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(*The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.*)

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

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, can I have all Legislators to the horseshoe, please.

09:37AM

Good morning, Mr. Clerk. Can you do the roll call?

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

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

LEG. SPENCER:
(Not Present).

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LEG. DONNELLY:
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LEG. BERLAND:
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LEG. McCAFFREY:
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LEG. TROTTA:
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LEG. KENNEDY:
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LEG. FLOTTERON:
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LEG. CILMI:
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LEG. GONZALEZ:
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LEG. LINDSAY:
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LEG. ANKER:
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LEG. HAHN:
Present.

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LEG. MURATORE:
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LEG. SUNDERMAN:
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LEG. FLEMING:
Here.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Here.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Present.

P.O. GREGORY:
Here.

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

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, good morning. If you could all please rise for the salute to
the flag to be led by Legislator Kara Hahn.

Salutation

Please remain standing, Legislator Hahn is going to introduce our
clergy.

Invocation

LEG. HAHN:
Thank you, Presiding Officer Gregory. Today we welcome Rabbi
Joseph Topek who serves as Director of the Hillel Foundation for
Jewish Life at Stony Brook University, is the Jewish Chaplain for
the University Interfaith Center and on the chaplaincy staff of the
Department of Pastoral Services at the Long Island State Veterans
Home.

Rabbi Topek's work, however, is not confined to providing spiritual
care on the Stony Brook University Campus. Beyond his service with
the Hillel Foundation, the University Interfaith Center and the
Veterans Home, Rabbi Topek is also an instructor of Judaic Studies
and American Jewish History at Stony Brook University with a
specific focus on American Jewish History and American Jewish
Military History.

At the end of this month, Rabbi Topek will conclude his 38-year
career as Director of the Hillel Foundation of Stony Brook leaving
behind a legacy of enriching lives, not only on the Stony Brook
University Campus community, but all of Long Island and beyond
through the students he has worked with. While his words, work and
presence will be missed, I am thankful for Rabbi Topek being with
us this morning. Rabbi?

Applause

RABBI TOPEK:
Thank you to the Suffolk County Legislature and to Legislator Kara
Hahn for giving me this opportunity. I also want to recognize
today is Eid Al-Fitr, a very holy day for our Muslim neighbors and

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citizens in Suffolk County; as they celebrate, we celebrate with them.

This is a day to thank God for our democracy and for our devoted elected officials who worked tirelessly to provide for the many public works and programs that are the very underpinning of our society. We ask God to guide them as they deliberate the right course for our County, and as they consider projects and proposals to advance the public good. We ask God to grant them wisdom as they make decisions that will impact the lives of thousands of our citizens. We ask God to imbue them with kindness and mercy, that they may seek ways to make our government work for all people and all residents of our County. We ask God to give them courage to overcome differences and reach consensus on behalf of us all.

When the great biblical leader Moses was faced with a daunting task of governing the Israelites newly freed from slavery, it was his wise father-in-law Jethro who instructed him to create a system of governance and jurisprudence as he saw that one person alone could not complete the enormous task. Some might say this was the birth of bureaucracy, but perhaps we can also see it as the birth of good government that sees service to the people as its primary cause. May we learn to emulate Moses and Jethro and serve our constituents in the manner in which they deserve, and with hard work and some divide guidance keep Suffolk County a great place to live.

"Amen" said in unison

LEG. HAHN:
Thank you. Amen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, thank you. Please remain standing for a moment of silence moment of silence.

A moment of silence in memory of Michael Allen Lipp, brother of Budget Review Office Director Robert Lipp. May we keep his family in our thoughts and prayers.

This week also marks the 75th anniversary of D-Day which took place on June 6 in 1944. It was the largest combined air and naval operation in history. We commemorate the valor and sacrifice of those military members who served to protect not only our nation but also the world.

Friday is National Gun Violence Awareness Day in which Americans will come together to show unity in the goal of ending gun violence. We remember the 12 lives lost in the Virginia Beach shooting last week; they were dedicated public servants just doing their jobs to serve the people, and keep their families in our prayers as well.

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

Moment of Silence Observed
Okay, thank you. Please be seated.

Okay, at this portion of our agenda we have presentations (Proclamations). Myself and Legislator Berland have a presentation that we're going to present to Eva Casale.

LEG. BERLAND:
Hi. Good morning, everyone. The Presiding Officer and I have the wonderful, wonderful privilege of presenting Eva Casale with a proclamation. Now, for those of you who don't know, Eva -- to look at her, she's beautiful, she's petite; you would not know that she runs seven -- is it seven? Seven marathons in seven days. Okay?

Applause

Now, you know, I started participating in the veterans runs, but we do -- my version is the veteran walk, all right, and it's the 5-K and when we got to the halfway point we're like, Really, that's it? We're only halfway there? (Laughter). And Eva runs marathons; marathon after marathon after marathon, seven in a row. It's just amazing. She is superhuman and she has this wonderful gift and she decided that she would use this gift for such incredible good, you know? To just -- to really bring awareness to veterans and veterans causes and raise money, and she's just an inspiration and just an amazing person, and just the nicest person you ever want to know.

So I want to thank Eva for everything that she has done, for Team EVA, for the bank that sponsors her, for all the people that contribute. And if you haven't contributed to Team EVA, Google it on your phone, get ready for next year, sign up, you can run a part with her, you can walk if you have to, although she'll be leaving you way behind. But she's incredible and we can't say enough for her, about her. So let me introduce to you our Presiding Officer for some words.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. It's a pleasure to join our colleague, Legislator Berland, to recognize Eva in her efforts. I've been going to the kick-offs and the finales for the past several years; they start in Huntington and they ended at Babylon this year. And when Eva comes in after seven days of running marathons, I think 185 miles, something like that; I don't think I've driven that in a week but she's run it physically and she comes in and she -- I wouldn't want to be around people but, you know, she takes it in and she is just so humble and obviously just a dynamo. And as a veteran myself, I appreciate it.

And EVA's actually an acronym, it means Every Veteran Appreciated. And as a veteran, I think I can take the privilege of -- on behalf of our veterans, thank you for your sacrifice and commitment and just the attention that you're giving to our veterans with your run
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and highlighting the needs and the services that they need. So thank you so much and congratulations. I'm glad to have you here.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay, next Legislator Spencer will recognize Northport High School Mock Trial Team.

LEG. SPENCER:
Good morning. Thank you, Mr. Deputy Presiding Officer. I would like to invite the Northport High School Mock Trial Team to join me at the podium. After a fierce season of competition, the Northport High School Mock Trial Team are the 2019 Suffolk County Champions.

Applause

More than 450 students from 26 Suffolk County public schools and private high schools participated in the tournament and competitions. The teams argue both sides of a case and assume the roles of attorneys and witnesses. Judges -- usually local Judges or attorneys score the teams based on a rating sheet that usually includes preparation, performance and professionalism. The tournament also incorporates valuable lessons of ethics, improves listening, speaking, reading, reasoning skills and heightens appreciation for the academic studies and stimulates interest in law-related careers. On May 19th the team went to the New York State finals and actually placed fourth in the entire state, so it's really well deserved.

Applause

So it gives me great privilege to pay a well-deserved tribute to the Mock Trial Team for this significant accomplishment and it gives me great pleasure, as Legislator of the 18th District, to bestow this proclamation. Thank you.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Next Legislator Hahn will present a proclamation on behalf of the Suffolk County Legislature to Probation Officer Violetta Zamorski.

LEG. HAHN:
Hello, everyone. Suffolk County Probation Officers are essential members of both our County workforce and of our communities. Today I am joined by Probation Officer Violetta Zamorski who highlights this truth. Officer Zamorski has not only been a distinguished member of our County's Probation Department, but also serves as an EMT with one of our local departments. Thank you. Oh, paramedic; okay, a paramedic. And on the morning of March 20th, 2019, Probation Officer Zamorski was able to combine both of these skill
sets. When conducting a routine home visit in her field area she
witnessed a crash that occurred when a vehicle ran a stop sign at
an intersection in Mastic, causing a multiple vehicle crash that
injured five individuals. The driver of the vehicle that ran the
stop sign fled the scene, leaving behind two injured occupants in
one of the vehicles hit, as well as two injured adult passengers
and a critically injured two-year old boy who was traveling in the
car responsible for the crash.

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Witnessing this, Officer Zamorski immediately radioed the 7th
Precinct dispatch and employed her emergency medical care to
professionally assess the injuries of the five victims at the scene
which included the two-year old and an unconscious individual.
Probation Officer Violetta Zamorski went on to assist in the
transport of one of the injured parties to a local hospital for
treatment of injuries received. It is because of Probation Officer
Zamorski that these five individuals received care as quickly as
they did, and it's because of the men and women of Suffolk County's
Probation Department and other law enforcement agencies that we
enjoy such safe communities.

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I want to thank you, Officer Zamorski, for your actions on March
20th and for all that you do for the residents of Suffolk County.
And with that, and on behalf of all 18 Legislators here, I would
like to thank you once again.

Applause
(*Photograph Taken*)

P.O. GREGORY:
Next we have Legislator Kennedy, she'll make a presentation.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Danielle Ranucci. Come on, Mom; come on up.

Good morning. Today we celebrate Danielle Ranucci from Commack
High School. Commack High School that is known for the -- I don't
even know how to say it; the most brilliant students anywhere, but
I will say it. Has won the Hank Logeman News 12 Journalism Award.
Now, she received this award based on her dedication to promote
high school journalism on Long Island where experience leading not
only the high school's newspaper, The Current, and the school's --
but the school's literary magazine also, The Etching. Danielle is
the second Commack High School student ever to win this award in
her time on the newspaper staff.

Applause

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She never broke down from the challenge of reporting, growing her
skills and flourishing as an outstanding journalist. Danielle had
served on the, okay, Polyphony Literary Magazine Editorial Board,
Compassion Without Borders Leadership Conference, Community Service
at Temple Beth El in Huntington and the Smithtown Library and Teen
Volunteer Authors Unlimited Conference at St. Joseph's College.
Danielle has received the New York Press Association's 2018 Better
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Newspaper Contest, First Place Column; Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, Gold Key Personal Essay Memoir, Gold Key Journalism Award in 2019, the Empire State Scholastic Press Awards in 2018, the Best Profile Piece and Best Editorial Writing and the 2018 Best of High School Journalism at LIU Post. And Danielle will graduate this June from Commack and she will continue her education at Princeton University. God bless you, Danielle. Keep doing what you're doing, we need more good, honest journalists.

Applause

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay, next Legislators Muratore, Kennedy & Lindsay will present a joint proclamation to Sachem North Cheerleaders.

LEG. KENNEDY:
We'll make them all cheer and dance.

(*Laughter*)

LEG. MURATORE:
Good morning, everyone. And it's my pleasure this morning to present a proclamation of achievement to the Sachem North High School Cheerleaders. If I can have Coach Danielle and Coach Jaclyn come up, please. I didn't want to murder their last names so I just called them by their first names. Stand right here, Ladies.

The team had a very successful season for 2017-18. They won the Large Varsity Division I category of Suffolk County which was a first for Sachem. And these ladies, who show their commitment to fair play, opted not to partake in the State Championship due to their belief that there was unfair scoring and judging throughout the State. So how about a round of applause just for their ethics here. Right? That's wonderful, Ladies. Thank you.

Applause

I mean, it takes a lot. You know, you're the champion and then you don't go and compete to be another champion to stand up for rights, what you think are right. So thank you, Coaches. You're doing a great job in instilling their ethics in them.

This year, after winning the second Suffolk County title, they competed in the State Championship in Rochester. After the first round they advanced into the Second Place slot. These young ladies gave their all in the final round and took home the State Championship. Very proud of the team and coaches, job well done. Thank you, Ladies. Ladies, stand up, let's see who you are, stand up. Thanks, Coach.

Applause

I don't know, maybe Legislator Lindsay wants to say something.
LEG. LINDSAY:
I just want to echo the words of my colleague. As an alumnist of
Sachem and a graduate, I just want to thank the girls for their
hard work and the coaches for your dedication and coaching them
through. I know how difficult it is and how athletic you have to
be in order to be a cheerleader and I just want to congratulate
them on their excellent achievement. Thank you.

COACH DANIELLE:
Thank you so much.

Applause

LEG. KENNEDY:
Okay, where are our Sachem North Arrowettes? Where are you?
Come on, Arrowettes, get up get up get up.

All right. Sachem North Arrowettes Dance Team with coaches
Katie Prusinski and David -- God bless ya -- Mackowitz?

COACH MACZKIEWICZ:
Maczkiewicz.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Machowitz? Close. Okay. This is their tenth year working
together, they just earned their 13th National Title together.
Their hard work proved to pay off.

Applause

Yes. They earned two NDA National Championship Titles for the
2018-2019 season; one in Small Varsity Team Performance where they
competed against ten other teams and kept the First Place spot from
preliminaries to finals and also earned a Technical Excellence
Award. And second NDA National Championship Title in the Small
Varsity Jazz category where they competed against 34 other teams
and went from Second Place in the preliminaries to First in the
finals with another speciality award for Technical Excellence.

Yay!

Applause

This team gave them everything they had in this season. They
worked hard, so long and encouraged each other along the way.
They are so grateful to be the National Champions and for the
opportunity to represent Sachem North High School.
Congratulations, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Applause

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. Our next presentation, we'll be doing the Brookhaven
National Laboratory Science Fair Winners, and first up will be
Legislator Anker for our Kindergarten Winner, Connor Nugent.

Applause
LEG. ANKER:
Okay, are you Connor? We have Connor Nugent, he is here today and
I'm very proud to recognize him for his science fair project from
Brookhaven National Lab.

We have -- Connor is a kindergartener at Miller Avenue Elementary
School in Shoreham; and again, he's the winner. And his project
was called the Spaghetti Strength, right? Yeah? Do you like
spaghetti?

MR. NUGENT:
(Shook head yes).

LEG. ANKER:
I do, too, yep. Okay, so he made it much more practical. Where's
Connor's parents? Can you come up, also? Come on up. Okay, I'm
going to finish reading this real quick. Inspired by the
television series Myth Busters, Connor tested the strength of
spaghetti that was uncooked or cooked a certain amount of time by
weighing the pieces of spaghetti down with washers. He found that
uncooked spaghetti was the strongest and that a piece of spaghetti
cooked for six minutes was stronger than pieces that were cooked
for two and four minutes.

So again, I congratulate Connor for winning the science fair
contest. Connor, do you want to grow up and be a scientist maybe?
Either that or a spaghetti maker, one or the other. All right,
congratulations, Connor. Thank you.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
All right. Congratulations, Connor.

Next, Legislator Lindsay will present to the 1st Grade Winner,
Audrey Leo.

LEG. ANKER:
Wait, I have one more.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
I'm following a list, Legislator Anker.

LEG. ANKER:
Oh, okay.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
So we're going in grade order.

LEG. ANKER:
Oh, I'm sorry. Okay, I have a 2nd grader.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
So Legislator Lindsay will do Audrey Leo.
LEG. LINDSAY:
If Audrey and her parents can come join us. Hi, Audrey.

So Audrey is a 1st Grade student at Lincoln Avenue Elementary
School, which is part of Sayville School District. Her teacher, 
Mrs. Longobardi, helped watch over her experiment, and her
experiment was titled Knot Again. So Audrey doesn't like to have
the knots brushed out of her hair in the morning, so her experiment
was to braid her hair in different ways before she went to sleep at
night to see which braiding would have the less tangles and less
knots in the morning; very great experiment. She got her friends
to help, trying four different hair styles and found that the
braids reduced tangles and knots the most. So I just wanted to
congratulate Audrey for her terrific experiment. There's a lot of
young ladies out there, I'm sure, that would like to know which was
the best braid, so you want to tell us which was the best braid?

MISS LEO:
The braid was the best.

LEG. LINDSAY:
The braid, the braid was the best braid, okay.

(*Laughter*)

Okay. We're glad to hear that you did this great experiment. I
just want to congratulate you on behalf of the Legislature, and we
have a couple of the Legislators that are going to ask you for some
hairstyle advice later, okay? So congratulations, and keep up the
great work in school and keep studying your science. Thank you.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay, Legislator Anker, you're back up again with our 2nd Grader,
Zachary Lister.

LEG. ANKER:
Okay. Can Zachary please come up, and also your parents? And I
think -- do we have the Principal; is the Principal from the
Shoreham Miller Avenue also here? Oh, come on up, I'm so sorry.
And also, Connor, don't go away because we're going to get a group
shot, but let's talk about Zachary Lister. Zachary, come on up.
Welcome. So Zachary is the winner, he's the Second Place winner --
come on. Oh, we got the family up here. Come on up.

So I am very proud to have you here, Zachary. Zachary is the
Second Place winner. He is also from the Miller Avenue Elementary
School in Shoreham and he has won, again, the Second Place in
Brookhaven National Lab Science Fair. Zachary's project is called
the Slippery Sock Science. Wow, this sounds interesting. Okay,
he tested to see which type of sock is the slipperiest by sliding
each type of sock down a ramp across the floor. And you know what
happened; your Mom had to do a lot of laundry, didn't she?
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("Laughter")

Zachary found that silk socks slide the furthest and the fastest and that wool socks coming in second despite their tough texture. Again, do you think you might want to be a scientist?

MR. LISTER: (Shook head yes).

LEG. ANKER: Yeah, you think so? Either that or maybe clothes designer, you know, maybe a sock designer? How many socks did you try?

MR. LISTER: Four.

LEG. ANKER: Four? Four types of socks? Yeah. Well, congratulations again. And especially congratulations, Miller Avenue School; we had the First and the Second Place winners, congratulations. And I have a nice proclamation for you.

Applause

("Photograph Taken")

D.P.O. CALARCO: Congratulations.

All right, our next presenter will be Legislator Spencer for our 3rd Grade Winner, Matthew Pokorny.

LEG. SPENCER: Matthew, how are ya? I'm going to ask your Mom and Dad if they can join me, Bethany and John. I understand your grandparents are here, I'd like to acknowledge them, Beverly and John Pokorny. And his sister Reece is also with us, too. And I would like to ask Mrs. Anderson, the Science Fair Coordinator, to come up and his teacher Mrs. Bao. All right.

So Matthew Pokory lives in Eaton's Neck, a peninsula on the North Shore of Long Island. Asharoken Avenue, which is the only road in or out on Eaton's Neck, is frequently closed due to storms due to waves crashing over the seawall and flooding causing significant concerns. A premise of Matthew's experiment was to build a rock wall in Long Island Sound to stop the waves from reaching the road. Matthew began by building a small model of Asharoken Avenue out of Legos and collecting sand for dunes and rocks from the beach. He set up his model in a large Tupperware container. His plan was to measure how close the waves could get to his road with and without a rock barrier; he marked out one-inch increments, 24-inches on the Tupperware and then filled the container with water to simulate Long Island Sound. He created waves by taking a water bottle and pushing it up and down in the water from the far end. He then took a slow motion video of the waves and watched frame-by-frame to see how close the water came to the road. Matthew then repeated the
same process but this time with a rock barrier and observed that while the water was all over without the barrier, it was only rough on the far side with the barrier and was successful in preventing the waves from reaching the road. After completing his study, Matthew wrote a letter to the Mayor of the Village of Asharoken letting him know his findings and strongly encouraging him to consider a rock wall as a solution for the current flooding problem.

So as Legislator of the 18th District and on behalf of the Suffolk County Legislature, it gives me great pleasure to present this proclamation to Matthew Pokorny, a student at Norwood Avenue school in recognition of him being selected as 3rd Grade 2019 Winner of the Brookhaven National Lab Elementary School Science Fair. Thank you.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay, Legislator Spencer, you can stay at the podium for our 4th Grade winner, Liam Dwyer.

LEG. SPENCER:
It's nice to have two winners from the 18th District, pretty exciting. At this time I would like to invite Liam to come forward. Also, he's with his mother Meredith, his Dad Will, and Liam's teacher is Mrs. Vareles. And the common denominator is Mrs. Anderson, the Coordinator, again, from Norwood Elementary School.

Liam Dwyer lives in a home on the shore, since his family has owned it for over 50 years. They have watched the back shore of the beach shrink due to coastal erosion over time. Liam chose to study the effects of rip rap on coastal erosion, which is not only happening in his backyard but to shore lines all across the country. Liam's hypothesis was to test whether rip rap -- which are man-placed rock or other material used to armor shore lines and shore line structures against erosions -- would stop erosion and that a combination of small and large rocks layered at the fore shore would be most effective.

In smaller wave conditions, Liam expected the rip rap would stop the velocity of the swash and reduce the long shore drift of the sand. And larger wave conditions, where the waves breach the rip rap, he expected the rip rap would stop the backwash from carrying the sand past it. Liam built a model beach and tested his hypothesis using both gentle wave and storm search conditions. He tested using no rip rap, small rip rap, large rip rap and a combination of small and large rip rap; that's a tongue twister there.

(*Laughter*)
After dozens of tests, Liam concluded that his hypothesis was correct, the combination of small and large stones layered at the shoreline proved to be the most effective way to stop erosion of the back shore during both general and storm surge condition. So it gives me great privilege to present Liam this proclamation in recognition of his fine work. Congratulations.

Applause

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay, next is Legislator Cilmi who will present the 5th Grade award, and I will let Legislator Cilmi attempt this young man’s name.

LEG. CILMI:
(Laughter). Thank you, Mr. Deputy Presiding Officer. If I could ask Pranav Vijayababu to join me at the podium.

Applause

Is that applause for me for pronouncing that name correctly?

(*Laughter*)

Pranav helped me with that before the meeting started today. If I could also ask his parents to join me as well as Hauppauge School Superintendent, Dr. Dennis O’Hara; Principal George Gagliardi; his classroom teacher, Mrs. Veronica Weeks and Tara Dungate; and, let’s see, the head of the Science Department from the school, from Bretton Woods Elementary School, Robert Wankmuller.

Applause

We have a whole crew here from Hauppauge. So Pranav is the 5th Grade Winner of the science -- the BNL Science Contest and has been recognized for his project entitled Race to the Future: Hydrogen Fuel Cell. And so first, before I congratulate Pranav here, let me say that the excellence that we've seen here this morning with all of these students is in no small way thanks to the inspiration and support of certainly their family and school administrations and teachers. So thank you to the parents and thank you to the teachers and Hauppauge School District and all the school districts and staff that are represented here this morning for the great work that you do to inspire and support our kids. Give them a round of applause.

Applause

Now, so on to Pranav. Pranav got his idea for his project when he read an article about global warming, and he learned that cars and trucks account for nearly one-fifth of all U.S. emissions, emitting around 24 pounds of carbon dioxide and other global warming gases for every gallon of gas. He began to wonder what car manufacturers were doing about that, and when he learned about the cars that run
using hydrogen fuel cells that are considered very efficient and environmentally friendly, he wanted to determine whether or not temperature effected the performance of those fuel cells, because people live in places that have different climate conditions. So his hypothesis was that performance of the fuel cell is more effective at hot temperatures. Pranav put the fuel cell to test under different temperatures; room temperature, hot temperature and ice cold temperature, and measured the voltage generated and how long it kept the motor running. He discovered that his hypothesis was, in fact, correct. Pranav concluded that the energy produced by the fuel cell was more efficient and more effective at hot temperatures and it increased the performance of the fuel cell. He states that these findings can be useful to design fuel cells that will perform consistently in all temperatures and thus help reduce global warming. I said to Pranav earlier in the morning that he is going to make a difference in the world and his answer to me was?

**MR. VIJAYABABU:**

Yup.

**LEG. CILMI:**

Yup! He said *yup*; spoken like a true 10-year old 5th grader.

*Laughter & Applause*

Pranav, congratulations to you. Keep up the good work, to all of you as well. And here is a proclamation for you. Pranav, let's face our photographer here. Well, why don't we go up in front of the auditorium; that would be better. Come on, everybody, join me. Thank you, Maria.

(*Photograph Taken*)

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

Congratulations.

Okay, the last BNL Award Winner is going to be *Legislator Donnelly* representing our *6th Grade winner, James Bulger.*

**LEG. DONNELLY:**

We've just got to wait for James and his family and the science teacher, and I think the Director of Science is here from the Robert Moses Middle School. Congratulations again, James.

So James is the first in his family to have a real passion for science. And he is kind of getting up there, I think, in some real, real world stuff, and his project was how to remediate oil spills. And I think that that is a concern for our environment, it's a concern across our country, and I think it's safe to say that we're in good hands with somebody like James on the front lines working on this.

