the vote would be taken up later this evening. Trustee Abato said that this is the first time that we are getting the numbers on this so she doesn't know that they are prepared to actually go forward with this and getting this fifteen minutes before a vote. Deputy Mayor Meehan said okay. Trustee Abato said she doesn't feel comfortable and she doesn't really know and she hasn't spoken to any of the department heads to see how they feel about this as far as manpower goes, as far as what the true cost to the Village is going to be, liability with the Village Attorney, she doesn't see here, so she is not really prepared, she thinks, and she doesn't know about the other Board members, to go forward with this, getting it fifteen minutes before she is asked to vote on this. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked the Attorney if he would like to comment on this. This is going to be an intermunicipal agreement. Attorney Rice said right and obviously it is all subject to negotiation but he wouldn't really recommend that the Board enter into any type of agreement as we discussed before unless we are fully insured, bonded, covered for everything that we can think of. Trustee Abato said right, and she doesn't see any of that information here and she said she wouldn't feel comfortable going forward with this at all until we have more information on this and we are sure that we are completely covered. She said she thinks there is just not enough information right now. Trustee LaCorte asked Deputy Mayor Meehan what was going on with the other component of it also - that whole storage of trucks and salt. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that is still up in the air and he actually has a statement on that so he might as well read that. And he will. But he would like to really tell them that this is not Jack Meehan doing this. This is Charles Sawicki and Dan Haglund who created these figures. Trustee Abato said she understands that they created the figures. If you ask them to create figures she is sure they are going to do that for the Mayor or whomever Board member asks them to do that. She said she just hasn't heard from either one of them whether this is something that is going to be feasible with our employees. If it is going to take away from Village services. If there is going to be additional costs to the Village. If there is liability issues to the Village. She said that he has thrown this at them and they really haven't heard very much about more of the details except what the prices are and sometimes, although numbers look wonderful on paper down the road, it ends up that these questions are not asked and discussed and then we have a problem. So she just feels as though that this really needs some more time and some more consideration before we throw it out there. Deputy Mayor Meehan said he would be glad to withdraw it. He said

they are going to be meeting on the 20th and we can take it up then. And it will give them an opportunity to discuss this with Mr. Sawicki and Mr. Haglund. As Terry said, if we enter into an intermunicipal agreement, Terry is going to protect the Village as far as insurance and things like that. But we have been trying to help the Village of Airmont. Trustee LaCorte said what do you mean by meeting on the 20th. Deputy Mayor Meehan said we have a special meeting on the 20th to accept the bids on the fire engine. Trustee LaCorte said so you thought we could add that before the fire department. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes. Trustee LaCorte said okay. Deputy Mayor Meehan said the truck. They are going to get the bids Friday and then review them and then make a presentation to the Village Board. That meeting was set up. He said he thought we set it up at the last meeting. Trustee LaCorte asked if it was at the special meeting upstairs? Deputy Mayor Meehan said no, at the last regular Board meeting. Trustee LaCorte said where we set it up for the 20th? Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes, we had originally set it up for the 19th and then we changed it because there is going to be a Mayoral debate on the 19th. Trustee LaCorte said this is the first he heard of it. Trustee Abato said we did it at the workshop. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes, we did that at the workshop. Trustee LaCorte said he wasn't at the workshop.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said this is very difficult. He said this morning, and he has had several conversations with Mayor Kay of Airmont and let him say that the Village of Airmont decided to send out bids for snow removal and street maintenance - two separate bids. And they have experienced - the reason that they did this was that they experienced significant increases in the cost of these services over the years from the Town of Ramapo. They keep rising up significantly. We are talking double-digit increases over the years so they felt that they might not want to do business with the Town of Ramapo anymore and they approached us. They had dealt with a specific bidder and they approached us on behalf of that bidder. That bidder would need to have a salt shed established in the area and would also need an area to construct a garage. The garage would house, he believes, twelve or thirteen of his trucks and two of the loaders. And there is discussion about leasing unused space at our DPW garage for the salt shed and for the building for the bidder's trucks and loaders and Airmont opened the snow removal and street maintenance bids last week. It was Wednesday or Thursday. He was there. And it appeared that this bidder who we have had discussions with and who has visited us was the low bidder and if this is the case, the Village of Airmont will meet with our Village Attorney and negotiate a possible lease for this property and if the negotiations are successful, the negotiated lease will be discussed with input from the public. We would have it on the 20th at our special meeting on the 20th and everyone will have an opportunity to understand and discuss it. We don't know the parameters of it but what we have to do is - is the Village making enough money to make this worthwhile. And the way we understand the use now would be that they would construct the buildings - the salt shed which would be built to DEC regulations as would the garage. They would construct these under an intermunicipal agreement. They would only

use the trucks for snow removal. And they won't be going back and forth at any other time of the year. The trucks would leave the DPW garage and go up to Chestnut Street and go from Chestnut Street to Lafayette and then go east to Airmont to do their job. There is also, he must say, a possibility that the Town of Ramapo will consider lowering its proposed price and continue to provide these snow plowing services to the Village of Airmont. This is all very tentative. We have had informal discussions of the Village Board in workshops and during these times, in regard to all these shared services, it appeared that a majority of the Village Board was in favor of pursuing shared services as recommended by the State of New York and also. Trustee Abato said that she just wanted to say that she never gave any indication either way of whether she was in favor or not and she doesn't know if any of the other Board members did, but to her knowledge she doesn't recall that. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that he doesn't know that she has been to that many workshop meetings lately. Trustee Abato said she has and the point of the matter is that he keeps going forward in talks with Airmont and you keep making them expect that this is something that this Village Board wants to go forward with. However, it is Jack Meehan that wants to go forward with it. Trustee Abato said that she would suggest that when he comes to this Village Board meeting and you are going to bring information to it that you bring the whole picture before you go making statements that we are going to get into intermunicipal agreements with other municipalities. That would be her suggestion and it has nothing to do with whether she is at a Board meeting or not at a Board meeting. It is your responsibility as Deputy Mayor to make sure that you bring all the information to this Board and that all the information that you bring to the public is something that is true. And to make a statement that the majority of the Board is interested in this and wants to go forward with it is an incorrect statement. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that he polled the majority of the Board at the workshop meetings and she said that the majority of the Board, it appeared, that all the members, with the exception of Mr. Haggerty, who has consistently been opposed to shared services, were in favor of considering. Trustee Abato said that is a whole different thing. Deputy Mayor Meehan said considering. Trustee Abato said thank you. Deputy Mayor Meehan said maybe that is misinterpreted. But considering the possibility of shared services. He said if they don't want the Village of Airmont, for instance, to negotiate with Mr. Rice for that possibility of us making several thousand dollars, then make a motion and second and we won't do it. We won't do the whole thing. He said he has worked several hours on this and he has tried to - the things that he presented this evening should be nothing new to the Village Board. These documents have been given to the Village Board on prior occasions. He said he doesn't want to hold anybody up. Trustee LaCorte said that he thinks we can if that is the point. He personally, yes, he was in favor and he thinks it is their obligation to consider anything before us but he thinks maybe this is, as Trish said, has been given the, he doesn't know if the spin on it is the right word, but kind of, he guesses, it has been characterized as we are necessarily moving forward more solidly than he thinks that he at least wanted to. He does not

