P.O. GREGORY:
Good morning, Mr. Clerk. Can you do the roll call?

MR. RICHBERG:
Good morning, Mr. Presiding Officer.

(Roll Called by Mr. Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Here.

LEG. FLEMING:
(Not Present)

LEG. BROWNING:
Here.

LEG. MURATORE:
Here.

LEG. HAHN:
Present.

LEG. ANKER:
Here.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Here.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Here.

LEG. CILMI:
Here.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Here.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Here.

LEG. TROTTA:
Here.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Here.
LEG. STERN:
Here.

LEG. D'AMARO:
(Not Present)

LEG. SPENCER:
(Not Present)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Present.

P.O. GREGORY:
Present.

MR. RICHBERG:
Fifteen. (Not present at roll call: Legislator Fleming, D'Amaro, Spencer.)

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. If you'll all please rise for the salute to the flag, led by Legislator Krupski.

(*Salutation*)

Next, we'll have the opening prayer, which will be given by Pastor Charles A. Coverdale from the First Baptist Church in Riverhead, guest of Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. Good morning. The Reverend Charles Coverdale has served as Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Riverhead for over three decades. His prior service was as the Pastor of the historic Pond Street Baptist Church in Providence.

Reverend Coverdale was formerly an Assistant Professor of Business Administration at Simmons College in Boston and Bentley College in Massachusetts. He also taught at Leslie College in Cambridge, and served as Adjunct Professor at the American University in Washington D.C., and taught at the Harvard Divinity School Center for the Study of Values in Public Life.

The Reverend has founded three non-profit organizations: The Family Community Life Center, the Open Arms Care Center, and the FBC Housing Corps.

Reverend Coverdale has served and continues to serve on numerous boards and committees, and here are just a few. And when I say just a few, Gwynn offered to cut down his -- the list and it is very abbreviated. This is just a very abbreviated list of the involvement that he has. As Commissioner of Human Rights for Suffolk County, President, Long Island Council of Churches, Protestant Chaplain to the Suffolk County Correctional Facilities in Riverhead and Yaphank, member of the Suffolk County Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, East End Arts Council, the Urban League of Long Island, Peconic Bay Medical Center, the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People. Since 2008, the Reverend has served on the Leadership Council of the Harvard Divinity School.

Reverend Coverdale was one of eight students out of 725 from the Harvard Business School Class of '71 to be featured in the Harvard School Bulletin, the 25 -- 25th Reunion issue in October, with a full page article regarding his ministry, not only on Long Island, but also throughout the world. He is the recipient of the Harvard Business School's Alumni Achievement Award. This is the highest
tribute the school can give to one of its alumni.

Reverend Coverdale is the father of two children, the grandfather of eight, and great-grandfather of one. He lives in Aquebogue with his wife, Shirley, who is also very active in the community, who currently serves on the Suffolk County Women’s Advisory Commission.

I'd just like to say, it's been a pleasure to know Reverend Coverdale. He is truly a man of the community and a man of God.

(*Applause*)

REVEREND COVERDALE:
Thank you, Legislator Krupski. Good morning to all of you Legislators, the Presiding Legislator. Let us just bow our heads in prayer.

Oh, gracious and eternal God, you are the creator of every good and perfect gift. We come on this splendid day of March the 1st, 2016, with our eyes open to behold the beauty that you have created. We thank you for watching over us throughout the night and bringing us into this day that was not promised to us, but you granted to each and every one of us.

This body of Legislature comes together now to act upon the business of this County. Each represent a particular area in our County, and they come together to debate, and to talk and to discuss issues that face our whole County. We ask on this special day that you will bless each and every one of them in the duties that they must perform, and in negotiation and the strategies they must discuss. Bless their families, whether they're close by or away or live with them. Let them know how sacred it is that they have family members that they love and care for. May they be with them. Let them act on the behalf of the whole County, as well as their particular constituents.

And bless all they do today, that they might bring honor to your holy name, we ask in the name of our Lord, amen.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you so much.

REVEREND COVERDALE:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
If you'd please remain standing for a moment of silence in memory of Timothy Lynch, President of the Teamsters Local 1205, who passed away recently. Tim was also an actor and singer with the Aesthetic Realism Theater Company.

And as always, let us remember all those men and women who put themselves in harm's way every day to protect our country.

(*Moment of Silence*)

Okay. We have several proclamations, first of which is going to be -- presentation is going to be done by Legislator Krupski, who will present the proclamation to the Riverhead Police Chief, David Hegermiller, and Police Officers Dan Hogan, Branden Heller, and Patrick Loszewski, who responded and saved the life of an 18-year-old (sic) baby girl by performing CPR.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
Good morning. Thanks for coming this morning. And I'm going to let the Police Officers tell the story, because it's -- you know, it's a great example. You hear a lot of things in the news about, you know, people in public service, and then you see a lot about training, and you see it's not always -- you know, some of it's positive, some of it's negative. This is really a great example of, you know, people who live and work in our community and what they can do and to help the community, and I'm really, really honored to honor them here today. So if you could tell, briefly tell the story about what happened that day.

CHIEF HEGERMILLER:
Good morning. It was Sunday, Sunday night in January, we responded to an 18-month infant, unresponsive. Myself, Officer Hogan and Officer Loszewski, we were in the area at the time, responded within seconds. When we got on scene, we performed medical aid to the infant at that time, where the infant did regain consciousness, and was handed off to the Wading River Fire Department. Due to outstanding teamwork, that's what saved this child.

(*Applause*)

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you very much. Here's the proclamations. Patrick couldn't make it. I'll give the proclamation to the Chief.

CHIEF HEGERMILLER:
Thank you.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No, thank you. Take care.

(*Applause*)

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Next, Legislator Calarco will present a proclamation to Suffolk County Police Officer Arnold Reyes for saving the life of Kathleen Manganello. Kathleen suffered a massive heart attack that stopped her heart. By this fast responding Police EMT, administering medication directly into the bone marrow, which circulated through her body, Kathleen was brought back to life.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Officer Reyes, if you'd join me. Bring your wife up, and Inspector Silva as well.

You know, it seems like I've had the good fortune to recognize some of the great deeds of our Police Officers over the last few cycles, and today I have the opportunity to bring Officer Reyes here, who saved the life of Kathleen Manganello, a resident in East Patchogue, who was suffering from a -- she stopped breathing and had no pulse when he responded.

And, first, let me speak to a little bit of Officer Reyes' background, because it's actually very interesting. And once you hear what he's done in his past, you'll understand how he was able to do what he did here just a few weeks ago. He's a 16-year veteran of the Police Department, but he also is a 32-year Military Veteran, and has achieved the rank of Command Sergeant Major in the Infantry Unit of the U.S. Army Reserves. He served two tours in Iraq, and he also received extensive training in Nuclear Medicine at the Northport V.A., and holds the title of Operating Room Technician, which is basically a surgeon's -- a Surgical Assistant.
And what Officer Reyes had to do when he found Ms. Manganello, the North Patchogue Fire Department Rescue was there already performing CPR and doing their due diligence to revive the victim, and Officer Reyes had to administer an intraosseous needle. Basically, he had to stick a needle with a special medication directly into the bone marrow of the patient in order to revive her and get her breathing again, and that certainly takes quite a bit of extra skill that's not just a regular basic EMT provision. It's something that we are very proud to have in Officer Reyes with those skills out there in the streets every day protecting and serving our citizens.

So, Officer Reyes, for saving Ms. Manganello's life, we're so happy to be able to have you here today and recognize you and thank you for your service.

**OFFICER REYES:**
Thank you.

(*Applause*)

I wasn't prepared for anything, but thank you, thank you for the recognition.

(*Applause*)

**D.P.O. CALARCO:**
Thank you, Officer.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Next, we have -- Legislator Anker will present a proclamation to Sid and Stephanie Bail, longtime residents of Wading River, who are passionate about improving the quality of life for their neighbors. Sid is President of the Wading River Civic, and Stephanie is Recording Secretary. Both are active leaders of the Wading River Historical Society.

**LEG. ANKER:**
So I want to present two proclamations, one for Stephanie and one for Sid Bail. Now I've known you guys probably for well over 20 years, right? We were on ABCO's Board, the civic board, together. And, you know, you look through your community life. If everyone could just picture your town, your home town, picture those people that have truly made a difference. Picture those people who have made a difference for over 20, 25, 30 -- I'll stop there, but for a very, very long time. And you're here today again in honor of all the work that you've done for your community.

We recently met regarding the Wading River Historical Society, and, you know, Long Island would not be what it is if it wasn't for people like yourselves protecting our historical structures, and really keeping, and we say this a lot, the quality of life in our communities.

So, again, I want to thank you and welcome you to the Legislature. I'm sure if you have any ideas, you'll let us know. But I do encourage everyone to truly participate in your home town, to keep it the way you expect it to be, and, again, to keep that quality of life. So thank you so much. Thank you.

(*Applause*)

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. Congratulations. Next will be Legislator Hahn, who will present proclamations to Suffolk County Police Officers Christopher Draskin, Matthew Merced, John Roy and Charles Scala, along with Suffolk County Police Sergeant Paul Mercready and Police Lieutenant Michael S. Murphy for their heroic actions while responding to a plane crash in Setauket Harbor on February 20th of this
LEGEN. HAHN:
Good morning. If the Officers and their family members who are here could come forward.
Thank you so very much.

Just after 11 p.m. on Saturday, February 20th this year, a small private plane with four passengers aboard experienced engine trouble and was forced to make a water landing onto and into Setauket Harbor. While I wish I could stand here today and report that tragedy did not touch our shores this night, it had. Of the four aboard that plane when it descended toward the dark and frigid coastline, one was lost and the search continues for him. Together we mourn the loss of Gerson Salmon-Negron and pray for his family and loved ones. But without the heroic actions of seven officers from our extraordinary Suffolk County Police Department, the Suffolk County Police Department’s Marine and Aviation Bureau, and the collaboration of 20 different, yes, 20 different Fire and EMS agencies that responded to the chaotic crash site, the night’s losses would have undoubtably been greater. Surely, without these rescuers’ calm presence of mind, the three survivors, scattered throughout Setauket Harbor, would have succumbed to the hypothermia that was already setting in as First Responders pulled them from the nearly freezing waters.

So here we have before us Lieutenant Michael S. Murphy, Sergeant Paul Mercready, Officer Christopher Draskin, Officer Matthew Merced, Officer John Roy, and Officer Charles Scala. Officer Vashawn Hussain, who played an important role in the response, was unable to join us this morning. However, we also would like to recognize his valiant effort.

(*Applause*)

We want to thank you for all that you do every day in and out, but particularly for your bravery, your heroism on this night.

I would like to, because I don't always like to trust the newspapers on how they -- how they get it, I would like to ask Lieutenant Murphy just to say a few words about that night, and what you experienced, and what your officers -- you know, it's just amazing. We have a phenomenal Suffolk County Police Department, as you all know. The training that you receive and your willingness day in and day out to put your lives on the line and to save our residents, it just really is extraordinary, and we here at the Legislature appreciate that, and we want to hear a little bit from you.

LIEUTENANT MURPHY:
Thank you, everyone. On the night, it was about 11 some-odd, 11:07, 11:03. It was cold. The water temperature was 37 degrees, about 40 degrees outside. We received a call, a 911 call that a plane had landed in the harbor. Our Aviation units were up in the air. As we were responding, they were reporting to us that they had survivors in water. Officer Scala was the first one of my officers to reach the water and he observed one of the survivors trying to swim to shore. He was able to attract his attention, calling to him. The young man could not make it completely through the water -- out of the water, so Officer Scala had to enter the water with a life ring and drag him back to shore, suffering hypothermia already. By the time we had gotten there and were into the water, we were almost 30 minutes into the rescue, so these young men were in the water for 30 minutes prior to us even getting to them.

Myself, Officer Merced and Officer Draskin were on the west shore. Sergeant Mercready and Officer Roy were on the east shore. Simultaneously, we were able to locate kayaks that local residents had stacked up for the winter. We entered the water. You could hear at least one of the survivors calling for help somewhere out in the dark. As we headed out there, we were able to coordinate with our Aviation units. They were able to locate us and direct us towards the two remaining
survivors that they could find. It took us about 5 to 10 minutes to get them secured to the kayaks, but by this time, they were shot. You know, they were exhausted, they were tired, they were cold, they were hypothermic. And, unfortunately, a kayak is not exactly stable, so we were not able to pull them into the boat. The risk of dumping the boat and dumping everybody in the drink at the same time was rather great. So two of the officers held onto him. We tried to paddle the rest of the kayaks back in. We were fighting the wind and the tide.

After about 20 minutes, our Marine Bureau unit was able to come around from Northport and we were able to get the two victims into the boat. They took them over to Port Jeff Harbor. Fire took over from there and got them up to the hospital. And then it took us another 20 minutes to get back to shore and get everyone all off. But, fortunately, no one else was injured.

(*Applause*)

LEG. HAHN:
So we want to thank you. I know that we have proclamations here signed by all 18. If you don't mind coming forward, we'll bring all the Legislators forward to present to you, if everyone wants to come up.

(*Photograph was Taken*)

Now I've asked -- I've asked our Police Officers to stay here with us, because we are going to bring up representatives of Fire and EMS that responded that night as well. And I think it was the -- it's the collaboration between all of our first responders that makes this County so incredibly great. And so with that, I'm hoping everyone that's here from Setauket Fire Department, Stony Brook Fire Department, Port Jefferson Volunteer Ambulance can come forward, please.