So James did a really, really terrific project using some stuff that I have no idea called feral fluid with a magnet which actually cleans up the oil and it's actually to me pretty remarkable. So
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I'm proud that he lives in my district, comes from a great school with a great staff, the Robert Moses Middle School in North Babylon. So James, job well done, buddy, really proud of you. Congratulations.

Applause

And that's for you. Congratulations again.

MR. BULGER:
Thank you.

LEG. DONNELLY:
And in typical Legislator Donnelly fashion, we already took the picture so we're all done. So, thank you, everybody.

MS. BULGER:
Thank you for having us.

D.P.O. CALARCO:

Okay, next we're going to do our Pool Smart, "Be Pool Smart" Winners. And Legislator Donnelly, you can stay at the podium, you will be presenting to the Second Place Winner, Emerson Smulian.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Good morning, Emerson. How are you today? So Emerson comes from the great Hamlet of Deer Park where I reside, so I'm very, very proud that she is the Runner Up for our Pool Smart Contest. We know very real world how dangerous and difficult the recreational component of swimming is. Oftentimes it does lead to unintended consequences and tragedies, so trying to educate at the earliest age is really probably the most important thing that we as a local government can do. And Emerson did a terrific poster -- I know that all the kids did terrific posters, but I just want to show everybody -- and it's called Do the Right Thing, and it's just kind of simply put about being safe around the water, being safe around pools and, more importantly, or as important as well, is not to trash the public pool areas as well.

So Emerson, I can't tell you how proud I am as a fellow Deer Park resident as well, of your good work with your Pool Smart poster and I have a very, very nice proclamation for you. So congratulations, job well done again.

Applause

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Congratulations, Emerson.

LEG. DONNELLY:
I couldn't find them in the audience, so I have to do the picture now.
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("Photograph Taken")

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. **Legislator Anker** will now present to our **First Place Winner**, **Fatimah Chaudhary**.

LEG. ANKER:
Okay. Fatimah? Where's Fatimah? Come on up. There she is. I have Fatimah Chaudhary and she is our winner -- congratulations, my dear. Give a round of applause, yes.

**Applause**

Hi, welcome, welcome -- of the "Be Pool Smart" Poster Contest. Fatimah, she's a 5th grader at the Longwood Middle School and, again, the 2019 winner of the contest. Now, this contest was created by Legislator Spencer. I don't know if Legislator Spencer is in the house; if you might come on out. The County hosts the Be Smart Poster Contest every year to raise awareness about the importance of pool safety, and to help prevent accidents from drowning. Students here participate by creating both an artistic, informative poster. And again, Fatimah is the winner.

Her art work will be displayed at the Department of Health Services Prevent Drowning brochure, so this is a very important brochure. And I highly recommend everyone here, you can download it on-line, you Google it and download it on-line and every year we pick a student to create a beautiful picture, and I just want to show you real quick what that picture looks like.

**Applause**

(Legislator Anker held Fatimah's poster up)

Okay, I'm holding her poster, for those that are listening and can't be here today. Let's give her another round of applause. Thank you.

**Applause**

She has -- it's very colorful and very informative. You know, some of these things, the words that are on here, you know, try to have a lifeguard on duty when you go swimming; don't bring your cell phones; don't bring your pets, you know, because you need to focus on what you're doing; no running; no pushing; always swim with a buddy; learn to swim.

I have to tell you, my little sister, when she was five, she fell into the canal where my grandmother lived in Florida, and I was ten at the time and she reached a little too far with the net to grab some more bread for the seagulls and she fell in and she started to drown, so I had to jump in and get her. And, you know, I had to sacrifice my Walt Disney little Cinderella watch that got corroded with the salt water, but it was well worth it, it was very well worth it.

So again, Fatimah, thank you so much and congratulations.
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Applause

Can I have the Legislators that represent the Longwood School District, if you guys can come up. And also Legislator Spencer, please. Actually, if everybody wants to come up you're more than welcome, because this is a Suffolk County brochure. So Legislators and all 18, please.

(*Photograph Taken*)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay, our last presentation will be Legislator Berland who will present proclamations to Ashley Kalb, Hayley Kalb, Marissa Mandel, Matthew Mandel and Morgan Mandel.

LEG. BERLAND:
Hi. If I can have the Kalb and Mandel children; young adults I should say. All right, hi, guys. How are you?

10:34AM

Well, let me tell you a little story here. So about two years ago Ashley and her friend Morgan started a holiday gift card drive. They collected gift cards for teen-agers who were spending the holiday at Winthrop University because, you know, there are other organizations that collect toys, but they felt that gift cards would actually help teens who were, you know, suffering from cancer or in the hospital and that getting them gift cards, they can purchase things that they would want that would help make them feel better. So I had honored them at a Half Hollow Hills School Board Meeting and at that meeting, low and behold, I challenged them to continue and expand their philanthropic work and they actually listened. I love it, I've got to talk to my four kids, get them to listen when I say stuff (laughter).

So as a result of the challenge, the girls continued their gift cart drive and they have since collected over $5,000 in gift cards. They also enlisted the help of their siblings, because it was started by Ashley and Morgan, and their siblings Hayley, Matthew and Marisa, and they created a district-wide pajama party last year. The pajama party took place the day before spring break and they collected 1,650 pairs of pajamas for children at Winthrop University Hospital. So we can clap for that, that's a lot of pajamas.

Applause

So this year they held their Second Annual Pajama Party on April 17th, and the pajamas this year are going to be donated to Cohen's Children Medical Center. So yeah, you can clap, Leslie, that's good, right?

Applause

So the goal is to make the pajama party a yearly tradition on the day before spring break. And with two years under their belts, they're well on their way. So I want to congratulate Ashley, Morgan and Matthew and Hayley and Marisa for caring about other
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kids, for doing the right thing in, you know, collecting the gift
cards, collecting the pajamas and for really, you know, caring
about other people. These are amazing young people who are just
going to do such wonderful things for, you know, for the rest of --
the rest of their lives. This is just a great start and I
congratulate you, I can't thank you enough and keep up the amazing
work. Thanks. Let's take a nice picture.

(*Photograph Taken*)

10:38AM

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, that does it for our presentations this morning.
We have -- we're going into our Public Portion. Yep, you guys are
welcome to leave. Thank you. Thank you for being here today.
Congratulations again.

Applause

10:38AM

So we're going into our Public Portion. Those who are here for the
first time, each person is allowed three minutes to speak, and the
first being -- it looks like Jeannette Hope Salyito; and then Diana
Wier is on deck.

MS. SALYITO:
Ah, that was invigorating. Okay, I want to make this very brief.
There are a number of things, two propositions that are up today, I
notice, and I'm kind of combining things. The first one deals with
1266, limiting contributions from contractors and unions. And what
I noted, and certainly what some of my sources have indicated, is
that there's a transience of developers and contractors on Long
Island now. Licensing has become a problem, whether it's Suffolk
County or Huntington or Babylon or anyplace else. It seems anyone
can get licensed and little happens to those without one. There is
a perception of corruption seen as recently as in my own school
district election. I was an administrator but also a union rep;
arm twisting is not unusual. So anything dealing with contractors
and unions that we can curtail to eliminate that lack of
transparency would be very good.

10:40AM

The second issue deals with fees. I know Mr. Trotta wishes to
eliminate cremation fees, 1428 is a good start. As a rescuer, an
animal rescuer, among other things, I had to inform the Suffolk
department person of fees on rescues; this person didn't even know
and he had the materials for six months. We are rapidly becoming
fee central and losing our voting base. If the desire is to have a
passive public, we may as well call it an oligarchy.

10:40AM

And I have spoken for years -- this is the third point. I've
spoken for years on the subject or carcinogens in the water,
especially in the Huntington area. It only gets ten minutes of air
play when Newsday sends their self-appointed voice of ecology who,
as I recall 30 years ago, spent most of her time at business
organizations to which I belonged. There are too many public
relations committees and not enough work for truth committees.
This cannot be acceptable when one is talking of people's lives.
And when you're dealing with carcinogens, either in the water or -- we're finding dumping all over the Island and a lot of children are getting cancer; I'm sure Dr. Spencer knows this. Okay?

That's all I wanted to say and I just wanted to pass that along. Thank you very much.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Thank you. Diana Weir; and then on deck, Catherine Casey.

**MS. WEIR:**
Good morning, Presiding Officer Gregory, Members of the Legislature. Thank you again for allowing us to speak on a very important issue which is obviously affordable housing. I'm the Director of Housing and Community Services for the Town of Southampton and have been working in housing for about 20 years.

And Newsday published something this week which was quite alarming; *Suffolk County, Lost Population*, and that is something that we have seen happening over the years, a brain drain because our young families can't afford to stay here. This Legislature, over the past 20 years, has been generous and created two funds, your infrastructure fund and your acquisition fund, for affordable housing purposes and you've helped thousands, thousands of families stay on Long Island, and I mean young families which is what we need. So I thank you for that, I thank all the previous boards for that.

And I just want to remind you, please, to maintain that funding. The crisis is worse than it has ever been, and we continue to lose population for many reasons, you know, high cost of living, but affordable housing which creates traffic, which I come from Southampton, so you know the traffic is horrendous. I'm number two because I left super early to be here, because I knew if there's one little accident on the road we're done. But again, thank you for what you've done in the past, and please consider maintaining that funding. You're not the only funding source. We always try to leverage State, Federal, local, not-for-profit grant funds. So remember our young families, and seniors now have to stay here as well, and please continue and consider maintaining that funding. Thank you so much.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
Thank you. Ms. Casey; and then Joseph Prokop on deck.

**MS. CASEY:**
Good morning. I appreciate the opportunity to address the Legislature this morning. I, too, am here in support of Capital Programs 6411 and 8704, that's land -- Infrastructure Subsidy and Land Acquisition. I am Catherine Casey from the East Hampton Housing Authority. We are currently in construction of 37 units of affordable rentals, that's mixed income rentals, workforce and also a number of subsidized units. That project would not have been possible without the commitment of infrastructure subsidy moneys. I want to thank Jason Smagin and Kellyanne Sullivan; that office worked with us to secure the first piece in our financing. Diana,
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my colleague, alluded to leveraging; all funding sources want to
know that there are other sources, there are other bodies that are
endorsing and contributing toward every project. Suffolk County,
this Legislature, was the first body to commit real dollars, to
commit funds, and that enabled us to go on and get tax credits,
housing trust fund money and CPC funding to put it together; it's a
mosaic, you have to have different sources.

And I can't tell you how much I appreciate the County believing in
our project, seeing our vision and we're now, you know, in
construction. So if you're in Amagansett, please do check it out.

This funding is very important. Development, land acquisition is
not getting less expensive in our lifetime. It's only getting more
expensive. The cost of land is so precious, to even get a project
started, even the seed money just to begin the process, is really
essential. So I urge you to fully fund these programs. If there
are additional funds that can go in there, that would be most
welcome, and I'm just here to represent a project that actually is
coming to fruition because we were able to take advantage of those
two sources. So thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, thank you. Okay, Mr. Prokop; and then Allison Giosa.

MR. PROKOP.
Good morning, Presiding Officer Gregory, Members of the
Legislature. I'm here today speaking for the Village of Islandia
regarding PM 14 and Introductory Resolution 1488, having to do with
the inclusion of agricultural property in existing Agricultural
Districts, specifically with regard to a property in the Village of
Islandia which is 867 Dune Road. The proposed use of that property
requires approvals by the Village of Islandia; those approvals have
not been received yet and the Village of Islandia asked that this
property, 867 Old Nichols Road, be removed from the resolution and
either not -- that you do not proceed with this particular property
or that it be by separate resolution.

More importantly, the Village wants -- the Village has opted to
proceed as lead agency with regard to the SEQRA review of this
property due to the Village's position as an involved agency, due
to the required approvals that exist. The Village notified the
County of this on May 14th of 2019, and then not having heard any
response from the County, the Village, on May 30th of 2019, invoked
a procedure whereby the matter was referred to the New York State
Commissioner of DEC for the Commissioner of DEC to determine who
should be lead agency with regard to this resolution.

There has not been any determination yet and for that reason the
County is asking -- excuse me, the Village is asking that the
County not move forward with at least the Village of Islandia
property that's in this resolution, or if you don't want to
separate it with the resolution itself, so that a proper SEQRA
review could be conducted with the Village acting as lead agency.
I will have further comments at the public hearing tonight, but I wanted to mention this now. Again, we’re requesting that with regard to the property in the Village of Islandia, 867 Dune road -- excuse me, 867 Old Nichols Road, that this property be removed from the resolution and considered separately or that, more importantly, that the County not proceed with the inclusion of this property until the approvals that for the uses that have been proposed have been issued by the Village of Islandia. Thank you.

10:49AM

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Okay, Allison Giosa; there you are. And then Joanne, it looks like Squires.

10:50AM

MS. GIOSA:
Good morning. My name is Allison Giosa and on behalf of Georgica Green Ventures, I’m here to express support for Suffolk County acquisition and infrastructure funding programs.

Georgica Green Ventures specializes in affordable housing on Long Island and this subsidy is instrumental in getting our projects over the finish line. These programs have helped fill the gap on our 116 unit affordable housing development in Riverhead, 66 units in Southampton, and 37 units in East Hampton.

These project funding applications are scored and prioritized by New York State based upon local support which is demonstrated by this gap funding. Without this reserve of funds, much needed affordable housing wouldn’t happen in Suffolk County and young adults will continue to be forced to leave. I am 24-years old and grew up on Long Island and currently live in an apartment complex just down the road from here. I’ve watched the majority of my friends move from Suffolk County into the City, Brooklyn and Westchester County just to afford an apartment on their own. People my age let their name sit on waiting lists for years until they have no choice but to leave.

By keeping the acquisition and infrastructure funding programs in Suffolk County, it will help foster the new development of much needed affordable housing for young individuals like myself. I’d like to thank the Board, Suffolk County, Jason Smagin and Kellyanne Sullivan for their support and hard work helping our projects come to fruition. Thank you.

10:51AM

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Allison. Joanne, is it Squires?

10:51AM

MS. SQUIRES:
Squires, yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. And then Dr. McIntyre.

10:51AM

MS. SQUIRES:
Good morning. I’m here to talk about the funding for the health center, Hudson River HealthCare. I’m here mainly to talk about the Southampton office.
When we think about the East End, we really think that there's such an excess of money, and as these ladies this morning have said, there's a need for affordable living out there, not just homes but health care. We serve, in the Southampton office, from Montauk, Shelter Island, all the way west of those, those areas. And without the health care out there, our patients have nowhere to go. The only hospital in Southampton, Southampton Hospital, doesn't accept the insurance most of our patients have, or no insurance. We need to stay there. We need to continue to work together as a County to care about the people who service those who don't need our services. And I know there's a lot, but they do not have anywhere to go if we're not there. If -- we need to expand, really, on the East End. That's a big area. Southampton to Montauk Point? That's a lot of ground to cover.

The County once had a health center in East Hampton that they had closed. When I worked in the County Health Center in Southampton we were busy. I worked in Southampton HRH, I opened it; we're busy. You know, our first week we had daily 95 to 112 patients a day, okay, in a 9 to 5 stretch, which of course lasted way past five o'clock. But we need to continue working together to grow together, okay? That's what it's about. Affordable health care, we can't send people to the ERs. We have to work as one team. Hudson River and the County; Hudson River wants to continue what the County started and just let it grow and take care of those who work on those work farms, who work in those vineyards, who do the work. And it's not just an immigrant population, but people like me need Hudson River. Okay, that's it. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Ms. Squires. Dr. McIntyre? And then on deck, James Nemley.

DR. McINTYRE:
Good morning. I am Dr. Sophia McIntyre, I am a family physician and I serve as the Chief Medical Officer of Hudson River HealthCare. I am here today to express tremendous concern that a resolution on our County contract is not being considered today. For our patients, this issue is not about a contract, it's about care; care for our patients, their families and the community.

There are over 82,000 patients across this County that are relying on our range of primary and preventive services, essential services such as vaccines, health education and much more. In fact, Hudson River HealthCare has been working with the asthma coalition on Long Island to help to improve asthma care for our patients, reducing ER visits. You have already heard from my colleagues about the dollars and cents. The millions of dollars, in fact, that Hudson River HealthCare has saved the County through investments and the capital and to reduce costs for the County expenses.

You have also heard about the dramatic changes and the Opioid crisis and increasing number of uninsured patients in this County. And the partnership with the County is more important now than ever, but for those that we serve, this is just a backdrop. There are more immediate concerns, from chronic disease to food and
security. Our patients need and deserve convenient, compassionate and comprehensive health care that is delivered with respect and dignity. It makes dollars and cents that the care and the community, by our physicians and our team, is safer, higher quality than going to the emergency department.

We say at the health centers We're glad to know you, and it's true. We want to be a true medical home where our patients, their families and their loved ones come. But every day that passes without vital County resources jeopardizes our ability to deliver on this mission. I urge you all to move on this issue quickly and remember, this is not -- this is about real people's lives, not contracts but care. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Doctor. Mr. Nemley, it's been a long time. And then Cesar Malaga is on deck.

Applause

MR. NEMLEY:
My name is James Nemley and I'm the Special Project Manager for the Long Island Housing Partnership. LIHP would like to thank Presiding Officer Gregory and the Suffolk County Legislature for their continued support of affordable workforce housing. LIHP supports the County Executive's Capital Program, Proposed Additional Funding for Workforce Housing Program 6411 and Capital Program 8704 as follows; Capital Program 6411, Infrastructure Improvements, $1 million for 2019; Capital Budget 8704, Land Acquisition, $1 million for 2019.

Since 2004, these two funding sources have been instrumental in the development of over 1,772 affordable housing units that LIHP either developed or assisted in the development of. As grants continue to decrease, it has become more and more difficult to develop affordable housing for those low and moderate income populations that desperately need decent and safe housing here in Suffolk County. These funds have been a critical piece in the revitalization of many downtown communities such as Bay Shore Patchogue and Riverhead. These funds have not only helped over 1,772 individuals and families secure housing, but have been instrumental in creating economic and social growth in communities across Suffolk County.

It should also be mentioned that Long Island Housing Partnership developments have a significant impact on Long Island economy during the construction phase as well as after the housing has been occupied. Specifically increasing revenue spent in the community, employment, taxes and retaining critical workforce skills locally.

Thank you for allowing me to speak here today for all the support you have provided to LIHP over the last 31 years. Without your support, many of these families would have already moved off Long Island or be living in substandard housing conditions.

Thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Mr. Malaga, where are you? I saw you earlier.
There you are, okay. Caesar? And then James Bowers.

MR. MALAGA:
Sorry, I've been here before. I've been here at these Legislative
meetings many, many, many years, I attend many meetings. Many of
you are there, I never see you attending Legislative meetings,
never. So now I see this listing expanding.

11:00AM
Just one item, school crossing guards is a very dangerous job.
Today the drivers don't observe the laws around the schools. There
is now portable things, you know, the portable things like cars can
take and put it out there so this way the cars will slow down, and
some of the Supervisors from the controls, the crossing guards,
that's all it takes. Your job is not to control the traffic, your
job is to cross the kids, that's very dangerous.

11:01AM
The other thing is transportation. Some of you have heard of
something, transportation on the East End is getting very bad, very
bad, but there are solutions. There are solutions. I recollect
enlargement of Route 39, we use the Long Island Railroad and we are
bunch of at the rush hour and they can use that, eliminate.

11:01AM
The other thing is the number of Legislators. You know, we used to
have ten Supervisors here for the towns, now we have, what, 18, 19?
It's going higher and higher. That's another expense. It might
have started back, what, ten years ago, the amount of money it
costs Legislators. It's costing us less money. What did they do?

11:01AM
Now, over here you're supposed to have a Legislator that is
supposed to attend the Long Island Railroad Commuters Council.
I worked there for three years, I never saw any Legislator attend
those meetings. So therefore that's supposed to work away that the
counties can work with Long Island Railroad to improve service and
the only reason they should, and we can improve transportation,
especially on the East End. It's getting very, very bad, too many
cars that men go out, the trucks for the Long Island Railroad are
empty. So I don't know whether there's someone here that supposed
to be in charge of transportation that can talk to me. And

Legislator of Southampton, I would like to speak with him if it's
possible. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Caesar. Mr. Bowers; and then on deck, Halgorzata Cueva?

MR. BOWERS:
Hi, good morning, Legislators, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and
Gentlemen. My name is James Bowers, I'm the Executive Director of
the Town of Islip Community Development Agency. I'm pleased to be
here among my peers in government and business who are -- some of
whom have previously spoken, to express support of the
appropriation of additional funding for Suffolk County's Workforce
Housing Program.
We are all aware of the major economic issues facing Suffolk County; the high cost of homes, high property taxes and high housing expenses. According to the 2010 Census, here on Long Island the cost of living is about 50% higher than the national average, and naturally housing is one of the largest parts of such expenses. Suffolk County, a sprawling, suburban region, has a highly educated workforce. And according to a 2017 Forbes profile, it lists Long Island at number 26 in education, but unfortunately Suffolk lacks in job growth. Suffolk plays a prominent role in education, especially in the field of stem research. Suffolk has Suffolk Community College, and other fine university and learning institutions, and Cold Spring Harbor and Brookhaven National Labs which lead the way in educational and scientific research. But unfortunately, according to a poll conducted by Princeton Survey, Suffolk has an extremely and serious problem of brain drain, as our youths, our youths, our future workforce are moving away primarily because of the local housing supply and it's affordability.

Seventy percent of young workers between the ages of 18 and 24 say they are likely to leave Suffolk County in the next four years. That is a very disturbing fact and it certainly would jeopardize our economic prosperity and growth.

Providing and having adequate affordable housing would, number one, eliminate this brain drain, the loss of young talent; two, enhance the job market; three, stimulate the economic activity with the ripple effect of housing development; and fourth, provide and create private capital investment opportunities.

As we know, homeowners accumulate growth as their investment in their home grows and enjoy better living conditions and provide positive effect on the future of Suffolk County. We here in Suffolk County are blessed to be living where there are wonderful recreational activities.

(Timer Sounded)

I'm here to support the Resolution 1456 and 1457. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. All right, thank you, sir. All right, it's past 11. I have to make a motion to extend the Public Portion. Seconded by Legislator Cilmi. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions to extend the Public Portion?

MS. ELLIS:
Fourteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, next I have -- excuse me if i mess it up, I don't know if it's an M or an H, but it looks like Malgorzata Cueva?

MS. CUEVA:
Yes.
P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, okay. And then Michael Santo.

MS. CUEVA:
Good morning. My name is Malgorzata Cueva and I work for HRHCare Health Centers and I'm also a member of 1199. I'm here today to ask you to please -- I don't want to bore you and I don't want to repeat myself what I said at the last meeting. I just want you to understand where we're coming from, I'm coming from when I come here and speak to you on my own behalf and my health center and 1199.

We really rely -- not as much we, but our patients; I say we because we are part of community and I'm going to explain in a second why I say we. We really rely on the funding. The County funding, it's not the only one funding that HRHCare runs, we also have State, we are Federal quality health centers. But when it comes to our health centers and where we work, I want you to understand that we don't just treat this as a 9 to 5 job, and many of our providers, they've been working in the same health centers before it became HRHCare for 20, 25 years. And they already established relationship with the patients, they've seen them come here as young children, they've seen them when they needed prenatal care, they've seen them deliver their babies and right now they are the pediatrician. So a part of that medical part that we do, we also consider ourselves as a part of the community. Because without anyone asking as members of the community, we know the family, we know our patients and we do drives on our own; we do food pantry. We never talk about things like that, we collect clothes, we collect clothing for our veterans. We know a couple that they've been coming to our center for more than 25 years and we decide to make a nice basket as a thank you for day service, and it didn't come from any family, it didn't come from any money that was out of state or the County, it was actually our own money that we as members, we collected and we made them, you know, we said Okay, the least we can do, give them a gift card, you know, they are already retired and maybe they would be able to go to a nice restaurant and, you know, just to celebrate those important dates. But we also do a lot of things when it comes to our patients when we see when the school starts and we know they are families that they are struggling with school supplies and things like that. So there is a lot behind the scenes that we do for our patients because we are part of the community and that's how we look at them. We just don't look at them as a number who comes to eat when everyone eats, we actually don't want them to suffer on any personal level, health-wise, medication or emotionally.