think necessarily that it is a good idea - the last proposal specifically. This is calling for thirteen trucks, he believes, being stored in our DPW lot. He said he recently has been walking through the west ward and people in the west ward are not happy with that fact - thirteen trucks going through, more traffic, building of a salt shed. So personally he can tell him that at his point he doesn't believe there is any need to move forward any more on this proposal and he believes in shared services but he believes in good shared services and he doesn't think this is the right one for us. If it was such a great idea and so profitable he wonders why Montebello or Airmont wouldn't want to construct these structures and store these vehicles within their own villages. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that the fact of the matter is that Montebello is constructing a salt shed in their village. And the reason he was told by Airmont is that he can't find any neighborhood that wants a salt shed. Trustee LaCorte said not in our backyard. And he is personally - he knows that Andy is against it and he doesn't believe it is a good idea and he is not speaking for Trish but if what she says is the case, let's not waste everybody's time and move forward on something. Deputy Mayor Meehan said he just wants to make a statement before that. He said certainly he will entertain a vote and we can do it right now and dispose of it and all of his work will go out the window. But that is alright. But one of the things that unfortunately happened last Monday, the day before the primary election, somebody who was opposed to Mayor's Keegan's election, distributed a form telling people that Mayor Keegan and he were secretly negotiating with somebody to put thirteen trucks and loaders and they said in the ballfield so he said he thinks one might surmise that it would be on second base and the fact of the matter is, it is unfortunate in elective politics, and there are people who were opposed to Mayor Keegan's election, and he is not accusing them because everything he has received from his opponents on both sides was recognized with their name on it. This is an instance where the people who distributed that don't have the courage, the guts to put their name on it. So it is the dirtiest, lowest form of politics. And that is his thinking. Trustee Haggerty said this lowest form of politics has been going on. Deputy Mayor Meehan said tell him about it. But what he is saying is that when someone distributes a piece of literature to deliberately misinform the public.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Deputy Mayor Meehan asked for a show of hands as to who would like to address the Village Board this evening. He said he is not going to put a time limit on it. He said he will ask them to come up and to give their name and address and to address the Board. And don't play to the - as Mayor Keegan has said - don't play to the audience. And he will recognize Mr. Rosenberg.

Jack Rosenberg of 13 Somerset Drive said that President Obama started something two years ago called change and it seems to have caught on and he is going to risk a change in his reputation. He said the second phase of the downtown revitalization plan prepared

by the Saratoga Associates calls for an improvement to the facades of the buildings downtown. He said he would like to suggest that with the plethora of public officials, senators, congressmen, state senators, members of assembly, etc., community development block grant, the figure of \$10,000 is not that significant a sum and he thinks it is feasible to secure \$10,000 to be used as a prize to have a competition between architects and anybody else qualified to give a rendering of how the buildings would look if the plan that they were submitting was considered by the Board as the best of the plans. He said he would like to suggest that the Board look into the question of securing that money at an appropriate time to see whether or not it can stimulate an interest in the continuation of the downtown revitalization program which was started many years ago. The other thing he wanted to bring to the Board's attention was that many years ago he testified at a hearing concerning the building of a new medical building next to Good Samaritan Hospital and he remembers discussing the possibility of a sidewalk from, he guesses it is Hillcrest, the corner of the hospital - is that the right name - Hillcrest up to Campbell. He said he knows that there was some difficulties because the C of O was not permanent but eventually it seems that they did construct what looks now from a casual observance to be a finished sidewalk. Is he correct in assuming that it is now finished and opened for pedestrians all the way. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes. Mr. Rosenberg said alright. One of the reasons why he was particularly interested in that sidewalk was that with that sidewalk the only space left to take a walk from Hillcrest to Parkside is 1700 feet on Campbell. Now there is no question in his mind and he has researched it and everybody should know that the Town of Ramapo has a 50 foot right of way for Campbell which is only 30 feet wide. So that means that they have ownership of 10 feet on each side of Campbell and 1700 feet would have cost, many years ago, according to Dennis Rocks, who certainly was competent. He said it would be \$50 for the sidewalk and \$12 for the curb. \$62 a linear foot for 1700 feet would come to approximately \$100,000. The Town of Ramapo has constructed miles and miles and miles of sidewalks all over the Town of Ramapo and he thinks it is time that Ramapo build a sidewalk, as they are the only ones with the right to build the sidewalk because they own it - ten feet on both sides. He said he would like to suggest that the Board utilize their powers of persuasion as a Board with the Town of Ramapo to see whether or not there could be a continuous sidewalk so that people could walk from the library all the way to Parkside if they were of a mind to do so. And that is all he wanted to bring to the Board's attention. He thinks that is something that should be done.

Charles Barone of 5 Mansfield Place said that if the Board remembers, at the May Board meeting he came and he talked to Mayor Keegan that he had written them letters and called them about the lack of curb on Mansfield and it allows people to park on his lawn. And at that meeting he said okay, we can put a curb in. It will be done in about two weeks. The next meeting came and the curb wasn't done but someone had come and marked out with white paint everywhere where the curb would go and he came to the Board meeting

and he thanked the Board for listening to his concern and addressing it. Now he has a calendar at home and he keeps smacking the calendar because he thinks it is running fast. His calendar says five months have gone by and there still is no curb on Mansfield. So could a member of the Village Board please address the situation with what they think is going on. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes. Mr. Barone said okay, what do you think is going on. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that he frankly doesn't know what is going on. He said he could ask Mr. Sawicki or Dan Haglund. Trustee LaCorte said that he knows that other curbs were done. We had a project at Ramapo Avenue and we also did a curb on Forest Knoll. Trustee Abato said that Dan has an answer. Mr. Haglund said it is manpower. Trustee Abato said it is a manpower issue. Mr. Barone asked if the Board could use its influence to put his curb on the top of the list? Trustee Abato asked Mr. Haglund if he knew how long it will be before the curb gets put in? Mr. Haglund said it is a manpower issue. Trustee Abato asked if he could give an approximate. Mr. Haglund said in two weeks. Mr. Barone said okay, should he write it down? Trustee Abato said to mark his calendar. Trustee Abato said if it is not two weeks she asked Mr. Haglund if he could get a hold of one of them so that they could at least get in touch with him and let him know. Mr. Haglund said tomorrow. Mr. Barone said he is taking that as a fictitious answer? Trustee Abato said it will be within two weeks unless he hears from them otherwise.

Mr. Barone said he would like to bring up a second point. He said it is totally off topic. He said that he has two antique cars and frequently he goes to antique car shows and he was at a terrific antique car show two weeks ago in Ridgewood where they closed down the main street in Ridgewood and the police officers were only letting antique cars in and they lined the streets on a Friday night. The place was packed with people. Afterwards everyone went and frequented the restaurants on each side of the street. He asked if there was a person that he could talk to and maybe be a liaison to having some of the antique car clubs that he belongs to in bringing their cars to Suffern. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes, to Mrs. Curtin. She is right next to him. Deputy Mayor Meehan said it sounds like a terrific idea to him. Trustee Abato said yes, a lot of fun.

Beth Barone of 5 Mansfield Place said that she just wanted to touch base on some of the things that she and Charles have tried to do since they moved into Suffern. She said they have been here about three years and they agreed when they moved to this town that they would be all in and they would really help to try to support the town. So they have done as much as they can to move all of their doctors to Suffern, all of their services - they frequent the hardware store, they eat out only at restaurants in Suffern and that includes their family and friends, they bring any work meetings that they can to Suffern to try to help revitalize the town. A couple of things that - they are small things but they bother her. The gazebo in the park has had broken wood slats on it for three months now. The Mayor had told her at the last meeting

that it was being worked on as well as the meeting before that and the meeting before that. So that is something simple that she thinks can be fixed. She said she will nail the boards on herself if someone can give her the board. Because she wants to be proud of the town and when she brings that much business into the town she wants people to not drive by a gazebo that is torn apart. Trustee Abato asked whose manpower Dan? Mr. Sawicki said that he has a contractor lined up and he met with him today and he will be here tomorrow. He will take down one of the spindles and make a template so he is hopeful that in the next week and a half it will be done. Mrs. Barone said great. She said that she knows they are also working on the rubber parts at the end of the street for the handicapped access and the wheelchair access. She said she knows that it is probably an expensive contract but she would encourage the Board to continue moving through that as quickly as possible before we start having large snowfalls. It also would help the downtown look a little bit better.