(*Applause*)

Because, you know, in addition to the officers that we just recommended, there were 20 agencies that participated in the search and rescue efforts under the guidance of the Setauket Fire Department, and I'm going to list all the agencies, Setauket Fire Department first, but then in alphabetical order: So Setauket Fire Department, Centereach Fire Department, Coram Fire Department, Middle Island Fire Department, Mount Sinai Fire Department, Nesconset Fire Department, Port Jefferson EMS, Port Jefferson Fire Department, Rocky Point Fire Department, Saint James Fire Department, Selden Fire Department, Smithtown Fire Department, Sound Beach Fire Department, Stony Brook Fire Department, Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Suffolk County Department of Fire Rescue and Emergency Services, Terryville Fire Department, Town of Brookhaven Fire Marshals, Town of Brookhaven Harbor Master and the United States Coast Guard.

So if this is -- and I want to just show you, just from my three Departments that responded to my requests for the names of individuals to be recognized, and they're not able to all be here today, but if you all look at the stack of the proclamations I have, this is just from three of those departments. And, you know, you all know my Dad's a volunteer at Stony Brook, and the fact that so many men and women give up their Saturday night, 11:00 p.m., you know, it's day in and day out to answer the call as volunteers for us. And I'm always just so honored when I am able -- you know, I try to recognize you every day, same with our P.D. You do things every day to protect us and keep us safe. And your families give up birthdays and holidays and weekends with you, and we just don't thank you enough. And so I'm so happy to have you here to thank you for particularly this rescue. You all know how we feel, and thank you for every night you give up, and every afternoon and morning. And I hope this, you know, leaves an impact on you all about what our volunteers do and just how many of them give up for us. So thank you.
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(*Applause*)

Oh, I did want to read the names of those who are here today. From Setauket Fire Department, Mark Miller, Second Assistant Chief Paul Rodier, Patricia Rodier, Dave Walters, Sofia Xerri. And from the Stony Brook Fire Department, I have Chief John Meringolo, First Assistant Chief Scott Roberts. We have Sean Lynch, Henry Miano, Linda Kaplan, William O'Connell, Thomas Egan, Stephen Kerekes -- sorry -- Joseph Haskell. And from Port Jefferson EMS, we have Deputy Chief/Paramedic Robert Stoessel.

So thank you all for being here. I hope you'll come forward for a photo, and we'll pass these around. And I'll pass on to everyone who wasn't able to be here as well this token of thanks. Thank you.

(*Applause*)

(*Photograph was Taken*)

(*Applause*)

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Next, we'll have -- Legislator Browning will present a proclamation to Cindy Lavorata, employee of the Human Resources Department at the William Floyd School District for helping rescue a woman and her dog, who fell off a dock into the cold water near the Mastic Beach Yacht Club. Police Officer Matthew White was the nine-eleven responder -- 911 responder, excuse me.

LEG. BROWNING:
Good morning again. What a morning we're having, huh? Also, I have Legislator Stern with me. Cindy is actually a Dix Hills resident, and so his constituent. But Cindy is an employee of the Human Resources Department at the William Floyd School District. This particular day, she had no intention of going. Very often she goes down to Mastic Beach, down by the Marina, and that particular day, she wasn't going to go and changed her mind, and thank God for that. But Cindy was on her lunch break and went down by the Marina, by the Mastic Beach Yacht Club. She noticed a woman walking her dogs on the pier, and all of a sudden, the woman, along with one of her dogs, was no longer visible. Apparently, the dog fell into the water and the owner tried to save the dog, but she wasn't able to get herself and the dog back onto the pier. Cindy rescued the dog, but wasn't able to lift the woman from the water. So she immediately called 911 and helped the submerged woman remain calm and afloat until the police arrived.

So the Suffolk County Police Department Seventh Precinct Patrol Officer Matthew White responded to pull her to safety. And the Mastic Beach ambulance arrived to provide assistance, and transported the woman to Brookhaven Hospital, where she was treated for hypothermia.

I just want to say thank you, Cindy. There was a reason that you went there. God sent you there to do his work. And I can't say enough thank yous for helping my constituent, because those were frigid temperatures that day. I know it was really cold. So, if you weren't there, it could have been a worse situation. So thank you for that, Cindy.

(*Applause*)

LEG. STERN:
Good morning, everyone. Thank God for Cindy and your quick thinking and your heroism. You are an example for us all. Thank you.
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(*Applause*)

MS. LAVORATA:
Thank you.

LEG. BROWNING:
And I do have a proclamation. And your husband, Rich, funny thing is -- Rich, it's your brother or --

MR. LAVORATA:
Brother-in-law.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yeah, is Deputy Mayor in Lindenhurst? Yeah.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
So what a small world we live in, huh? So thank you.

MS. LAVORATA:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
It's my pleasure to stand before our colleagues today in recognition of the important contributions that Social Workers make to our community.

In 2010, the Legislature passed Resolution 32 of 2010 designating March as Professional Social Work Month. I have several individuals here today that we're going to recognize, if they'll please come forward. Amelia Sapio, Pat Meaney. We also have Jenine Yannucciello and Ellen Higgins.

(*Applause*)

In recognition of their tireless efforts to ensure that everyone has access to the same basic rights, protections and opportunities, we're going to be presenting them with a Certificate of Appreciation to these fine Social Workers.

Amelia is -- her supervisors describe her as displaying a positive attitude while working with a difficult population. She has empathy, warmth and respect for the probation clientele, while working toward helping these individuals remain focused and responsible. She is an asset to the Department and the County as a whole.

Pat Meaney, who is with the Department of Social Services Adult Protective Services Division. In late December, it came to her attention that a 19-year-old developmentally disabled young man was at great risk due to abuse and neglect of his foster father. Because of his age, the Family Court intervention was not possible. So she coordinated an emergency meeting with community agencies, local school district, principal and psychologist to secure placement without court intervention. Her intervention revealed the young man's foster siblings were also at risk, and her actions led to their removal from this abusive placement, and her efforts were truly heroic.

And we have two individuals from the Department of Health, Ellen Higgins and Jenine Yannucciello -- I hope I pronounced that right -- Program Coordinator for Maternal Infant Community Health Collaborative, and Jenine is a Senior Psychiatric Social Worker.
Commissioner O'Neill, who could not be here today, sends his regards, but would like to be noted that both Ellen and Jenine represent the great work done in this field on a regular basis. He is proud of the work that they do each and every day, and commends them for their dedication and commitment to representing the most vulnerable residents of our County.

Please, let's give them all another round of applause for the appreciation in all the work that they do.

(*Applause*)

Pat wants to ensure that her crew -- it's a team effort, guys. Please, stand up.

**MS. MEANEY:**
It really was, it was a team effort, and it's important to acknowledge everybody. My Director is here, David, my two supervisors, Laura and Karen, and my teammate, Arthur. We pulled together and we actually saved a lot of lives, and, hopefully, in the future. It's actually going to the Grand Jury. But I couldn't take this award without acknowledging them, because it really was a joint effort, so thank you, and thank you, guys.

(*Applause*)

(*Photograph was Taken*)

(*Applause*)

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. That is all the presentations that we have this morning. We will get to our agenda. The next portion of our agenda is the Public Portion. We have several cards. Each person will be allowed three minutes to speak. First person that we have a card for is Paul Pressman.

**MR. PRESSMAN:**
Good morning, Legislators. I'm up here again in regards to public transportation. And this time I'm just going to speak about the SCAT service, because there's a couple of things that have come to my attention in speaking with other SCAT riders. I also work with the SILO Transportation Committee. And it has been brought to my attention from bus drivers, from other riders. I have not ridden any of these new buses that are being bought yet. However, I have been told by drivers, by other riders that these buses are a lot smaller than the ones the County has now. Instead of having two rows of seats, it only has one row and could only fit one wheelchair. And if somebody has a wheelchair that is a bit wider than a regular wheelchair, it is a big problem on the lift.

I think that before the County spends this money that they have gotten from the Federal Government, because this is a two-year study, that the right buses need to be bought, because if that doesn't happen, then ridership will not increase, you will not get the funding that is needed for the residents of Suffolk County. And there is no reason at all that the residents that are disabled cannot get the transportation that is necessary for them to get around and to live productive lives the way the rest of the County does.

I urge every Legislator just once to take a public transportation bus and to ride a SCAT bus, because you cannot understand how the transportation system works unless you take it. I have to take it every single day. I take the regular line buses, I take the SCAT buses. The schedules have to be changed; that's a whole separate issue.
The other big issue is this whole thing about this three-quarter mile rule, there's a big misnomer about how that is being handled as well. I was under the impression that this three-quarter mile rule meant that now every resident in Suffolk County can now use a SCAT bus. That apparently is not completely true.

I'm waiting to get the actual guidelines that Suffolk County is putting into effect, but the problem is that it's only affecting the ten bus lines or so that don't run on Sundays, which means that if a resident who is disabled is not within an area that a regular Suffolk County bus would run, they still can't get the SCAT service, and that's not right. That's discrimination against the disabled. Regardless of what is in the ADA, those are only minimum recommendations, those are not rules, those are not things that are automatic, and it is very, very important that we please keep that in mind.

And the last thing, which is most important, is that you have to vote down Mr. Bellone's $10 million reduction in public transportation. I was just at a meeting with Senator Boyle, who is going to go back to Albany and try to get Suffolk County money for public transportation. Thank you very much.

**D.P.O. CALARCO:**
Thank you, Mr. Pressman. Our next speaker is Maria McKinnon.

**MS. MC KINNON:**
Good morning, members of the Legislature. My name is Maria McKinnon and I am --

**D.P.O. CALARCO:**
Can you just lean into the mic so we can here you? Thank you.

**LEG. KENNEDY:**
I am here today as a mother to share my story. My beautiful daughter, smart, loving and talented daughter, became addicted to pills two years ago, which quickly escalated to heroin. Our family was shattered. The guilt, we always spoke about the dangers of drugs, the why, the anguish and the heart-wrenched, torturous sleepless nights where I would lay in bed wondering is she alive or is she dead in an alley somewhere. Many families face this today. Her little sister always asking me, "Why doesn't my sister want to see me anymore?" All I could do was stand by and watch her wither away to skin and bones and bruises all over her body, my precious daughter, just not being able to help her.

One way I was able to help myself was to join an organization called FIST. We set up a FIST forum at the Eastport-South Manor School District. Through this, I was able to try and help other families that are going through the same thing, which is just all over every town within Long Island, everywhere across the United States. So FIST is a not-for-profit organization that was created to help families with loved ones that are struggling with the disease of addiction. Family members often do not know where to turn when they are faced with this difficult situation with drugs and alcoholism.

I am proud to say my daughter is in recovery for 90 days and we take one day at a time, but I am here today to ask all of you to do more to help end this horrible epidemic that every -- many, many families are facing, and one way is to break the silence and darkness that many families suffer with and stay silent about. So I encourage all of you to join this fight.

And I would like to thank our Police Commissioner, Mr. Sini, for -- and all -- many of you for doing your part in our -- in our local towns to combat this fight. I would also, for the record, like to schedule a meeting with all of you and the Director of FIST, Anthony Rizzuto, where we can further discuss on a local level and a State level on how we can get more done. So I appreciate it.
Thank you.

(*Applause*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Ms. McKenna. Thank you for sharing your story with us. The next speaker is Sidney Levine. Go ahead.

MS. LEVINE:
Ladies and Gentleman of the Legislature, good morning. My name is Sydney Levine. I am 15 years old and I am a Sophomore at Half Hollow Hills High School East. Thank you very much to Steven Stern, Lisa Deutsch, Mary Young and Debbie Harris for giving me this opportunity to speak to you on this Super Tuesday. It is an honor.

I am here to help save my 12 year old brother's kidneys. Matthew has been battling a rare kidney disease called FSGS. FSGS has no known cause or cure.

My family has teamed up with the Nephcure Kidney International Foundation, www.nephcure.org, in order to help bring awareness and find a cure for FSGS and Nephrotic Syndrome. Nephcure is involved in many projects such as the Neptune project, which includes NIH participation.

As today is Super Tuesday and we take a huge step in electing a new President, it is my dream and goal to bring awareness and exposure to FSGS, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephcure. We need to deliver a cure to everyone around the world that is battling this disease like my brother Matthew.

My family's battle began 10 years ago. He was waking up with his eyes 80% closed and blown up like balloons. After a kidney biopsy, our family got the devastating news that Matthew has FSGS.

One in every two Americans will battle chronic Kidney disease in their lifetime. Twenty-three million Americans are battling kidney disease as we speak. FSGS and Nephrotic Syndrome are the two most devastating kidney diseases. Eighty thousand Americans lost their battle to chronic disease last year, which is more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. Eight thousand new people are diagnosed with FSGS each year in the United States, 5,000 which are children. Some doctors believe chronic kidney disease is the next epidemic of our generation.

Eleven percent of the world's population is battling chronic kidney disease. FSGS and Nephrotic syndrome have no boundaries. It affects all ages, genders and colors. We spend 30 Billion dollars a year taking care of kidney patients in our country. What if we could find cures for these diseases? Then we wouldn't have to spend 30 billion dollars a year taking care of kidney patients.