(Timer Sounded)

So thank you very much. I know the time passed, I just want you to take this into consideration. Thank you

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Ms. Cueva. Okay, Mr. Santo; and then Mr. Gallo, Lou Gallo. Thanks for being here.
MR. SANTO:

Good morning. Thank you very much for having me and providing me this opportunity. I'm here to discuss comments made by Mr. Gregory at a session on May 14th. I want to thank you, Mr. Gregory, for taking my phone call yesterday. As a practicing attorney for over 30 years and a retired Village Justice of 20 years, I know a lot of people in Suffolk County. By all accounts, you're a good man. You have a great deal of integrity and you're revered by your peers; that's all good news. But as to the statements made on that day, referencing them as follows; you, as a very major political figure in this County, talking about another major political figure in this County, that's DA Tom Sini -- Tim Sini. You referenced him and others as fictional Soprano crime family members; you referenced him twice as a want-to-be gangsta. It's no short moment that he's an Italian American in a very populated Italian-American community in Suffolk County. And I don't think that you made those statements intentionally. I think you made them out of passion or perhaps anger at the moment; I'll give you the benefit of the doubt. But nonetheless, as a public figure talking about another public figure, those statements mean a lot, because unchecked they signal to a lot of younger people that it's okay to say that when it's not, because those words are trigger words against Italian Americans that are hurtful and damning because they perpetuate a negative stereotype that we've been fighting for many, many years. And we think that we make inroads and then, of course, then we have setbacks.

So despite whatever communication or whatever comment that you really wanted to make, and having made those comments, I respectfully ask you on behalf of the organization that I represent, the Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy and America, which is the largest and oldest Italian American organization in this country, for a retraction and an apology. Thank you very much for listening, I appreciate that.

(*The following was taken and transcribed by Lucia Braaten - Court Stenographer*)

MR. GALLO:

For the record, my name is Lou Gallo, I'm a resident of Miller Place, and I am the immediate Past Chairman of the New York State Commission for Social Justice, known as the CSJ, the anti-defamation group of the Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy in America.

Mr. Santo has already referred to the comments made by the Presiding Officer Gregory regarding wannabe gangsters and fictional-based Soprano Crime Family in regards to alleged misconduct in the Suffolk County Police Department, and also the DA's Office, about people who claim to ruin him. What's so abjectly deplorable about his statements is that he insulted his own colleagues, the Deputy Presiding Officer, Mr. Calarco, the Minority Leader, Mr. Cilmi, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Muratore, Mr. Trotta, and one of his staffers, Mr. Bob Fonti, and God knows how many other Italian-Americans of Italian-American extraction in Suffolk County, and, might I add, insulted 400,000 Italian-American
residents in Suffolk County, the County, according to the 2010 Census, the greatest number of Italians in this country by county.

Whether the misconduct is legitimate or illegitimate, whether the anger by the Presiding Officer is understandable or not, there is absolutely no place for such pejorative utterances in this body, nor outside in American society, against any ethnic or racial group. And as a man of color, he should know better, knowing the history of minority populations in this country. We, therefore, expect something more and better from him.

A few weeks ago, the CSJ was very, very instrumental in extracting from the New Orleans Mayor a formal public apology, for on March 14th, 1891, 11 Italians were lynched. It is the greatest single day brutal lynching in American history, and the NAACP will tell you that, falsely accused of assassinating their Police Chief, which didn't happen. It took a black female Mayor, a black female Mayor, to acknowledge that brutality, and proffered a formal public apology. We say to the Presiding Officer, the CSJ and the Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, that the Presiding Officer should and must do the same for the Italian-Americans of Suffolk County. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Mr. Gallo. And Mr. Fratta, where are you? There you are. And then on deck, Richard O'Shea.

MR. FRATTA:
Good morning. My name is John Fratta. I'm the Chairman of the New York State Commission for Social Justice. We are the anti-defamation arm of the Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy in America. We represent over 8,000 Italian-Americans in New York, many of them are residents of your own county in Suffolk. I'm here today because since our Italian-American community arrived on these shores, they were subjected to discrimination, bigotry, and negative stereotyping. Many of these -- many of these stereotyping is promoted by those in Hollywood, in the media. We are the last group that this type of behavior seems to be acceptable and now seems to be pop culture.

AUDIENCE MEMBER:
Here here.

MR. GALLO:
Make no mistake about it, it is wrong and hurtful to us in the Italian-American community. That brings me why I'm here today. Last week, in a discussion that was carried in the media, Presiding Officer Gregory did such that. Regarding Italian-American officials, the remark was made, "I won't allow this collection of wannabe gangsters to tarnish the" -- "what I have worked for to build without response." It is remarks like that that the Italian-Americans are subjected to and must stop. What is more disturbing is that you, Mr. Gregory, as an African-American, whose community lives with negative stereotyping and bigotry constantly, I would have thought you would have known how comments like this are hurtful and are wrong.
I do want to thank Presiding Gregory (sic) for the opportunity to speak with you about this very sensitive issue. And as I told you on the phone, I'm not getting involved in the political issue that is occurring in -- that's occurring in Suffolk County. But I am getting involved in an issue that has tainted the Italian-American community and that of Sergeant Gigante, who I believe has a stellar record in the Police Department. I have seen repeatedly when Italian-Americans are vying for a job, or even running for office against a non-Italian, their opposing candidate tries to smear the candidate with mob ties, and this, too, has to stop.

I'm first to admit that in a heated argument, sometimes things get said that you realize these words were wrong, but it's too late to pull them out. I know this because I've done it myself and I've been in that situation. But I also know that an apology is necessary to those hurt by those such words. Because your comments were carried in the press, I am now asking you to issue a public apology to the Italian-American community. It's the right thing to do. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:

Thank you, Mr. Fratta. I think that's -- I think that's -- oh, don't leave on my account. Oh, okay, all right (laughter). I'm going to -- I'm going to take a point of personal privilege.

Mr. Fratta, thank you. It was a pleasure talking to you, Mr. Santo. I think during our conversation, well, your reference was from the -- I guess the News 12 accounts, which did not fully put my comments in context. What I said was it was in reference to a whistle-blower investigation, where individuals whose actions are under scrutiny hired an attorney, who actually, in effect, should be my attorney, since he was acting as a County attorney, and through that person they were attacking me as overseeing the whistle-blower investigation, which came forward with some very serious allegations on our Law Enforcement community, as well as some top elected officials, were attacking me and saying that I was acting unethically, insinuating that I was manipulating witnesses, possibly. And my comment was I won't let these collection of people, who I know have acted unethically, possibly criminally, attack me through their attorney. And that's what was in the context of the reference, because these individuals have on multiple accounts, at least three accounts, intimidated the witness that came forward. One was offered a $50,000 payoff, if you will, to keep them quiet. Another person said they would use their office to wipe me out, because I'm coming forward and defending someone who's coming forward seeking protections for allegations. There's another individual that tried to blackmail me, who thought I was doing something illegal, and asked me -- told me that he would keep my secret if I did what he wanted him to do. And I told him I wasn't doing what he thought I was doing, and I wasn't going to do what he wanted me to do. That individual went to the D.A., had me investigated. I was later cleared. So these are the integrity and the character of the individuals that are manipulating the situation.
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I made a serious allegation. I have spoken to the FBI about my allegations. You know what the FBI said? They said there's serious corruption in Suffolk County. The individuals that I named, they haven't denied the allegations that I made to them. What they did was they were trying to deflect attention away, making it an ethnic issue, and that is preposterous. Anybody who knows me for 30 seconds knows that I'm not a racist, I don't have any prejudice. My children are Italian, my son, Luciano Aristotle Vincente Castellano. I'm not going to insult my children, so, you know, that's just not my character.

So to have individuals try to manipulate and politicize a situation because they're trying to run for cover because from their actions, they can't run from the FBI. And the FBI was very interested in some of what I had to say, and they weren't interested in some of the other things that I had to say. But for them to say there's a lot of corruption in Suffolk County, I was embarrassed by that, I was embarrassed to be a part of it. But I wanted them to know I'm not a part of the problem, I'm part of the solution.

So I apologize if you took my comment in the wrong way, but, certainly, I don't discriminate against anyone, I don't look at people based on color, gender, ethnicity, religion, or anything else, that's just not who I am. But those individuals, they have to clean up their act, because they're embarrassing this County. And I hope that we'll be able to straighten it out. I have some resolutions coming forward, reform resolutions that's going address some of the issues. But, you know, when the Federal Government is saying that we have -- you preside over a corrupt government, I take that very seriously.

So thank you, gentleman, for coming out here today, and I appreciate your calls as well. Thank you.

AUDIENCE MEMBER:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Richard O'Shea, and then Jordan Mercado.

MR. O'SHEA:
Good morning, Presiding Officer Gregory and Members of the Legislature. You may remember me. I'm Richard O'Shea. I'm the president of the Nassau Suffolk Funeral Directors Association. I'm also a fourth generation Funeral Director here on Long Island, and I'm here this morning representing 75 funeral homes and over 200 Funeral Directors. And I'm here in support of Legislator Trotta's Resolution No. 1428, to eliminate the Suffolk County cremation approval fee.

Since last we sat, I looked back and I found the genesis of this fee, because the Suffolk County Legis -- Medical Examiner's Office has always offered cremation approvals. It was in 2004 that a Resolution No. 1637-2004, which was -- quote, the purpose of this law is to establish cremation of funeral -- cremation approval fee to cover the costs incurred by the Department of Health Services
for the processing of such reports and records. This has got --
this fee has nothing to do with safeguarding cremations or making
sure the right person is cremated or not, this is just a
records-keeping fee.

And, quite frankly, the impact statement, the Financial Impact
Statement from 2017, which was put together by, well, Robert Lipp,
your Director of Budget Review, states the impact to the average
residential tax bill will be 34 cents. You could see why we feel
like this is nickel and diming those families that want to have a
cremation and have to pay a $60 fee just for your approval.

What I charge for cremation is immaterial, because my families
could go wherever they like, but they still have to pay your fee.
If it's such a small fee, why are you making me collect it? Why
not just have the representative call the family when they get the
cremation approval and take a credit card number at that time? Why
don't you just leave us out of it? It's such a small fee.

Honestly, please support -- support Legislator Trotta. Let's get
rid of this fee, it makes no sense. It was -- it was a bad fee
15 years ago, it's a bad fee now. And that's it, that's all I have
to say. Do I have any questions?

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Mr. O'Shea.

MR. O'SHEA:
Thank you so much.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Mr. -- or, I'm sorry, Jordan Mercado, are you here
still? There you are. And then Alison, looks like Karppi.

MR. MERCADO:
Hi. Hello. I'm a little bit nervous. My name is Jordan. I work
at Hudson River Health Center in Brentwood. I'm a Patient
Navigator. My job is to help people navigate through our
healthcare system, and it's always changing. Everything is getting
more and more difficult as we go, different insurance companies,
different policies.

I just wanted to tell you guys about some of the good things that
we do in my community. I also live in Brentwood, so everywhere I
walk people know me, I can't hide. A lot of the things that we do
is that we help people schedule appointments with outside
specialists. Nowhere else that I've gone in my life have I seen
that. I actually remember very vividly my mom having to call
insurance companies, and everything else, just to get appointments
for us. We have -- there was three of us in our family. But we
have a program to where I am the one who already know these
offices, and I call them for these families just to schedule
specialist appointments, and that's like -- that's amazing.
I can see the gratefulness in the people's faces every day.
Aside from that, we have outreach events. We have a lot of -- for the past three years, we've done a Christmas program to where we've had multiple different vendors come and donate food, toys, all kinds of stuff, so that we could give out Christmas presents to the less fortunate. I don't know, you guys probably know this, but Brentwood is very under -- underprivileged, a lot of uninsured people. So what we do is very, very important to our community. We're definitely fixtures, and we need more funding just to keep these kind of things going. We do a lot of good work for our community. Thank you.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Jordan. Alison. Alison Karppi, good to see you.
Then Peter Florey.

MS. KARPPI:
Good morning, everyone. Alison Karppi, Town of Brookhaven Commissioner of Housing and Human Services. Well, pretty much my colleagues that were here this morning, they all spoke in support of 6411 and 8704. Town of Brookhaven feels the same exact way. Without the land and the funding for the infrastructure improvements, we would not be able to provide affordable housing. That's huge. So the Town of Brookhaven thanks the County for their continued support, and we look forward to working with everyone. Thank you.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Peter, and then Gwen O'Shea.

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MR. FLOREY:
Thank you, Presiding Officer Gregory, Members of the Legislature. I'm Peter Florey, I'm Principal with D & F Development Group, and President of the Long Island Builders Institute, and I'm here today to speak in favor of the acquisition of land for workforce housing, CP 8704, and the funds for infrastructure improvements for workforce housing, 6411.

We have used these funds successfully in two recent projects, one in Bay Shore, and one in Bellport. Without the funds, those two projects would not be built, and the reason for that is that we receive a good amount of the funding that goes into these projects from New York State Homes and Community Renewal. Those funds are distributed on a highly competitive basis. Those funds are made available to developments throughout New York State.

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One of the criteria that they use for determining what projects are going to be supported is the degree to which those projects are able to leverage the funds that we receive from the State. Without the leverage, our projects will not be funded, because, again, we're competing against projects throughout the state, many of whom are receiving funds from their localities. So when we -- when we receive those, our projects, it often means that our projects are allowed to move forward. And we really appreciate the funding that you have already allocated in years past. We hope that you continue in the future, and we greatly appreciate it. I know that the residents that reside in our -- in our -- the units that we
built are greatly appreciative as well. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Thank you, Peter. Gwen? There you are. Gwen O'Shea, and then George Basile.

MS. O'SHEA:
Good morning, everyone. Gwen O'Shea with Community Development Corporation of Long Island. I appreciate the opportunity to speak before you this morning, and I want to thank you for your previous support that you've provided through the two capital resolutions that I'm here to ask again for assistance for. That has been critical for a number of the new residences that we've created with a cross-section of partners, development partners in Suffolk County.

I want to also acknowledge Jason and Kellyanne, the tremendous job that they do really taking the funds that you make available and ensuring that they go to projects that can get fruition and create a home for individuals.

From CDCLI's perspective, in terms of the developments that you have supported, we have been able to build 485 new units of home for individuals. And to Peter's point, the resources that you've provided us, and collectively for the developments that we either have done or completed in areas like Coram, Copiague, Riverhead, Wyandanch and Southold, the funds, the 4.3 have leveraged an additional $174 million, and so that's $174 million that we're able to bring into the Suffolk County economy. It creates jobs, it creates investment, both public and private, and we're really, really proud of the fact that we've been able to do that.

And as you heard articulated from a number of my other colleagues that spoke previously, the individuals that reside in our developments range from the young millennial that's looking to move out of their parents' basement and have their own home for the first time, to a more senior community member that can't afford to live in a private home any longer and wants to be part of a community, and so they reside in one of the developments that we have. And so we're really grateful for the fact that we've been able to create those number of homes for individuals. We thank you for your support. We ask you to pass Resolution 1456 and 1457.

And I invite you all to our ground-breaking for the most recent project that you've supported in Southold, 50 units of a multi-family development. It will be on Tuesday, June 25th. So if you have the time, please join us at 11 o'clock. And thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Gwen. George, where are you? There you are. And then Leah Jefferson on deck.

MR. BASILE:
Good morning, all. I'm George Basile and I am a Page alumnus. As an alumnus, I've been the recipient and continue to receive the
benefits of the Page Program.

I'm here in support, of course, of I.R. 1515, establishing the Page Program through the Legislature. The Page Program has enabled me to be an advocate for the implementation of ground-breaking recovery housing program at my university, as well as advocate for better, more sensible drug policies around the country. The Page Program allows myself, as well as young people around the county, to effect change in a county that we all dearly love. You know, establishing the Page Program would be important to not only better the job prospects of young people, but also ensure that we have the resources going forward to be able to better civically engage everyone.

I hope you all vote for -- to approve I.R. 1515, and have a good day.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thanks, George. Ms. Jefferson, and on deck, Glenn Vickes (phonetic).

MS. JEFFERSON:
I just wanted to check and see if it was still morning, and I think it is, so good morning. I'm Leah Jefferson. I'm Director of Community Development for the Town of Huntington. I want to thank everyone for their past support. It's because of the support of the County Legislature that we are able to build a current project right now called Columbia Terrace. It's a 14-unit condominium in Huntington Station with a Veterans preference. And we were able to acquire the land along with the County, and, hopefully, we'll have our Veterans moving in sometime in September, so we're looking forward to that. However, there is still a dire need for affordable housing here on Long Island, so I'm here to support 1456 and 1457.

Going forward, just in the Town of Huntington alone, we just had a lottery for 14 affordable units for 55 and over. We had 328 applicants for those units. And we recently had a home, a first-time home buyer home, one home in Greenlawn, and we had 664 applicants here on Long Island alone. So to say that there's no need for affordable housing would really be a serious misnomer.

So I would ask you to continue to support the funding for acquisition for land, and also for infrastructure as well. We can't make any more land, we can only use what we have. So I look forward to working with you in the future, and I hope that you will support the resolutions. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. It's Glenn Vickers, I'm sorry. And then on deck, Lee Snead.

MR. VICKERS:
Good afternoon. My name is Glenn Vickers. I'm the Senior Executive Director for the YMCA of Long Island. I currently reside on the East End of Long Island, but today I'm speaking on behalf of
the YMCA of Long Island's Wyandanch YMCA project.

I've been fortunate enough to be able to be a fifth generation Long Islander. The Town of Babylon has always been my home. So it's really exciting to speak on behalf of this particular project. And I remember as a youth being in Wyandanch, growing up in Babylon, playing basketball, and going through all of the wonderful culture and just experiences in Wyandanch.

From the start of the Wyandanch initiative, the incorporation of arts and culture is a key component of the revitalization that has been acknowledged by the community goals, and it's been at the forefront of the planning and designing of the space. Wyandanch locally and regionally has a future of inclusion programming that will involve not only the local residents, but also the rest of Suffolk County and Long Island.

The recommendation from the Wyandanch Arts and Culture Master Plan was to identify, create, and improve and promote spaces that are art, and that can be presented and taught to youth, adults and seniors throughout the community. This is precisely why the Y would be a fantastic partner to be able to incorporate the JumpStart funding of $1.25 million, which was originally earmarked for the Long Island Music Festival -- pardon me, Long Island Music Museum, to be able to incorporate all of our YMCA programming.

If you're familiar with the Great South Bay location, we run and operate the YMCA Bolton Center for Performing Arts. Again, earlier in my career, I was fortunate enough to be able to work at that location and see all of the men, women and children participate at that venue, and our ability to be able to facilitate arts programming, ranging from hip-hop, dance, programming at night, daytimes, act-out theater, and all of the above, and that same type of program we would love to be able to bring to the Wyandanch community through the Wyandanch Rise Program.

The new Wyandanch YMCA facility will also make for innovation and physical space to promote an arts mission, a central library and lobby, includes performance stairs, a double-high terrace steps that can service a community gatherings area, galley walkways, and all of the above. A second floor will overlook and draw direct inspiration from New York's Highline, and the services that are perfect for performing in the platforms, the adjacent Wyandanch Plaza.

In 2015, the MTA/LIRR made an important contribution to the Wyandanch cultural landscape in the form of a striking 60-foot-tall body of art by Moe Brooker entitled "Just Jazz". The YMCA will be embedded right in the middle of that art structure and other art in the location, and will look to be a centerpiece to the cultural arts of the Wyandanch Rising project.

The Y is excited to bring our expertise, we're excited to bring our bandwidth. And, again, with thousands of our constituents, which are also your constituents in our network, we look forward to be a key partner, and anything we could do to help the cause, we will
definitely do so. Thank you so much.

P. O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Mr. Vickers. Lee Snead.

MR. SNEAD:
Good morning, Members of the Legislature. Thanks for having --
giving me the opportunity to speak. I'm here representing
Pal-O-Mine Equestrian, which is a not-for-profit organization in
Islandia. They use horses, in a sense, to assist youth in need,
Veterans who have issues, and youth who have -- have been involved
in the criminal system, to try to give them different alternatives,
and teach them both equestrian issues, and how to deal with -- and
how to deal with jobs and things like that. What's at issue here
today is your approval or your moving a matter forward for the
inclusion into an agricultural district of a less than one-acre
piece of land on Old Nichols Road.

In 2015, this organiz -- this body granted agricultural status to
the main facility, which is immediately north of this property.
And in 2017, this body granted agricultural status to two roughly
one-acre parcels that are immediately south of this property.
Thus, this property, if it's added into the Agricultural District,
will complete a campus, so to speak, for the organization.

The property in question has three buildings on it, they are three
residential buildings. It is Pal-O-Mine's intention to use at
least one of them as a residence, another as a partial residence
for people who come there on a short-term basis, and one is
storage. There's also a classroom that's going to be used. That's
the intent. Under the Agriculture and Markets Program that you're
looking at this, it is the County's determination alone as to
whether this should go into a district. Again, nothing is changing
on the site, all the buildings will remain. There's going to be no
development of the site, although there's been suggestions out
there in the press that that's the possibility. It's not true.
What the Village is trying to do is adjourn this matter, because
you are on a tight specific statutory timeline to make certain
approvals so this can be presented before the Commissioner of
Agriculture and Markets for ultimate signature, and they are asking
you to delay it. They are saying, "Please, we want to be the
organization to review it." The problem is there is nothing for
them to review. You are the only organization that makes this
decision. To the extent that they have any zoning concerns, the
documents in your package, when you come up to this, particularly,
the SEQRA, Short Environmental Assessment Form, says the following:

"The properties were determined by the Board to be viable
agricultural lands that would serve the public interest by
assisting and maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the
district. Please note that all actions on properties included in
an agricultural district continue to be subject to local zoning and
subject to subdivision regulations, and that this designation does
not preclude adherence to such local regulations."

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The sole point that the Village is making is that they might have to make some zoning approval determinations in the future, yet we have to go through that process at a time when we are preparing and actually apply for that, for a zoning variance or a special permit.

P.O. GREGORY:
Mr. Snead, your time's up, please.

MR. SNEAD:
Okay. There is nothing that delaying this process would serve to the -- to the Village of Islandia, and, indeed, it would kill the project to do so. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Thank you. That's all the cards I have. Is there anybody else that would like to speak that has not already spoken? Please come forward. Okay. Seeing none, I'll accept a motion to close by Legislator Fleming, I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Seventeen. (Not Present: Legislator Hahn)

P.O. GREGORY:
I make a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Seventeen. (Not Present: Legislator Hahn)

P.O. GREGORY:
I'm going to make a motion, because we do have some people here that are waiting, and maybe we can just dispense of this resolution. On Page 8, I'm going to make a motion to take I.R. 1537 out of order, Directing the Suffolk County Attorney to enter into an Agreement with Hudson River Health Care for operational funding. (Pres. Off.)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco to take out of order. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I make a motion to approve. No, I'm only kidding.

(Laughter)

Motion to table.
LEG. KENNEDY:
Yeah.

LEG. TROTTA:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Trotta. At the request of the County Executive, they are -- he's asking for two weeks. My colleagues have asked that we give them that, that time frame to submit a resolution -- excuse me, a resolution with a contract, approving the contract that is going to provide, you know, healthcare to tens of thousands of individuals, and provide more savings than we've already obtained through the current contract, and so I look forward to receiving that. And I appreciate your patience and -- all right. With that, we have a motion and a second. All in favor?

LEG. SPENCER:
On the motion, please.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand)

LEG. CILMI:
Presiding Officer.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, we're tabling it. You want to -- you want to question it anyway?

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yeah, I want to question it.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh. Oh, okay. All right. All right. Legislator Sunderman.

P.O. GREGORY:
I just want to -- so I know you said it's tabling, we're going to see it in two weeks, but with this healthcare being of concern in two weeks, are we going to see the contract the day before the two weeks are up, or am I going to get a chance to view it properly?

P.O. GREGORY:
You're asking the wrong person.

("Laughter")

I sent a letter in March, I forget the date, asking for the contract to be sent over. It was finalized in November or December. There was -- there was -- from my perspective, there wasn't any discussion about the contract or its terms until maybe last Wednesday, which kind of -- out of left field, there was a request for HRH to provide some money to some other funding, which really shouldn't even be relevant, in my opinion, to their -- to our network of clinics. It's really an ask that's -- really
doesn't pertain to their services directly. So I guess on that premise, they're saying they're still in negotiations, but it doesn't really affect the contract. But yes, I hope -- I hope that we get the contract tomorrow. So I don't know if we will, but, hopefully, in enough time to review it and have any questions, or whatever.