And then lastly she wanted to thank some of the businesses in town. She noticed that this year, unlike last year, some of the businesses planted flowers around the trees on main street and she thought that really looked nice and the other day she noticed the Green Grocer outside sweeping his sidewalk, which is something we don't see from some of the businesses sometimes and she thought it was a nice sense of pride to show. So she wanted to say thanks.

Irene Walsh of 20 Terrace Avenue said that she was just curious, as some of her neighbors, and she has been going around speaking to some of them and specifically the ones on Cypress and Hillside who this summer received new tar curbs and as of now, they are crumbling and she knows that parts of them have already been repaired. And she was just curious, along with them, because they asked her how did it get decided who gets the tar curb that is crumbling, who gets concrete, who gets stone, who gets no curb. She said that she lives on a block that doesn't have a curb and that is just what it is. But the neighbors who did get the new curb asked her well who decides how they get the tar curb. She said some of them are just not happy with it especially now since they are crumbling after only three months and they have been repaired already. She said that she didn't have an answer for them so she thought maybe they could enlighten her and let her know how that decision goes about and if they have any input to it.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said he would try and answer that question. He said it was his understanding, and he can stand corrected, that when we put in curbs we replaced curbs with curbs where people had curbs and in areas where people didn't have curbs we put in the, what you term, the tar curb or the asphalt curbs. Mrs. Walsh said right. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that was the reasoning behind that. So it is actually the asphalt curb is an improvement - Mrs. Walsh said of no curb. Deputy Mayor Meehan said better than nothing or better than what they had before. Mrs. Walsh said they are dissatisfied with that. Deputy Mayor Meehan said okay. Trustee Abato said she thinks it also had something to do with the height

of the road. In some cases she knows they couldn't put the Belgian block curbing because of the height of the road. Mrs. Walsh said even the concrete. They are disturbed that they received this asphalt tar and it is crumbling and being repaired and it looks horrible and it is in front of their homes and she didn't have a response for them. Deputy Mayor Meehan said okay. Mrs. Walsh said she is here to find out more. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that maybe that is something that you said. It is pretty expensive to put in the Belgian block and he thinks that. Mrs. Walsh said that she didn't think she was here to request Belgian block for them. She is just requesting what dictates whether they get curb, tar or even concrete which lasts thirty or forty years. She doesn't know because she isn't an engineer but the durability just seems to be much surpassing this asphalt. They have tar tracking all over the curb. They are cracked in some places. She is not sure if the quality of tar was good or not. She doesn't know. But it is only three months old and it is already deteriorating. Trustee Abato asked Mr. Sawicki if we were aware of that issue that is going on. Mr. Sawicki said he is not aware of that particular event. He said he would prefer the concrete or Belgian block. Mrs. Walsh asked if the asphalt was feasible if it keeps breaking down and you have to keep repairing it. Mr. Sawicki said it can get broken by truck tires, car tires and snow plows. Mrs. Walsh said this is an area where people would previously park on and now they can't park there because of the curb. Mr. Sawicki said on Terrace Avenue. Mrs. Walsh said no, she lives there. This is on Hillside and Cypress. Deputy Mayor Meehan said the upper area of Hillside. Mr. Sawicki said he will take a look at it. Mrs. Walsh said they were wondering why they were chosen to get that and she didn't have an answer for them. Mr. Sawicki said he didn't know. It was better than nothing. Mrs. Walsh said what does she tell her neighbors. Mr. Sawicki said he will take a look at it. Mrs. Walsh said she walks on that block and it doesn't look great. Mr. Sawicki said that one of the reasons we use the curbs is for the drainage. Mrs. Walsh said she understands absolutely.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that we had an experience, especially on Hillside. He said we had regular curbs and we replaced them with Belgian block and the beauty of Belgian block, which he has in front of his own house, is that unlike a concrete thing, if you break a concrete thing, then you have to replace a twenty foot piece of concrete. If it is a Belgian block you put in a new Belgian block and even a homeowner, even he, put in three Belgian blocks this summer and they can do that. And the Village does it from time to time and he would really love to see the Village go to Belgian block. It is cheaper and he thinks it looks better aesthetically. Mrs. Walsh said she knows that we are not uniform. She knows that we have four different things going on - from no curbs to Belgian. All the different blocks have different. She said she doesn't have a curb so that is okay. But she is not here advocating one or the other. Just what is the process on how this happened.

Bob Morris of 24 Terrace Avenue asked that on the agenda, Ceasar

Munoz was appointed as a full-time dispatcher off a list. He asked if that was a civil service list. Chief Osborn said yes. Mr. Morris asked what number Mr. Munoz was on that list. Chief Osborn said number two. Mr. Morris asked if number one was interviewed for the job. Chief Osborn said negative. He said according to civil service they decided to go with our part-timer. Mr. Morris said he thought the one in three rule implied that you had to interview all three people and then make your selection. Chief Osborn said no. Mr. Morris said okay, then we skipped number one who might have had 100 on the test and went down to somebody who had a lower score. The Chief said that Mr. Munoz has been here for a number of years.

Jeff Genser of 32 First Street said that before he talks about what he actually came up here to talk about he understands the plight of having no curbs. He said if you were to drive through the west ward you would see that 70% of the west ward has no curbs. The sidewalks are crumbling to the point that you can see the gravel and it is amazing that there aren't more accidents just walking down the sidewalks. He said he has tripped numerous times himself. So he is going to go one step further. He requests the Village Board to go up to New Hampshire or Vermont and purchase granite curbs as they are all everywhere in all the villages of Vermont and New Hampshire. If a truck hits it, they bounce right off it. And they are going to have a bumped and ruined rim on their truck and that curb will last for three hundred years. So he thinks it is cost effective. And he would be much more happy with that than Belgian block and it is something they ought to consider because we don't have any curbs at all. But that is not why he came up to talk tonight.

He said that he doesn't see anything wrong with disseminating information in a neighborhood that he lives in. He personally went out and handed those fliers out about the proposed sharing of services issue with regard to a salt shed and a garage for a private entity on Village property. He said he doesn't think it is appropriate. He said he thinks that it should be located in the village that is going to be using that service. He said he is not against shared services. He is actually a proponent of shared services and he thinks the first thing that we should address is the shutting down of our sewerage treatment plant. And tying in to the new plant in Hillburn. And we can sell our sewerage. And if he is not mistaken, the monies that we could realize are in the hundreds of thousands if not a million dollars for the sewerage that we would supply that plant. And then he had a question for the police chief about accreditation of a police department. This is a new issue. He hadn't heard about it and he was just wondering how does accreditation affect the Village in regard to, let's say, for instance, hiring, salary, pension, and any other equipment that we have to have if we are accredited. Chief Osborn said it has nothing to do with hiring. We follow the Rockland County civil service. He said that our insurance recommends accreditation.

Mr. Genser said that the last thing that he would say regarding the salt shed and building of a storage depot for snow plows that would

not serve the Village in the west ward is it just doesn't belong there. He thinks that if they require, if a company is going to propose to provide a service, they need to be able to provide that service without using another villages property and he just doesn't believe that it is appropriate to put anything else up in the west ward over there. He said he thinks we need to tear down our sewerage treatment plant, remove our water treatment plant and rebuild it with a state of the art water treatment plant because the dump up on Torne Valley has to be seeping pollutants into our drinking water supply, which flows downstream towards the Suffern wells and it is just inappropriate to have more salt, more pollutants in our drinking water and he thinks we shouldn't waste any money to try to build a tank cover and other repair issues for the sewerage treatment plant at all. He thinks we should save that money, demolish it, tie into the new plant, and make money.