Matthew's cholesterol has reached 375. His blood pressure has gone through the roof. He takes 12 to 15 pills a day, and has been on many chemotherapy drugs. Matthew's kidneys will likely fail and he will need a kidney transplant. The transplanted kidney is attacked by FSGS 50% of the time or more. There is a man on Long Island that has had four kidney transplants and the new kidney was attacked all four times by FSGS.

So what can I do? What can we do? March is Kidney Awareness Month. Last March I started the "Stand Up to Be Counted" selfie challenge on social media. I wanted to thank Congressman Steve Israel for giving me the High School Hero award for bringing awareness to Kidney Awareness Month and for posting a selfie on social media.
Starting today, the first day of March, I am beginning the 31 days of MARCHing to Awareness. Every day I will be posting on social media a way to bring exposure to FSGS and Nephrotic Syndrome. I will be running fundraisers, celebrating Nephrologists and renal nurses, delivering gifts to the renal department at hospitals. Speaking in front of you will be my first post, a great way to kick off Kidney Awareness Month.

Failure is not an option. Some doctors believe that if we unlock the doors to FSGS and Nephrotic Syndrome, we will unlock the doors to diabetes and other chronic kidney diseases. It takes $1 billion to bring a new drug to the market in this country, so we need to raise a lot of money.

Please consider helping me to deliver a miracle to my brother and so many others that are suffering. Perhaps you will help me raise awareness by sharing his story on your social media and sharing it with all local and national politicians and media outlets.

As Matthew's favorite creator, Walt Disney, once said, "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." This is what you have allowed me to do today. Thank you for listening. Thank you for the opportunity. I hope you have a Super Tuesday.

(*Applause*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Sidney. Our next speaker is Nick Caracappa.

MR. CARACAPPA:
Good morning, members of the Legislature. Thank you for having us, me and my Vice President, Lou deGonzague.

On August 13th, and again last Monday, I came before the EPA Committee of the Legislature and presented specific information regarding the continued mismanagement of Suffolk County Water Authority. This information included a booklet containing documents, photos, newspaper articles and letters laying out this mismanagement in areas of cutting corners, and how doing so has increased potential safety risks to the employees and the ratepayers, letting certain leaks go unrepaired for up to days at a time, allowing our treated water to simply run down the streets into drains, wasting tens of thousands of gallons of water, and in some cases costing massive undermining to streets and sidewalks, while vehicles and pedestrians continue to use them. Allowing fire hydrants to go unrepaired overnight and up to days at a time also. Choosing to gamble with the public's, your constituents', safety and well-being, gambling with their homes, their businesses, their personal possessions, and even their lives.

Photographs showing the consequences and conditions to the roadways and problems that these have caused, not to mention the unnecessary inconveniences to everyone in the public. Emails and documents from Suffolk County Board of Health Department of Water Services depicting two sanitary code violations for failing to properly collect water samples. Seven serious violations, which are the highest level, from PESH regarding employee safety. Cuts to customer services in areas of reading meters, understaffed departments, and the list goes on and on. I only have three minutes. Raising all fees across the Board, creating a burden to homeowners and businessmen across Suffolk County. Raising water rates at least five straight years in a row, with the possibility of another 10 straight years with the 2025 plan that the Water Authority has.

I presented all of this and more to the committee, which Chairperson, Legislator Hahn, and others, including Legislators Anker, Krupski, Barraga, Fleming and Muratore. I invited each of these Legislators to contact me if thy had any further questions, and, for the record, I'll say only one, only one, Legislator Muratore contacted me regarding these issues, which I thank him. I have spoken with other Legislators regarding these issues as well and I thank them all for their time.
I requested an Oversight Committee be assigned to the Authority to monitor such incidents of mismanagement, so that we could continue to have the highest quality water at the lowest possible rates, and that is the end game. The responsibility lies within the Executive Board of the Authority. These situations are unacceptable and unsustainable to the ratepayers, employees, and, again, also to your constituents.

As a matter of public record, I ask you all today to honor your duly sworn oath to your constituents and the residents of Suffolk County, and not the party politics as usual, and vote no to the reappointment of Patrick Halpin to another term as Executive Board member for the Suffolk County Water Authority. It is your responsibility to look out for the County of Suffolk. You appoint these members, and I ask for your support in that request. Thank you very much.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Mr. Caracappa. Our next speaker is Louis deGonzague. I hope I got that somewhat close.

MR. DEGONZAGUE:
Not bad. It's deGonzague. Good morning to the Legislature. My name is Louis deGonzague. I am Vice President of Local 383. I'm rising in support of the concerns that Nick Caracappa has brought forward on the issues of the Suffolk County Water Authority.

I want the Legislature to know that we have brought these concerns that we have forward to the Suffolk County Water Authority Board multiple times and we have brought it to the Legislature before. When we brought it to the Suffolk County Water Authority, we've been ignored repeatedly in our concerns, so -- which has forced us to go to third party agencies to try to address some of the concerns that we've had over the past few years.

Again, I would like to reiterate what Nick had said, is that we -- that we need an oversight committee for the Suffolk County Water Authority and to address our concerns, since the Board is unresponsive to our concerns. Thank you.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you. Our next speaker is Lance Reinheimer. Lance.

MR. REINHEIMER:
Thank you. Lance Reinheimer, Executive Director of the Vanderbilt Museum. I'm here today to speak on behalf of I.R. 1126, which is a capital appropriating resolution to appropriate $130,000 for capital projects. A hundred thousand dollars is to continue the work that we're doing to make the museum easier for people with special needs and limited mobility to access the museum and the programs that we have. Thirty thousand dollars, which is real important for us, is for the purchase of two trams. At one time, the museum had three trams, we're down to one. The tram we have is over 15 years old. The other trams as -- one was destroyed in a building collapse in 2010. The other one just aged out. We used the parts from those other two trams to keep this third one running.

We have over 100,000 people that visit the museum each year. Many of these people are seniors. Many of these people have limited mobility. We have cobblestones, we have 43 acres. We have a lot of property to transport people. And when you have over 100,000 people coming through the doors, it's a challenge with one tram. So I ask you to support this resolution.

Part of the money for the building improvements is to do the front doors, to redo the front doors at the planetarium. They're the original doors, they're over 43 years old. They are not ADA compliant. Out of the 100,000 people that visit the museum each year, I would say 60 to 70,000 come through
the planetarium, and we need to have the access to that building improved so that we can accommodate all people that visit.

I just want to give you an idea of what we've done during the past year on ADA. We put in a family ADA-compliant restroom in the planetarium. We did -- redid the -- excuse me -- the rest rooms in the parking lot, so that they're now ADA compliant. We installed ADA-compliant doors on our marine museum and on the Stoll Wing. So this money is to continue the improvements that we started, and to continue to do the good work that we're doing at the museum, and we're doing our part.

During school vacation two weeks ago, we had a 50% increase in revenue. We brought in over $34,000 in admissions and museum memberships that week alone, and that's a tremendous improvement over the previous year. And we now have 700 members of the museum. We had a 200% increase during the past 10 months, 700 members. My goal is a thousand members. A thousand members is roughly $100,000 in revenue to the museum. We have 70 libraries that are members, that represents 50,000.

So we're doing our part to generate revenue, to run the museum, and to be open to all people. So I ask your support for this ADA compliant capital resolution. Thank you very much.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Lance. Our last card is for Peter Quinn.

MR. QUINN:
Good morning, members of the Legislature. My name is Peter Quinn from West Islip. I understand there's a proposal being considered to build solar arrays again out in Suffolk County on land that requires transmission line costs, additional, that requires substation costs that are additional, that the purchase of the land by the solar company is expensive, and I would like to suggest an alternative.

We have a State Legislature that has received an extraordinary amount of fraud funds from the banks and insurance companies, 5 billion by the banks and 2 billion by the insurance companies, and as a result, they have an extraordinary amount of excess money. They received this as a result of Attorney General Eric Schneiderman's pursuit of those monies for the banks and insurance companies committing fraud. And it seems to me prudent that we ought to be using some of that money for solar, residential solar arrays at roofs within Nassau and Suffolk County.

So we ought to pursue this by getting our Legislators, like Steve Englebright, and Fred Thiele, and Mr. Flanagan, the Majority Leader of the Senate, Mr. Flanagan, together with you Legislators and Nassau Legislators, and promote an effort to have residents get $18,000 each for everyone who pursues solar on their roofs, and we do it over a three-year period. And what will happen, it will reduce megawatt usage. It will reduce control by LIPA, and PSEG, and National Grid, and it will open the door for us to have solar energy on our own roofs where we have control.

So I would appreciate your arranging to meet with Nassau Legislators and Long Island Assembly and Senate leaders to promote that kind of a bill, which will save all of us money here on Long Island, and, in the long-term, lower the debt, bond indebtedness of LIPA. Thank you very much for your consideration.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Mr. Quinn. I have no other cards. Is there anybody else in the audience who would like to address the Legislature this morning? Anybody else? Seeing none, we'll close the Public Portion. And I'll hand it back off to the Presiding Officer. Motion by Legislator Lindsay to close the Public
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Portion, second by Legislator Cilmi. Public Portion is closed, and now I will hand it back to the Presiding Officer.

**MR. RICHBERG:**
Sixteen. (Not Present: Legislators and D'Amaro)

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. I make a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

**LEG. BARRAGA:**
Second.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Second by Legislator Barraga. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MR. RICHBERG:**
Sixteen -- 17. (Not Present: Legislator Martinez)

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**INTRODUCTORY RESOLUTIONS**

**BUDGET AND FINANCE**

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. Go to Introductory Resolutions. *I.R. 1057*, in Budget and Finance, *amending the 2016 Adopted Operating Budget to transfer funding to contract agencies for the purpose of providing Chemical Dependency and Mental Health Services to Suffolk County Residents (Co. Exec.)*.

Do I have a motion?

**LEG. HAHN:**
Motion.

**D.P.O. CALARCO:**
Motion.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Motion by Legislator Hahn, second by Legislator Calarco. On the motion, anyone? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MR. RICHBERG:**
Eighteen.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
*I.R. 1076 - Amending the 2016 Operating Budget to provide funding for Babylon Youth Institute, Inc. (D'Amaro).* Motion by --

**LEG. D'AMARO:**
Motion.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:

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P.O. GREGORY:

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1154 - Revenue Anticipation Note, resolution delegating to the County Comptroller the power to authorize the issuance of not to exceed $55,000,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes of the County of Suffolk, New York, in anticipation of the receipt of certain revenues for the fiscal year ending 20 -- excuse me -- December 31st, 2016, to prescribe the terms, form and contents of such notes, and to provide for the sale and credit enhancement thereof (Co. Exec.). I'll make a motion. Do I have a second?

LEG. STERN:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Stern. On the motion, anyone? I heard someone. Who was that?

LEG. SPENCER:
I've read this, but I would love just a brief explanation, just in terms of, you know, the specifics on this, and, you know, what it means for us. I don't know who's the best to do that, Mr. Presiding Officer.

P.O. GREGORY:
I'm sorry. Budget Review, BRO.

LEG. SPENCER:
Oh, okay, yes.

MR. LIPP:
Okay. I'm calling up the file now that has some history to it. The computer is a little slow, sorry about that.

Okay. So we have some significant cash flow problems and there are two ways we address that. One is borrowing internally from reserve funds, which we borrow, I guess, about 250 million a year the last several years, give or take. And on top of that, we do market borrowings of three kinds. This is one of the three market borrowings, Revenue Anticipation Notes. The other two are Tax Anticipation Notes and Delinquent Tax Anticipation Notes, and we are borrowing in the neighborhood
of 500 million or more for those annually over the last few years.

So this is part of the cash flow issues that the County has, which is indicative of fiscal problems. But two of the reasons that require us to borrow so much these days are, number one, the Suffolk County Tax Act, which says that we have to make all other taxing jurisdictions whole. We don't get any property tax money until June, and, therefore, it's a significant cash flow problem. And what we get is like well over 500 million, or about 500 and million and change in June, so we have a cash flow problem there. The other is we -- back in 2007, I believe, we switched our retirement bill from December 1st to the next February 1st. So earlier in the year, we're paying a couple of hundred -- well a hundred and, I guess, thirty million dollars in today's dollars, we're paying 130 million a year early in the year, by February 1st, as opposed to was we used to do, pay it in December.

**LEG. SPENCER:**
So that's what I wanted to kind of get some perspective on is that historically, compared to when we've done this over the past five years, because of this time shift that actually saves us money, and are we -- are we kind of staying at the same level, or we're seeing that there's a substantial increase in terms of what we're doing with these anticipation notes?

**MR. LIPP:**
So there's -- there was a small decrease last year. It remains to be seen how this year hashes out. That being said, you know, we're still borrowing large sums in part because of those two issues I said. But there's also to some extent, there's the problem of County finances in general to be able to pay for all of the expenditures we incur.

**LEG. SPENCER:**
And as far as you being the budget person that advises this Legislature, the way this is set up and structured and is -- in your opinion, are we maximizing in terms of our use of the money for getting the most bang for the buck, if you will, as far as the paying back the money, and the interest, and the terms?

**MR. LIPP:**
Right. So --

**LEG. SPENCER:**
Would you do this if you were -- would you structure this the same way? Do you think this is the best structure?