LEG. SUnderman: Thirty thousand visits for the Shirley office, I cannot have it affected. And then 7,000 visits for the Coram office from my patients --

P.O. GREGORY: Right.

LEG. SUnderman: -- from my area that I represent, without the ones that go from another Legislator's area. So it's a real concern to me if we do not get this on the table.

P.O. GREGORY: No. I think it should be done today, because if we don't -- if it's introduced -- if it's not introduced today, at our next meeting, which is in two weeks, you know -- you know, if it's not done before then, then we'll have to do it in July. But from what we're being told, notices of closure are going to be sent out, as per New York State Health Law, July 1, so -- so we'll see. All right.

All right. I guess I'm getting a list here. All right. Legislator Spencer, and then Flotteron, I guess.

LEG. SPENCER: Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. And this issue, its resolution was in the Health Committee, and I'm well aware of the issues since the beginning with Hudson River. And I just want to make sure that it is on the record.

You know, I know that both sides are negotiating in good faith, and this tabling motion is really coming from the belief that we can count on the Executive to resolve this issue. And it's -- by tabling it, it puts us on a very tight timeline, because if, well, we're not able to get something done, then we go into the summer.

And we have heard the testimonies from both physicians, from patients, and I just think it's important to state on the record, because, you know, I think this is -- this is too critical. It goes to the core of what I believe, to the core of my public service as a physician. So this is an issue that is very painful for me to see, because I understand the interaction where someone just has that uncertainty, and, really, in some cases their lives are depending on it.

So I know the County Executive to be someone of his word, and I know he's working hard, and I know the folks at Hudson River are working hard. So this is not any attempt to throw anyone under the
bus. I know that it's not that simple. There are details that
know -- we may not be fully aware of, but I'm really counting on
the Administration to get this done, and that's why I will support
the tabling motion. And I'm -- I think the relationship and the
reputation, they've given us their word that they're going to be
working on this, and so I'm really hoping that comes to fruition.
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Flotteron.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Just maybe I'm a little confused of your resolution. Right now, if
he doesn't come through, the County Exec, which we've been
patiently waiting for months and weeks, what's wrong with passing
this as a safety valve to make sure he does do it and get it here
in a timely fashion, because we're at the eleventh hour right now.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yeah. I think we still have time. We can do that at the next
meeting and be, you know, ahead of, you know, the notices going
out, and, you know, potential closure. I mean, obviously, there
are employees here, there are union members that are here. You
weren't here when we went through the potential closure in the past
with a $20 million claw-back from the State. I mean, you know,
discussions like this and concerns like this run havoc through the
health centers. I mean, these are people who have to take care of
people and they're worried about their jobs and stuff, and I'm
sensing that that's starting to develop here as well. And so I
think the sooner that we can resolve this issue, the better. You
know, so the Administration is on the record for asking for, you
know, two weeks. They've spoken to several of our colleagues. You
know, that would be the best outcome to me, would be for them to
forward that contract over, so we can review it and react on it.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Again, for the reasons why you wrote this, I mean, concerns in the
past was over $40 million we were spending. This is less
expensive, it's more controlled, better services, etcetera. It's
better for our budget and better for healthcare. Again, I was
supportive of your resolution, and the reason is, and I still am,
is there's a safety net, because, again, it's been a little
negligent, the communication, of what's going on with this.

P.O. GREGORY:
Right, right. I appreciate that. I got a list growing here.
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
To Legislator Sunderman's point about when we can get the contract,
is there anyone here from the Administration who could answer when
we could see it, all could see it?

MS. KEYES:
Hi. Can you just -- just exactly what your question was?
I'm sorry.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
When could we hope to see the contract?

MS. KEYES:
As I said at the Health Committee, and I've represented since then, the County Executive, who is out of the country, and that is the primary reason why he's asked for the two-week delay in this resolution, specifically, beyond the issues that we do have with the technical aspect of the resolution. I don't -- I can't give a date certain. I have been told very soon, and I have been told by the end of the summer, at the latest.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
All right. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
(Indicating thumbs up)

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Donnelly.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. Just to kind of follow up on Legislator Spencer's point, as well as yours, you know, it's an Executive function to negotiate this, and I think a tabling resolution is prudent at this time, so I support it. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, sorry. Are you done?

LEG. DONNELLY:
I'm done.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, okay.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Short and sweet, as always.

(Laughter)

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. CILMI:
Thank you. I just wanted to underscore the comments of both Legislator Sunderman and Legislator Spencer, and sort of reiterate the question that Legislator Krupski put to the Administration. I recognize Amy has already answered that question to the best of her ability. She can't say anything more specific than what she said. But I also wanted to highlight the position that, or the request I should say, that I don't want to be forced to vote on a Certificate of Necessity. I don't want to be forced to vote on something
that's presented to us at the last minute without giving us due
time and consideration to review the details of the contract and to
discuss those details with both the Administration and with the--
and with Hudson River HealthCare.

I am really concerned based on -- I had an understanding based on a
brief conversation with the Presiding Officer, and understanding
his reasons for tabling this today, that we were going to have a
contract in a couple of weeks, but now that doesn't seem so sure.
So if -- I guess my question to you, Mr. Presiding Officer, is that
if we don't actually have a contract in a couple of weeks, and we
table this bill today, we then pass this bill, let's just say for
example, at our next meeting, based on -- and I was not here for
that meeting that this was discussed previously. But based on what
I'm hearing from folks, Hudson River has expressed a -- sort of
a -- drawn sort of a line in the sand and said that they're going
to have to start closing clinics if we don't, you know, ink this
deal within a certain period of time. Does that sort of delay put
us in jeopardy and risk healthcare to our residents?

P.O. GREGORY:
My recollection from Mr. Sinkoff was that those notices of closure,
as required by New York State Department of Health, won't go out
until the 1st of July, and so it's like a 60 or 90-day window, so
we would be doing it prior to that. But if they introduce it after
the next meeting and we have to vote on it, obviously, in the June,
I think it's 16th, meeting, obviously, that would be too late,
so --

D.P.O. CALARCO:
July.

P.O. GREGORY:
July, excuse me. So it would have to be done some time before the
next meeting, introduced to us.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. I would just urge the County Executive's Office to avoid a
Certificate of Necessity as best as you can, and if you do have to
come forward with a Certificate of Necessity, given the need to get
this done and the time constraints involved, sharing it with the
whole Legislature at the earliest convenience would be appreciated.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. So we have a motion and a second to table. All in favor?
Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Let's get our -- I would say one of our big items out of the
way. We're going to do the Capital Budget vote now. Mr. Krupski,
Mr. Chair, do you want to make a motion?
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LEG. KRUPSKI:
I'd like to make a motion to approve.

LEG. FLEMING:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Krupski, the Chair of the Capital Budget Working Group, second by Legislator Fleming.

11:54AM

LEG. KRUPSXI:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes. But before that, I just want to thank the Chair and the Members of the Committee for their work, and obviously, of course, BRO for the work that they've done to help bring the process to fruition. Obviously, your analysis is always very much appreciated, so thank you guys. I know you were a little bit under a time crunch towards the end because of the -- some of the contracts that we had to give priority to. So I certainly respect you kind of jumping through hoops a little bit there, and very much appreciate it. So I'll yield the floor to Legislator Krupski.

11:55AM

LEG. KRUPSXI:
I just wanted to thank the Presiding Officer. This is a -- you know, it's been a privilege to Chair this. It's certainly been a privilege to work with Budget Review, because they have -- they seem to know, you know, what's important in the budget, and they give us a lot of guidance, and they give us the numbers when we need them in a timely manner, which is -- which is really impressive in a budget that large.

And I want to thank all my colleagues who worked on this, because their input was important, and it's certainly the comments for the future of -- really, our debt, capital debt every year should be restricted to 70 million per year. That's a -- that's a real challenge for us. So I would -- I would, you know, urge everyone, as we appropriate this money in 2020, that we look at every project seriously and see what our -- what our needs are, and is this really -- is this really an important investment for our taxpayers? So -- but, you know, thank you for that opportunity, and thank all my colleagues for working on -- for their hard work on this.

11:56AM

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Thank you. Once we -- we have two more speakers, but I'm going to ask Robert to kind of give the highlights of the -- of what we did. Legislator Cilmi.

11:56AM

LEG. CILMI:
Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. I just wanted to express my thanks to the Working Group and to certainly Budget Review. I am disappointed that certain things were included in the Capital Budget that I had hoped would be removed, given the financial challenges facing the County, particularly all of the Connect Long Island projects, which you'll see stand-alones in here for the
removal of. But given the fact that each of these capital project
in the Capital Budget have to come before this Legislature for its
own individual vote, on balance, I think the Capital Budget
amendment that's been proposed by the Working Group is fair and
I'll be supporting it. So thank you.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Legislator Cilmi. Okay. I think what we're going to do
is the Presiding Officer was asking Dr. Lipp and BRO to give us a
quick review of what the Work Group came up with and the product
here for everyone's education, and then we'll open the floor back
up. Go ahead, Dr. Lipp.

MR. LIPP:
Feel free to stop me at any time. So I had emailed each of you and
some other people a copy of this presentation. This is the order
of it, and I'll go through it pretty quickly.

So what you'd see here are the changes that were made from proposed
to adopted by the omnibus resolution, assuming it will be adopted.
And you can -- what you could see is the different funding sources
and the dollar amounts, as opposed to specific capital projects
that I'm looking at here in terms of dollars. So for 2020, what
you see is a $4.18 million increase in serial bonds that as a
result of the omnibus. Pay-as-you-go transfers would go down by
$20,000 in 2020. And you could see there are three major areas,
there's serial bonds, pay-as-you-go and sewers. We separate the
sewers as their own funding sources. The important year is 2020,
because that's what you would act on next year. You wouldn't be
able to act on the other years next year. So I'll avoid making a
speech about the other years, unless I'm asked.

Over here, you see what the different pieces to the final number
for serial bond funding for next year, 2020. So this current
budget -- rather, last year's budget is 2019 adopted total, and for
serial bonds that was $104 1/2 million. The proposed Capital
Program by the County Executive lowered that by 51,000, almost
52,000, to 104 million and .5. And then the omnibus increases for
2020 serial bond funding by 4.18 million to a total of
108.7 million as a total, if the omnibus is passed or adopted.

Next, what we have, I won't go into any detail here, but the title
of the resolution is a very long wined title, and actually there's
a method to our madness that Roz and Benny did, and that is to look
at specific areas of importance and put it in the title. So what
we're doing then after that is we're looking at these significant
areas of importance and we broke it down into additions as a result
of a capital project change, advances, so those are all like
pluses, deletions or decreases and deferrals, which would be --
which would be reductions, and then, lastly, some just housekeeping
sort of stuff that isn't worth talking about too much. And as a
result of that, the big ticket items in terms of advances, or
deletions, or deferrals, just the major things are over here. As
you could see, the biggest item is the Riverhead Kitchen for one
item, and then there's some Vanderbilt stuff, and, of course,
there's the workforce housing stuff that was spoken to by the
public today.
I'll reserve any further discussion, unless there are questions.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. Thank you, Dr. Lipp. So, Legislator Fleming, you have the floor.

LEG. FLEMING:
Thank you. I do want to thank Budget Review for an excellent job once again in guiding us through the complexities of the Capital Budget in real-time, making adjustments that need to be made during the Working Group process. I know it's challenging, and you do an excellent job, so thank you very much. I want to thank Legislator Krupski, also, for his leadership, as always, and also Legislator Calarco on the Capital Budget Working Group.

Clearly, the goal of the Capital Budget Working Group has to be to keep the cost of government down as much as possible, while, at the same time, ensuring that the services that are expected from our constituents from County Government are met, and I am very proud to say that this Capital Budget does achieve those goals.

I would just like to note that one of the most important things that we did have to do was to accommodate the concerns of the Sheriff's Department and the County Jail. And we've been asked to upgrade the Jail kitchen for many years, and it's a very high ticket and difficult to do. At the same time, it's critically important.

And, you know, when we're looking at capital spending, we should bear in mind that the Capital Budget results in debt service costs that are 6% of the overall Operating Budget. Our budget concerns stem from our Operating Budget, not from our Capital Budget. We on the Legislature supported and the County Executive signed a capital debt service policy last year that requires that we keep our debt service under 8%. That in itself is a conservative number in that many, many municipalities have a debt service policy that requires that they keep their debt service under 10% of their budget. That's a pretty standard baseline. We're at 8%, is our requirement, and right now, we're at about 6%, and not in any kind of danger of coming even close to our debt service policy, so that's critically important.

The other thing that we have to realize with infrastructure investment is that we need to make those investments that will grow the economy and that will keep long-term cost savings down. So in this Capital Budget we did increase from what the County Executive proposed, but the two major places we did it were one, the Jail, because, look, if we don't finally replace this kitchen, we're going to have to start bringing meals in for the inmates, and imagine what the cost would be there.

Also, we increased funding -- we put back funding for the Vanderbilt Museum's Planetarium, where water is starting to come through the roof. Now that's the kind of thing where if we don't address it now, the long-term costs are just going to be much, much greater. So in order to do that, we had to make adjustments in
other places, and we did. And I want to really compliment the members of the Working Group for drilling into this as precisely as everyone did in order to achieve those goals.

One of the things I want to address is the affordable housing budget line, 6411 and 8704. We heard many speakers today speaking to the importance of affordable housing and County support for it. Having served on a -- on a Town Board that supported affordable housing, I can tell you it's critically important that the County maintain its support for affordable housing, and that is done in this budget. You see reductions from the request from the department, but those reductions are based on the fact that, at the moment, we have a -- we have available funding in affordable housing at about $8.6 million. In projects -- projects that have already letters of intent issued equal now $5.4 million, so that leaves available funding of $5.4 million.

We received from the Department a list of projects that have pending -- you know, projects that are pending further review. You could imagine the process to get these projects to the closing table is a very lengthy one. So with the balance that we have in place and the projects that we've been informed of, I am very confident that we can give full support to our localities and to do that important infrastructure support for affordable housing.

I'd also like to note that I've put a bill in, laying it on the table today, to keep a very careful eye on the energy efficiency capital project, which is 1664. That's exactly the kind of project that we need to do in order to ensure that long-term costs are kept at a minimum. So every dollar we spend on energy efficiency so far is showing a 25% net decrease in operating costs.

So those are the kinds of things we addressed. I'm very proud to have been part of this really thoughtful group. And I appreciate the support of the Presiding Officer, and I hope that there is full support for this Capital Budget omnibus amendment. Thank you, Mr. Deputy Presiding Officer.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Legislator Fleming. Okay. Legislator Donnelly.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. Just as a point of reference, the Chairman of the Capital Committee had asked me to put together a small subgroup that would look into over the next couple of years some of the public safety infrastructure needs of the County. So we're going to be beginning that process within the next couple of weeks, and, hopefully, we'll have a report for the full Legislature towards the end of year. So going into the Capital Group for 2020, we'll have a pretty good idea. And the objective is to include as many people as we can, the Administration, members of this body, as well as the individual departments within the County that need infrastructure upgrades in the next few years.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Thank you, Legislator Donnelly. Anybody else? So I think
Legislator Fleming actually said it all very well, and commented on all the issues that are in the budget.

I want to thank, also, Budget Review for their work, especially Benny and Roz, who really stepped up and did a lot of work. Also, to Acting Commissioner in DPW, Darnell Tyson, for his work in making sure that all of his staff is available. Often, as we do the Capital Budget work, any projects, regardless of where it is, has some involvement from the Department of Public Works, and they were here throughout the process to help us and guide us on why and where priorities need to be set. And as Legislator Fleming put it, the increase you see in this budget is really driven by our needs to address infrastructure requirements in the County, and make critical investments where we've been postponing it, most specifically in the Riverhead Jail, and a couple of other facilities that are facing big challenges.

And I also want to thank Legislator Donnelly for picking up the subcommittee, so that as we have big projects coming down the pike, we are a little bit more aware of what's going on, and helping to guide those projects now, as opposed to seeing them come in a year and not being fully aware of what's going on with them. So thank you to everyone who served on the Work Group. I think we did a great job and came up with a great product.

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

12:09PM

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, all right. Yay. All right. Tabled Resolutions: I.R. 13 --

D.P.O. CALARCO:
No, no.

MS. SIMPSON:
There's two.

P.O. GREGORY:
I'm sorry. Okay. So Budget Amendment 1 was passed. Budget Amendment 2, I'll accept a motion. Or same motion, same second, is that fine?

MS. SIMPSON:
No, no, no.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, we're not? Oh, okay.

LEG. CILMI:
Same vote?
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P.O. GREGORY:
Oh gotcha, okay.

(Laughter)

Budget Amendment 2, sponsored by Legislator Cilmi, I'll let you describe it.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes. Thanks, Mr. Presiding Officer. So Budget Amendments 2 through 8 are basically targeting the Connect Long Island projects in the Capital Budget. I do recognize that quite a bit of funding in those projects is coming from other levels of government, particularly the Federal Government, and I know I'm speaking broadly about all seven of the resolutions, but I would like to make a motion to approve on Budget Amendment No. 2, please.

LEG. TROTTA:
I'll second it.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. So a motion to approve by Legislator Cilmi on Budget Amendment 2, second by Legislator -- or was that Trotta or Flotteron? I thought it was --

LEG. KENNEDY:
It was Trotta.

P.O. GREGORY:
It was Trotta? Okay, that's what I thought.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
On the motion.

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

D.P.O. CALARCO:
I'm not going to look to belabor this, but I do want to ask BRO, what is -- what is the breakdown in terms of Federal and State dollars on these next six amendments that have to do with the Nicolls Road project and some of the other Connect Long Island projects that are all I think largely Federally funded?

MR. LIPP:
We'll get -- we'll have to get back to you in a minute.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Does anybody from -- is there anybody from the Department here? I think it's -- I think it's something like 90% funded.

LEG. CILMI:
You may have sent me an email, Robert, that contains that information.
D.P.O. CALARCO:
Here comes Acting Commissioner Tyson. Perhaps he knows the --

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Good afternoon. Without getting into the particulars of each
project, I would say that in a global sense, the projects are
funded by CMAQ money that is from the Federal Government.
Essentially, that is an 80/20 split. So for the 20% that we put
in, we get 80% funding from the Federal Government for these
projects.

12:12PM

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. Since you're there, Acting Commissioner, specifically, I
guess, with Nicolls Road, that's a County roadway. Are we looking
at infrastructure needs on that roadway, irregardless of needing
to -- irregardless of the proposal to do the Bus Rapid Transit up
the corridor?

12:12PM

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Yeah. So as a part of assessing the corridor, we've taken an
analysis, a traffic analysis of the entire roadway. We're talking
from Stony Brook down to Sunrise Highway. And so with that in
mind, we looked at the existing traffic conditions, we also looked
at proposed traffic conditions. And so the improvements that we're
making, whether or not the buses -- and the buses will be -- will
be involved. Whether or not that moves forward, there would be new
lanes, you know, that would improve traffic conditions for the
roadway.

12:13PM

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. So we got to make investments on the -- on Nicolls Road one
way or the other.

12:13PM

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Yeah.

12:13PM

D.P.O. CALARCO:
And this way, at least we're leveraging 80% of the money coming
from the Federal Government to do that.

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ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Right. By the -- you know, the way that the lane -- the buses --
the lane layout is presently, it would be a combination bus lane
and HOV lanes.

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D.P.O. CALARCO:
Okay. Thank you, Acting Commissioner.

12:13PM

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
No problem.

12:13PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. If I may, through the -- to the sponsor, I'm just trying to
figure out what's the motivation. Is it that you're -- you
don't -- you don't agree with the amount of money being spent, or
you just don't agree with the project? I mean, these are projects
that are trying to -- you know, I guess, you know, BRT. I know it's the County Executive's initiative and -- but it's really trying to address -- you know, get more cars off the road, you know, get people from point A to point B more quickly. But what's the -- what's the motivation here --

LEG. CILMI:
I mean, I --

P.O. GREGORY:
-- or the reasoning?

LEG. CILMI:
All of the above. I think that despite the fact that it's a substantial amount of Federal dollars, those Federal dollars are tax dollars, there is also a substantial amount of County dollars that go into these, even though the proportions would indicate more Federal dollars. There's also a substantial amount of our own resources that have to go into moving these projects forward. And you realize, as we all realize, that those resources are scant resources at this point, especially in the Department of Public Works, where, you know, they struggle to get grass cut and roads paved, and with what we currently have. So -- and in addition to that, I just don't see these projects by and large benefitting the County to the extent that the County Executive suggests that they will benefit the County. You know, I don't -- I don't think the benefits are commensurate with the costs associated with moving forward on the projects.

12:15 PM

MR. LIPP:
Point of information. We have up on the board there what the percentages are. So the percent of everything included in all of the proposals is 29% local and 71% aided.

LEG. CILMI:
Perhaps we can use some of the money to buy us all glasses.

P.O. GREGORY:
We'll take your word for it, because we can't see it.

12:15 PM

(Laughter)

At least over here.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
We need a bigger screen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Bigger screen, right.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. So I have a short list. Legislator Donnelly, and then Hahn, and then Spencer.
LEG. DONELLY:
Yeah, just I'll be brief. Legislator Calarco covered most of it. Just -- I'm just looking at the projects and then backtracking.

You know, some of these capital projects, particularly JumpStart, affect a lot of villages, in Babylon, Babylon Village, Lindenhurst Village, I know as well as Huntington Village as well. I know the 110 Bus Rapid Transit covers several Legislative Districts as well, and it really kind of helps a lot of working folks who use that bus going north and south on that particular route. You know, that's just in my district. And then lastly, the Sagtikos Parkway project is very urgently needed. I mean, to try and delete that kind of funding just doesn't seem very prudent. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Hahn.

LEG. HAHN:
So, I'm sorry, I'm trying to like -- some of it got answered already. There were pieces that I'm still interested in, and I'm not quite sure they're relevant here. Can you just give me a quick summary of kind of where we're at?

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Sure. So, as everybody probably knows, the Connect Long Island vision plan primarily surrounds three corridors that have been identified for evaluation and potential upgrade to include a BRT type service. So the corridors are Nicolls Road, State Route 110, and the Sagtikos Parkway. And so work is -- preliminary engineering work is underway on the Nicolls Road corridor. It's been underway since 2016, so we are already drawing down off of that money for preliminary engineering. You know, as I mentioned, we've evaluated the traffic conditions on the corridor. We are looking at the future conditions. We have come up with ideas to mitigate the expected traffic conditions in 2025, which is -- would be the expected first, first year of operation. And so we have to continue and complete, I guess, the environmental analysis for Nicolls in order to produce what's called a design approval document. It will basically be a blueprint of how the corridor should look.

LEG. HAHN:
So I just -- I just want to make sure there's still input time, community input, because I was very concerned to show up at Suffolk Community College charrette, whatever you want to call it, and see for the first time the movement of the walking/biking path off of Nicolls Road and put on a right-of-way to the east, which I do not believe will serve the purpose, you know, of getting people out of their car and getting -- you know, when you take them so far away from the University as one of the, you know, potential -- the largest single-site employer on the Island. You know, so I had -- I had some serious concerns. I just want to make sure we're not at a place where the design is finalized and we can still help to change that.
ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Right. So the whole idea of preliminary engineering is to actually sort of lay the groundwork at a high level of what components of the corridor would look like. And so, you know, as you mentioned, when, you know, the work started in '16, the idea had been to have a multi -- a multimodal corridor all on Nicolls Road. And so as we evaluate the corridor and we kind of got more into what the experience would be for pedestrians and for bike riders sort of being immediately adjacent to the roadway, there were concerns raised. You know, the whole idea of having a hike/bike is great, but what happens when you get to the Expressway? And so we looked at the -- you know, like the bridges and the sort of the price tags associated with that, that is when the thought instead turned to moving -- I guess we're about maybe less than a mile west of the corridor for the hike/bike component of it.

But to your point, again, we're still in preliminary engineering, and so there has been community involvement, and then that will continue to occur. What you saw was the second of -- the second corridor-wide customer or public information meetings. There are many more that are occurring on some other levels, and that will continue as we continue with the corridor.