Joe Brennan of 15 Claremont Lane asked the Board if they ever watched themselves on TV, on the cable channel, but when a person is up here and is not directing the questions to the Village Board and instead turns around and asks one of your department heads, the response that comes back from the department head cannot be heard on TV. So what you should do is provide another microphone to the people who are out here who are trying to respond so that when people are watching at home and they are not coming down here to the Village Board meetings they wouldn't be able to hear what the response is because all they are doing at that point is just listening to dead air. It doesn't make sense. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that is a good idea.

Mr. Brennan said that he knows that a number of years ago, and he doesn't know if it is still currently policy, but there used to be a form that they were required to be filled out and he thinks it was Virginia who use to chase them around to have it signed so that there was a form that showed that there was no conflict of interest. He said he wanted to know if that form was still being used and have all the Board members signed off on it as well as the Mayor. Deputy Mayor Meehan said he can't speak for the Mayor but he has signed off. The Village Clerk said she gives each one of them at the end of the year and they sign it. Mr. Brennan said so all of those forms have been filled out and been turned back into the Village. The Village Clerk said they have all signed it. The Village Clerk that is including the Planning Board, the Zoning Board. Mr. Brennan said right, anybody who is responsible for doing that.

Mr. Brennan said that in the primary that just finished, it is amazing all the different pieces of literature that he received at the house because his wife is a Democrat and while he was able to get a good chuckle out of some of them, some of them were very disturbing. And when he reads a piece of paper that says that Mrs. Abato owes the Village \$1300 for a phone bill, he doesn't know if that qualifies as the truth and if so is that money being paid back and who is following up to make sure that that money is being paid back if it is due to the Village.

Trustee Abato said that is not true, first of all. The fact of the matter is that when her daughter was hospitalized in Columbia Presbyterian Hospital and was taken by ambulance and probably was not going to make it, she was receiving several phone calls from the Village and from obviously people in the Village that she was returning and her phone bill did go over. However, instead of paying the money back, she chose to not use the cell phone for the past two years and to use her own personal phone and pay for it herself to make up for that amount of money that had gone over for that period of time that her daughter was sick and in the hospital. Mr. Brennan said so it had gone over \$1300? Trustee Abato said she doesn't believe it was \$1300. She doesn't know what it was but she doesn't believe that it was \$1300. She knows that there was a problem with her plan that they didn't have the proper plan. Mr. Brennan said he was going to say that maybe somebody should look at the plan and see if you can get that adjusted. Trustee Abato said right, right. Initially that is what happened is that the plan was incorrect on her phone but she had turned the phone in and told them that in lieu of the fact that she had gone over and most of it was people calling from the Village. We live in a very close, tight-knit Village and people were very concerned that her daughter was so ill but that it had gone over that much. There was never anybody who said that you only have this many minutes or whatever. It just was given to you. But in lieu of that fact, she, as a Board member, turned her phone in and have been using her own personal phone for Village business for the past two years at her own expense. Mr. Brennan said that is very commendable. But in order for them to continue with a more open and honest government, he thinks that when you recused yourself on the appointment of Ceasar, that you should have explained to the Village Board and to the audience why you recused yourself instead of just leaving it blank.

Trustee Abato said absolutely. She said she thinks everybody in this room. She doesn't see any unfamiliar faces. Mr. Brennan said but there is also TV. There are people who are watching at home. Trustee Abato said you are right. For that purpose, she will tell them why she recused herself from the hiring of Ceasar Munoz. She said that she is proud to say that on Sunday, this coming Sunday, Ceasar Munoz will be her son-in-law. Her daughter is getting married on Sunday. And she will also tell them how proud she is of him and the service he has given the Suffern police department since 2006. The fact that he has taken a civil service test in which he has passed and is second on the list, and has worked very hard to receive this promotion that he has to a full-time dispatcher. So, actually, he is right that she really should correct herself to say that she proudly recuses herself in the fact that Ceasar has been promoted. Mr. Brennan said that is fine. He has all the faith in the world in Chief Osborn so if he decided that this is the person for the job, he is going to back him up 100%. Trustee Abato said right.

Mr. Brennan said he had one other question, if they don't mind. Again, he has been down here between the Street Fair and Suffern Day and a number of people have come up to him and they are telling

him about stories that they are hearing that if Mr. LaCorte was to be so lucky as to become the next Mayor, that there are a number of positions that are going to be replaced, and that troubled him to hear that people who have been in positions in the Village for such a long period of time were going to be rather quickly replaced and he wanted to know if there was any - a lot of times where there is smoke there is fire. Trustee LaCorte said that first off, he hasn't won anything. He is not elected yet. Mr. Brennan said that part he knows. Trustee LaCorte said that if elected, and he has heard these rumors and that is all they are. Some of them are completely outrageous. He said he keeps most of what he thinks in his own head and some of these things are just funny to hear but in the interest of making people who are the subject of those rumors feel comfortable because he can imagine that when you have worked a long time for the Village and somebody comes up to you and spreads rumors, he has had individual conversations with people - just approached them and say, look, you may have heard this rumor and there is absolutely no truth to it at all. So he thinks that several people who have been the subject of those rumors have had personal assurances from him that their jobs aren't in jeopardy and he doesn't think that there is a need to address their names specifically at this moment. Mr. Brennan said absolutely not. Trustee LaCorte said they know who they are. Mr. Brennan said as long as you agree that these people have been doing a good job for the Village and should be kept on for that purpose. Trustee LaCorte said yes, yes, and anybody that knows him knows he is a person of his word. So they are just complete lies and they have those assurances. Mr. Brennan said good, he has a good memory and he will hold him to his good word. Trustee Abato said that she would like to encourage those people. When things like that and people's livelihood start getting played around with, it is very scary. Mr. Brennan said oh, yes. Trustee Abato said that we all know that that has been a subject of this Village in the past. Mr. Brennan said your name was in there as well. Trustee Abato said right. So she encourages those people instead of keeping to spread the rumors and to talk and talk to go directly to the sources. Mr. Brennan said that is why he is bringing up the subject. Trustee Abato said that is just what she was going to say. That, as he did, come right to the source and find out before you start playing with people's livelihood. Mr. Brennan said exactly. He doesn't like going around to the back door. He would rather look them straight in the eye and ask them. Trustee Abato said that is people's bread and butter.

Mr. Brennan said the last thing, if they didn't mind, and he appreciates the extra time. It seems that when they brought up about the shared services and Mr. Meehan wants to bring up that subject later on in the meeting, if he recalls correctly, it was part of their U-tube opening speech down at Ole, Ole. So isn't this something that you would have already investigated and almost have all the answers to if he brings up the subject in order to vote tonight. Trustee LaCorte said okay, what he can tell him is that. Mr. Brennan said that was a while ago. Trustee LaCorte said that he does believe, and there has been a mandate by the state, in terms of shared services where there is actually another issue - and they

have been approached on another issue of shared services and he believes in shared services that they should be investigated. But like anything, as Barack Obama said famously, he is not against all wars, he is just against stupid wars. Trustee LaCorte said that he just doesn't think that the proposal that was investigated is a good proposal for the Village. He doesn't think that we should construct structures on Village property for the benefit of a private contractor. So specifically that particular proposal was a good idea. He thinks that whether or not, and he thinks that Mr. Haggerty off the bat was against it, he does believe, if elected, whether or not he is for or against something he does believe that it is the obligation of the Board members to fully investigate everything. Have an open and public forum and then make a decision that is informed. He said he doesn't think that we have the right to just dismiss something off hand. So he does credit Mr. Meehan for investigating it. On that being said, he doesn't think it was necessarily done the right way. He had asked several months ago, and Mr. Brennan was probably at the workshop, to be on a shared services committee. He was not given that opportunity so he was disappointed in that respect but again in the end he just doesn't think that this is a particularly good option for the Village based on the traffic and who it is for the benefit of and so forth. Mr. Brennan said he appreciates his answer. And he leaves him with one last thought. As opposed to how the recent primary went, he would hope that the upcoming election could be kept above board with honest and direct statements and pure fact. No innuendo and no mud-slinging.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that before the next speaker, he just wanted to say that something the Village Board might want to consider is that in the twelve years that he served in the County Legislator there was a rule. They operated under Roberts Rules of Orders but on abstentions, all abstentions had to have an explanation, and he thinks if we adopted that rule later on that would be a good idea.