**MR. LIPP:**
Yes, given the financial issues that are facing us. It's not good that we're -- that we have to do this, but given, you know, the state that we're in, this is -- this is the way to go.

**LEG. SPENCER:**
Thank you. I just wanted to -- you know, reading it and understanding it, but just speaking to an expert that could just advise me, am I being the best steward of the taxpayers money in a difficult time, and you've answered that question for me. Thank you.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. Legislator Hahn. You still want to -- you were next.

**LEG. HAHN:**
I think I'm good.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Oh, I'm sorry. Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
Just a quick question. What year did you say they switched the payments, the retirement, the pension benefits?

MR. LIPP:
So there have been different things that the retirement system allows us to do. Back in -- actually, back in 2004, they said, "Okay, what we're going to do is we're going to" -- "instead of whenever the market was doing well, we won't charge you almost anything for your retirement bill." That proved to be a bad idea, because it yo-yo'd the retirement bill. So they said, "Okay. Now we're going to require you to make some sort of a significant payment every year, but we're going to allow you" -- instead of what they're referring -- they refer to it as prepaying in December, you could pay it in February instead. That was in 2004, but we didn't opt to do that until 2007. And then, on top of that, when the recession occurred, they also gave us the ability to amortize or borrow from the pension systems, and then the first year for that was 2011.

LEG. TROTTA:
All right. So it's been almost a decade since this happened.

MR. LIPP:
Correct.

LEG. TROTTA:
Okay. Thanks.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Okay. We have a motion and a second to approve, Mr. Clerk?

MR. RICHBERG:
Yes, we do.

P.O. GREGORY:
Roll call.

(Roll Call by Mr. Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.
LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: No.

LEG. BARRAGA: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Sixteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. **I.R. 1159 - Amending the 2016 Operating Budget to provide funding for Parents For Megan's Law (Calarco).**

D.P.O. CALARCO: Motion.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Calarco, second by Legislator Hahn.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
On the motion, Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. So this -- you know, this is like an offset. What -- could we just get a brief explanation of why we need more money on that line? And is the Police Department -- you know, have they been -- how involved have they been in transferring money out of their gas and motor oil line?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
So the reason for this comes up, and when we were doing the budget last year, Parents for Megan's Law has a contract with us to do certain services in the precincts. That's primarily what the program that we're looking to move the money into spends. They got a significant increase in one of their programs due to the way we structured our cuts through service agencies last year. And that money was not needed in that particular program, it was needed in the other. So that's why half the money is coming from that particular line, and the Police Department thought that this -- they had a little extra in this particular line of the fuel, because of the gas prices being so low, and they were willing to use that as the offset for this particular project.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Is this a program that's reviewed as for, you know, their policies and procedure, to show that, you know, they need this extra money?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Well, they had a long-term contract. And one of the things that I think we need to look at is that as we do our budgeting moving forward is those agencies that we sign long-term contracts with and guarantee them a certain amount of money, that we actually uphold our contracts, because it seems what's been happening with these agencies is we'll sign a five-year contract, tell them that we'll give them a certain -- "X" amount of dollars, budget cycle comes in and we do across-the-board cuts to agencies, and we find out that we're not honoring our contracts. And that's what happened in this particular situation, which is why I was willing to sponsor the resolution.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yeah. There was a recent Federal Court decision that -- I think it was a Federal Court decision, that said that now the County is responsible for the actions of these people? Is the County Attorney here to advise us on this?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
This particular program is not related to the Community Protection Act, which is, I think, the one that you're talking about and is the one that relates to sex offenders. This particular program is for their Crime Victim Advocate Program.

LEG. TROTTA:
All right. So that's different?
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D.P.O. CALARCO:
Completely different program.

LEG. TROTTA:
But could it be encompassed? Could it be conceived that the whole Parents for Megan’s Law is an arm of the government and now we're responsible, the County could be held --

D.P.O. CALARCO:
I would say that we probably do have some liability or responsibility in terms of their participation in the Community Protection Act because of what we've hired them or contracted them to do. And I'm sure even in this particular instance, any time we contract with any agency to do services, we always -- to put ourselves at some potential risk, I guess, that somebody can always hold us liable, whether it's these folks or the vendors we have in the golf courses running our catering businesses.

MR. NOLAN:
But, typically, the County contracts have indemnification language where the vendor or the contractor agrees to holds us harmless.

LEG. TROTTA:
But in this case we're found that we're not harmless anymore.

MR. NOLAN:
That's a different program. That's a completely different program, so I don't think you can mix the two. This is -- I'm sure we have a contract with them, I'm sure there's indemnification language. That particular program, the Federal Court, I believe, said that they were acting almost like as a government does. That doesn't mean we're going to be liable for what they've done, but they're acting under like a color of a government agency. But, again, I'm sure even those contracts have language that hold the County harmless and indemnify us if they're found to do something improper by a court.

LEG. TROTTA:
You think or you know that?

MR. NOLAN:
I don't know, you know, what a court's going to do. I'm 99% sure we do have indemnification language in those contracts.

LEG. TROTTA:
That might not mean anything, the language, I mean, based upon the -- especially now.

MR. NOLAN:
It does mean something when a party agrees to hold us harmless if they do something incorrect or wrong.

LEG. TROTTA:
Okay. All right.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. So my question goes back to my question about the performance of the contract agencies. And then Legislator Calarco did say that, you know, something about a five-year lease.
And I'm not sure if that's typical of other contract agencies or is it just for this one. So my question would be a legal one for George.

If the County enters into a long-term lease with a contract agency and they're providing services, who's measuring those services? And is it based on here's a certain lump sum of money, you can do the best you can, or is it based on a series of metrics, performance indicators?

And if the State decides in its wisdom to raise the minimum wage, and so now they're going to -- wouldn't the contract agencies come back to us and say, "Look, this is going to be a problem. We cannot make" -- "we cannot meet our performance indicators, because we can't hire enough people because of the minimum wage increase. We have to cut back on staffing, cut back on services"? Somehow are we going to become liable to make them whole and something that it would be really a State mandate?

**MR. NOLAN:**
You know, most of that I can't answer, because I have no idea what's in this particular contract with them and how things are measured and so forth. But if we agree to give them "X" amount of dollars, I don't think we can be made to be liable to give them more money if in our contract we're going to give you 100,000. If their expenses rise, that doesn't mean that we have to increase what we're giving them, if we've agreed to give them a set amount in a contract, you know, unless there's language in the contract that, you know, includes like an escalator, but I don't believe that's the case.

**LEG. KRUPSKI:**
But, I mean, is -- unless it's based on performance, they have to meet certain criteria in order to perform their contract. Without getting more money, they can't meet certain criteria if something like the minimum wage goes up. You know, then we'd be -- we'd be kind of like tied in with them. We'd all be --

**MR. NOLAN:**
I think if they've agreed to provide certain services and the dollar amount has been set in the contract, I think they're stuck.

**LEG. KRUPSKI:**
So going forward, we should take a look at these contracts to make sure that we don't become liable for something that another body could do, and pass something that would increase the cost of a program beyond our control.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Legislator Barraga.

**LEG. BARRAGA:**
Just one question. Why are we specifically again giving them an additional 53,000? Did we commit ourselves to this money and somehow, as you did the budget, we did the budget, there were some overall cuts made to various organizations, including this one, but in this particular case, we're adding back 53,000 for them, as opposed to other groups who might have been cut who did not get money added back?

**D.P.O. CALARCO:**
So I can't necessarily speak for other agencies, but I know in this particular instance, yes, they received quite a bit of cuts, over 50,000, actually more than what's been restored, across their various programs.
LEG. BARRAGA:
That held true for other groups as well, too. I mean --

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Sure.

LEG. BARRAGA:
All right.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
So if another group comes --

LEG. BARRAGA:
What makes them so unique or special that they have to get an additional 50,000?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Well, this particular program, the reason I was willing to sponsor a resolution, they had signed a long-term contract with us that committed the County to providing -- to working with them to provide these programs at a certain price, that they were expecting that they were going to pay for it, and then we didn't uphold it. And I do think that's something we need to look at moving forward, not just for this agency, but across the board, any agency.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Is there a legal obligation on the part of the County, because we signed a contract, to come up with the money?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
I can't answer that.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Okay. Mr. Clerk, we have a motion and a second?

MR. RICHBERG:
Yes, we do.

P.O. GREGORY:
All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

LEG. BARRAGA:
Opposed.

LEG. CILMI:
Opposed for me, too.

LEG. TROTTA:
(Raised hand).

MR. RICHBERG:
Fifteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. **I.R. 1025 - A Local Law to enhance the County’s Tourism Promotion Program (Lindsay).** Motion by Legislator Lindsay. Do we have a second? I'll second. On the motion, anyone?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I did make some calls on this about the way the LICVB operates, and how it would affect overall promotion to the -- you know, the whole County. And I think -- I think I was satisfied with the people that I spoke to, that they thought this was, you know, a step forward, kind of revamping the LICVB, and I'm willing to support it and see how it goes.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Anyone else? Okay. We have a motion and a second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. **I.R. 1064 - To reappoint Lyn Boylan (phonetic) as a member of the Suffolk County Citizens Advisory Board for the Arts (Hahn).** I'm sorry, Boland?

LEG. HAHN:
Boland.

P.O. GREGORY:
Sorry.

LEG. HAHN:
That's okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Hahn. Second, I'll second it. On the motion, anyone? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
**I.R. 1092 - Resolution reappointing Robert Deluca to the Gabreski Airport Conservation and Assessment Committee (Co. Exec.).**

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.
P.O. GREGORY:
Who was that?

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Krupski. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1093 - Resolution reappointing Herman Beck to the Gabreski Airport Conservation and Assessment Committee (Co. Exec.).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1094 - Resolution reappointing Jason McMunn to the Gabreski Airport Conservation and Assessment Committee (Co. Exec.). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1097 - To reappoint Shadrack Boykee (phonetic) as a member of the Suffolk County Citizens --

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Boakye.

P.O. GREGORY:
Huh?

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Boakye.
P.O. GREGORY:
Boakye? All right. My English teacher is going to be mad at me. **Boakye as a member of the Suffolk County Citizens Advisory Board for the Arts (Martinez)**. Motion by Legislator Martinez, I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

(*The following testimony was taken by Alison Mahoney - Court Stenographer*)

**Education & Human Services**

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1104-16 - To appoint member of Suffolk County Youth Board Coordinating Council representing Legislative District No. 17(Susan F. Friedman)(County Executive). Motion by Legislator D’Amaro. Second by Legislator Stern?

LEG. TROTTA:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, no. Bipartisanship, Legislator Trotta wants to second the motion. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

**Education, Planning & Agriculture**

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, IR 1050-16 - Reappointing member to the Suffolk County Water Authority (Patrick G. Halpin)(Presiding Officer Gregory),

LEG. HAHN:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Hahn. I will -- second by Legislator Calarco. On the motion, Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Just, Mr. Presiding Officer, please note my recusal. I have filed the paperwork with the Clerk and with your office.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. On the motion, Legislator Fleming.
LEG. FLEMING:
I just wanted to note -- thank you, Presiding Officer Gregory. I just wanted to make a note with regard to the objections based on management. With regard to the Suffolk County Water Authority fees, my information is that our fees are almost half of what nationwide fees are. We have a sole source aquifer, we have excellent drinking water, thanks to a lot of hard work from advocates as well as the Water Authority management itself. But also with regard to Long Island itself, Suffolk County is paying less than half of what Nassau pays for water, and during the summertime they actually -- Nassau pays an extra dollar per thousand gallons that isn't assessed to Suffolk County residents. So I would -- I think -- while I applaud, you know, scrutiny with regard to management, I do certainly support reappointing Mr. Halpin, but I also think it might behoove us to take a look at the fee structures, first of all, just because we've got to pay for what we're doing and we have a precious aquifer that we need to be very vigilant about protecting. And secondly, we might be able to build in some incentives with regard to wasteful use of water and conservation practices that are used nationwide. And certainly in my district I can say we're guilty, you know, some of the larger homes, of not using conservation techniques that are available. So for those reasons, I think the fees should be looked at as favorable at this point, but I think there's even room to scrutinize them. But I do support the resolution. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, thank you. Anyone else on the motion? I, too, am a supporter of this reappointment. I think the Water Authority does an excellent job, the management as well as the workers. I just had some of the workers actually in my neighborhood over the weekend -- excuse me, over the last week, doing some work and they were out there for a few days, you know, diligently working hard.

You know, fortunately, because of the practices and some of the things that we've done, we don't have a flint here in Suffolk County because they're taking care of their infrastructure, they're doing the things that are proper and ensuring that we have the infrastructure so that we don't have those types of incidents happening here in Suffolk County. It's my hope that management and employees can come together and get a contract together so you won't see that kind of spill-out in this type of environment. But I certainly do commend the Administration for the efforts that they have done to protect our water which is very precious to us, and I'm a supporter of this reappointment. So without further ado, I will call the vote. We have a motion, a second.

MS. ELLIS:
I'm sorry. Who was the motion and the second?