LEG. HAHN:
Yeah. I mean, obviously, folks who are going to be getting on their bike to go to the University are going to ride on Nicolls Road, if that's the most direct route. A mile-and-a-half off to the east and then a mile-and-a-half back to get back to the University, if folks are doing it for a commuting purpose, they're not going to go that far out of their way. If it's a recreational purpose entirely, you know, that's something different.

I think that we -- you know, with what's going to continue on -- anyway, I don't know that we need to get into all this now. I hope we can sit down and have a separate discussion, as we certainly should, every Legislator whose district the corridors go through should really be included in this in a more substantial way. But I think there's -- you know, I just want to make sure we were still -- we weren't at that final stage of design.

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Yeah, no. And the change, again, the change away from the hike-bike corridor probably only happened in the last calendar year. That was not something that -- it was different in 2016, when it started.

LEG. HAHN:
I hope we can revise that a little bit, and I look forward to talking to you about it.

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Sure.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Spencer.
LEG. SPENCER:
Thank you. I want to applaud Legislator Cilmi for looking at this. And, you know, year after year we hear the criticisms of just making these difficult decisions, and, you know, he's put putting forth a plan. And this is one situation where I can look and have really a lot of respect for what you're doing. And I disagree, but I respect what you're doing, and I appreciate that.

I think my concern in something like in this particular situation, I believe you're on the right track. But I look at these critical projects and I do think that one of the issues we are confronted with is when you look at transit Long Island, and having an 18-year-old daughter who's in college, she went to a concert in the City, and they were doing work on the Huntington line, and they were diverting everyone to Babylon. And, you know, her commute went from an hour to two hours, because there really was no north/south connection, where she could get down the 110 Corridor to be able to get to Babylon.

And I think that nationally, hearing kind of an infrastructure debate, I -- although I -- I think that it's important to look for places to cut. I've been in this body for eight years, I have another four years to serve, God willing. I think that one of the ways that we're going to be able to leave our marks is really looking at planning our future infrastructure, and the idea that we could get leverage dollars, although it's -- again, there are real -- they're taxpayer's dollars going into this, be it Federal or local.

I do think, when we look at just -- I know for me to get to my office from my home, that commute has tripled in the past 18 years that I've been in practice. So I do think we really have to try to take steps, and I think I would be willing to look at specific projects that maybe are not feasible, that aren't as far along, and would be willing to actually vote on those things. But I do think that the overall vision of Connect Long Island, I do think it's important, and I think it's important in our Capital Budget to have a priority towards infrastructure.

So I probably have to vote against some of these, because I just have -- I just differ philosophically, although I agree with what Legislator Cilmi is trying to accomplish, and I thank you for that.

LEG. CILMI:
Mr. Presiding Officer, I could just quickly respond. Thank you for -- thank you for your words, Doc. I want to just make it clear to folks that I respect everybody's position here. You know, this has been sort of a perennial thing for me.

LEG. SPENCER:
Absolutely.

LEG. CILMI:
I've been opposed to this whole idea from its inception, and I've -- that's been reflected in amendments that I've proposed. And this year I shared in advance, when the Working Group asked if
there were things that I had, you know, that were priorities of mine, I mentioned this as one of those that I thought should be removed. But I -- every, every member here, I respect that this may not be your priority, and that you could vote against some of them, you may vote against all of them. It's just a reflection of my -- where I think our priorities should be. And in a county where we have such a hard time running the bus system that we already have, the thought of adding additional, you know, mass transportation that we probably won't be able to keep up with either is just -- is mind-boggling to me, but that's just me.

LEG. SPENCER:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Lindsay.

LEG. LINDSAY:
I've got a couple of minutes. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. I had a couple of different questions on this, and probably the -- either to the Acting Commissioner or to BRO. Can you give us the figures of how much we've already invested in these projects, both our contribution, as well as the Federal and State contributions?

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
So I'll defer to the BRO on this, but in terms of preliminary, preliminary engineering, there was $6 million allocated to that phase. We have probably drawn down approximately 3 million of it.

LEG. LINDSAY:
And that was the -- 100% of the County's portion of it.

ACTING COMMISSIONER TYSON:
No, I'm sorry. The County's portion would be approximately 20%.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Twenty percent of that, okay. While we're waiting for those figures, I just wanted to make a point. Especially along the Route 110 Corridor, you have a lot of businesses that are located right there. It's one of the largest employment areas, probably after Hauppauge Industrial Complex where employers are located. Each one of those employers are located less than two blocks from Route 110. So you could very easily have a Bus Rapid Transit system that runs from, hopefully, the Melville train station, once the MTA gets that up and off the ground at some point, or from the Farmingdale train station, and within two blocks, drop people off from where their employment is.

There's already several employers there, large employers, Canon I know, Estee Lauder, Minolta. They already provide shuttle services from the train stations for their employees, because you do have a lot of people that commute via mass transit. I know that might be foreign to some of the people here on the Legislature, but that is -- that does happen every day now. And you would -- with the Bus Rapid Transit system, you would allow that opportunity for smaller employers, who can't afford to pay for that transportation
for their employees, to be able to search from a larger pool of people and a bigger population in order to hire those individuals.

We know from so many of the different groups that I work with through the Economic Development Committee, the largest issue that most employers have, especially in the manufacturing sector, is they can't find enough talented people to hire within -- within the County, so they are constantly looking beyond. Even within my own district, we have Nature's Bounty. They have people that commute from western Suffolk, western Nassau and even some of the outer boroughs to come work in Bayport, and they're taking a train all the way to Patchogue, and they provide a shuttle service that brings them in. So why not create that same opportunity for smaller employers and smaller businesses to give them access to that same talent pool? I think it will help them to be more successful.

So I am in favor of the Bus Rapid Transit system. I know it might be hard for some people to envision utilizing that as a regular commute on a daily basis, but it's already happening now. And I think with the assistance of this project, it could be expanded greatly, and it will definitely help, not only our larger employers, but also our smaller employers as well. So that's the end of my comments, I yield.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Trotta. Mind you, we have -- we break at 12:30, so you've got less than a minute.

LEG. TROTTA:
I'm good. It's just, you know, it makes no sense. We don't live in high-rises. I look at the buses now throughout the County, just in my district, I rarely see people on the buses. And to put a -- spend the taxpayers' money, whether it be Federal money or our local money, to spend millions of dollars to run a bus from basically a residential area, with the exception of the College, to another residential area, people aren't going to walk to the bus stop. It's just not practical, we don't live in the City. It just makes no logical sense. I mean, I look at the buses every time I go by, I used to take pictures of them. There's nobody on them. Two people, three people. I mean, I think if you want to try something, I would try it first. I would run a bus up there, see what happened. But I just don't think this is a smart thing to do, and I won't be supporting -- I will be supporting not doing it. Let's eat.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. So we have a motion and a second on *Budget Amendment 2*. All in favor?

LEG. CILMI:
(Raised hand)

LEG. FLOTTERON:
(Raised hand)
LEG. TROTTA:
(Raised hand)

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
(Raised hand)

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand)

P.O. GREGORY:
Opposed?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
(Raised hand)

LEG. FLEMING:
(Raised hand)

LEG. HAHN:
(Raised hand)

LEG. LINDSAY:
(Raised hand)

LEG. GONZALEZ:
(Raised hand)

LEG. DONNELLY:
(Raised hand)

LEG. SPENCER:
(Raised hand)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
(Raised hand)

P.O. GREGORY:
(Raised hand)

MS. ELLIS:
Three.

P.O. GREGORY:
Abstentions? Okay. All right. So it's 12:30. We're going to break for --

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Can we count that again?

P.O. GREGORY:
You want to count that again? Okay. All right. So let's do a roll call. We have a motion and a second on Budget Amendment 2. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Amy Ellis, Chief Deputy Clerk)
LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes -- no.

12:31PM

Leg. DONELLY:
No.

LEG. BERLAND:
No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

12:31PM

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes, twice.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

12:31PM

LEG. GONZALEZ:
No.

LEG. LINDSAY:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
No.

12:31PM

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
No.

12:31PM

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No.

D. P. O. CALARCO:
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P.O. GREGORY:
No.

MS. ELLIS:
Seven.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. So we -- we'll adjourn for -- or recess for lunch, and we're going to take the all-18 picture, so please don't leave, anyone.

(*The meeting was recessed at 12:32 p.m.*)

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

(*The meeting was reconvened at 2:03 p.m.*)

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Madam Clerk, roll call.

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

LEG. SPENCER:
(Not Present).

LEG. DONNELLY:
Here.

LEG. BERLAND:
Here.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Here.

LEG. TROTTA:
Here.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Here.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
(Not Present).

LEG. CILMI:
(Not Present).

LEG. GONZALEZ:
(Not Present).

LEG. LINDSAY:
(Not Present).

LEG. ANKER:
Here.
LEG. HAHN:
Present.

LEG. MURATORE:
(Not Present).

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Here.

LEG. FLEMING:
(Not present).

(*Legislator Lindsay entered the auditorium*)

LEG. KRUPSKI:
(Not Present).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Present.

P.O. GREGORY:
Here.

MS. ELLIS:
Eleven (Not Present: Legislators Spencer, Flotteron, Cilmi, Gonzalez, Muratore, Fleming & Krupski).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, so we are on the Public Hearing portion of our agenda.

02:03PM
The first Public Hearing on the agenda is for Procedural Motion 14(-2019) - (To set a Public hearing for the) inclusion of new parcels into an existing agricultural district(s) (Presiding Officer Gregory). I have two cards, the first being Mr. Joseph Prokop.

MR. PROKOP:
Good afternoon, Presiding Officer Gregory and Legislators. I'm appearing today on behalf of the Village of Islandia with regard to the property 867 Old Nichols Road, one of the properties proposed to be included that is located in the Village of Islandia. The Village of Islandia opposes the inclusion of this property in this package to be approved for inclusion in Agricultural District for several reasons.

First off, the property is not -- the property is not an agricultural property and does not currently have a agricultural use. The proposed uses that the applicant has stated to the Legislature in order to have an agricultural use are to be used as a school, storage and transient housing. Each of those uses is either not currently allowed in the zoning district where the property is located, which is a single family residential housing district, or would require one or more approvals by the Village of Islandia including but not limited to special permits, zoning variances and site plan approvals. For that reason, if the County acted to approve this resolution with this property included, the County would basically be overrunning the zoning code in the home
rule powers of the Village of Islandia, which we ask you not to do.

If you want to see the future, if you should consider or do that, you only have to look at what has happened with the approval that you granted two years ago. Two years ago I appeared before you for two other residential properties that were up for inclusion and pleaded with you not to include them in the package. The County went ahead and included them and what has now happened is the use of the properties has changed to basically more or less what is proposed for this property -- a school, an office and some housing -- without any approvals of the Village of Islandia.

And we ask you not to do that again.

You should also take the property out of the package and consider it separately or not consider it at all for purposes of SEQRA.

The Village notified Suffolk County on May 14th of 2019 that the Village adopted lead agency status for this action due to the approvals of the Village that would be required for the proposed use. Not having any response from the County, the Village then, on May 30th, 2019, elected to invoke a procedure whereby the Commissioner of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation would determine who the lead agency would be.

My information is that as of today, the Commissioner has not made that determination, he still has 20 days after the conclusion of a ten-day period which will not be for approximately another 25 days.

(Timer Sounded)

We, therefore, ask you not to act on this property, the property that's included in the Village of Islandia, for those reasons.

Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:

Thank you, sir. Okay, Mr. Snead, you're up next.

MR. SNEAD:

Good afternoon, Members of the Legislature. Thank you for letting me appear on behalf of Pal-O-Mine Equestrian, Inc. We are the applicant to the County's Agricultural District No. 3 inclusion process. This particular piece of property is before you today.

As you heard earlier today in the public session, Pal-O-Mine has an operation which is determined to be a farm operation already and they provide education and therapeutic assistance to physically disabled, mentally disabled, educationally disabled to veterans, and I am even told now they've been helping the Suffolk County Police Department by training them on how to deal with animals.

The process that's -- that you're undergoing is yours and yours alone. The argument that's being made to you by the Village is to delay. Now, you are in a very specific time-critical window here, things have to be -- determinations have to be made by certain dates. And what the Village is trying to do is get you to back off of that to kill it by attrition, to just kill it because of the time element.
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The argument they are making, also, was made in the litigation that is presently pending before the court on the two properties that you approved two years ago. The County, the State of New York and Pal-O-Mine are in agreement on that position, contrary to what's going on -- what's been asserted by the Village.

Secondly, the Village tried this very same tactic of calling up the Commissioner and looking for a ruling a number of years ago with the Ronkonkoma Hub, and they were found to be lacking then as well for different reasons because they were actually an involved agency at the time, they didn't have the status now; they are now an interested agency which is a lesser status.

Finally, they're talking about zoning issues. All of the zoning in this property is going to remain the same after you make your decision one way or the other. Any applications or any uses that are being made require applications; those applications will be made. And again, I'm going to read into the record a portion of the Suffolk County Environmental Assessment form done which you will be reviewing, and it says that, "These properties were determined by the Board to be viable, agricultural lands that would serve the public interest in assisting and in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the districts. Please note that all actions on properties included in an Agricultural District continue to be subject to local zoning and subdivision regulations and that this designation does not preclude adherence to such local regulations."

At such point is the Village -- at such point as my client determines what's going to happen with the properties, with the houses, the structures on this property --

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-- they'll make whatever applications are necessary to the Village of Islandia. Right now they are residential structures. It is not concluded that there's going to be a change

P.O. GREGORY:
Mr. Snead, your time's expired. Please wrap up.

MR. SNEAD:
Okay. And, in fact, the properties that were discussed two years ago, they are residential structures that are being used as such. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, thank you.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Can I ask a question?

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, Mr. Snead, it looks like Kevin McCaffrey, Legislator McCaffrey has a question for you.

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LEG. McCAFFREY:
Hi, Mr. Snead. How are you?

MR. SNEAD:
Good, how are you?

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Good, good. I have a question, and I'm getting confused about the properties. Is this -- this property that we're speaking about now, is this in conformance with the existing Village zoning regulations?

MR. SNEAD:
Yes, it is.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Are there any outstanding violations for --

MR. SNEAD:
No, there are not.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Okay. So the other property that we're speaking about that was approved, you're referring back to when it was being used, or the Village was alleging that it was being used as a boarding house?

MR. SNEAD:
Yeah, it is alleged as a boarding house. What it was was a residence for one of our --

LEG. McCAFFREY:
No, I understand. I don't want to get into that whole argument.

MR. SNEAD:
You're asking if it's still --

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Now this property is something different. Are there any structures on this property?

MR. SNEAD:
There are three residential structures on the property.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Okay. And how are you going to utilize those structures?

MR. SNEAD:
One will be used as a residence for the caretaker of the entire facility; one will be used as a residence for people who need residence for a period of a week or two when they come there; and there will be a classroom is the anticipated way we're going to handle it, we would like to put a classroom in there. All of that is authorized under the Zoning Code either as a classroom by special permit or as a residence by absolute right. So the suggestion that we're not going to be operating it in accordance with zoning is absolutely incorrect.
LEG. McCAFFREY:
Okay. So all the uses that you're proposing for this property are in accordance with the existing zoning of Islandia right now?

MR. SNEAD:
They're approvable under the zoning, that's correct.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Okay. Approvable or they --

MR. SNEAD:
We have not made applications for that, but at the same time we're not certain that that's going to actually be the ultimate determination on the property. We may turn them into just three residences and switch around the classrooms to another property.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Are you utilizing them now?

MR. SNEAD:
Yes.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
How are you utilizing them now?

MR. SNEAD:
They are used as a residence and they are used as a classroom at times for some of our programs.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Okay. So right now you have not made application for those special uses?

MR. SNEAD:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
So it's fair to say that you're in violation of the Village Code?

MR. SNEAD:
No.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
All right. So you haven't made an application for the use but you're using it outside the permitted use that it is right now.

MR. SNEAD:
We are using it as a classroom, that is authorized under special permit. We do not have a special permit, we have not made that application yet, but we're entitled to do so once we decide that that's what it's going to be.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
I'm trying to avoid -- I just want to make this clear, okay? You said that you were using it as a classroom --
MR. SNEAD: Uh-huh.

LEG. McCAFFREY: -- which you require a special permit for right now, but you have not applied for that special permit.

MR. SNEAD: Correct.

LEG. McCAFFREY: So it's fair to say that you're in violation of the existing Village codes right now.

MR. SNEAD: I can't say that, number one.

LEG. McCAFFREY: I know you won't say it, but I'm just -- you haven't applied, you agree that it's not in conformance with the Village Code and -- but you have not applied for the permit to bring it in accordance with that. So what is it; you're using it but you don't have the permit?

MR. SNEAD: We are using it and we do not have a special permit.

LEG. McCAFFREY: Thank you.

MR. SNEAD: However, classrooms are authorized under the residential --

LEG. McCAFFREY: But you don't -- as we're sitting here today, do you have the authorization?

MR. SNEAD: Excuse me?

LEG. McCAFFREY: As we're sitting here today, do you have that authorization from the Village?

MR. SNEAD: To use it as a classroom.

LEG. McCAFFREY: Right.

MR. SNEAD: No, we don't.

LEG. McCAFFREY: Okay, thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Mr. Snead, Legislator Flotteron has a question for you.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
How large is this property we're talking about?

MR. SNEAD:
It's about .8 of an acre.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Point eight? But it sides two other acres that already were approved.

MR. SNEAD:
It's sandwiched between our major facility which is about seven acres in size and two other properties to the south which are about an acre in size each.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Okay.

MR. SNEAD:
So this will allow a continuity of the properties and we use it for having horses come across as well and other farming uses.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
And again, you want to perpetually keep this as a farming use and that's why you want to move forward with this.

MR. SNEAD:
Correct.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
What is the -- what do you surmise is the Village reason that they're not supportive of this?

MR. SNEAD:
I'm not going to delve into the intent of the minds of the Village Board or the Mayor. I can tell you that they have opposed at every turn my clients' operations on this property, and at every turn when they've done that they've been beaten because they're outside the law on what they are arguing.

The point here is that they are asking you to delay this process, and by doing so it will kill it. None of the issues they've raised, such as the application to the DEC Commissioner, are going to provide them with authority any more to delay it than what they were asking you to do which is stop it now. My understanding is the DEC Commissioner will make his ruling at sometime within the next 30-days. That's before you guys -- your board will vote on this. So if the DEC Commissioner finds their way, then the process will be dealt with accordingly and it won't go forward before you. However, if the DEC Commissioner were to find against them and you were to stop the process now, then we would be denied the right to go through the process and we wouldn't have the opportunity to be put into an Agricultural District until next year. So what they're
arguing to you is not anything that you need to do in order to give them false satisfaction under the remedies they've sought, whereas it will markedly hurt us if you agree with their position.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Cilmi has a question for you.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes, thank you. So I just want to follow-up on Legislator McCaffrey's questions.

MR. SNEAD:
Uh-huh.

LEG. CILMI:
I really truly don't understand. You recognize that in order to operate a certain -- to carry out a certain type of activity on the property you require a special permit from the Village. You acknowledge at the same time that you have not applied for that permit and state that you may at some time. What gives you the -- why would you do that? Why would you -- why would you begin acting in a certain way that is -- that you acknowledge yourself is improper?

MR. SNEAD:
Well, the situation there is that they have used one of the buildings as a classroom on occasion. They do not use it routinely. They have used it when kids have been outside and it started to rain so they brought them inside to sit down.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay.

MR. SNEAD:
When I say classroom, we're not talking about a full-scale school where children are coming to it and are paying tuition to go in; that's not what we're talking about. We're talking about a place where kids can sit down at a table and at a chair, maybe have a bite to eat and be instructed on horses and equine science when necessary.

Now, when you start talking about what is authorized under the code, schools are authorized under the code. There's a question as to whether that -- what we're doing constitutes that. And that's not an issue that the Village has ever raised with us. So to suggest here now that we are outside of the zoning when there's a question as to what a classroom or the use of a building like this in the way we're handling is, I would say to you that we did it because it was a necessity.

LEG. CILMI:
Well, look, so we're in the public hearing process today.
MR. SNEAD:
Yeah.

LEG. CILMI:
I apologize, I walked in late, I'm not sure if Mr. Prokop requested that we keep the public hearing opened.

MS. SIMPSON:
We actually have to keep this public hearing open anyway, so.

02:18PM

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. So the public hearing has to remain open so there's really literally no action that we take other than to recess the public hearing today.

MS. SIMPSON:
Correct.

02:19PM

LEG. CILMI:
I would -- you know, I have respect for you, Mr. Snead; I have respect for you, Mr. Prokop. This property is in my district. If either of you, you know, are interested in having me either support or oppose this application, then the three of us ought to get together at some point and have a conversation.

MR. SNEAD:
I would be happy to.

02:19PM

LEG. CILMI:
Because listening to Mr. Prokop speak and then separately listening to you speak and not having an opportunity to go back and forth and have a real understanding of what's going on -- Joe's standing up, but once -- you've spoken now, Joe, there's no opportunity for you to speak again at this point. It puts me, it puts the rest of us at a real disadvantage --

MR. SNEAD:
I understand.

02:19PM

LEG. CILMI:
-- in terms of understanding the issues here.

MR. SNEAD:
Okay. And --

02:19PM

LEG. CILMI:
And we've had -- year after year we've had some issues here. In the first instance when an application was made to this Legislature, and perhaps some of the members of -- current members of this body were not here at that time, we have -- I had requested, others had requested I think, sort of an opportunity. Because you came to us or Pal-O-Mine came to us and wanted to be put in the Agricultural District, the Village raised some concerns and we actually deferred the whole application, if my memory serves, to the following year and it got done at that point with much less, I think, controversy. So I would hope that ultimately
the same thing takes place here. But if the Village is saying that
Pal-O-Mine is sort of thumbing its nose at the Village Code, then I
have a real problem with that and that's why I need to have the
both of you at a table to discuss that.

MR. SNEAD:
That's fine then.

02:20PM

LEG. CILMI:
Okay? So that's my -- I just want to put that on the record.
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, thank you.

02:21PM

MR. SNEAD:

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, that's all the cards that I have for Procedural Motion
No. 14. Anyone else like to speak that has not already spoken,
please come forward. Okay, seeing none, I'll make a motion to
recess. Second by Legislator Cilmi. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer & Trotta).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, Public Hearing for Procedural Motion No. 16(-2019) - (To set
a Public Hearing regarding the) alteration of rates for Davis Park
Ferry Co., Inc. (Presiding Officer Gregory). I have a couple of
cards. Stephanie Sherman it looks like; and then on deck is Donald
Rattaliata.

MS. SHERMAN:
Hi. I'm Stephanie Sherman, I'm with the Davis Park Ferry regarding
our petition for rate relief. Since 2014, the year of our last
petition, the rising cost of wages, fuel and insurance has affected
us considerably. In both 2017 and 2018 we operated at a net loss.
Wages make up a large portion of our expenditures and the cost of
labor is scheduled to continue increasing for the next two years at
least. This rate relief will, at a minimum, hopefully allow us to
break even again and keep up with the repairs and capital
improvements. Look, I stayed under the three minutes (laughter).

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, you're done.

MS. SHERMAN:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Wow! Now, that's impressive.

(*Laughter*)
LEG. McCAFFREY:
Those are bonus points there.

P.O. GREGORY:
Does anyone have any questions?

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Motion to approve.

02:22PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Yeah, motion to approve (laughter). Okay, thank you, Ms. Sherman.

MS. SHERMAN:
Yep.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, Mr. Rattaliata.

MR. RATTALIATA:
I'll try to be just as brief. Donald A. Rattaliata, 4250 Veterans Memorial Highway, Holbrook, attorney for the applicant.

As indicated, this projected loss now for 2019 without an increase of over $125,000. The profit with the increase requested is about 66,000, but a good portion of that will be going to ongoing vehicle repairs and various structural items on the property. This has been a ferry company located in Patchogue since 1947. We've worked on this application with the Davis Park Association to go into areas of service that they want and we've worked out some of that, not everything. And we just ask that the board, at the proper time, approve this increase to what will become approximately $19 in ticket -- a two-way ticket. That's it.

P.O. GREGORY:
Well, I have to inform you that you didn't beat her time, but you did pretty good. Thank you. Anyone, questions? No? Okay, thank you, Mr. Rattaliata.