Jim Giannettino of 2 Memorial Drive said that he didn't think he would have to speak again on this subject but as everybody read the newspaper today they found out that Dona Maria had another incident where someone pulled a knife on the person, he assumes, they were in the establishment with. He said that if he recollects correctly, this is the fourth incident in this establishment. There are a number of troubling things. You suspended or revoked, however you put it at the meeting two months ago, his entertainment license. He said we thought that was the problem. Evidently he has a lot more problems than entertainment in that facility. Why was he open to 5 something in the morning. He is supposed to be closed by 4 o'clock. He said he is still waiting for this Village Board to take action against this business. He would like to know, since they are having a special meeting on the 20th, maybe this should be a subject of that special meeting after you approve the bids on the fire truck. He said he thinks people are seriously troubled by what is happening in our Village. He said he knows that the Chief has put on some extra people on the weekend and he also notices that this

is the second, or correct him, maybe the third time, it has been sent to the Liquor Authority. He said we put in for 287g a year and a half, two years ago. He said we can't wait anymore. We just can't wait for someone outside of this Village to take responsibility for what is going on in this Village. It is the responsibility of this Village Board to protect the citizens of this Village. That business is a disgrace. He said he knows that someone spoke defending it at the last meeting and he can get up and defend it again but now we have four strikes against this business. Are we seriously going to wait until somebody dies before we take action. Trustee LaCorte asked what action he would suggest that we do. Mr. Giannettino said that he suggests that you go in there and find a way to close that business down. Trustee LaCorte said go in there. He said he understands - Mr. Giannettino said you are on the Village Board now. It is your obligation to find a way to safeguard the public in this Village. There has got to be violations. He is in there until 5 o'clock in the morning. He has had one person get 400 stitches, he had a gang war with people from another establishment. What are we waiting for here? You don't think there is cause to go in there? Trustee LaCorte said yes, we revoked his license. Mr. Giannettino said it didn't stop anything. Trustee LaCorte said to Mr. Giannettino that if you are asking a question, it is easy to get up here and say there is a problem. Mr. Giannettino said he has sat there and he handled the Brew Pub who had the same problems and he closed them. Don't tell him it can't be done. Trustee LaCorte said you didn't close the Brew Pub. Mr. Giannettino said oh, no? Trustee LaCorte said you didn't close the Brew Pub. Mr. Giannettino said why don't you discuss it with the Chief after the meeting and find out. Trustee LaCorte said you didn't close the Brew Pub. The State Liquor Authority came in. Mr. Giannettino said if you want to have a debate, we will have a debate now. Trustee LaCorte said no, we will have the opportunity to discuss it. Mr. Giannettino said we sent in people undercover from the Suffern Police Department that got that place closed and if he is wrong let the Chief get up and tell him he is wrong. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked the Chief if he would like to comment on any of this.

Chief Osborn said that at the time the Brew Pub was closed he was not Chief. He was Lieutenant and they did call the NYS Liquor Authority in at that point with the NYS police and conducted an undercover raid at that point and he believes they made multiple arrests. He said that was probably 2004, he believes, and he was Lieutenant at that time. Trustee Abato asked the Chief if we did not do the same with Dona Maria and go in there on occasion or two for some unannounced visits. The Chief said they have checked, yes. Trustee Abato said we have not found anything except for the things that the State Liquor Authority has. Chief Osborn said that every incident has been sent, every incident, they sent to the State Liquor Authority a referral and the State will come down and is addressing the matter. He said he hasn't spoken to them on this one because we send it to them, they get it, and they respond to us. That is how it sort of works with them. Trustee Abato said that we are addressing this. We are not just sitting around. Chief Osborn

said that every incident he has made it a point to send the referral in at that time. Mr. Giannettino asked if we have gotten any answers on any of these referrals. It is like the third referral. Chief Osborn said with the State Liquor Authority, these hearings do not go quickly. In regards to the one where we had the bouncer wearing vests and carrying guns, he guesses it was about a year ago, there was a hearing a few months ago and we haven't even gotten the results yet and he said he has followed up. He called directly to them to see what is going on. It works very slowly because what they do is he thinks they take much more serious incidents where people are actually shooting elsewhere around the State and it just took a little time to get to ours. But he is on top of it the best we can as well.

Mr. Giannettino said he thinks a little political pressure might speed up the Liquor Authority. Like he said, four hundred stitches to the face isn't a splinter in somebody's finger. We are just waiting for a disaster to happen and that is all he is going to say. He said that maybe we need to put a cop in front of this place a couple of nights a month and maybe the individuals that are causing this problem won't walk in the door. He said he is not going to blame the guy, although he had some blame for this because he comes here and tells you all the things he is going to do to correct it. And they keep happening and happening. Has he been brought in and given a talking to over these last few incidents? He comes here like why are you persecuting him. Mr. Giannettino said he doesn't think we are persecuting him. He thinks he is persecuting the Village.

Mr. Giannettino said his next topic is that as far as shared services, he is a proponent of it. He said he just doesn't think that we need 12 more trucks down in the DPW yard spewing diesel fuel to the houses behind the DPW. And there are other ways to share services that aren't going to hurt somebody's health or disturb people at 3 o'clock in the morning when the trucks go out to plow.

Mr. Giannettino said his last question is that there are about three light poles on Lafayette Avenue that have been missing, and some people tell him for close to a year, and he knows it is months and months. Now everybody says it is dark down there. We need more light. He said he would think by now that we would have had those three lights replaced. He said he doesn't understand. He said he knows we have to order them special but maybe we need to order three or four at a time so that we don't continually have lights missing. He said he is sure that they have ordered lights but they must be coming on a wagon train because they are not here yet.

Deputy Mayor Meehan asked Mr. Sawicki to respond to that. Mr. Sawicki said that he just called today the contractor that was awarded that work. Unfortunately, those light poles will not be delivered until the first week in November. He said he is not sure of the exact date. That is about a year from when we ordered them. Trustee Abato asked if we ordered extras. Mr. Sawicki said that we

have one extra. Two, he believes, need to be replaced with one extra. Trustee Abato said maybe we should order another one now so that next year we will have it. Mr. Sawicki said it may not be a bad idea but with the economy, they are reluctant to run a production with small orders and he guesses, quite honestly, they are probably waiting for additional orders to come in before they run production on these lights. But in any event, we have been told that it will be the first week in November that they are expected to be delivered.