P.O. GREGORY:
Hahn and Calarco. Okay. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Ms. Ellis - Chief Deputy Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Recused.
LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
No.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
No.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
No.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
No.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D’AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MS. ELLIS:
Eleven (Opposed: Legislators Browning, Muratore, Cilmi, Kennedy, Trotta & McCaffrey - Recused: Legislator Krupski).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.
All right, **IR 1067-16 - Making a SEQRA determination in connection with the proposed rehabilitation of Riverhead County Center's sewers, pumping station and force main, CP 8142, Towns of Riverhead and Southampton (Presiding Officer Gregory).**

**LEG. KRUPSKI:**
Motion.

**LEG. FLEMING:**
Motion.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Motion -- who was that? Legislator Krupski. Second by Legislator Fleming. On the motion, anyone? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MS. ELLIS:**
Eighteen.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
**IR 1068-16 - Making a SEQRA determination in connection with the proposed safety and security improvements to Suffolk County Sewer Districts, (CP 8103)(Presiding Officer Gregory).**

**LEG. STERN:**
Motion.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Motion by Krupski, second by Stern. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MS. ELLIS:**
Eighteen.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
**IR 1069-16 - Making a SEQRA determination in connection with the proposed chemical bulk storage facilities for Suffolk County Sewer Districts, (CP 8178)(Presiding Officer Gregory).**

**LEG. STERN:**
Motion.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Motion by Legislator Stern. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MS. ELLIS:**
Eighteen.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
**IR 1157-16 - Authorizing and directing an update to Agricultural Stewardship Program (Krupski).** Motion by Legislator Krupski.

**LEG. HAHN:**
Second.
P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

Government Operations, Personnel, Information Technology & Housing

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1121-16 - Amending the Suffolk County Classification and Salary plan in connection with a grade change for the Title of Director of Optical Imaging in the County Clerk’s Office (Presiding Officer Gregory).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:

MS. ELLIS:
Seventeen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1114 - Appropriating --

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

Health

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1114-16 - Appropriating funds for the purchase of equipment for groundwater monitoring and well drilling (CP 8226) and approving the purchase of a replacement vehicle in accordance with Section (B)(6) of the Suffolk County Code and in accordance with the County Vehicle Standard Law (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming. Second by Legislator Hahn. On the motion, Legislator Hahn.

LEG. HAHN:
Yeah, is there anyone from the Health Department here that can answer? Of course we want to do all we can to increase and improve and maintain groundwater monitoring and well drilling, but there were some questions that came up. Is Doc here? I know.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes, right here.
LEG. HAHN:
Oh, good. I didn't see you over there. I was going to ask you a question. Did you want to ask or do you want me to?

LEG. SPENCER:
No, go ahead.

LEG. HAHN:
Okay. So we just had a question about the Ford E-350 sampling van and its costs.

MR. DAWYDIAK:
Legislator Hahn, Walter Dawydiak, Director of Environmental Quality. Thank you for the opportunity to be here to speak to this resolution.

The overall cost estimate for this van was authorized by the County Executive and the Legislature at $80,000; we're asking for that appropriation today. This is a $45,000 van with a number of heavy duty upgrades and customizations to be able to be used for the well drilling program. Right now we have three sanitarians who routinely collect about a thousand samples a year, each of those needs their own customized van to collect those samples. This particular van is over 14-years old, it's at the end of its useful life, the other two vans are in good shape. So some of the upgrades on this include a heavy duty 4x4 upgrade package which was in excess of $10,000, a sine wave inverter and heavy duty alternator, that's a capability to produce AC current to run the equipment from a DC car battery; that upgrade is upwards of $10,000. There is some safety equipment, including a driver cage, electrical units, lighting units, about $4,000. A number of other safety features including amber strobe lights, front and rear, as well as backup camera and safety alarms; that's to the tune of $3,000.

So it's basically a $45,000 truck with $30,000 of customizations to be able to run the pumps, equipment and safety features needed to collect samples. The remainder of this is a minor contingency to provide for the extended warranty and that brings us to $80,000.

LEG. HAHN:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Spencer.

LEG. SPENCER:
You definitely addressed my concern, because I had saw -- you know, I had gone on and I built one and I put all the top features on it and it was 45,000, and I said, Well, why is this 80? So you answered it perfectly. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Okay. All right, so we have a motion, a second on IR 1114. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1114A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $195,000 Bonds to finance the acquisition of equipment for groundwater monitoring and well drilling (CP8226.529), same motion, same second. Roll call.
(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. FLEMING:  
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:  
(No response).

D.P.O. CALARCO:  
Kara? Kara.

LEG. HAHN:  
Yes. Sorry.

LEG. KRUPSKI:  
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:  
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:  
No.

LEG. ANKER:  
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:  
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:  
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:  
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:  
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:  
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:  
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:  
Yes.

LEG. STERN:  
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:  
Yes.
LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Opposed: Legislator Muratore & Trotta).

Parks & Recreation

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1045-16 - Authorizing the use of Smith Point County Park, Cathedral Pines County Park and Smith Point Marina by the Long Island 2 Day Walk to Fight Breast Cancer, Inc., for breast cancer walk in 2016 (Browning). Motion by Legislator Browning.

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Muratore. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1051-16 - Authorizing use of Southaven County Park for the Kara’s Hope 5K Run/Walk (Browning).

LEG. HAHN:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1053-16 - Authorizing use of Smith Point County Park property in 2016 by the Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library’s Family Literacy Project (Browning). Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Muratore. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1059-16 - Authorizing use of Indian Island County Park by Birthright of Peconic, Inc., for a fundraising walkathon (Krupski).

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Krupski. Second by Legislator Browning. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1060-16 - Authorizing use of Indian Island County Park by North Fork Environmental Council, Inc., for a 5k Earth Day walk/run fundraiser (Krupski). Motion by Legislator Krupski.

LEG. HAHN:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1066-16 - Authorizing use of Makamah Preserve in Northport by Northport Running Club (Spencer). Motion by Legislator Spencer.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Krupski. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1070-16 - Approving a License Agreement for Robyn Kuebler to reside at 178 Mill Pond Road, St. James (County Executive).

LEG. KENNEDY:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Kennedy. Second by Legislator Trotta. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1071-16 - To amend the User Fee Schedule for Suffolk County Parks (County Executive). Don't all jump at once.

LEG. HAHN:
Motion.

LEG. STERN:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Stern.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Could I get someone from Parks to explain some of the wording? Ah, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Good morning, Legislator.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Good morning. How are you?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Good. As you know, we amended the user fee back in 2016, but after we did that we went back, we wanted to make some administrative changes. So these aren't necessarily fee changes, they're more changes to the wording of the code. So do you have any specific questions?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I do. So it says "salt water night fishing resident, no outer beach permit"; so does that mean you're required to get a permit to fish in the salt water at night?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
That's correct. You need a salt water fishing permit to fish on our outer beaches. What we did, we've combined that with our fresh water permits as well so we could eliminate the Cordwood Landing site and we could eliminate Lake Ronkonkoma and we can incorporate it all into one site. So with that night fishing permit, you can fish at the parks that it's allowed now and they're listed on the back of the permit. So there's no changes to the fishing regulations per se.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
So the outer beach would be Long Island Sound, Peconic Bay?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
If it's permitted there now, it will continue to be permitted.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
But if it's a public park that's not, I don't know, regulated, you know, as far as no police or facilities or lifeguard or anything like that, how -- why would -- wouldn't it be open to the public regardless of
whether you're going to fish or whatever at night?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Well, we have certain parks that are open to the public and certain parks that are closed to the public. That's -- we have a list of where it's permissible, where it's not permissible.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
So -- I mean, how long have we been -- how long have you been charging for salt water -- and the way it reads, it's hard to understand whether it's -- what the change is. And I'm just wondering what the -- you know, what -- how long have you been charging for people to fish at night?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
For as long as I've -- for as long as I've been Commissioner and I was a Trustee for six years before that, so. This is not a new fee, we've always had a night fishing permit.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
On every salt water County park?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Again, where it's permissible. I don't have the list at the top of my head where it's permissible. You're allowed to night fish at Smith Point County Park, you're allowed to fish at -- I believe Cedar Beach is one of those locations.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
What about Orient Point?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
You need a permit -- you need a night fishing permit for Orient Point to fish in the evening. And what would happen, a formal Park Police or the park ranger would go out there. If they're out there at ten or eleven o'clock at night, they would ask the person who was out on the beach with their 4x4 -- actually, there's two things; you need a 4x4 or you can have an outer beach, or you could have a fishing permit, and they would check that.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Suppose they're not fishing?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
They need to be actively fishing. You can't just sit on the beach.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
You can't go and sit on the public beach?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
After ten o'clock, no, you can't.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I guess we need to look at that since it's public property. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, Legislator Browning.
LEG. BROWNING:
I'm just curious, with the permits and the fees. Have you tracked how many fines you've issued and how much you've raised in fines?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
In particular --

LEG. BROWNING:
-- for violations of the -- say somebody goes out on the beach, they don't have a permit; do you know what kind of fines we have? Have you taken --

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
No, I do not have that information readily available. I'm sure we can go back and ask the former Park Police or we can ask Dodd Amrhein if -- you know, how many summonses did they issue last year under these regulations, but I don't know.

LEG. BROWNING:
Okay. I think that would be a good thing to know. Because if we're going to have these permits and we're not enforcing it, why bother?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Well, we've had the permits for -- we've had the permits for years.

LEG. BROWNING:
Right, we've had it for years, but are we enforcing it? And if so, then can you provide us with that information?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Yes, we have been enforcing it. I can't provide you with that information right now, but I could get you the information.

LEG. BROWNING:
No, that's fine. I understand you don't have it now.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
And I do know that the former Park Police and the park rangers do patrol, you know, parks like Cupsogue, Smith Point County Park and the outer beaches for -- just for these permits.

LEG. BROWNING:
Okay. Well, if you can provide us with that, I'd appreciate it.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Sure.

P.O. GREGORY:
So Commissioner, there is one fee increase in there of a dollar for boat slips?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Yes, there is. What we -- we went from -- it used to be $5 a night for a transient boat slip, almost like one of our campgrounds. We wanted to make that the same equivalent to our camping reservation, so we bumped it up to the -- it should have been $13 because the reservation fee for campsites went from 12 to 13; when we made the adjustment for the transient boat slips we only went to 12, we really should have gone to 13 to keep them in sync.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. So do you have any idea what type of impact that has, fiscal impacts?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
On the marina slips? No. Like I said, we did go from $5 a day to $12 across the board. I don't have the number off the top of my head what that would be.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
But we feel that, you know, with the lower amount, we'll probably get more transient -- more people using our transient slips at that rate, so.

P.O. GREGORY:
What's a transient slip defined as; somebody who's just there for the night or they stay for the week or whatever? How does it --

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
They can make reservations anywhere from one night up to 14 days. We have two marinas where you can come in, Shinnecock East is one, Timber Point West is another marina where they can come in, they could pay the attendant or they can stay, or they could go through the reservation system and stay for anywhere from one night to fourteen days.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. And what's our rates compared to other towns with similar services?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
We compared the -- we compared the rates and we did the original fee, we compared --

P.O. GREGORY:
Uh-huh.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
You're talking about the per night rate?

P.O. GREGORY:
Yeah.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
We compared that and we were right smack in the middle. We were a little bit -- on the most part we were actually lower, to the best of my recollection.

P.O. GREGORY:
And this was the first time -- well, it was a thought in change in methodology how we define it from the -- you wanted to, you said, use the campsite fee as a basis?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Correct. People can go on our reservation system and make a nightly reservation. The campsites were 12 -- to make a reservation, whether it's for three nights or for seven nights, you pay the $12 reservation fee. What we were charging at the boat slips was $5 per night, so we wanted to make that equivalent across the board, put it into the reservation system as one reservation fee. And like I said, it was our -- we put in the $12 as opposed to 13.
P.O. GREGORY:
Do you have the same access to the amenities as the camp site if you're using the boats? I mean, restrooms and all that stuff?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Yes, at Shinnecock East there are restrooms. When they check in they get a code for the restroom area, they can use it, and there's water and electric at these sites as well.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right.

MR. NOLAN:
Legislator Browning has a question.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Browning?

LEG. BROWNING:
Can you explain the fire circle? I mean, (laughter), we're kind of looking at $3 per person.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
We've always charged that for a group rate. If somebody comes in to one of our group areas, we were charging -- we know how many people -- when they apply for the permit, we know how many people are going to be in a site. We were always charging $3 per person, but the code never said that, the code just said fire circle, so you could --

LEG. BROWNING:
Okay. So I'm a camper and I bring my camper in and there's a fire pit by my camper.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
These are for the group sites.

LEG. BROWNING:
Oh, these are groups sites.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Right.

LEG. BROWNING:
Okay, because I'm trying to figure out how you pay for that. Okay. And the auditorium, activity building, is that -- that's Cathedral Pines?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Cathedral Pines right now -- right now Cathedral Pines I think we charge $275 for the building as a whole. The building is actually broken down to four separate areas, it's got four refrigerators, four ovens, four stoves and whatnot.

LEG. BROWNING:
Right.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
So some groups don't want to use the entire building. So we have always been charging them, if they want to use half the building or a quarter of the building, we were charging them that, we were
just halving or quartering the price. But we really wanted it codified so that we could --

LEG. BROWNING:
Yeah. I mean, I've been there myself. My son's Boy Scout Troop, we used to go there and, you know, we never used the whole room, there was other people who could use the room.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Exactly.