MR. RATTALIATA:
Thank you.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
I'll make a motion to recess.

P.O. GREGORY:
Anyone else like to -- that's all the cards we have. Anyone else like to speak on this matter, please come forward. Okay, seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to recess.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yeah, I'd like to make a motion to recess. And just for clarification, it's because of a timing issue in terms of advertising and hopefully at the next cycle we can close the public hearing and move this bill for them so they can have their rates done before the summer season.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, I'll second that. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS:
Fifteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer, Lindsay & Sunderman).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, next up is (Public Hearing on) Procedural Motion No. 17(-2019 - To set a Public Hearing regarding the) alteration of rates for South Ferry, Inc. (Presiding Officer Gregory). I do have one card, it looks like Nicholas Morehead, or is it Morehand?.

LEG. FLEMING:
Morehead.

P.O. GREGORY:
Morehead? Okay.

MR. MOREHEAD:
Yes, good afternoon, Presiding Officer Gregory, Members of the Legislature. Our ferry brother set the bar high with time, so I'm going to try and do just as well. My name is Nicholas Morehead, I'm the Chief Operating Officer of South Ferry on Shelter Island and we are also here to talk about our petition for a rate increase.

We last went in for a rate increase in 2012, it's been seven years. A couple of points I'd like to hit on with you guys, since that time we've spent approximately four million in such things as infrastructure improvements, repairs and paying down the fleet on our current -- paying the mortgage on our current fleet, excuse me. And that's not to add things like the rising cost of personnel, fuel and such as referenced by Davis Park.

With the new rates we're also proposing approximately $4.5 million in expenditures with the bulk of that being a new vessel that's currently under construction at Blount Boat Yards in Rhode Island, and that's really the point of this, so we can continue to provide safe and courteous and fast service and also as well address the rising costs that we're experiencing.

Our average increase is 9.8% and spread out over seven years, and the -- we're also experiencing a decrease in profits and a loss in 2018 as well. The Office of Budget Review released their report, I believe it was on Friday afternoon, and they're recommending approval of these rates. I'm happy to answer any questions any of you may have on the specifics of the rates. Those are the main points I wanted to hit on. If it's okay, one of owners, Cliff Clark, is here as well and I'd be happy to cede the rest of my time to him if he'd like; not to put him on the spot. But those are my main points and we still have about a minute and twenty seconds.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, thank you, Mr. Morehead.
MR. MOREHEAD:
He might take more than that.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, please -- yeah, you can get your own three minutes, but
just state your name.

MR. Clark:
Yes, Presiding Officer Gregory. Thank you. My name is Cliff
Clark, I am with my brother, one of the owners of the South Ferry
Company. It's been in my family since the 1700s. My first time
before this body, as I mentioned at the transportation component
last week, was in 1976, and I remember when I was a younger guy, I
made it up the aisle quicker than I do as a 75-year old guy, but
here we are the same venue.

We just appreciate you taking the time to hear us. As Nicholas
said, seven years since our last rate increase and we are actually
part of the State Highway Route 114, we connect the Sag Harbor side
with Shelter Island and we operate seven days a week. We go from
5:40 in the morning every day till midnight on the weekdays, Sunday
through Thursday this time of year, and Friday/Saturday we go till
2 a.m., and then starting in the end of June through Labor Day we
go till 2 a.m. daily. So it's not an optional type of ferry
situation. We have to be there to get people back and forth and
we're part of the evacuation route, we're part of the emergency
responders.

And I really won't take any more of your time except just thank you
for the time, for your support, we appreciate that. I think we
tabled or put it on until next -- June 18th out in Riverhead we'll
be asking for your support with your vote, but thank you very much.
Any questions I can answer?

LEG. FLEMING:
I have question.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Fleming has a question for you.

MR. CLARK:
Yes, sir.

LEG. FLEMING:
Hi, Cliff. It's me.

MR. CLARK:
Hi. How are you?

LEG. FLEMING:
Nice to see you. Thank you for coming --

MR. CLARK:
Thank you, Legislator Fleming.
LEG. FLEMING:
-- and thank you for your service to the South Fork.

MR. CLARK:
Thank you.

LEG. FLEMING:
I just want to note, I've never been on the 2 a.m. boat (laughter).

MR. CLARK:
(Laughter).

LEG. FLEMING:
That was Krupski who had that question for me.

MR. CLARK:
Not sure about Al, he might have been, but you're good.

LEG. FLEMING:
Thank you. Thank you, for the record. So I just wanted to confirm, I believe there's a meeting on Shelter Island tomorrow night where you'll be answering questions for constituents, if there should be any.

MR. CLARK:
That is correct. That's a voluntary meeting that we have called the community to give them a chance to speak.

LEG. FLEMING:
Okay.

MR. CLARK:
It's not required, but we're doing it at the Town Hall, yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
And the hearing notices will be met by this meeting and the next meeting, as you mentioned, in Riverside.

MR. CLARK:
In Riverhead, yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Right. It's actually called Riverside.

MR. CLARK:
And yes, we have three weeks of public notice leading up to the 18th's vote, prior to the 18th's; yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Okay, great. Thank you very much.

MR. CLARK:
Thank you very much.

LEG. FLEMING:
Thank you, Mr. Chair -- Mr. Presiding Officer.
P.O. GREGORY: Okay. Anyone else like to speak on this matter, please come forward. Okay, seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to recess by Legislator Fleming. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MS. ELLIS: Fifteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer, Calarco & Lindsay).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, (Public Hearing on) IR 1210-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to gain and retain our workforce (“Grow Act”) (County Executive). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Anyone like to come forward, please do so. Okay, seeing none, I'll make a motion to recess. Do I have a second?

LEG. FLEMING: Second.

LEG. McCAFFREY: Second.

P.O. GREGORY: Second by -- who was that?

LEG. FLEMING: (Raised hand).

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

MS. ELLIS: Fourteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer, Cilmi, Calarco & Lindsay).

P.O. GREGORY: (Public Hearing on) IR 1266-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to enact a campaign finance Reform Act to limit campaign contributions from County contractors and public employee unions (Trotta). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Anyone like to come speak on it, please come forward. Okay, seeing none --

LEG. TROTTA: Motion to recess.

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

MS. ELLIS: Fifteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer, Cilmi & Lindsay).
P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1384-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to clarify contracts with non-profits operating County Park Facilities (CILMI). I do have a card, it looks like Enrico Nardone?

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Nardone.

P.O. GREGORY:
Nardone? Oh, it's a D, I'm sorry; my apologies.

MR. NARDONE:
Good afternoon, Presiding Officer Gregory, Members of the Legislature. My name is Enrico Nardone, I'm the Director of the Seatuck Environmental Association. We're a non-profit 501(c)3, our mission is to conserve Long Island wildlife and the environment. In addition to advocating for conservation policy around the Island and conducting wildlife research, we -- we offer a robust environmental education program for Long Islanders of all ages.

The centerpiece of that effort is our home at the Suffolk County Environmental Center at the beautiful Scully Estate in the Hamlet of Islip. We've been at the property since 2007 and worked with the Parks Department to open it to the public in 2010. We operate the property through a custodial contract with the Parks Department.

I'm here today in support of Resolution 1384 which seeks to clarify County contracts, such as Seatuck's, with regard to the donation of materials for capital improvements. Seatuck, like many other non-profits that manage County properties, has made a commitment to invest in capital investments at our property. Most of our nearly $200,000 worth of investments over the past decade have come through the direct payment for goods and services such as the $50,000 we spent to instal HVAC equipment in the building.

But we've also generated investments through donations such as the property's beautiful main entrance gate that I hope many of you have seen. Seatuck does not receive credit for that donation or any other donations that we've generated at the building under our current contract. Going forward, this creates a hurdle for us to continue to work to attract donated investments in the property.

From our perspective, there's no difference between donations, direct donations of funds to pay for capital investments and donations of capital investments through donated goods and services. As anyone who has ever raised money for a non-profit or perhaps a political campaign knows, donations of any types, whether monetary or in-kind, are the product of hard work, careful cultivation and persistent trust in relationship building. In the case of these County properties, donations of any kind are the non-profit's work product. To the extent they result in investments in County properties and the improvement in public spaces and experiences, we think they should all be treated the same and counted towards our capital investment commitments. In the end, doing so will result in stronger public/private

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partnerships and more investments in County parks. So we, therefore, urge your support of Resolution 1384. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, sir. Hold on, Legislator Cilmi has a question for you.

LEG. CILMI:
Good afternoon, Enrico. Good to see you. And thank you for the stewardship of not only Seatuck but of our Environmental Center. I was outside for a second when you started; did you share Seatuck's mission with the body here?

MR. NARDONE:
I did, yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. So the money that you would be required to invest in the various capital improvements that would put you in compliance with your contractual agreement with the County, that would be money that would take away from the programming that we actually work with you to promote; correct?

MR. NARDONE:
Correct.

LEG. CILMI:
And you have donors who are more likely to donate goods and services than to donate straight cash to your organization, if they had the wherewithal to do that, in such a way that it benefits Seatuck, it benefits the County, benefits the residents through beautification and whatnot.

MR. NARDONE:
Right.

LEG. CILMI:
Then, you know, why not do that, right?

MR. NARDONE:
Right. Yeah, our -- yeah, for business reasons, the reasons, for many businesses it's easier for them to donate the work. The Parks Department has suggested, in the case of our current contract, that because we can't get credit we can perhaps -- we can pay the vendors and then have the vendors donate the money back to us, but, you know, that creates tax implications for them because that's revenue for them. So it's a clear relationship for them just to donate the work. They want to help improve the property, they want to make it a better place for the public and it would be great to be able to take advantage of it.

02:35PM

LEG. CILMI:
Right, right. Thank you. Thanks very much.

MR. NARDONE:
Thank you.
P.O. GREGORY: Hold on, sir. Legislator Krupski has a question for you.

MR. NARDONE: Yep.

LEG. KRUPSKI: So this would -- you've worked all this out with the Parks Department, all the details on how you would manage this and quantify how much work's been done and how many -- you know, how many -- how much the donations are worth?

MR. NARDONE: Yeah, we -- well, we haven't done it yet because it's not allowed under the current contract. We have talked about going forward, they do seem to support this idea, that we would provide some documentation of the value of the donation, yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Great. Thank you.

MR. NARDONE: Okay. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY: All right.

LEG. CILMI: Just to be clear for Legislator Krupski, this is not just for Seatuck. It's not Seatuck specific.

LEG. KRUPSKI: No, I understand that, and that's why I'm asking the question. Because it's got -- there's a lot of organizations that have good relationships and are good tenants, other than Seatuck, at other County parks.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. All right, thank you, sir.

MR. NARDONE: Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay, anyone else like to speak on IR 1384, please come forward. Okay, seeing none, Legislator Cilmi?

LEG. CILMI: Motion to close.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion to close by Legislator Cilmi.

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

MS. ELLIS:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Spencer & Lindsay).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public hearing on) IR 1406-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019,
A Local Law to create a Women Veterans Advisory Board (Berland).
I have one card -- actually, no, I have several. Stacey Ann
Castro-Tapler, it looks like?

MS. CASTRO-TAPLER:
Good afternoon. Thank you all for the opportunity to speak to you
on behalf of the veterans -- women veterans of Suffolk County.
My name is Stacey Ann Castro-Tapler, I am a United States Marine.
I'm the President of the Women's Marines Association Chapter for
Nassau and Suffolk Counties, and for the past three years I have
worked at a not-for-profit that assists homeless veterans in
jeopardy of becoming homeless, female veterans who are in need and
are in need of other services.

Over this time I have met and counseled with countless women
veterans from all service branches and eras, some that have served
around the world, some that have been stationed here in the United
States, some that have served in combat. I have met with family
members of women who have lost their lives serving countries --
serving our country and with family members who have lost women who
have lost their lives after they came home. The common thread that
I have found while speaking to all these women and their families
is that they don't know where to go for help. They don't know what
services are available, and even more, they're afraid to go because
no one will believe that they served in the military.

When you're a Marine there's a motto, it's called the few and the
proud. When you're in a female boot camp, they teach you it's the
fewer the prouder, because the men enlisted far outnumber the
women. And while that is true, clearly the men have needs, we
cannot discount the women that also have served. We cannot forget
about them, we cannot pretend that what they did did not matter.
We cannot assume that they have the same needs as the men. During
your time in the military you have to prove yourself over and over
again. When you are a female you constantly have men doubting you,
believing you, making you feel like you don't belong, that you
aren't worthy, that you can't do what they did. No matter what
rank you wear, there's always someone claiming that their rank was
harder earned than yours, outweighs yours and is somewhat how they
are more deserving than you. While this may not always be the
case, for many years this has been this accepted culture. And
while it may take many years to change that mindset, we cannot
allow that mindset to dictate our future now.

I have heard a 96-year old woman fight with a male Marine in a VA
hospital because she was wearing a women's Marines hat and he
argued with her that there was no female Marines in World War II.
We cannot let ignorance no longer as a valid reason to ignore the needs of the women veterans. I met a woman at my son's school, educated, accomplished, works as a school nurse, is a single mother of three kids, intelligent, hard working woman; I found out she was a decorated Air Force Veteran. When I asked her why she did not tell anyone, she responded, "Why? Who would believe me? Look at me now; I'm out of shape, I've gained weight, they would never believe me. I don't want that argument or that embarrassment. I don't even let my children tell anybody that I served." Being ashamed is no longer a valid reason to hear the needs of our female veterans.

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I'm at my time

P.O. GREGORY:
Well --

MS. CASTRO-TAPLER:
So I'm just going to urge each one of you to understand that this legislation is so important. Please, unanimously vote this because it is something that we desperately need and we are behind the wheel here. And we being the County that has the most veterans, by rights we should have the most female veterans, we need to be the front runner. We need to be the example. Thank you so much for all that you have done for this bill.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you, Stacey. No, don't go anywhere. As a veteran myself, I want to thank you and all the other female veterans that are here today. Thank you for your service and your sacrifice. I certainly appreciate it, I know my colleagues appreciate it. And thank you for coming forward and, you know --

LEG. BERLAND:
DuWayne?

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes, Legislator Berland has a question for you.

LEG. BERLAND:
Hi. Stacey, first of all, thank you so much for your service. Can you tell us why you think that the committee would be especially important to female veterans? Because I think you were getting there but you ran out of time, so.

MS. CASTRO-TAPLER:
The committee is important because, one, female veterans are in hiding, they don't come out, they're not going to say what they need and they're really tired of having to argue with men over what they need. They've been doing, they did that their entire time over the service, they're not going to do it now. When you're putting them in a room full of men and you're asking what they need, they get overshadowed. They don't want to fight anymore, they already fought that battle for ya, they're done. And quite frankly, their pride takes -- is something that we taught them,
we taught them to have this pride, we taught them to be selfless
and now you want them to ask for help; it’s not going to happen.

So, a committee that would be just female based would be so
important to get to their specific need, it will bring out the
comfortable -- the comfortability to get them to come out and at
least meet. They'll have a safe environment, they can talk to
their peers. Most of all they need these services and they need
each other, and until we have a safe place for them to do that,
we're not going to be able to find them. That's why.

02:42PM

LEG. BERLAND:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, thank you.

LEG. CILMI:
Thank for your service.

02:43PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, Cathie Norton Doherty.

MS. NORTON-DHERTY:
Hi. Good afternoon. Thank you for allowing me a few minutes to
speak in support of Legislator Berland’s proposed resolution for a
Women Veterans Advisory Board. I'm not sure anyone here actually
opposes it, but I wanted to explain why I support it just in case
anyone doesn't understand or see the need for it.

02:43PM

I am a Navy veteran, I'm also the wife and mother of Navy Veterans,
also the daughter of an Air Force Veteran; we love him anyway.

("Laughter")

I have lived in Patchogue for over 20 years now, after my husband
and I returned after active duty to raise our family back on Long
Island. I'm also a service-connected disabled veteran. While on
active duty, I came home from watch to find my boyfriend had taken
his life in my apartment. He was an active duty Navy diver who was
in obvious need of mental health that was never addressed by the
Navy. After finding his body, the Navy did not provide me or allow
me to seek mental health care for over 45 days. So my experience
in lack of support and services available to our military and
veterans, most specifically female veterans, came very early on in
my life.

I did not find it much better as a returning female veteran to
Suffolk a few years later. I was still finding a lack of support
and services specifically geared towards the needs I was facing and
that I knew other female veterans were facing. It felt like I came
back to a world designed to care for male veterans sensitive to
their needs and issues but not ours, and our voices did not matter
because there was just not enough of us.
A few years ago I began facilitating a female veteran peer group here in Suffolk. Within that group I have women who have served over 35 years, coming home earning college degrees, getting good established jobs and really transitioning well. I also have women who, after bad experiences one or two years in, were dishonorably discharged which renders them unable to get so many of the services and available resources to the rest of us veterans.

With that peer group I hear a lot and I listen to all of it and I've come to realize it wasn't just me, it's so many; many other female vets living right here in Suffolk in need of the right support, guidance, services and resources. And right now, to my knowledge, there is not any one entity on the local level charged with looking out for us and we need it. We need our voices to be heard. Suffolk is a beautiful but very difficult place to live and for a transitioning veteran it can sometimes be so overwhelming and extremely hard and we need to look out for them and help them figure out what help they need and provide it.

Through the years I've definitely seen improvements within the County, and most recently I thank many of you because you're very supportive to the veterans issues that we bring before this County Legislature. I appreciate you all. But it's definitely a work in progress and we have a ways to go before meeting the needs of the majority. In other areas of our state and country with lower rate of female vets, they're providing more adequate services than we are here in Suffolk, and with one of the highest percentages of female vets in the entire country, we need to change that. I've spoken here before, I've told you I believe the VA is a mess, we all know that.

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The Federal government is not doing the right thing for veterans, and if they were we wouldn't be losing so many every day to suicide. So I ask you, our local representatives, our friends and neighbors that we elected to represent us, please take care of us in a way they aren't. It's within your power to do so much, so many services can be provided and improved on a local level and so many Legislative issues we need help with. I believe in order for you to help us --

P.O. GREGORY:
Ms. Doherty?

MS. NORTON-DOHERTY:
-- you need to have a proper understanding of what our needs are, and I believe that's exactly why we need a Women Veterans Advisory Board. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Okay, the next card I have is Christine, it looks like Glynn. "Don't call me sir, I work for a living"; no, I'm only kidding.
MS. GLYNN:
I don't.

P.O. GREGORY:
(Laughter).

MS. GLYNN:
Good afternoon. My name is Christine Glynn, I am a United States Marine. I am a retired Chief I, Office IV. I've been a uniform victim advocate and I am the Vice-President and Treasurer for the Long Island/New York 7 Chapter of the Women Marines Association.

I teach at Lindenhurst High School, I am the Senior Marine Instructor for the Marine Corp JROTC. My father was a World War II Drill Instructor in the Marine Corps; he said, "The Marines is no place for my daughter." While he left me in 2007, I had since completely changed his mind. When women veterans feel invisible and less than, it reflects the societal stereotype that I went through in the 80's and that unfortunately still exists. Women have paved the way for each other in every nook and cranny within the armed forces. They always push with determination and passion to be in the fight to serve and protect. Now is the time for all of us to come together to take care of our women who have served and are still serving. According to the DAV's new report, women are the fastest growing subpopulation in the military and the veteran community. Fifteen percent of the military are women and 10% of veterans are female, yet we still face significant barriers accessing health care and other earned benefits.

I think two things I'd like to focus on is comprehensive military -- well, comprehensive VA primary care for them and military sexual trauma. One in four women veterans reported that they suffered sexual trauma while serving in the military, putting them at increased risk for depression, substance abuse and PTSD. A recent VA Inspector General report, 2018, found that the VA continues to make administrative errors processing claims for disability compensation due to MST related PTSD incorrectly denying these claims. While I realize the VA is an institution, it's ran by people, and I don't think any of it's ever deliberate, but we're losing this battle.

All branches, all branches within the armed forces should aim to be one team, and I feel like our female veteran population, not even just the veterans but the active duty, we get lost, we don't seem to have that voice, maybe based on our numbers alone.

The expanding role of women in our armed forces necessitates policy and procedural changes in programs offered. I know I'm tired of hearing my sisters say things like, It's not worth going; they think I'm faking, they tell me nothing's wrong and it's in my head; why does every primary care think that they're my gynecologist? We have to be a united front and rally together to force and implement change. I thank you all for your time and opportunity to speak.
P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Legislator McCaffrey has a question for you.

LEG. McCAFFREY:
Thank you. Chief Warrant Officer, thank you for your service and I just want to say thank you for the fine work you do with our youth in Lindenhurst.

MS. GLYNN:
Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, that's all the cards that I have. Anyone else like to speak on this public hearing, please come forward. Okay, seeing none, what's your pleasure?

LEG. BERLAND:
Motion to close.

02:50PM
P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to close by Legislator Berland. Second by Legislator Gonzalez. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P.O. GREGORY:
/Public Hearing on/ IR 1419-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to create a specific exemption from Open Space Preservation in the Mastic-Shirley Conservation Area (Sunderman).

I don't have any cards for this public hearing, but is there anyone here that would like to speak on it? Please come forward. Okay, seeing none.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Motion to recess.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to recess by Legislator Sunderman.

02:50PM
LEG. CILMI:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator -- who was that, Flotteron? Oh, Legislator Cilmi. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Donnelly & Spencer).

02:50PM
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, (Public Hearing on) IR 1424-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to establish a veterans preference when renting County-owned park facilities (Gonzalez). I do have one card, Nic Scott.
MR. SCOTT:
Thank you, Presiding Officer Gregory. Thank you, everyone here.
Thank you for all of our veterans in the audience today. I am
Lieutenant Colonel Nic Scott, retired, Army, 22-year veteran.
I've served in places like Iraq, Afghanistan and at the Pentagon.
I'm here to speak in favor of Resolution 1424.

In addition to all of the things that I stated, I'm also the Senior
Vice-Commander of VFW Post 2912 in Wheatley Heights. Our small
little post of VFW 2912 has approximately 80 service members.
We have fought in places from World War II up to our current
contlicts. We know that some of our greatest battles are not the
battles that we fight overseas but the battles that we fight here
at home. I'm asking you to support Resolution 1424 because several
of our facilities here in Suffolk County grant such great relief to
our veterans. I myself personally have utilized places like
Shinnecock and Smiths Point and Indian Island with myself and my
family to try to get a respite from some of the things that we have
to deal with once we come home. So I won't take up the entire
time, but I'll ask all of you to please consider and to please vote
for Resolution 1424. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right, thank you. And it was good to see you again.

All right. Anyone else like to speak on 1424, please come forward.
Okay. Seeing none, what would you like to do?

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Motion to close.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Donnelly & Spencer).

P.O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1426-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A
Local Law to ensure IDA beneficiaries provide fair and equitable
wages (“The Equal Pay for Equal Skills Act”) (Kennedy). I don't
have any cards for this public hearing. Anyone else like to speak
on it, please come forward. Okay, seeing none, Legislator Kennedy?

LEG. KENNEDY:
I would like to keep this open because I have a few adjustments to
make so it's not construed as social engineering.

("Laughter")

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay (laughter).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Is that a motion to recess?
LEG. KENNEDY:
Motion to recess.

P. O. GREGORY:
All right, motion to recess for lack of want of social engineering by Legislator Kennedy. I'll second.

LEG. TROTTA:
(Raised hand).

P. O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta will second. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Donnelly & Spencer).

P. O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1428-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to eliminate the County's cremation approval fee (Trotta). I don't have any cards for this public hearing. Anyone like to speak on it, please come forward.

LEG. TROTTA:
Motion to recess.

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay, motion to recess by Legislator Trotta. I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P. O. GREGORY:
(Public Hearing on) IR 1434-19 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law authorizing the County Executive to execute Agreements for the sale of one acre of excess land in the Suffolk County Sewer District No. 26 - Melville Huntington to the Greens at Half Hollow Home Owners Association (Berland). I have a few cards. Fred Werfel.

MR. WERFEL:
Good afternoon, Presiding Officer Gregory and Legislators. My name is Fred Werfel, I live at 368 Altessa Boulevard in Melville which is part of The Greens and I'm president of the Homeowners Association of The greens.

I have some presentation boards to show you illustrating exactly what property we're looking to acquire from the County. The first board -- and if you don't mind, I'll stand by the board.