Michael Curley of 84 Orange Avenue said that he just heard ex-Mayor Giannettino mention about somebody who defended these establishments in the Village. Mr. Curley said he did defend situations about the businesses that were there and whether they have a right to be there and whether there is due process in America, which he still believes in fully. But if you go back to the videotape you will find out that he did not defend that situation. He said he didn't know enough about that one. He said he defended the NV situation. So he really doesn't like misinformation going about him. Mr. Giannettino said he stands corrected. Mr. Curley thanked him. Mr. Curley said that number two, back to the cell phone usage. Years ago Mrs. Abato wasn't the only one who had that situation. There were other people in the Village who had that situation. Well maybe we had the wrong phone service, maybe we had different things. And he knows that specifically because people came to him for advice because they also went over. That situation was used against Ms. Abato over two years ago during another political campaign. So to him it is a sad day that we are at that in this point of our lives. Because there were Village issues that were talked about and there were more than her who went over on their cell phones because they personally came to talk to him but he is going to respect their honor and not give that information out. But he said he is sure that it exists in this Village. Second of all, the State Liquor Authority is the one that monitors whether you have your license or not. You go through a long application process, eight to nine months to get that license. And also, in the State of New York, you have the right to serve until 4 and be open to 4:30, not 4:00. As well as that you are still allowed to be in there after hours cleaning up. You are just not allowed to have that liquor on the bar once 4:30 hits. That is the true facts about all of that. And if there is a situation. He said he knows the State Liquor Authority because he remembers being persecuted by people in this Village years ago where they attempted to go after his liquor license and he fought it and he spent hundreds of thousands of dollars defending it - hundreds of thousands - so he does take exception when he sees, for the wrong reason, going after people. He said he had thirty-two trials at the NYS Liquor Authority and he won thirty-two trials at the NYS Liquor Authority. This Village sent people on overtime - thousands and thousands of dollars to go after vendettas. Did he ever make mistakes? He said you better believe he did. But not with the intent to make mistakes. And not with the intent to care about this Village. So he does defend when people pick restaurants and bars and establishments as their prime goal. Maybe this place does need

help, but he guarantees that the State of New York Liquor Authority will charge him and will give him due process and will go after him. They will have hearings. But in any process case in America it takes time. If we go and do what Mr. Giannettino just said, we will have a lawsuit on our hands. You cannot pick a business and say I am going to close him down. There are ways, there are laws, and there is an establishment to do it. And back to the young man who they questioned about the one out of three law. The one out of three law has applied forever. He said he is a retired fireman from New York City. He said you can pick one out of three of any kind but it is always more productive to pick the person that has been working for you for years first. What are you going to say - you can't have the job even though you have been loyal and good to us. He said he thinks that is - he said he would be disappointed if we didn't give them the first chance, the first option. It doesn't mean that person who was number one does not still get hired. They can still get hired. They are still on that list and they are still number one.

Tim McInerney of 8 Pavilion Road said that the question that he had is that we have a sewer contractor who is working down on 202. He came up to Pavilion Road and cut out a tree that he has no idea why. And now that whole 250 feet of property is all gravel and dirt. The roadway isn't blacktopped. Every time it drops, they throw some more stone in it. The question is that two of the lights are out in the street already. Is there an inspector that is on the job? Is there somebody that would come in to clean that up. They just spread the gravel all over that lawn so now it is dirt. So now when the Village finally gets up there to cut any type of a lawn next year, they are going to be banging out the rocks. Is there somebody in the Village who checks this out? Is there a timetable on this because the winter is coming? Do we sit with both drains being blocked? They were nice enough this morning. They moved the stuff out of the way in case it rains. But you have to pass that roadway. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that as he understands it, they are going to have to make the Village whole and return it to its previous state. So they will have to plant grass where the gravel is and restore the road. Mr. McInerney asked if there is a timetable. He said they did 202 and he understands that they had to do it because you have a lot of traffic but because he lives on Pavilion Road and they have the Legion Hall and they only have a party once a week he doesn't have enough traffic on that road that they can't come and blacktop that hole? Deputy Mayor Meehan said they are going to have to do it. They are in the Village and they are actually in the Village at a \$1000 a day and we are not going to let them out of the Village until they do that so he thinks that it is going to be done, he would say, in the very near future. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked Mr. Sawicki if he would want to comment on that. Trustee LaCorte said to Deputy Mayor Meehan that he may also want to mention that there is a person - there is a person. Deputy Mayor Meehan said yes, there is a person named Robert Apple.

Mr. Sawicki said just to try to answer his question. He said that just to start off and he may or may not be aware that this is a

Rockland County Sewerage Authority project. We really don't have any direct involvement in it. The contractor has a contract with the Authority and we do have a liaison, Mr. Robert Apple, that handles the day to day log - he keeps a log of the activities that occur every day. He said we have a meeting scheduled tomorrow with them to address some issues. Mr. Apple has put together a punch list of items that need to be addressed throughout the Village and these items have been, for the most part, have been brought to the Authority's attention. They have been a little bit resistant - let's put it this way, the contractor has been somewhat resistant in completing some of these things in a timely fashion and we are trying to and we are giving our best effort to get these things done and get all these punch list items done. He said he believes Mr. Terry Rice will be eventually getting involved and it probably will become a legal issue and we will have to pursue it in that fashion. And as Jack had mentioned, there is liquidated damages of \$1000 per day that they do incur as a result of not finishing the project.

Mr. McInerney said it should not be the Village guys that have to clean it up all the time. That is not fair on them. Attorney Rice said that the contract - it is the Rockland County Sewer District - so the contract is not with the Village of Suffern because obviously we have no need for the Rockland County Sewer District. They are connecting a plant to the other areas in the Town and the County. Instead, we have an agreement with the Sewer District because they needed to use some of the Village property and again, it wasn't to the Villages benefit, per se, to have this construction going on there. So we do have an agreement with the Sewer District as opposed to the contractor and among the various things that they have obligated to require the contractor to do is to restore all properties that have been disturbed. So yes, at some point, if they don't do it, we are going to be involved in some type of legal battle but in the interim we have faith in the County Sewer District, who he is sure is holding substantial sums of money, and they will require the contractor to do what they are supposed to do. Mr. McInerney said he worries more because of the school buses. And he also has a younger son starting to drive. When you block both drains down below on that roadway, and we get a heavy rain because there is no curb and they ripped it all out, so now if that road freezes up, it is the Village obligation to come up and they sand it, which they do very well. But what he is saying is why does the Village have to do double work if there is no recourse. If a contractor can just come in and do what he wants to do. Mr. Rice said you are right, we shouldn't. And Mr. Sawicki has now heard about these drains if he didn't know about it beforehand and tomorrow they are going to know about it.

Jo Corrigan of 46 Park Avenue asked when we bring contractors into this Village, do we pay them up front all of the money? Attorney Rice said when they are Village contractors, we never pay up front. A municipality does not pay in advance. Ms. Corrigan said so in this particular instance do we still owe that contractor money? Attorney Rice said that what he just said was that we have no

relationship with that contractor. Ms. Corrigan asked why are they working in the Village of Suffern. Mr. Rice said because the Rockland County Sewer District is extending the sewer system so it is their contract. We have an agreement with the County Sewer District that they will make the contractor do certain things. That is not our contractor. Ms. Corrigan asked what the reality of getting \$1000 a day out of them is. Attorney Rice said it is going to happen. Ms. Corrigan said so when we do bring contractors in for the Village of Suffern we do not pay everything up front. Attorney Rice said we cannot pay them in advance. That is one of the concepts on municipal law. The municipality pays only after the work is done. Either progress payments or at completion of the job and when they are progress payments, in addition, there normally are retainages of 10% or more to make sure that things are done properly as well as bonds to make sure that if they don't perform the job and it has to be rebid or someone else has to come in and do work that wasn't done properly that we have either a cash deposit or an insurance bond to ensure that the money will be there to take care of that. Ms. Corrigan said okay. Because she knows that there were some issues over at another town meeting where there was some paving that had gone wrong and it got all pitting and crazy and she wasn't quite sure why we just didn't pull money out of it right away and bring somebody new in and do it right the second time. Attorney Rice said that is where it was going. Ms. Corrigan said was that completed. Attorney Rice said the work was eventually done properly. That was the direction it was going into.