LEG. BROWNING:
So now you're going to have to pay one fee for the entire place?
I'm sorry, I'm not hearing everything you're saying.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
No, I'm sorry. If you -- say there's two scout groups in there at one time. What we would do is we'd break the building down in half and we would charge each group the half rate as opposed to what the code says now, we'd have to charge you the entire fee. So we wanted to make -- and we have been doing that, in truth, over the last couple of years. We just want to codify it.

LEG. BROWNING:
So if there's one troop and no one else and they say, We're not going to use all the stoves, all the fridges, they're only going to pay half the price.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
That's correct.

LEG. BROWNING:
Okay. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
So I'll go back to what Legislator Browning was going with with the Boy Scouts. So if they're having a jamboree and there's a lot of Boy Scouts there, they're going to -- and they're going to have, you know, a camp fire -- and they should be teaching fire safety, that's important -- they're going to be charged $3 per person?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Well, each site has -- I don't know what they are off the top of my head. Each site has got a maximum number of people that can be in it. So yes, they charge per person. Again, that's the way we have been doing it, but it's unclear in the code, it just says fire circle, so we wanted to let --

LEG. BROWNING:
Not to exceed a certain number of people.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yeah. I mean, if they're having a -- I mean, if it's a -- it's kind of hard. I don't know how you -- how do you administer that? You know, they're there on a Saturday night; is there someone counting the heads from the Parks Department? I mean, there's a hundred Boy Scouts.
COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
We can say the same thing for our group picnics. We have employees there, they kind of eyeball it up. And you're right, we don't go out there with a clicker, right, and check it. We rely on the applications that are filed. And like I said, we do have staff that goes out there and checks. But you're right, there's no way we can go out there at an individual picnic and count the number of people that are there or, for that matter, for a special event. Our fees are based on the number of participants; we do that for special ed permits, for picnics, for group permits.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
What was the fire circle charge before this?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
It was $2 per person, when we did the fee increase it went to $3 a person. So that has not -- we're not looking to change the fee, we're only looking to codify that we're charging it per person.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
So when you said it was $2 and now it's three, there's no change in fee.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
This particular bill we're not looking to change the fee, we're looking to codify. We made that fee increase last year, from 2015 to 2016. We increased all the fees 10% -- well, between eight and 11% across the board when we did the fee increases, we voted on that last year.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Shouldn't it say like "not to exceed", I mean, if you had a big group like the Boy Scouts? You had, you know, a jamboree or something and, you know, they had a hundred kids, 150 kids there or something.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
I mean, I --

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I can't imagine that's the intent. I'm not sure what the intent is for a fire circle. But, I mean, if you're paying to use the park already --

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
It's an amenity within the park. It's similar to when we issue permits for a group picnic, we also have a fee, an extra $100 fee for the use of the pavilion area, if they want to use the overhang.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
That's kind of different because then you're using part of the infrastructure of the park.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Right.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Where the fire, I'm not sure if that's really infrastructure.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Well, there's a fire pit, it's a circular -- I mean, it's a structure that they're using.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Any possibility of having a flat rate for it; you know, capped out at 25 or $50 or something like that?
COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
I guess we could look at that. I mean, I could get you some information on how much we charged, how much we made on that fee and come back here and that would just require another amendment to the current code. So if you'd like me to look at that, we certainly can.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
You're welcome.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Fleming.

LEG. FLEMING:
Good morning, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Good morning.

LEG. FLEMING:
There's been a lot of good discussion. I just want to -- I'm new here, I just want to make sure I understand. This does not include any increases in any fees, does it?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Well, there's the one increase in the marina transient slips, we went from -- because we're asking you to increase that fee from 12 to $13 because we missed it in the first. So we're not looking to increase any fees here with the exception of that one, we're looking to codify some things that we're doing anyway, and we just want to get them into the code, so.

LEG. FLEMING:
The discussion here about the campsites; is there any increase in the fees?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
There's no increase in the fees on the campsites, no. We did -- and truth be told, we did increase those fees last year, but now we're just looking to go back and make some changes to the verbiage in the bill.

LEG. FLEMING:
And could you just repeat what you said? I didn't hear what you said that the one fee increase is.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Last year we went -- our transient boat slips, we were charging a per night reservation fee. Our campgrounds we charge per reservation. So what we did in the old code, we changed it to -- we went -- in the reservation fee for campgrounds we went from 12 to $13 last year. When we went to make the change on the marina slips from five -- we should have gone from five to 13, we went from five to 12. So we really just want to make that so it's consistent across the board, so that the boats are paying the same amount as the campgrounds are.

LEG. FLEMING:
Are these fees based on the administrative costs of maintaining the parks?
COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
They're based on a number of things. You know, it's a revenue stream, obviously all the money goes into the General Fund and the Parks Department is funded through the General Fund. So, I mean, we have 14 pages of fees in our fee structure and they're based on a number of things.

LEG. FLEMING:
Thank you.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
You're welcome.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Lindsay.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Good morning, Commissioner Dawson.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Good morning.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Just for clarity on the boat reservation fees. Is the fee per night or is it just to make a reservation and then they charge per foot?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
It's to make a reservation. Last year it was per night, it was a $5 a night per -- so if somebody came in and they wanted to make a reservation for a week, it was a $35 reservation fee. Now it's -- now we put it into the reservation system, it's $12 whether you're reserving one night or you're reserving several nights.

LEG. LINDSAY:
And what's the cost per foot; is that how it's charged per day?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
No. Our seasonal slips where you rent them seasonally is $66 a foot for boats over 20 feet. I think it's -- I don't know what it was for boats under 20.

LEG. LINDSAY:
But what about for transient slips?

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
If you give me a second, I can tell you what they are.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Sure.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
For a resident for a weekday it's $48 a night and for weekends it's $54 a night for a resident.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Okay. Thank you.
COMMISSIONER DAWSON: You're welcome.

P.O. GREGORY: Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY: Thank you. Good morning, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON: Good morning, Legislator.

LEG. KENNEDY: We discussed this already. I just want to point out, there are also reductions, the reductions in the show-mobile cost. There is the ability, with renting the building, to rent a quarter, a half --

COMMISSIONER DAWSON: That's correct.

LEG. KENNEDY: -- three-quarters in there.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON: That's right.

LEG. KENNEDY: I will vote for this, but I do want an amendment for the Scouts, both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, or a not to exceed to come from this bill.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON: As I explained to Legislator Krupski, we can certainly look at that and let you know what the finance -- I mean, it's obviously your vote, but you're going to have to look at the financial implications of it, so we'll get you that information so you can make a --

LEG. KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER DAWSON: You're welcome.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. Anyone else? Okay, we have a motion and a second; right, Mr. Clerk.

MR. RICHBERG: Yes, we do.

P.O. GREGORY: All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

LEG. CILMI: Opposed.
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MR. RICHBERG:
Fourteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore, Cilmi, McCaffrey & Trotta).

COMMISSIONER DAWSON:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. IR 1072-16 - Authorizing use of Blydenburgh County Park by the New York Blood Center, Inc. For its Hike for Life Fundraiser (County Executive).

LEG. KENNEDY:
Motion.

LEG. CILMI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Kennedy. Second by Legislator Cilmi. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1073-16 - Authorizing use of Blydenburgh County Park by the Care Center for its Annual Walkathon Fundraiser (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
1079-16 - Approving a License Agreement for Timothy Benson to reside at 5334 Sound Avenue, Riverhead (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Krupski. Second by -- I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1082-16 - Authorizing use of Sears Bellows County Park and the County-owned portion of the Paumanok Trail by Jayasports for its Paumanok Pursuit fundraiser (County Executive).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Calarco. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:

IR 1126-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with modifications for compliance with ADA at Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum (CP 7450) (Spencer).

LEG. SPENCER:
Motion.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:

LEG. KRUPSKI:
These -- so ADA compliance, I mean, that's serious. It's got to comply with the State law. Are these standards -- I mean, it's a liability, it's a Suffolk County facility. Are these standards -- how close are we to meeting these standards and why haven't they been met? Why does this come up today? We've owned the museum for a long time. So why do we have -- why do we have to borrow $130,000 today to meet these standards?

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, why don't we call up Lance Reinheimer.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

MR. REINHEIMER:
That's an excellent question. You know, as we all know, building codes change, ADA codes change. The museum, many of these buildings are approaching a hundred years old. This is a continuous program. If we were to build the museum today, we'd have elevators to the second floor; we have no elevators. So we're making modifications to the buildings on an ongoing basis, as we can, as funds permit. It's a -- and that's why some of the things I highlighted during the past year. We had no ADA compliant restroom in the planetarium; we have 60, 70,000 people going through there. In order to make the existing restrooms ADA compliant, we'd have to bump out the building, it was a big project. So we comprised, we built a family, ADA compliant restroom, so that anybody that needs a larger facility that can accommodate a wheel chair where it has to turn 360 degrees, they use that restroom; we have a key, we give them the key.

The restrooms in the parking lot are very old. They were nowhere near ADA compliant. We had to reconfigure within the existing space. I think we reduced the number of stalls because in order to put an ADA compliant stall in the restroom, you have to have it so that the wheelchair can turn 360 degrees. The restrooms that we built in the planetarium were reconfigured many years ago to meet ADA compliance; they had the railings and stuff. ADA compliance changes, and those restrooms are no longer compliant. So it's an ongoing process.

The doors, the front doors to the planetarium, which part of these funds would cover, are 43 years old. They're not automatic, perhaps they're not wide enough, so they don't meet ADA compliance. So it's -- we put on new doors on the Marine Museum and on the Stoll Wing that are ADA compliant. The Marine Museum was first built in 1922. So it's an ongoing process. This is an ongoing Capital Program that we've had for many years in the planetarium -- excuse me, in the museum, and we continue to work towards doing the best we can to make the museum open to all our residents.
And then the other piece of this is the trams. Years ago trams were purchased under this project. They're no longer around, they aged out. And one was, you know, destroyed in a building collapse, the other one just aged out and we used the parts for those to keep the third one running. So we have one tram for 100,000 visitors, and that tram, I'm doing the best I can to keep that running. So it's a legitimate question, but it's an ongoing -- I won't say battle, but it's just ongoing to take an historic building and try to do the best we can for ADA compliant. And this by no means makes everything ADA compliant. People that are -- have limited mobility have no access to get to the second floor of the mansion. We have no elevator, and there's no intent to put one. But those that wish to see a guided tour of the private residence, we have a very good video that they can sit and watch. So we make things, you know, as best we can to comply with the law given what we're dealing with these historic buildings.

We have ten major buildings on the property.

LEGG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Anyone else?

MR. REINHEIMER:
Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Okay, we have a motion, a second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, IR 1126A Bond Resolution, (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $130,000 in Bonds to finance the cost of modifications for compliance with the Americans with disabilities act at Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum (CP 7450.315 and .511), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.
LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTO:
Yes.*

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (*Amended Vote: Sixteen - Opposed: Legislators Muratore & Trotta).

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1143-16 - Authorizing use of Smith Point Park property by Getco Company, between the Ports and Event Power, Long Island, for a Triathlon (Browning). Motion by Legislator Browning. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

Public Safety

P.O. GREGORY:
LEG. BROWNING:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1108-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with the purchase of communications equipment for Sheriff’s Office (CP 3060)(County Executive).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Calarco.

LEG. BROWNING:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Browning. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1108A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $100,000 Bonds to finance the acquisition of communications equipment for the Sheriff’s Office (CP 3060.515), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.
LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore & Trotta).

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1109-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with the Replacement of the Jail Time and Accrual System (CP 3065)(County Executive).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning.
D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco.

LEG. BROWNING:
Cosponsor.

P.O. GREGORY:
On the motion? I'm sorry. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1109A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $20,000 Bonds to finance planning costs associated with the replacement of jail time and accrual system. (CP 3065.110), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes. Cosponsor.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.
LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. MCCAFFREY:
No.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D’AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Fifteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore, Trotta & McCaffrey).

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1110-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with the purchase of Heavy Duty Equipment for the Sheriff’s Office (CP 3047)(County Executive).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1110A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $135,000 Bonds to finance the cost of acquisition of a heavy duty vehicle for use by the Sheriff’s Office. (CP 3047.519), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore & Trotta).
P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1119-16 - Accepting and appropriating a grant providing 50% support, in the amount of $150,000, from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, and amending the 2016 Capital Budget and Program in connection with the purchase of Livescan Equipment Replacement(CP 3508) (County Executive).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning.

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Muratore. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1119A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $300,000 Bonds to finance the acquisition of livescan equipment replacement for the Sheriff’s Office.(CP 3508.511), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.
LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D’AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Opposed: Legislator Trotta).

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1127-16 - Approving the appointment of Frank Bonventre as a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

LEG. HAHN:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1128-16 - Approving the appointment of John Coughlin as a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Second.

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. BROWNING:
Oh, Kevin got it? Okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator McCaffrey. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1129-16 - Approving the appointment of Jay Egan as a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. MURATORE:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Muratore. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1130-16 - Approving the re-appointment of Nicholas Luparella III as a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. HAHN:
Motion.

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

LEG. HAHN:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1131-16 - Approving the re-appointment of Norman Reilly, Jr. As a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Krupski. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1132-16 - Approving the re-appointment of Drew Silverman as a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive). Do I have a motion?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Calarco. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1133-16 - Approving the re-appointment of Edward Tully, Jr. As a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Motion.