MR. RICHBERG:
No, please stay at the mic.
MR. WERFEL:
Okay. The first board is a Google Earth map showing the area in
which the sanitary treatment plant exists, that's where I just
pointed. In addition, there is an overlay of the area of
approximately one acre of the eight-acre sanitary treatment
facility site that we're looking to acquire; this is excess
property that is not needed for the treatment plant. That's that
area. The proximity of this location to our development, if you'll
see just above that area, this area is The Greens or part of The
Greens, it's an 1144-unit senior community, and the main entrance
to the community is right opposite this site.

All right, the sanitary treatment plant currently is surrounded by
a chain-link fence that has grass insert to secure the site, and
there is a gate that secures the site for access by DPW. This is a
blow up of the site. Our intent is to take the gate and relocate
it approximately 75 feet from the entrance from Half Hollow Road so
there will be no additional curb cut required. The entrance to our
site will be off of that driveway and the site will be utilized for
the maintenance of this community. There's no facility on the
community for the maintenance of 1144 units and over 2,000 people.

I have a letter that I'll give to the Clerk for distribution to the
Legislators. This is from The Honorable -- Chad Lepinski is the --
Lupinacci, excuse me, who is the Supervisor of Town of Huntington
to the County Executive Steven Bellone. I just want to point out,
there's a small error on the letter, it refers to Resolution 1435
instead of 1434, but there's a description of the letter that shows
that it's for this 1434, the acquisition. All right? Are there
any questions?

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes. So this is in relation to the -- wasn't there a petition, I
don't know, three years ago and some of the homeowners came out?
There was a --

LEG. McCAFFREY:
A sewer plant.

P.O. GREGORY:
The sewer plant, there was disagreement as to the residents wanted
to maintain the sewer facility. There was actually a referendum,
right, which failed; right? And then -- I forget the developer, I
just saw her, Denise, what's her name?

MR. WERFEL:
The developer was Benjamin and Caplan.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes, yes. So it failed, the County took over the operation of the
sewer, right? And then now you're asking to take some of the
property? I don't know what this resolution is requesting.

MR. WERFEL:
There's an eight-acre site that houses the sanitary treatment
plant, there's approximately one acre of excess property that is
not being utilized by the sanitary treatment plant. We have a
very, very large community -- probably the largest senior community
on Long Island and no facility has been provided in that community
for maintenance, for storage of materials, supplies, equipment. We
store our equipment scattered around the sites in various parking
spaces, in a location near one of the entrance gates and we're
looking to consolidate that in order to be able to better service
the residents of our community.

P.O. GREGORY:
So you're -- so you're not asking again to kind of take over the
sewer site, you just --

MR. WERFEL:
No.

P.O. GREGORY:
-- want the property.

MR. WERFEL:
Not at all.

P.O. GREGORY:
Been there, done that.

MR. WERFEL:
Nothing to do with the sanitary treatment plant itself.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. We do have a short list; Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
I think my questions were answered. Thank you.

MR. WERFEL:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Flotteron.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
So the gray area is the acre. Where is the sewage treatment plant
on that map?

MR. WERFEL:
This is -- I'm going to point to the building that's the sanitary
treatment plant.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Okay. And this treatment plant now services your development.

MR. WERFEL:
It services our development, it services a few other residential --
another residential development, Country Pointe, it services
another development right next to us as well as some individual
homes. I think the fire department is also serviced by this plant.
LEG. FLOTTERON:
And how do they come up with the calculation for the price?
Because I see it's $8,000 for an acre, and we're about to --

MR. WERFEL:
We --

LEG. FLOTTERON:
We're about to bond out for like $100,000 to buy our acre in some areas and 70,000, and this is a lot more populated area, so.

MR. WERFEL:
Well, there is no other usage for this property other than maintenance for either the treatment plant, which is not needed, or our community which is sorely needed. An appraiser, an outside appraiser was hired, provided an appraisal to the Department of Public Works in connection with this property, met with the County appraiser's office and they agreed that this was a reasonable price for this property because it has no other function.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
No other function?

MR. WERFEL:
No other purpose, it can't be utilized for any --

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Well, I know we're looking at a lot in the County, you know, expansions of sewer districts, too. I would think we would need some of the excess land, and in the long run I know we usually have to get a proper excess value if we are going to be selling something. It just seems -- 8,000, I'll buy it (laughter).

MR. WERFEL:
Again, this was a price that was brought up by our appraisal based upon the appraiser's knowledge of the area as well as its use. It can't be used for residential, it can't be used for commercial, its only use is in connection with our property or the treatment plant and the treatment plant has no need for this property, it's just excess use.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
The appraiser was hired by your condominium development?

MR. WERFEL:
The appraiser was hired from a list of appraisers that are accepted by the County, by our development, and then he met with the appraiser from the County and basically they agreed that this was a fair appraisal.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Eight thousand dollars.

MR. WERFEL:
Eighty-four hundred and some-odd dollars.
LEG. BERLAND:
I can clarify.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
I'll let Susan answer the question first, if that's okay.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Trotta.

LEG. BERLAND:
I just want to go first, I'll clear it up.

LEG. TROTTA:
Go ahead, I'll let Susan go.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, Legislator Berland.

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LEG. BERLAND:
Mr. Werfel, isn't it a fact that this particular piece is
landlocked in -- in-between the sewage treatment plant and the
soccer field and there's no other possible use, it can't be built
on and it's been in the same condition since The Greens was built
on day one?

MR. WERFEL:
That's correct. The property is surrounded by a recharge basin, by
the sanitary treatment plant and by some soccer fields, open land.

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LEG. BERLAND:
So isn't it a fact that the appraisal was based on the fact that
absolutely nothing else can be built there and it's not being
utilized by the sewage treatment plant because they have more than
enough capacity with the leaching fields and the sewage treatment
plant that is built there?

MR. WERFEL:
That's correct; the treatment plant actually has probably about
one-third additional capacity in it.

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LEG. BERLAND:
And isn't it also a fact that the -- there is no storage facility
that was built on the other side where the homes are, so in terms
of storing equipment to maintain the homes you need to build
something. So that's your anticipated use for this and it's
because it's landlocked in-between those two pieces and can't be
used for anything else, that's how the appraisal amount was
included.

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MR. WERFEL:
Yes, that's correct.
LEG. BERLAND: Okay, thank you. Hopefully that helps everyone (laughter); I hope.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay, Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY: Okay, that helped a bit.

LEG. BERLAND: Okay.

LEG. KENNEDY: But I still have an acre for $8,000 when I'm personally looking at an acre of land for $300,000.

LEG. BERLAND: Is that buildable?

LEG. KENNEDY: It's buildable.

LEG. BERLAND: This is not a buildable lot.

LEG. KENNEDY: The bottom tip of that piece of --

LEG. DONNELLY: It depends on what area.

LEG. KENNEDY: Huntington's a good area. The bottom tip of that piece of property, you said it's land-locked; is that water below it? What is that? From the picture I can't see.

MR. WERFEL: I'll pick up the picture so I can be near the microphone. This the property right here.

LEG. KENNEDY: Right where your finger was just now.

MR. WERFEL: Here?

LEG. KENNEDY: What's down there?

MR. WERFEL: This is Half Hollow Road.

LEG. KENNEDY: And what's on the other side of that?
MR. WERFEL:
Over here --

LEG. KENNEDY:
No, no, no, down.

MR. WERFEL:
Oh, here is residential property.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Those are residential properties.

MR. WERFEL:
Over here is a recharge basin, there are ball fields here. This whole area here is the leaching fields for the sanitary treatment plant, and this building here actually helps us to plant.

LEG. KENNEDY:
So you mentioned leaching fields which was my second question. Should you have to at some point expand, wasn't the initial intent of that to be saved to be used for leaching fields?

MR. WERFEL:
The plant was built -- no, it wasn't intended for leaching fields. Leaching fields are here, here and here.

LEG. BERLAND:
That's on the other side.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Right. But leaching fields, as far as I know, do not necessarily anymore have to be contiguous anymore, they don't.

MR. WERFEL:
The leaching fields are contiguous to the plant.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Is there any way we can see a copy of the appraisal?

MR. WERFEL:
Sure.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
I happen to know a little bit about this because I have a similar situation in my district where we wanted to put up a cell tower which required a 26 by 26 foot pad and DPW said No way, because we might have to expand at some point. Now, I would never support this in a million years. However, I would support that if the County of Suffolk would lease it to you for a dollar a year and that you would use it and if we ever needed it in the future we

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would take it back. But for the County to sell that land next to a sewage treatment plant when we have a groundwater, according to the County, disaster going on where we can hook up, possibly, some other community to that, would be irresponsible for this body to do. Though I am not against leasing it, like I said, for a token sum where you can store your material, but if we need it in the future we should get it back.

**MR. WERFEL:**
I believe the County, even if they sold it to us, always has the right to take it back.

**LEG. TROTTA:**
Well, why -- why -- why go through that?

**MR. WERFEL:**
One of the reasons is that although we didn't have plans for it right now, we do have a future plan to build a small storage facility on the property.

**LEG. TROTTA:**
How old are The Greens?

**MR. WERFEL:**
The Greens is 15 years old.

**LEG. TROTTA:**
So for 15 years you got by without that acre of property.

**MR. WERFEL:**
The Greens is now 15 years older than it was when it was new and the maintenance requirements today are much more intensive than they were 15 years ago.

**LEG. TROTTA:**
Well, I can't speak for anybody else at this horseshoe but I would never ever approve this. However, I'd be more than happy to lease it to you for a dollar a year.

**P.O. GREGORY:**
I have another question. So I'm just thinking back to when the room was filled and, you know, they were debating the petition and the referendum. So I guess the question I have is who was responsible for doing the original, I guess, boundaries of the sewer district? Because you guys were in favor of that, if I recall; no?

**MR. WERFEL:**
We eventually were in favor of the County taking over the sewer plant because the original developer abandoned the plant and basically did not provide any capital funds in connection with the maintenance of the plant, capital funds which are a requirement of operating the plant. Obviously the County has extraordinary funds for their sanitary sewer districts, and for that reason we felt that we could not afford to assume the responsibility of this plant. It would take hundreds of thousands of dollars just in
reserve for us to operate this plant.

P.O. GREGORY:
Right, and that was the argument at the time and the developer was very clear, if this referendum fails they're going to abandon it, the County would have to take over it. The only reason I'm asking about the boundaries is because someone had to sit down and say, Well, these are going to be the boundaries, that was acceptable at the time, and now you're saying, Well, it's not acceptable. We need an acre of that land to use for maintenance purposes. I'm just trying to figure out what happened.

MR. WERFEL:
The boundaries of the sanitary treatment plant facilities were always the same. They were established when this development was originally designed and built. As it turned out, the size of this plant and its supporting leaching fields was larger than what was actually needed for the plant.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right.

MR. WERFEL:
And I believe there is expansion still available without this additional acre for expanding the plant and the leaching fields.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, thank you, sir. Anyone else? Okay, that's it. Thank you.

MR. WERFEL:
Thank you very much for your attention.

P.O. GREGORY:
Next we have Robert Resch. Mr. Resch?

MR. RESCH:
Good afternoon, Legislators. A lot of what I was going to present has been covered, so I'm going to try to skim through and stress some very important points.

Of course we're a community of 2,000 residents. We have 468 apartments, 376 townhouses, 300 villas totaling 1,144 individual units in the senior community 55 and older. These units, together with the common areas, guard houses, connecting roadways, landscaping all occupy about 250 acres of land. In addition to the residential areas and the common areas, roadways, there's an 18-hole executive golf course, clubhouse, tennis courts, swimming pool within the property that's separately owned by the sponsor; he maintains it and he operates it.

Among the other duties and obligations, the HOA is responsible for maintaining and repairing the exterior of all residential units, roadways and walkways and enhancing the extensive common areas and landscaping throughout the development. It has a limited budget to satisfy this obligation.
Unfortunately, at the time The Greens was developed no land was set aside nor was a facility constructed to support the extensive maintenance needs of the community. As a result, we have had to run our maintenance obligations in a decentralized manner, storing equipment, vehicles and supplies at various locations interspersed throughout the community and outside the community. Among other things, this creates logistical problems, potential Local Law issues and adds significant cost to our community.

The purchase of the subject one acre of land will greatly assist The Greens community in solving these issues. On our end, the HOA Board has voted to approve to authorization and authorized the HOA to purchase the property from the County at the appraised fair market specified in the legislation. The appraised fair market value is within our budgetary restrictions. I note that the Town of Huntington has submitted a letter supporting this and that letter was already mentioned. All the uses of the subject property by the HOA will be in keeping with any and all local requirements and restrictions imposed by the Town of Huntington.

You'll notice there is room on the sewer treatment plant site; there is room to build the second plant right there. The leaching fields are over capacity, they have a capacity to cover all the additional expansion of the plant. I was the Chairman of the Sewage Treatment Plant Committee way back when when it was an issue and we inspected it with the Department of Public Works, the Sewer Agency and we knew for the last two or three years all this excess property that the County doesn't require and it just sits there. And if we could have our maintenance facility there it would be a great help to our 2,000 person community. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Sir, Legislator Krupski has a question.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. Who owns the -- excuse me, sir.

MR. RESCH:
I'm sorry, I missed you.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
That's okay, we're finally connected. So who owns the soccer field, the adjacent soccer field?

MR. RESCH:
I think it's the Town of Huntington. Yeah, the Town of Huntington.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
And how is it that the County happened to own this parcel?

MR. RESCH:
Okay, when The Greens was built, permitted, the sewage treatment plant was part of the permit, okay. We all pay for a piece of that sewage treatment plant in the cost of our houses. The developer built it and operated it for many years until he decided to turn it over to the County. It was an issue of the cost for the services;
he was charging us at a rate that the County --

MR. WERFEL: No, it was owned by the developer.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Now who -- Why does the County own that -- why does the County own that parcel?

MR. RESCH: Excuse me?

LEG. KRUPSKI: Why does the County own that?

MR. RESCH: The developer who owned the sewage treatment plant turned it over to the County.

LEG. KRUPSKI: The whole plant or just that parcel?

MR. RESCH: The whole property. The whole property; the plant, the leaching fields, the property, the excess property, everything.

LEG. KRUPSKI: The excess property was a separate tax map always?

MR. RESCH: No, it's all together, all one.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Would you have to do a -- I just wonder if we -- what if we have to do a legal subdivision to sell off part of it, part of the sewage treatment area?

MR. RESCH: Leaching fields, leaching fields, leaching fields. This is the plant, this is the area to extend the plant if they want to build a second one, and this is excess property.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Is that the same tax map or is it a different tax map lot?

MR. RESCH: Same map. Same map.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Would that have to be subdivided by the town in order to completely subdivide it?

MR. RESCH: Yeah, it would have to be subdivided.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
And who would assume those costs?

MR. RESCH:
Excuse me?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Who would assume those costs?

MR. RESCH:
I'm sorry, I couldn't hear.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Who would assume the cost of the subdivision?

MR. RESCH:
Oh, for the cost of buying it?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No, the subdivision. It's probably going to cost you more money to
subdivide that than to buy it, the way it was appraised.

LEG. BERLAND:
I don't think --

MR. RESCH:
I don't know how to answer that question.

LEG. BERLAND:
As far as I know -- maybe there's somebody from the County
Attorney's Office or from the County Executive's Office who can
answer it? Because we were led to believe that the subdivision was
not going to be necessary, that they could just sell off this
excess piece and that it didn't have to be subdivided.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
It sounds kind of casual. Is there anyone here from the County
Executive's Office who could answer that? Any attorney from the
County Executive's Office?

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P.O. GREGORY:
Al, it's probably more appropriate to have those discussions during
the debate of the bill.

MR. BRAUN:
Yeah, I was --

LEG. KRUPSKI:
That's fine. I just thought maybe -- I thought -- well, the
original question was --

MR. BRAUN:
In a one sentence answer, the community is going to assume all the
costs of any permits, subdivisions, COs that may be needed in the
future or anything else regulatory in the Town of Huntington.
LEG. KRUPSKI:
Will this come before Sewer Agency?

MR. BRAUN:
No. It'll come before -- there'll be a separate -- there'll be a contract prepared which will reflect all of those terms.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you for indulging me, Mr. Presiding Officer. Sometimes those questions spur other questions for the -- you know, for the people who are presenting here.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right, David Yaffe.

MR. YAFFE:
Good afternoon. I'm David Yaffe, the attorney for The Greens Homeowners Association. I want to respond to several questions to try and correct some misapprehensions.

Presiding Officer Gregory, you were asking about what happened before and why didn't this issue come up before of this acre of land; it did come up. And I'd like to hand to the Clerk multiple copies of Introductory Resolution 1649 of 2017 which has a provision which I'll read from. WHEREAS -- this was the application to create the Suffolk County Sewer District No. 26. After the developer, private owner of this eight-acre parcel of land abandoned it, abandoned it to the County, so the County wanted to form a sewer district in 2017 which the community supported.

However, we had discussions with the County and there's a provision in here that says, "After formation of the proposed sewer district, Suffolk County Sewer Agency intends to convey a certain unneeded portion of the lot on which the sewage treatment plant is located to The Greens at Half Hollows HOA. The said portion of the lot intended to be conveyed to The Greens at Half Hollow HOA does not include leaching fields." So this did come up before and this was part of the approval back then.

In terms of the leaching fields, the leaching fields are at 300% of needed capacity. That was in all of the paper work, that was before this August body back in 2017 when the sewer district was created. So there is -- and the Sewer Agency has agreed that this is unneeded land; they don't need it. And that's why we're here and we would like to purchase this. And the appraisal is a fair market appraisal, it was prepared by an arm's length appraiser from the County's list, it was vetted by the County review appraiser and that is the appraised value. This is not like a raw piece of land, residenzly zoned that someone could just build a house on, it's just not that kind of a creature. It's part of a sewage treatment plant property. It's right next to leaching fields and a sewage treatment plant building. It is surrounded by municipal land, it is part of the Arpud Development of The Greens. I have a letter from 2017 which is part of the appraisal which we will gladly provide --

(Timer Sounded)
-- to whoever wanted it. And I'd like to hand this letter up, this is a letter from October 18th, 2018, from the Town of Huntington, multiple copies of that as well --

P.O. GREGORY:
Please wrap up.

MR. YAFFE:
-- confirming that you can't build a residence on this, that it's part of The Greens master plan, that The Greens is fully developed, that the land can only be used for either maintenance purposes for the sewage treatment plant itself, which it's not needed for as determined by the Sewer Agency, or possibly for use for the maintenance needs of the community --

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you.

MR. YAFFE:
-- because they deem it consistent with that.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you. Anyone have any questions?

MR. YAFFE:
And I'm sorry, I just wanted to --

P.O. GREGORY:
Your time's up.

MR. YAFFE:
Okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Flotteron has a question for you, though.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
The sewage treatment plant, how many households does this take care of now and how many are in The Greens or out of The Greens?

MR. YAFFE:
The greens is fully developed with 1144 units. Can't build another unit.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Okay.

MR. YAFFE:
There is a neighboring development called Country Pointe which I believe has 72 --

UNKNOWN AUDIENCE MEMBER:
Seventy-two.
Mr. Schwartz:
Seventy-two single-family homes, fully developed, can't put anything else on it. There are municipally-owned lands like the soccer fields, those are parks. I mean, you can't develop those unless there were a sale of those properties and that would be a whole big, long process, it would have to be approved by the State Legislature. So -- and other than that, there are a couple of -- there are two group homes run by the State of New York which house maybe 15 people in them and those are on lots that -- they're single-family building lots and they're developed. So there's no -- and the confines of the district, of the sewer district are dictated by the sewer district, so the meets and bounds of that encompasses all of this area. I'm not aware of there being any raw, undeveloped land, you know, within the confines of this sewer district.

Leg. Flotteron:
Thank you.

P.O. Gregory:
Okay, Legislator Krupski.

Leg. Krupski:
What capacity is the plant working at right now?

Mr. Yaffe:
I --

Mr. Wefel:
A third.

Mr. Yaffe:
It's operating at a third. Well -- what I've come to understand from meetings with the Sewer Agency is that there's 300% capacity, so I would assume it's operating at a third, and they've determined that they don't need this land. The leaching fields are in a different area, they're on the north side of the building, this piece of property is on the western side of the building on the edge of the property. A sufficient -- a sufficiently secured distance from the building.

Leg. Krupski:
Is that property currently fenced?

Mr. Yaffe:
Yes; the entire property is fenced.

Leg. Krupski:
All right, thank you.

P.O. Gregory:
Okay. Anyone else; no? Okay. All right, thank you, Mr. Yaffe.

Mr. Yaffe:
Okay, thank you.
P.O. GREGORY:
Anyone else like to speak on this matter, please come forward.
Okay. Legislator Berland is it?

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes, I need to make a motion to recess. I believe the County
Attorney has some technical changes to the actual resolution,
so I'll make a motion to recess.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, motion to recess. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in
favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, (Public Hearing on) IR 1506-19 - Adopting Local Law No.
-2019, A Local Law to establish a Sustainable Energy Loan Program
(Open C-PACE) in Suffolk County (Presiding Officer Gregory).
I have a couple of cards. Neal Lewis.

MR. LEWIS:
Good afternoon, Presiding Officer and Members of the Legislature.
I do have a letter to hand up, if I could, to the Legislature.

MR. RICHBERG:
How many copies do you have?

MR. LEWIS:
I have 21 there.

MR. RICHBERG:
Thank you.

MR. LEWIS:
So my name is Neal Lewis, I am the Executive Director of the
Sustainable Institute of Malloy College. I'm here today to speak
in favor of Resolution 1506 which creates a Sustainable Loan
Program for Suffolk County, it would be a C-PACE or Commercial PACE
Program. It's a mechanism for financing significant investments in
clean energy. It's particularly geared towards old buildings where
the business has significant energy bills and we want to help
encourage them to renovate those buildings. It would cover those
kinds of renovations that would involve things that makes the
building basically reduce its carbon footprint while also greatly
reducing its energy bills. So this is both good for the
environment and also, really, it's an economic development program.
And unlike most economic development programs, it comes with no
taxpayer cost or taxpayer risk for Suffolk County taxpayers.

P.O. GREGORY:

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So it's a great program that the State has created and set up a
mechanism for counties to opt into it, and they also are providing
a tremendous resource which is Energize New York, and Sarah Smiley
is going to speak in a moment. She's also listed for this hearing
and I hope that you see her and Energize New York as a tremendous
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resource that's available to the Counties to help businesses be able to renovate their facilities and start saving money. When they do this, all that money, that investment is essentially local, it's work that's going to be done by people who live and work on Long Island. That's not that it's a rule, but just in practical terms you don't generally have people working on a roof that live, you know, three states away or something.

So this is a great opportunity to generate economic activity. I want to thank the County. I know that we've gone through a couple of votes on this, the third time's a charm is where we're thinking. The Chair of the key committee, Mr. Krupski, and Lisa Broughton over in the County Executive's Office, and of course it's been sponsored by the Presiding Officer. So we've had great support all around, this has been a largely non-controversial least philosophically kind of issue, it's about getting it right. And to their credit, Energize New York came up with some changes in the program that simplified it to make it easier, and as a result, in order to adopt that new approach, it required a new vote, so that's why we're back here. It's basically a good news thing. Third time to get it right, but I think it's going to be very exciting. Nassau County is set to vote on May 24th, so we're hoping all of Long Island will have this very soon. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Great. Thank you, Neal. All right, Sarah Smiley.

MS. SMILEY:
Hi. Thank you for the opportunity to speak. I am Director of Municipal Membership for Energy Improvement Corporation, or EIC, also known as Energize New York. EIC is the non-profit, State-wide local development corporation that implements Property Assessed Clean Energy, or PACE Financing, on behalf of our member municipalities, including Suffolk County. I am here because we're introducing a new product called Open C-PACE to better suit the needs of our municipalities and to facilitate more impactful, clean energy projects. I want to thank the Legislature for your strong support of PACE from the very beginning through the evolution of our program which brings us to this improved product today.

To give a bit of a review, PACE Financing is an alternative form of capital used by commercial and non-profit building owners to fund energy efficiency upgrades or to install renewable energy systems. It can be used for 100% of the project's cost and can be repaved over the expected life of the improvements, which is generally 20 to 30 years, and it transfers to the new owner if the property is sold. This allows property owners to improve their buildings, to reduce their operating expenses and to positively impact the environment.