Jeff Genser of 32 First Street said that as Mayor Keegan said in the *New York Times* when he moved to Suffern in 1946 this was a very tough town. It is almost a direct quote. He just read it before he came to the meeting. Suffern now, as far as he is concerned, is kind of like a Disneyland town compared to the way it was when he was 18 and came into Suffern when the drinking age was 18. He said we had people coming over the line from Jersey. Every bar that he went to on every occasion there were fights inside the bars, in the parking lots, and it has nothing to do with the people who are patronizing the bars. It has to do with how much alcohol they are consuming. End of that discussion. So, when he brought up the issue of we applied for 287g a while ago, he made an implication against a certain group of people. He said he wants to remind him that our entire country is made up of immigrants from other countries, including John Suffern whose ancestors were French Huguenots who fled religious persecution to Scotland and then came to America. Then we had the Polish, the Italians, the Jews, you name it, the Koreans, the Chinese. That is what this country is about. That is why we are American and that is why even though we have had a lot of crazy wars and a lot of people don't agree with the things that this county has done, they still want to come here. So that is what America is about. Alcohol is the problem - alcohol consumption is the problem, not the people who are patronizing these restaurants and taverns.

George Tyner the owner of Georgie Porgie's Bar and Grill on 20 Chestnut Street said the reason that he is here tonight is that

there is a letter that was sent out, and he is pretty sure that a lot of Board has gotten it and a lot of folks that live in the Village have gotten it stating that there was a riot between Georgie Porgie's patrons and Dona Maria. He said he is here tonight to tell them that is untrue. He said he was outside at the time when the incident happened and it didn't have anything to do with Georgie Porgie's and it didn't have anything to do with Dona Maria. It is something that escalated down the street of Chestnut and it just so happened to escalate up towards Dona Maria and his place. He said he called the police. And another person called. And it did not happen. It was not a riot. It was something that had nothing to do with his business or the business across the street so the letter that you have gotten in the mail or someone handed to you is not true. This is why he is here standing today. Also, Mr. Curley said it correctly. If there are people inside the bar, he is right, after 4 or 4:30 they are cleaning. There are other things that are going on. It doesn't mean that they are drinking. There are other things that have to happen after 4 o'clock. So that being said, again that was untrue and it hurt him and it hurt his patrons and it hurt his family. He said he really doesn't know this gentleman Giannettino but it would have been his best bet to come to the business and say, hey, George, what is this. He said a lot of his patrons know him and they all came to him and said hey, George, what is going on. This is not you. So for him to spread that is unfair and he just wants to say that you hurt his business, you hurt his family and you hurt his patrons.

Jim Giannettino said he would like to rebut. Mr. Giannettino said that he quoted 287g. He didn't quote any ethnic, racial, economic group. He stated a fact that we applied for 287g. You can interpret that any way you like. As for the fellow from Georgie Porgie's, Mr. Giannettino said he wrote a letter based on a newspaper article from the *Journal News* so if there is a problem, he suggests that you contact the *Journal News* because they were the source of the information.

Deputy Mayor Meehan said we do have a presentation to make. He said that on behalf of the Village Board we would like to recognize Nicholas Duvo's 38 years of service to the Village of Suffern and we would like to congratulate him in public and wish him well on his retirement.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

A) Authorization to Refurbish Existing Aerated Grit Chamber Blower and Purchase New One from Gardner Denver:

Mr. Charles Sawicki asked for authorization to utilize Gardner Denver for sole source purchase to refurbish an existing and to purchase a new aerated grit chamber blower. A motion to authorize the request was made by Trustee Abato. Trustee LaCorte asked what this was. Trustee Abato said it was the grit chamber. Mr. Sawicki said the purpose for the sole source is that this is the original manufacturer and we are purchasing it directly from the

manufacturer. If we go out for bids to other manufacturers, we would require modifying piping at an additional cost. Trustee LaCorte asked what the price was. Mr. Sawicki said the refurbishing is \$8574 plus freight. The purchase of a new blower is \$13,057 plus freight. And this would be funded by the Waste Water Treatment equipment budget. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaCorte.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

B) Authorization to Hire Nick Duvo on a Part-Time Consulting Basis:

Mr. Sawicki said this was a request to hire Mr. Nick Duvo on an as-needed part-time consulting basis not to exceed 20 hours per week. Attorney Rice said you are not hiring Mr. Duvo. You are contracting with Riddick Associates. Mr. Sawicki said this is correct. He said he would actually be working for Riddick and it would be billed through Riddick. Trustee Abato said that actually you are asking us to use Riddick Associates. Mr. Sawicki said he stands corrected. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Deputy Mayor Meehan.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

C) Request Funding for Digester Tank Cover and Other Maintenance Repairs and Replacements- \$597,000

Mr. Sawicki said he was requesting funding utilizing borrowed funds to proceed with professional engineering services for the digester tank cover utilizing Riddick Associates. Trustee Abato said she had a question on the motion. She said that is to authorize Dennis Lindsay to draw up specifications. She asked if that was correct. Mr. Sawicki said that is correct. Trustee Abato said that she would move the motion. Trustee LaCorte said that he was not at the workshop and he e-mailed the Mayor and he answered him back and he didn't understand him. He asked what is the situation. He said he knows we had a problem where there was a period of time where we had to truck out stuff and it was extremely expensive. But then his understanding is that it has come down to - Mr. Sawicki said that he would give him a little bit of detail. He said we did tank out about 10 tankers of sludge. And it did bring out the overall level through the clarifiers and we have since stabilized. He said the cover is essentially 50 years old and it has corrosive holes in the

cover. The internal structure has failed and it is no longer functioning. And it does not allow us to operate the facility as it was designed to operate. Trustee LaCorte said this is just an authorization for the engineer to get the specs. Mr. Sawicki said just for the design services. And the next step then would be to go for bids. Trustee LaCorte asked how long it would take him to come up a design - a month or so? Mr. Sawicki said for the design? He said he believes it is going to be in that timeframe. That is correct. Trustee LaCorte said that obviously this needs to be replaced but the immediate emergency which was costing us a lot of money in terms of trucking this stuff out - Mr. Sawicki said it is under control. We are not currently trucking any more sludge out at this time. We don't anticipate anything in the near future. Deputy Mayor Meehan said that he thinks Dennis said he wanted to do this during the winter when the windows are closed. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaCorte.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

D) Authorization to Proceed with Installation of Projector and Screen for Village Hall Auditorium:

Mr. Sawicki said he was requesting authorization to proceed with the installation of the projector and screen for the Village Hall auditorium. He said the low bid is \$14,238. He said the Village has received a \$5,000 grant and the balance will be funded by recreation funds. A motion authorizing the installation was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Deputy Mayor Meehan.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

E) Authorization for Scott Brown and Joe Hunt to Attend CSEA Trenching and Excavation Safety Train the Trainer Course October 20 to October 23 at a Cost of 4 Days Pay for Each:

Mr. Sawicki said this is a request for participation in a CSEA Trenching and Excavation Safety Train the Trainer Course on October 20 to October 23 in Latham, New York. The two DPW attendees would be Mr. Scott Brown and Mr. Joe Hunt. The cost to the Village would be 4 days pay for each employee. All other costs would be paid by the CSEA. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Mr. Sawicki said this was a request for a DPW Safety Coordinator, Mr. Scott Brown, to attend OSHA Safety Compliance Training Course in Tarrytown, New York on December 7. The cost to the Village would be \$199 plus a day's pay. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

F) Authorization to Issue a Contract for the Roadway Improvements Phase I Project:

Mr. Sawicki said this was a request for authorization to issue a contract for the roadway improvements phase I project. He said the bids were received on October 1. The low bidder and only bidder was Tilcon New York, Inc. at \$179,079. He said that was, just to refresh everyone's memory, for Sussex, Lenox, Danbury, Revere, Stewart and Berkeley. Trustee Abato said that she just had a question. She asked Mr. Sawicki if he was happy with Tilcon's work? Mr. Sawicki said yes. Trustee Abato said she would make the motion, seconded by Trustee LaCorte. Attorney Rice said he just wanted to make sure that the money is appropriated and the Village has it. Trustee Abato said they talked about it at the workshop. Attorney Rice said the motion is to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Tilcon for \$179,079, which was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee Haggerty.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

G) Center Line Striping - Awaiting Results of Traffic Study:

Mr. Charles Sawicki said that he was requesting authorization to conform to the recommendations of the traffic study report on center line striping. He said the report was developed by Frederick P. Clarke Associates and the study recommends the use of double

yellow lines. Trustee Abato said that they didn't receive the copy of that study. The Mayor was supposed to get it to them and they never got it. They haven't had the opportunity to read that yet. She said that she would like to table this.

H) Appoint Scott Motz to Laborer Position - October 6, 2009 - In Budget:

Mr. Sawicki said that he was requesting the nomination of Mr. Scott T. Motz to the position of laborer. This is a vacant position as a result of attrition. This position is in the budget. Mr. Motz is a Village resident. Deputy Mayor Meehan said he will make the appointment and he will accept a motion for confirmation. A motion to confirm was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee Haggerty.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Mr. Sawicki said the effective date probably won't be until next week - November 1.

I) Education Reimbursement of \$1,220 for David Clifford:

Mr. Sawicki said Mr. Clifford has successfully completed 180 hours of class work in the introduction of water and wastewater operations at Bergen County Technical School. Trustee Abato said she had a question on that. Why did he have to pay for that to begin with. Why didn't we pay for that? Mr. Sawicki said he was not quite sure on how that really shook out. Trustee Abato asked Mr. Clifford how it came up that we didn't pay for his schooling. The Village Clerk said he went on his own. Trustee Abato asked why did we not pay for your schooling? How come you had to pay that out of pocket. Mr. Clifford said he went on his own. Trustee Abato said then we didn't actually send you. You went on your own? Mr. Clifford said yes. Deputy Mayor Meehan said this is a situation where the Village employee took his own initiative and he not only went through the course but he passed the test. Mr. Sawicki said he passed the course. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked if that was equivalent or did he have to take a test. Mr. Sawicki said there is a test to be taken as well. Trustee Abato asked what is that test? Mr. Sawicki said that the test that Dave will be taking is for 1A operator. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked if we wanted to table this. A motion to table this was made by Trustee LaCorte, seconded by Trustee Haggerty. Upon vote, the motion was carried. Deputy Mayor Meehan said we will probably end up discussing this at our workshop meeting later this month.

Mr. Sawicki said that during the month of May of this year the Village Wastewater Treatment Plant received in excess of 30

violations from the NYS Department of Labor. On September 15, he notified the NYS Department of Labor that all violations were abated at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Today he received a phone call from Mr. Paul Smith of the NYS Department of Labor in which he has confirmed that no fines would be levied against the Village.

VILLAGE CLERK:

A) Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of July 6, 2009:

Village Clerk Virginia Menschner asked for approval of the minutes of the regular Board meeting of July 6, 2009. A motion approving the minutes was made by Trustee LaCorte, seconded by Trustee Haggerty. Upon vote, the motion was carried, with Trustee Abato abstaining since she was not at that meeting.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT:

Treasurer Tom Zordan said that he just wanted to remind the Board that for next week's meeting for the acceptance of the bid for the fire truck, we have to make sure that we approve the financing before we accept the bid. So that should be on that agenda. Trustee Abato said we have to approve the financing before we accept the bid. The Village Clerk said she knows that. Trustee Abato said he wants to make sure it is on the agenda. Mr. Zordan said he is just reminding everybody.

During the month of September, we paid down \$170,000 of bond debt. Our outstanding balance is now at \$4,930,000. We have \$1,375,926 in BANs outstanding as of September 30. The total outstanding debt is \$6,305,926. And since he wasn't here last week, he had arranged for a BAN payment to be made of \$158,625 and that was done on October 2. The auditors will conduct their audit the week of October 13, so if no one sees him, he will be under his desk hiding. He said he is requesting approval not only to pay for the clock for Nick Duvo but for 90 days accumulated sick time per the work rules that were in effect. The amount is \$27,799.20. Deputy Mayor Meehan asked who this was for? Mr. Zordan said Nick Duvo. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee LaCorte.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

Mr. Zordan said that during the week of October 5, water meter readings will be taken, probably at the latter part of the week - Thursday or Friday. He said that the Water Department has installed approximately 1700 new radio devices and will continue installing after the meter reading session is complete. So they have about 700 radios to install. They are doing a pretty good job. He said he

just wanted to thank the Water Department for doing a good job with this operation and that includes Barbara, who doesn't install them but she is probably doing just as much work as they are with all the phone calls and everything else she has to do with that. Lastly, he said he has gotten a proposal from Prime Pay. They are a payroll company. Right now we use Paychex and they want to process our payroll for us. It is about \$1200 per year less than what we are paying now. He said he has ADP coming in on October 2 to give us a proposal and he will let them know what is going on. He said he knows that \$1200 - he likes to save every penny that he can get - but with the amount of potential problems that can incur with change in a payroll company, the extra \$20 a week that we can save, he would believe that it is not worth it. As he said, he will let them know what ADP says and based on that, he will give them his recommendation if we should change or not change.

MAYOR:

A) Acting Justice Richard Ackerson - Request to Attend NYS Magistrates Conference - October 18 to October 21 at Cost of \$264.04:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said this was a request by Acting Justice Richard Ackerson to attend the NYS Magistrates Conference on October 18 to October 21 at a cost of \$264.04. A motion authorizing the request was made by Trustee LaCorte, seconded by Trustee Abato.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Dagan LaCorte
Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan

B) Request for American Legion Road Drive - October 17, 2009 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said this is a request for the American Legion Road Drive to collect some money for the many worthwhile things that they do. Attorney Rice said that we don't need to vote on this.

C) Part-Time Dispatchers & Part-Time Police - 3% Raise:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that we discussed at the workshop meeting that we haven't covered, in terms of raises, part-time dispatchers and part-time police and we make a recommendation that they would receive the same 3% raise as the rest of the general employees of the Village. Attorney Rice asked if they were covered by a contract. Trustee Abato said no, not for the raises. Deputy Mayor Meehan said it is for the part-time dispatchers and police. A motion authorizing the raise was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee Haggerty.

AYES: Deputy Mayor John Meehan
Trustee Andrew Haggerty, Trustee Patricia Abato

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor John B. Keegan
Trustee Dagan LaCorte (who stepped out for a moment)

D) TZ Bridge Meeting Schedule - October 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said this is an announcement. The TZ Bridge group is going to have a meeting here on October 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. That meeting is limited. It is going to be limited to members of the Village Board, to the Village Attorney, to the Village Department of Public Works head, and to members of our Planning Board. It is not open to the general public. That is at the request of the TZ folks.

OLD BUSINESS:

Deputy Mayor Meehan said that under old business, he would like to get back to the shared services and what he would like to do is cover the easy one first or did we want to table all of them. A motion to table it to the 20th was made by Trustee Abato.

A motion to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. was made by Trustee Abato, seconded by Trustee Haggerty. Upon vote, the motion was carried.