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Martinez. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1134-16 - Approving the appointment of Gerard Turza, Jr. As a member of the Suffolk County Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Commission (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion. And I'd like to cosponsor, and inform the Clerk. Thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming. Second by Legislator Krupski. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1077-16 - Authorizing execution of an amended agreement by the Administrative Head of Suffolk County Sewer District No. 22 – Hauppauge Municipal and Bar Louie (SM-1696)(County Executive). Who's this; is this you, Tom?

LEG. CILMI:
Um...I'm not sure if it's me or not, but motion.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Probably Trotta.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, motion by Legislator Cilmi. Second by Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
It's not mine.

P.O. GREGORY:
Not yours? I'll take it. All right, I'll second the motion. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1078-16 - Authorizing execution of an agreement by the Administrative Head of SCSD No. 11 – Selden with 1671 Route 112 - Coram – Retail (BR-1664)(County Executive).

Motion by Legislator Muratore. Second by Legislator Hahn. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Ir 1102-16 - Authorizing the County Executive to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Babylon for installation and maintenance of pavers and streetscape improvements within Suffolk County’s Right-of-Way along CR 2, Straight Path from the vicinity of Mount Avenue to the vicinity of Washington Avenue (County Executive).

I will make the motion.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator D'Amaro. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1107-16 - Accepting New York State Marchiselli funding; amending Resolution No. 1262-2010 in connection with the replacement of CR 16, Horseblock Road over the LIRR bridge, Town of Brookhaven (CP 5850) (County Executive).  Motion by Legislator Muratore.  Second by Legislator Cilmi.  All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1135-16 - Accepting and appropriating 100% New York State Department of Transportation Accelerated Transit Capital (ATC) Funds for the purchase of public paratransit vehicles and amending the 2016 Capital Budget and Program (CP 5658) (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming.  Second by Legislator Kennedy.  All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
1136-16 - Accepting and appropriating Federal and State Aid and County funds for the purchase of Public Paratransit Vehicles (CP 5658)(County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming.  Second by Legislator Krupski.  All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1136, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $139,830 Bonds to finance a portion of the cost of acquisition of Public Paratransit Vehicles (CP 5658.553), same motion, same second.  Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Ms. Ellis - Chief Deputy Clerk of the Legislature*)

MS. ELLIS:
Legislator Fleming?

LEG. FLEMING:
(No response).

P.O. GREGORY:
Bridget?
LEG. FLEMING:
I'm sorry. Right, yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.
MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1112-16 - Approving the reappointment of Michael Daly as a member of the Suffolk County Electrical Licensing Board (Anker).

LEG. ANKER:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Anker. Second by Legislator Muratore. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1005-16 - Establishing a committee to maximize use of County property in Yaphank (Browning).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

LEG. HAHN:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Browning. Second by Legislator Anker -- sorry, Hahn. Okay. So we have a motion, we have a second. Anyone on the motion?

LEG. FLEMING:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
On the motion, Legislator Fleming.

LEG. FLEMING:
I just want to note briefly. I appreciate Legislator Browning's efforts in this regard to really take a hard look at how we are using County property, particularly with regard to renewable energy. I know from my town work that it's really hard to get people to buy into large scale solar, and there are a lot of obstacles, you know, any time you try to do large scale solar. But we have to move towards renewable energy on Long Island, we're an Island and we just can't escape that eventuality.

So I do applaud the Administration's efforts to move aggressively in terms of the installation of long-term solar -- large scale solar, and I appreciate Legislator Browning's adjustment to the original legislation so that the Solar City contract can move parallel. And I do note that there's a specific timeline in this committee. I'll be serving on the committee, I'm happy to say, but there's a specific timeline in the committee established for the committee's work. And I do understand that once that timeline expires, we the Legislature will be free to make final authorization on contracts involving that property and to move forward. So I think it's a great win/win and I look forward to working on the committee. Thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I'd like to thank Legislator Browning for adjusting her original committee to include Cornell Cooperative Extension. They manage the County Farm there which is a good portion of the acreage, and they're an appropriate committee member. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Stern.

LEG. STERN:
Yeah, let me also applaud Legislator Browning on the effort. I want to be supportive. Let me just follow up briefly on Legislator Fleming's point and maybe, through the Chair, to Counsel.

Just to be clear, for the record, my understanding here is that, as Legislator Fleming's points out, these are two tracks that are going to proceed simultaneously. And that my understanding is that at the expiration of the time for the committee to do its work, any project would have to come back before this Legislature for consideration and approval. And I just wanted all of us, myself and my colleagues, to be clear that at the expiration of the time period that the committee is to be doing its work, that any proposed project can be put in front of this Legislature for consideration and it would be eligible for a vote. How the Legislature chooses to proceed we'll have to see, but from a procedural standpoint, I just wanted to be clear that in the event, in the unlikely event that the committee does not complete its task, that that would not be an impediment to this Legislature's ability to at least consider what's placed before us.

MR. NOLAN:
Correct. The resolution gives the committee 180-days to prepare their report and submit it to the Legislature and the County Executive, and the resolution states that no project is going to receive a final approval until 30-days after that six-month period is run. But in the unlikely scenario where the committee fails for some reason, whatever reason, not to submit a report, then, you know, a resolution could come in for projects at Yaphank and the Legislature could act and that resolution would simply supercede the provisions herein and you can take an up or down vote. So this will not prevent the Legislature from acting in that scenario.

LEG. STERN:
Okay, thank you. That being the case, I'll look forward to supporting Legislator Browning's resolution.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator D'Amaro.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes, through the Chair, to follow-up on a slightly different point to Counsel. George, the -- I just want to confirm on the record that if the report is issued and it's issued timely, that the conclusions or the recommendations that are made are advisory only and don't bind the County or the Legislature?

MR. NOLAN:
Correct.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Okay. All right, thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Great. And I think it's been adequately and appropriately pointed out that, you know, both projects, the project will be able to move forward as the group comes together and proceeds to have their input in their local community. I think that's important that there is local input while the project moves forward and that the project's not stymied for six months. And I certainly look forward to the recommendations and input of the local community, as I think is always appropriate and important, and I look forward to finding out what the end product is in 180-days. So we have a motion, a second. Anyone else on the motion? No? All right, Legislator Hahn.

LEG. HAHN:
Okay. When we're talking about the project moving forward, you mean planning.

P.O. GREGORY:
Planning, yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Because I think there's still some concern over a number of trees that were -- you know, so hopefully we're still talking -- okay, good. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, we have a motion, a second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, IR 1101-16 - Authorizing the transfer of certain properties to the Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning, Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management (the Northern part of which having been assigned the Suffolk County Tax Map Identification Number of District 0200 Section 140.00 Block 04.00 Lot 030.000)(County Executive). Okay, this motion has to be tabled for a resolution. Legislator Anker will make a motion to table. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1120-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with the Upgrading of the Court Minutes Application (CP 1681)(Presiding Officer Gregory).

LEG. STERN:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Stern. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1120A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $75,000 Bonds to finance planning costs associated with upgrading of the court minutes application used by the County Clerk’s Office (CP 1681.113), same motion,
same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Ms. Ellis - Chief Deputy Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
No.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
No.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.
LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MS. ELLIS:
Fourteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore, Cilmi, Trotta & McCaffrey).

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1124-16 - Authorizing the County Clerk to file an application for additional State Mortgage Tax reimbursement (Presiding Officer Gregory). I'll make a motion to approve.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Mura -- second by Legislator Kennedy, right? Okay. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1125-16 - Appropriating funds in connection with the Optical Disk Imaging System (CP 1751)(Presiding Officer Gregory).

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
I'll make a motion. Second by Legislator Stern. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1125A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $75,000 Bonds to finance planning costs associated with the optical disk imaging system used by the County Clerk’s Office (CP 1751.115), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Ms. Ellis - Chief Deputy Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. BROWNING:
Yes.

LEG. STERN:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.
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LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. D'AMARO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MS. ELLIS:
Sixteen (Opposed: Legislators Muratore & Trotta).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, IR 1147-16 - Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County Law to Jay Schmitt (Spencer). Motion by Legislator Spencer. Second by Legislator Stern. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
IR 1152-16 - Authorizing agreement with Pasquale Vitagliano for the sale of a portion of a
tax deed parcel identified as (SCTM No. 0500-441.00-01.00-058.004) pursuant To § 215(8) of the New York County Law (Barraga).

LEG. BARRAGA:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Barraga. Second by Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
On the motion?

P.O. GREGORY:
On the motion, Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
This is -- the description I got was that so an individual could build a dock. Most of the docks that are built are over public land, whether it's town-owned or County or State-owned underwater land. So why would we deed away underwater land to a private individual? I mean, I'm not familiar with the site, maybe it's appropriate here, but there was really no explanation as to the location or, you know, the use. Build a dock; is it for residential, for commercial?

LEG. BARRAGA:
In this particular case it's an underwater parcel, it's part of a residential home. The County currently owns the property, it's a small piece. I think, from what I understand, there was already some sort of a structure on it. In this case, the homeowner has all the approvals from DEC and everyone else, including the town. This is a required shift in basically the ownership. It has a value of something like $1,800, from what I understand the appraisal was. Am I right, George?

MR. NOLAN:
That's my understanding, I don't think the town will let them go forward unless this happens.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Yeah.

MR. NOLAN:
And this went through, I believe, it was reviewed in Real Estate and, you know, that's how I understand it.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Is this -- in the area, is that normal for the County to own underwater land there, or is this kind of an odd artifact or some sort of development in the past?

MR. NOLAN:
They made it sound like this is unusual for the County to have ownership in this, to these underwater lands and a canal in a development. So it is unusual.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
It's a dug canal?

MR. NOLAN:
I'm not sure. You know, I know it's used for boating, it's navigable.

LEG. BARRAGA:
There is some sort of a dock already there, I understand.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Uh-huh.

LEG. BARRAGA:
And this is just rebuilding it. But now in this particular case he could lay claim to the ownership of the property, the underwater parcel below the dock.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Okay we have a motion, a second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. If you look in the red folder, CN folder, there's several resolutions.

Certificates of Necessity

IR 1237-16 - Amending the 2016 Capital Budget and Program and appropriating funds in connection with decommissioning and demolition of County facilities (CP 1665)(County Executive). I make a motion to approve.

LEG. CILMI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Seconded by Legislator Cilmi. On the motion?

LEG. KENNEDY:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Who was that? On the motion, Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Is there anyone here from DPW?

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.
LEG. KENNEDY:
Hello, Commissioner. How are you today?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Good morning.

LEG. KENNEDY:
What are we demolishing and decommissioning, which building?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Okay. 361 Eastern Parkway in Farmingdale is a lot that actually straddles the Nassau and Suffolk border. It was a parcel that was picked up, I guess, for lack of taxes. During one of the snow storms last month, the portion on Nassau County's side collapsed into the railroad. So the Town of Oyster Bay hired a contractor to come in and remove that portion of the building, and in doing so they compromised the portion of the building that's actually on the County's side. So we were called in to look at the building, we went in, assessed it, found the building actually had asbestos in it, got a price to abate the asbestos and the material for the building. It's a small portion of the building, it's probably like one-third of the overall original size of the building, but we've got to remove it because right now it's -- well, there's two things. It has to be removed because it's unstable and it could come down during a storm. Currently, right now we're moving on parallel tracks. Economic Development had bid out the property to be sold right before the collapse, they are in contact and in discussions with the current person that's interested in purchasing that land, but the concern is it could take three to four weeks before that actually happens. And until then, we asked for the CN to move the funding into this line, because if they don't reach an agreed fee or it doesn't work out, we're going to have to take the building down. Right now it's unstable and we're kind of pushing our luck in leaving it where it is.

LEG. KENNEDY:
So the building --

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Correct.

LEG. KENNEDY:
-- is partially in Nassau and partially in Suffolk?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
It originally straddled the line.

LEG. KENNEDY:
So Nassau's part of the building didn't have asbestos, or they didn't notice it and we noticed it?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I can't say what they did, I just know that they removed their building, their portion of the building. And in doing so, there was a two-story building and the second floor right now is compromised and is -- we are concerned that it's going to fall.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Will we be seeking any kind of restitution for this?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yes, I believe a claim is being filed.
LEG. KENNEDY:
And it's impending that it be done immediately, that the remediation be done immediately.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yes. Well, as I said, we're working on parallel tracks. If we can sell the land and the building to the person who is interested in -- who was originally interested in buying the land before the parcel next door collapsed, we would like to do so to save the County that money. But we're asking for the funds to be put into this Capital Program, transfer it from the other project, in case it doesn't work out, or God forbid if the thing actually collapses.

LEG. KENNEDY:
But we're taking from another project or we're bonding for this?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don't --

MS. HORST:
It's an offset.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yeah, it is, it's an offset. It would eventually be bonded, but it is an offset.

LEG. KENNEDY:
If it doesn't have to be done immediately and we're waiting for the sale, do we have any idea how long this sale is going to be? The person is interested; are they only interested in it if the building is removed at this point?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
No. Our discussion -- well, not our discussion, but from what I've been advised, the discussion with the hopefully future purchaser is lock, stock and barrel, take the whole thing. And I'm assuming the price for the demolition and the abatement is all included in whatever is worked out. However, that could take two to three weeks before we even get, I guess, a signed contract. So in doing so, the concern is if he just -- if he says or that person says no, they don't want the building, we're still stuck with a building that's ready to collapse, and we're just asking for the funds to be transferred over at this time in case we need it. We would anticipate that, you know, if it's not going to be used for this, there may be something else that comes up, but we would have -- you know, again, we don't have funding in the line right now to handle this immediate need. We need 430,000, roughly, to do the work, to demolish the building and abate the asbestos.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Okay, we need 430,000, but this says 500.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
There is other -- yeah, there was another project that was included in this and I don't have that information. We are looking to do some other stuff. I can get that. I think it's -- I can't remember what the other -- the additional funds were for. But right now we're saying for that particular building it was 430,000.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Could you get us what the other project is?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yeah.
LEG. KENNEDY:
All right.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
You want it now?

LEG. KENNEDY:
(Nodded head yes).

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
How much are we selling the building for?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don’t know.

LEG. TROTTA:
The property.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don’t know.

LEG. TROTTA:
That would be a very important question. How much of it was torn down; half of it?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
About two-thirds of it was torn down.

LEG. TROTTA:
Already.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
So it's --

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Everything on the Nassau County line was taken down and they encroached a little bit on ours.

LEG. TROTTA:
And we own the whole thing, or Nassau owns the other half?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yeah. There's actually two separate -- the parcel -- when I went to, I guess, the Counties, Nassau County’s was sold to somebody and then ours was in the process of being sold.

LEG. TROTTA:
To the same person.
COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
To a different person. It worked out -- we put it out to bid, the guy who owns the Nassau side did put in a bid, but he was underbid by another gentleman.

LEG. TROTTA:
How much land is this?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don’t have that information.

LEG. TROTTA:
How big is the building? Was the building?

MS. HORST:
We're getting it.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Okay. We're getting that.

LEG. TROTTA:
You know, it's like digging up three tanks for $750,000, you know, $500,000. I'd like to know what they paid to tear down two-thirds of the building.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Okay. I mean, I'll have to get that for you.

SIRI: I'm not sure what you said.

(*Laughter*)

P.O. GREGORY:
Are you done, Rob?

LEG. TROTTA:
No, I'm waiting for answers to the questions.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, so we'll pass over this for now, and we have one more.

We'll skip to IR 1238-16 - Honoring an American Hero, Staff Sgt. Louis M. Bonacasa, by renaming a portion of County Road 21, Rocky Point - Yaphank Road, as well as the intersection of County Road 21 with New York State 25, Middle Country Road (County Executive).

LEG. ANKER:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Anker.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Second.
P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Lindsay. On the motion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Spencer).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Commissioner, if you need more time, we can break for lunch now and come back after the Public Hearings, that will give you some time to get the appropriate response.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Yeah, I'd have to come back for Public Hearings anyway, so.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, so what we'll do is we will recess for lunch now and we will see everyone back at 2:30.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Thank you.

(*The meeting was recessed at 12:06 P.M.*)

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(*The meeting was reconvened at 2:29 P.M.*)

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Mr. Clerk, can you do the roll call?

MR. RICHBERG:
Good afternoon.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Here.

LEG. FLEMING:
Here.

LEG. BROWNING:
Here.

LEG. MURATORE:
Here.

LEG. HAHN:
Present.

LEG. ANKER:
Here.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Here.
LEG. MARTINEZ:
Here.

LEG. CILMI:
(Not Present).

LEG. BARRAGA:
Here.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Here.

LEG. TROTTA:
Here.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
(Not Present).

LEG. STERN:
(Not Present).

LEG. D’AMARO:
Here.

LEG. SPENCER:
Here.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Present.

P.O. GREGORY:
Here.

LEG. STERN:
Here.

MR. RICHBERG:

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.

**Public Hearings**

Okay. We have several Public Hearings, the first being *Procedural Motion No. 3-2016 - Authorizing public hearing for renewal of Ferry License and Fares of Tony’s Freight Service, Inc (Presiding Officer Gregory).* I do have one card for Barbara Weltsek.

MS. WELTSEK:
Good afternoon --

P.O. GREGORY:
Make sure your microphone is on. We can't hear you, Ma'am.
MS. WELTSEK:
Good afternoon. I'm Barbara Weltsek, I'm the Attorney and General Counsel of Tony's Freight. I'm only here in the event that the Legislature has any questions regarding the petition.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone have any questions for Ms. Weltsek? Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
You came all the way here.

(*Laughter*)

I might as well ask you. What is this in reference to? I didn't --

MS. WELTSEK:
Tony's Freight Service does freight and barge service between Fire Island and Sayville. We've been in business for 60 years, we do the refuse removal and general freight between the communities, and we need to renew every year -- every five years, rather -- our license to do so.

LEG. TROTTA:
You don't do Ocean Beach and Bay Shore.

MS. WELTSEK:
Yes, we do. We have the ability to do it.

LEG. TROTTA:
What does that mean?

MS. WELTSEK:
We don't necessarily have contracts or we necessarily have business with those communities, but our license generally covers all of them in the event we are called upon to do work.

LEG. TROTTA:
It's freight going both ways?

MS. WELTSEK:
Yes, sir.

LEG. TROTTA:
And like building materials and things like that?

MS. WELTSEK:
Yes, sir.

LEG. TROTTA:
And for some reason we have say over that, I guess?

MS. WELTSEK:
The license is totally under 1the Suffolk County Legislature's jurisdiction and it's renewable every five years. We've been doing this for about 60 years.

LEG. TROTTA:
Just 60?
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**MS. WELTSEK:**
Just 60.

**LEG. TROTTA:**
All right, thank you.

**MS. WELTSEK:**
Thank you, sir. Anyone else?

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Okay. Anyone else? Okay. All right, thank you, Ms. Weltsek.

**MS. WELTSEK:**
Thank you, sir.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
That's the only card that I have. Is there anyone else that would like to speak on this public hearing? Please come forward. Okay, seeing none, I will make a motion to close Procedural Motion No. 3.

**LEG. BARRAGA:**
Second.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Second by Legislator Barraga. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MR. RICHBERG:**
Fifteen. Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Lindsay & Cilmi).

**P.O. GREGORY:**
/Public Hearing on/) IR 1000-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to increase awareness of dry cleaning chemical use (Hahn). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Is there anyone that would like to speak on this matter? Please come forward. Okay, Legislator Hahn?

**LEG. HAHN:**
I would like to recess one more cycle.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Motion to recess by Legislator Hahn. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

**MR. RICHBERG:**
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

**P.O. GREGORY:**
/Public Hearing on/) IR 1006-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to update and strengthen the hotel and motel tax statute (Lindsay). I don't have any cards for this public hearing as well. Is there anyone that would like to speak on this matter? Please come forward. Okay. What say you, Legislator Lindsay?

**LEG. LINDSAY:**
I would like to close the hearing, please.
P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close IR 1006. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
/Public Hearing on) IR 1020-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to ban the sale of formaldehyde for use in holding tanks (Spencer). I don't have any cards on this public hearing as well. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay, Legislator Spencer?

LEG. SPENCER:
Motion to recess.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to recess IR 1020.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Krupski. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
/Public Hearing on) IR 1026-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to amend Resolution No. 1123-2015 and improve Alarm System Registration Requirements (Browning). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay, Legislator Browning?

LEG. BROWNING:
Motion to close.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close by Legislator Browning. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
/Public Hearing on) IR 1027-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to clarify affordable housing requirements at developments connecting to a County sewer district (Calarco). I don't have any cards on this public hearing. Is there anyone that would like to speak on this public hearing? Please come forward. Okay, Legislator Calarco?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion to recess.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to recess by Legislator Calarco. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1095-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to waive contract agency requirement in 2016 (Presiding Officer Gregory). I don't have any cards on this matter. Please come forward if you would like to speak on it. Okay. I will make a motion to close. Do I have a second?

LEG. D’AMARO:
Second.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1100-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Charter Law requiring joint certification of County Operating Budget (Presiding Officer Gregory). I don't have any cards for this matter. Please come forward if you want to speak on it. Okay, I'll make a motion to close IR 1100. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1148-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to establish a Child Fatality Review Team (Hahn). I don't have any cards on this public hearing. Please come forward if you would like to speak on it. Okay, Legislator Hahn?

LEG. HAHN:
Motion to close.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close IR 1148. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1149-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to amend Chapter 42 of the Suffolk County Code to authorize the indemnification and defense of hearing officers appointed by the County (County Executive). I don't have any cards on this public hearing. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion to close.
P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close by Legislator Calarco. I will second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1151-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Charter Law to elicit public input and require Legislative approval of fee changes (Cilmi). I don't have any cards for this public hearing anybody. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Motion to close the public hearing.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close IR 1151. I'll -- second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1156-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to expand public notification of sewage contamination in Suffolk County (Krupski). I don't have any cards on this matter. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay, Legislator Krupski?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Motion to close.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close IR 1156. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1158-16 - Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law amending provisions relating to the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (Presiding Officer Gregory). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Is there anyone that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay, I will --

MR. NOLAN:
Wait.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, sorry.

MR. ZWIRN:
Good afternoon. Ben Zwirn from Suffolk County Community College. In case -- we're prepared to answer questions if anybody has any.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, I'm going to make a motion to close. Second by Legislator Calarco, or Legislator Barraga. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I would like to set the date for the following Public Hearings of March 22nd, 2016, 6:30 p.m., Rose Caracappa Auditorium, Hauppauge, New York: IR 1179, IR 1180, IR 1207, IR 1225, IR 1229.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, we are back to I think it's IR 1237. Mr. Commissioner is here.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
All right. In answer to the question regarding the funding; $430,000 was the estimate we received from the contractors. The funding above that was put in in case. Given the experience that we had at the Bavarian Inn -- we estimated originally around 200,000, it came in almost at four-and-a-half -- we thought it was a good idea to keep that in there, because once we started opening up everything, we don't know what's under the ground there.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
So if we find out that we don't need this, then we're not going to bond out.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Correct.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Okay.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
This is really just in case. You know, if the deal falls through for the property, the sale and we have to take it down, then we'll take it down.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta.
LEG. TROTTA:
How much did the Town of Hempstead pay to take down the other two-thirds?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don't know.

LEG. TROTTA:
Or Oyster Bay. You don't know.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
No.

LEG. TROTTA:
They took it down recently?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
They took it down when it collapsed. Last month, when it fell, it fell onto the railroad tracks, so the northern tracks, which I guess is the westbound, and they immediately came in, an emergency contract.

LEG. TROTTA:
How big was the building?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I have a site plan I can show you.

LEG. TROTTA:
A 10,000-square foot building, a 20,000 square foot building?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
It's roughly about a hundred and -- about a hundred by -- I've got to really stretch this back. The section that's remaining is probably about -- it looks like -- I'm sorry about this. It looks like it's about 60 by --

LEG. TROTTA:
The total size of the building.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don't -- hold on, let me see if it says anything on the estimate. I have a site plan for it, I don't have --

LEG. TROTTA:
Is it a 20,000-square foot building?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
It's roughly -- if I had to guess off of the plan, it's roughly about 60 by 40, 50, two stories, concrete masonry with asbestos. I have pictures. I do not have square footage.

LEG. TROTTA:
All right, thanks.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Okay. I'm told that the size of the building is 80,000 square feet, footprint.
LEG. TROTTA:
How many estimates did you get?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
We have -- we only got one. Well, we got from the two contractors; We have an asbestos abatement contractor on call and we have a demolition contractor on call. We went and we bid those out as part of annual contracts that we need in case for emergencies just as this, so we only went to them. We did get another contract, an estimate from the contractor who did the work on the Nassau side, but it did not include the abatement.

LEG. TROTTA:
Did they do an abatement?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I don't know.

LEG. TROTTA:
All right, thanks.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Gil, what is the exact address of the property; 361 what?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
Eastern Parkway, Farmingdale.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Okay. We have a motion. We have to change the second, I believe. I'll be the second.

MR. RICHBERG:
Yes, you have a motion. You're the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, I'm the motion. Calarco will be the second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

LEG. TROTTA:
Opposed.

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Opposed: Legislator Trotta - Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, IR 1237A, Bond Resolution (of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $500,000 bonds to finance the cost of decommissioning and demolition of County facilities (CP 1665.313), same motion, same second. Roll call.

(*Roll Called by Mr. Richberg - Clerk of the Legislature*)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.
D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. BROWNING: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. MARTINEZ: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: (Not Present).

LEG. BARRAGA: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: No.

LEG. McCAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. STERN: Yes.

LEG. D’AMARO: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I would like to waive the rules and lay the following resolutions on the table:

IR 1230, set the Public Hearing for March 22nd, 6:30 PM in Hauppauge, to Public Safety; IR 1231 to Parks; 1232 to Health; 1233 to Government Ops; 1234 to Public Safety; 1235 to EPA; 1236 to Health, set the Public Hearing for March 22nd, 6:30 PM in Hauppauge; 1239 to Public Safety; 1240 to Public Safety; 1241 to Veterans.

LEG. BARRAGA:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
I have a second by Legislator Barraga. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Cilmi).

P.O. GREGORY:
That is our agenda. We stand adjourned. Have a good evening.

(*The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 PM*)