PACE is a public benefit authorized by State law which enables municipalities to secure repayment of the financing through a benefit assessment lien on the improved property. Our new program, Open C-PACE removes any administrative and financial obligations from the municipality while still enabling you to offer this public benefit. With Open C-PACE, we create a benefit assessment lien.
that is separate from municipal taxes, allowing EIC to bill the
property owner directly and to administer collection of the
payments. The municipality will not need to add a charge to the
tax bill of the property and it will not be responsible for
guaranteeing payment from the property owner.

(*The following was taken by Lucia Braaten - Court Stenographer,
And transcribed by Kim Castiglione - Legislative Secretary*)

MS. SMILEY:
The PACE lien is now subordinate to municipal taxes, while still
being senior to non-municipal liens. So as with the old PACE
Program, we will require lender consent if there's a
mortgage-holder on the property.

EIC's approved capital providers will do the underwriting, and
determine if they provide financing and how much they make
available. Property owners will now benefit from having a choice
of capital providers, which creates a more competitive market. If
a property owner does not pay the annual PACE installment, the
capital provider may enforce the delinquent PACE lien using the
same timeline of foreclosure that the municipality uses for
delinquent taxes. But to do so, the capital provider must first
pay off any delinquent taxes owed by the property owner.

EIC as Program Administrator will review finance applications, and
confirm that the project complies with NYSERDA's commercial PACE
guidelines. We're already seeing interest from property owners who
want to use Open C-PACE to incorporate clean energy improvements,
and using Open C-Pace will enable them to go much farther in terms
of the reach of their energy efficiency. By enabling Open C-PACE,
you create access to more capital to fund improvements to the
building stock, without creating any risk or obligation to the
municipality.

And because Open C-PACE operates very differently from our original
PACE Program, it does require that the County adopt a new Local Law
and authorize a new municipal agreement with EIC, because we can
only operate the program on behalf of the County.

P.O. GREGORY:
Ms. Smiley?

MS. SMILEY:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Your time has expired, but Legislator Cilmi does have a question
for you, okay? Thank you so much for being here.

MS. SMILEY:
Oh, you can -- that was essentially it. You can go ahead.

LEG. CILMI:
I do have a question, though.
MS. SMILEY:
Great. Thank you.

LEG. CILMI:
When was the last time that we authorized this sort of program?

MS. SMILEY:
We went through an amendment process for the old -- the original PACE Program in 20 -- it was about a year ago, or I think it was late 2017 that you amended the previous program.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. And my -- if my memory serves correctly, there was a fellow who came to us initially and advocated for this program, right? It was a tall guy.

MS. SMILEY:
It was probably Mark Thielking.

LEG. CILMI:
Yeah.

MS. SMILEY:
He's one of our Co-Executive Directors.

LEG. CILMI:
Yeah. And so -- but in that iteration of the program, correct me if I'm wrong, the -- any nonpayment that would result in some money owed would get attached to the tax bill; is that correct?

MS. SMILEY:
Under the old program --

LEG. CILMI:
Right.

MS. SMILEY:
-- the payment was repaid through the tax bill itself.

LEG. CILMI:
Right.

MS. SMILEY:
So the annual charge was on the tax bill.

LEG. CILMI:
Right. And then if we didn't get paid, it would be the County that's left holding that bag --

MS. SMILEY:
Correct.

LEG. CILMI:
-- basically. But I think the argument at that time was that that was not going to happen, you know, very much, if at all. They didn't anticipate that happening, so we weren't supposed to worry
about it, I think, but now it’s changed. So what is it about --
what was it about the way the program was originally structured in
its -- in its amended state to where it is now? Why do you think
it's going to be more effective the way it is now?

MS. SMILEY:
Well, under -- under that old structure, in order to -- so the
County was providing the backstop for those payments, and one of
the burdens that placed, both in terms of risk to the municipality,
even though it wasn't a high risk, there was still some risk, which
other municipalities were not comfortable with, or not all
municipalities across the State were comfortable with. And, also,
we had to charge higher fees to build reserves for the municipality
in the case of a permanent loss. So through advice of new legal
counsel, we were able to establish that we could create a separate
lien that took it off the tax bill. So even though it's still a
municipal-based lean, we were -- because we could separate it from
the tax bill, we could also subdivide it to municipal taxes, and
that created more comfort for the municipality, and it also was
more in line with what capital providers who wanted to invest in,
you know, these clean energy projects in New York State, it was in
line with how they've been operating in PACE Programs in other
states across the country. So it allowed us to make it a more open
program, more competitive program.

LEG. CILMI:
So the only thing that I'm confused about is that we adopted that
program in its prior iteration.

MS. SMILEY:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Were we -- did it ever get -- did that deal ever get consummated?
I mean, did we ever offer any --

MS. SMILEY:
Yes, there was a project --

LEG. CILMI:
We did.

MS. SMILEY:
-- financed under the old program that still --

LEG. CILMI:
Okay.

MS. SMILEY:
-- will continue to be administered, that loan.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay.
MS. SMILEY:
But because we were able to essentially create this new program
that accomplished the same goals of the original, but without any
risk to the municipality, and a much more streamlined, open
approach, it was determined that we should close the old program
and just continue on this new path going forward.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. So there's really no downside to the County at this point.

MS. SMILEY:
No.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. You don't mention the payback of so many years.
The owner of the loan, are they allowed to pay it back earlier?

MS. SMILEY:
That would depend on their finance agreement that they enter with
the capital provider. So they can make arrangements to prepay, but
they'll -- I imagine there will be fees associated with prepayment
of the loan.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Okay.

MS. SMILEY:
But that would be what they do in arrangement with the capital
provider.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Okay. Thank you.

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P.O. GREGORY:

MS. SMILEY:
Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I don't have any cards, any further cards. Anyone else like
to speak on this public hearing, please come forward. Okay.
Seeing none, I will make a motion to close.

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D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

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

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MR. RICHBERG:
Fourteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. Back to our agenda.

MR. RICHBERG:
Fifteen (Not Present: Legislators Lindsay, Trotta and Berland).

LEG. CILMI:
Capital projects.

P.O. GREGORY:
We were on Budget Amendment No. 2.

LEG. CILMI:
We voted on that.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, we did. Oh, right, right, right, right, right, right.

LEG. TROTTA:
Vote the rest of them down.

(*Laughter*)

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. So same motion, same second on Budget Amendment No. 3?

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
All in favor? Actually, roll call.

LEG. CILMI:
It's not the same vote, so might as well do a roll call.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yeah, roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
No.

LEG. DONNELLY:
No.

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LEG. BERLAND: No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: No.

LEG. LINDSAY: No.

LEG. ANKER: No.

LEG. HAHN: No.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: No.

LEG. KRUPSKI: No.

D.P.O. CALARCO: No.

P.O. GREGORY: No.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seven.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Budget Amendment 4, same motion, same second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: No.
LEG. CILMI:
What.

(Laughter)

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
No.

LEG. DONNELLY:
No.

LEG. BERLAND:
No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Pass.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
No.

LEG. LINDSAY:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
No.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
No.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
No.

P.O. GREGORY:
No.
LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seven.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Same motion, same second on Budget Amendment 5. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
No.

LEG. DONELLY:
No.

LEG. BERLAND:
No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
No.

LEG. LINDSAY:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
No.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
No.

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LEG. KRUPSKI:
No.

D. P. O. CALARCO:
No.

P. O. GREGORY:
No.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seven.

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay. Same motion, same second on Budget Amendment 6, roll call.

*(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)*

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. TROT TA:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
No.

LEG. DONNELLY:
No.

LEG. BERLAND:
No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
No.

LEG. LINDSAY:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
No.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.
LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: No.

LEG. KRUPSKI: No.

D.P.O. CALARCO: No.

P.O. GREGORY: No.

MR. RICHBERG: Seven.


(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: No.

LEG. DONNELLY: No.

LEG. BERLAND: No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: No.

LEG. LINDSAY: No.

LEG. ANKER: No.
LEG. HAHN:  
No.

LEG. MURATORE:  
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:  
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:  
No.

LEG. KRUPSKI:  
No.

D.P.O. CALARCO:  
No.

P.O. GREGORY:  
No.

MR. RICHBERG:  
Seven.

P.O. GREGORY:  
Okay. Budget Amendment 8, same motion, same second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI:  
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:  
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:  
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:  
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:  
No.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:  
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:  
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:  
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:  
No.
LEG. LINDSAY:
No.

LEG. ANKER:
No.

LEG. HAHN:
No.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes -- no.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No.

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D.P.O. CALARCO:
No.

P.O. GREGORY:
No.

MR. RICHBERG:
Nine.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, nine. Uh-oh. You snuck some in there?

LEG. CILMI:
Nine? Who was the other one?

LEG. BERLAND:
The two of them.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Anti jump starters. Don't be starting nothing.

(“Laughter”)

Okay. All right. So that's all the votes for our capital projects, so that's done. We go into the regular agenda (phonetic) -- agenda. Excuse me. My Long Island accent came out there for a second.

03:40PM

Tabled Resolutions: I.R. 1315 - Amending Resolution No. 1141-2016, in connection with Jumpstart Suffolk (CP 6424) (Presiding Officer Gregory). I make a motion to approve.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Second.
P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Lindsay. Just to explain, this is reallocating monies that were allocated to Long Island Music Hall of Fame. They didn't have the monies to do the build-out, so it's being reallocated for support of the build-out for the Y that's going to the Wyandanch Rising Development.

LEG. HAHN:
On the --

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes, on the motion, Legislator Hahn.

LEG. HAHN:
So there have been some labor concerns. Is there anyone who could speak to that?

P.O. GREGORY:
Well, this is -- this building has received -- if I may, has received some L.I.E. -- some Long Island Regional Economic Development and some State funding so that will certainly require prevailing wages. I think they received three million, three or four million for this building for the development of the Y. And as I had mentioned, it's going to be co-collocated with the health center once they -- once they move. They're actually trying to create a health and wellness concept. There's going to be a pharmacy there.

LEG. HAHN:
Yeah, I mean, I love the concept. It's the implementation that, you know, I'm concerned about. I am -- I'd feel a little bit better knowing that the building that these dollars are going into must be prevailing -- but, I mean, are the trades going to be -- is there any way to assure us that there'll be local workers that are here?

P.O. GREGORY:
Yeah. I think the -- I spoke with -- I spoke with the supervisor. They're certainly, you know, in agreement with that, that there should be local workers. And they're working to work out those agreements. They have a pre-apprenticeship program that's there as part of development, actually the County Executive started when he was supervisor, so yes.

LEG. HAHN:
So I have a question. Either County Executive's folks or Economic Development folks, whoever's here, about Jumpstart funds in particular.

MS. KEYES:
I'll do my very best.

LEG. HAHN:
So, there is this prevailing wage, you know, issue that's going on at the State level regarding government funds. Are Jumpstart funds, ours that we control and we -- it's a capital project,
correct? So we can attach requirements to it if we wanted to, correct?

MS. KEYES:
Well, the Jumpstart funds are only awarded to municipalities, so the work -- you know what I mean? Jumpstart money doesn't go to private developers. Jumpstart money goes to municipalities. So any work that is being completed has to comply with municipal standards for work. So just like when the County does a project we have to use prevailing wage. I am pretty sure I -- that every municipality, all the towns at the very least, in Suffolk have those same requirements. So the answer would be yes in -- when it comes to Jumpstart money, because it's not going to private developers. It goes to municipalities.

LEG. HAHN:
Right. So I do want -- I don't think our Counsel -- I would like our Counsel, who's not here, you know, to think through, because maybe this is something we want to do later is just to add a level of assurance to these dollars that we are going to invest ourselves, making sure that, you know, it's local workers, making sure that, you know, we go as far as we can go, because this is something that's important to this Legislature. I know it's important to this County Executive. I know it's important to the particular supervisor in question at this moment, but all those things can change, and I think we might want to consider our own program, making some strings attached to it.

MS. KEYES:
It's definitely something we can consider for sure.

LEG. HAHN:
So I would like our Counsel maybe to start researching that for me. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Oh, no, I'm sorry. I've read through it and I think my questions have been answered. Thank you very much.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
I'm sorry, Amy. I'm just a little bit confused. Is this YMCA built already?

MS. KEYES:
No.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Is it the property that Albanese was calling a warehouse?
MS. KEYES:
No. This is going on the Wyandanch Village property. There's no
-- it will be a new structure.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yeah, I know it will be a new structure.

MS. KEYES:
I don't know what you mean when you say the warehouse. No, I don't
think so. No. It's a new building.

LEG. KENNEDY:
All right. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
Who's going to own this building?

MS. KEYES:
Presumably the Albanese Organization. They own the -- they own all
of the structures. I believe the Town owns the underlying land
because that's how -- that's the basis for -- the Town has a master
development agreement with Albanese to develop the land.

LEG. TROTTA:
Who's going to be collecting the rent?

MS. KEYES:
Honestly, I'mspeculating at this point, but I believe the Albanese
Organization would collect it from the YMCA. But that's totally
speculative.

LEG. TROTTA:
So we're subsidizing another millionaire. I will not be supporting
this.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Flotteron.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
So this money is not really going to the Y, it's going to a
developer? They're leasing?

MS. KEYES:
This money is going to the Town of Babylon to support the
construction of the YMCA facility on the Wyandanch Village
property. Jumpstart money goes to municipalities --

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Okay.

MS. KEYES:
-- not to developers.
LEG. FLOTTERON:
And have we helped other not-for-profits in this way, you know, for essentially YMCA. As you know, YMCA is a wonderful organization, but --

MS. KEYES:
So, again, the Jumpstart money is not going to the YMCA, it's going to the Town of Babylon but, yes, we have -- there's been many other awards. The Town of Brookhaven has received Jumpstart money. I believe the Town of Huntington.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Village of Lindenhurst.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Nothing yet, nothing's done yet.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Is this -- again, I really don't have a full understanding of Jumpstart money. Is this passed through from anywhere?

MS. KEYES:
No, this is a County created Capital Program to support shovel-ready economic development projects in the County, and it's money that's awarded to municipalities to support those projects. So it goes for infrastructure improvements that are necessary for those economic development projects.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Is there a certain amount per year we usually --

MS. KEYES:
It varies. In past years it's been two million, three million, five million. It's debated and included in the capital -- there was no -- there was zero dollars in 2018 so it fluctuates.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else?

LEG. CILMI:
Yeah, I have another question.

P.O. GREGORY:
Oh, Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. CILMI:
I'm just thinking about this as we're talking about. Amy, I'm sorry, and I really am sorry.

(Laughter)

Or to the Presiding Officer, whichever. Was -- was the YMCA always going to be here?

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MS. KEYES:
No. I defer.

P.O. GREGORY:
As I mentioned, the original vision was to have the Long Island Music Hall of Fame be there.

LEG. CILMI:
I knew that.

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P.O. GREGORY:
And I think they weren't able to satisfy some of the capital needs, so they decided that that move wasn't suitable for them. So then there was a negotiation to bring the Y to the -- to this building, along with eventually the health center will be there, there's a pharmacy as well.

LEG. CILMI:
So the Y was not going to be a component of this development in addition to the Music Hall of Fame.

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P.O. GREGORY:
I honestly don't know if they weren't going to be a component at all. They certainly weren't going to be in this building. I mean, there might have been other discussions to have then in another building because there are different phases of this project, but in this particular -- I think it's Building C, no, they weren't.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. The difficulty I'm having here is that we allocated a certain amount of money for Long Island Music Hall of Fame and it's almost as if now, okay, so they're not coming so now we're just going to take that money since we already reallocated it and give it to somebody else, but it's not like we could keep the money. We could not borrow the money, right?

03:50PM

P.O. GREGORY:
We could do that. But I think -- I think there was at the time there was a commitment to support the development, and that's what this is doing, continuing that -- the support of that development, just reallocating for a different purpose. Before it was going to go to help build-out the Music Hall of Fame section of the building, now it's to support the build-out of the development of the YMCA. We're certainly welcoming them to the community. You know, they're a great addition, they have a great track record, and I look forward to working with them.

03:50PM

MS. KEYES:
I just want to add you had -- there was a speaker today from the YMCA who spoke specifically to -- because I understand your point. I just think the Music Hall of Fame was specifically supposed to be bringing this cultural arts component to the development. And the gentleman, I can't remember his name --

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P.O. GREGORY:
Vickers.
MS. KEYES:
Right, from the YMCA, spoke during Public Portion about the
cultural arts programing that the YMCA is planning on bringing to
Wyandanch Village. So although it is a different entity, I think
it's important that the core -- the purpose or the goal of having
the Hall of Fame there is still carried out through having the Y.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Any other questions? All right. So we have 1315A (Pending
Bond Resolution), right? Motion and a second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
(Not Present).

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. KENNEDY:
No.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
No.

LEG. CILMI:

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
No.
LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: No.

MR. RICHBERG: Thirteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. Thank you for your support. I.R. 1315 (Amending Resolution No. 1141-2016, in connection with Jumpstart Suffolk (CP 6424) (Presiding Officer Gregory). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. I.R. 1341 - Amending the 2019 Operating Budget and appropriating funds in connection with Bonding for a settlement for a liability case against the County (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING: Motion.

P.O. GREGORY: I'll make a --

D.P.O. CALARCO: Hold on.

P.O. GREGORY: You want us to table it?

CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN: No.

P.O. GREGORY: I'll make a motion to approve, second by Legislator Calarco. I'm sorry, that should be 1341A (Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $125,000 in Bonds in finance the cost of a settlement in a liability case against the County).
DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. No, the only reason why I
approach is because when this was on in committee a few weeks back
Legislator Cilmi had a couple of questions, and his main question
was about whether we chose to bond something or whether we chose to
--

LEG. CILMI:
Pay cash.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Pay cash for the settlement.

LEG. CILMI:
Right.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
So, you know, usually we have a shortage of money in our General
Liability Settlement Reserve Fund, and so -- but last year for this
year's budget we had requested more money and the Executive and the
Legislature was kind enough to realize that and increase it by a
million dollars, which was significant. So what we've been doing
is managing the allocation, the appropriation that's been given to
us, so that we do not run out of cash by the end of -- by the end
of the year. So during the course of the year you will have seen
some settlements that are on the larger end, which for us the
larger end we say $100,000 or more, and we will pay -- will ask
that it bonded once it's been approved by the Ways and Means
Committee, but also you may not see some of those cases as well,
because as we now get further into the year we'll be able to settle
some of the cases by paying cash.

LEG. CILMI:
Question.

P.O. GREGORY:
Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. CILMI:
Thank you, Dennis, for refreshing my memory on that. I appreciate
it.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
You're welcome.

LEG. CILMI:
So when a settlement -- when the County Attorney reaches a
settlement, if we're paying for it out of operating funds, does the
settlement have to come before the Legislature for authorization or
no?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Well, no, only the ways -- we come to you for the bonding, the Ways
and Means approves the settlement.
LEG. CILMI:
As a committee.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
As a committee, correct.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay, so it does come to the Legislature in the form of a Ways and
Means vote at least.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
With respect to if we're going to bond a settlement.

LEG. CILMI:
No, no, no. Even if it's just a settlement, it comes to the Ways
and Means Committee.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Oh, I'm sorry, Ways and Means. Yes, correct.

LEG. CILMI:
Right?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Yes, correct.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. So --

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Ways and Means approves all settlements $25,000 -- greater than
$25,000.

LEG. CILMI:
Right. So the Legislature as a body will still have an opportunity
to see those settlements that the County enters into that require
us to pay.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Absolutely.

LEG. CILMI:
And -- but you expect to be able to pay more of them out of
operating funds as the year goes on.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Yes, absolutely.

LEG. CILMI:
Okay. Thank you.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:
Okay.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay, anyone else? Legislator Trotta.
LEG. TROTTA:  
Wouldn't it make more sense to pay it off, because if you start  
 bonding stuff early you're paying more interest on it.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:  
It's another approach. We could spend more cash up front and then  
 try and allocate a remainder towards the end of the year or we  
 could bond -- you can try and, you know, spread it out over the  
course of the year. Like I could give you an example of some of  
the things that we're seeing in the pipeline. So there'll be  
before you three cases today, but we also have -- we took two  
verdicts recently on bus cases and -- so without going into the  
details because Ways and Means hasn't seen them yet and they're not  
settled yet, but those are the types of things that we might -- we  
might look at for paying cash on it.

LEG. TROTTA:  
But just from a mathematical standpoint, why would you bond  
something earlier in the year when you can bond it later in the  
year?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:  
Well, like I explained, we're seeking to balance the amount of  
money that we pay through the available appropriation over the  
course of the year. The way you're proposing is just another way  
of doing it.

LEG. TROTTA:  
Yeah, but if you don't -- if it doesn't come to the end and you  
have money left and then you don't have to. Whatever.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:  
But if money is not spent also in the appropriation it will just  
get rolled over and either used in the same appropriation or  
someplace else.

LEG. TROTTA:  
All right.

P.O. GREGORY:  
Okay? All right. So we have --

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COHEN:  
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:  
So we have a motion and a second on I.R. 1341A (Bond Resolution of  
the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of  
$125,000 in Bonds in finance the cost of a settlement in a  
liability case against the County). Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

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

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
(Not Present).

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
(Not Present).

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen.

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P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1341, same motion, same second. All in --

MR. RICHBERG:
Berland.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1341 (Amending the 2019 Operating Budget and
appropriating funds in connection with Bonding for a settlement
for a liability case against the County) (County Executive).
Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1342A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York,
authorizing the issuance of $100,000 in Bonds to finance the cost
of a settlement in a liability case against the County. I'll make
a motion.

LEG. DONNELLY:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Donnelly. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
No.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.
LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUnderMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1342 (Amending the 2019 Operating Budget and appropriating funds in connection with Bonding for a settlement for a liability case against the County)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1381 - Approving County funding for a contract agency (Neo-Political Cowgirls)(Fleming).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. Budget and Finance. I.R. 1403 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Charter Law to align the County Charter with current governing practices (Presiding Officer Gregory). I'll make a motion to approve.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco. Anyone on the motion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1468A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $365,000 in Bonds to finance the cost of a settlement in a liability case against the County. I'll make a motion, second by Legislator Donnelly. On the motion, anyone?

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTOA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

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LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

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LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

D. P. O. CALARCO:
Yes.

04:00PM

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1468 (Amending the 2019 Operating Budget and appropriating funds in connection with bonding for a settlement for a liability case against the County) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

04:00PM

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY:

04:00PM

LEG. GONZALEZ:
(Nodded).

P. O. GREGORY:
I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1456A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $1,000,000 Bonds to finance the cost of Acquisition of Land for Workforce Housing (CP 8704.217).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming. Second by Legislator Calarco. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.
LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

P. O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1456 (Appropriating funds for acquisition of Land for Workforce Housing (CP 8704) (County Executive). Same motion, same second.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
On the on the motion.

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
What are these -- I'm looking here. What are the specific properties? And projects?

P. O. GREGORY:
Mr. Smagin. He's bringing his water bottle. Do you expect to be here that long?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
A simple yes or no.

(D laughter)

DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
I don't know, maybe. What are we talking about? Good afternoon.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Good afternoon. So it's 1456, acquisition of land, which -- which parcels?

DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
So that -- this money is -- I would say we have a list of projects that possibly could be using these funds. That was provided for recently for the budget hearings that the Legislator was performing. But with Legislator Berland's new law we actually can reimburse for acquisition now so we see this money being used more often.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Who gets the reimbursement?
DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
It would be to the developer, the municipality, whoever is buying
the land for the affordable housing project.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
And that would guarantee what percentage of affordable in
perpetuity?

DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
Depends on the total development cost that we or the percentage are
per Legislator Berland's new law.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
And who would make that determination?

DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
The total development cost is an established number.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
No, the percentage of affordability in perpetuity.

DIRECTOR SMAGIN:
So the amount that we fund the project determines it. So if the
project's $10 million total development costs and we're funding a
million, then 10%. That's how the premise of the law would work.
Yeah, that was voted on at the last Legislative meeting.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. So we have a motion and a second on I.R. 1456.
All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1457A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York,
authorizing the issuance of $1,000,000 Bonds to finance the cost of
Infrastructure Improvements for Workforce Housing (CP 6411.317).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)
LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yup.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yeah.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.  I.R. 1457 (Appropriating funds for Infrastructure Improvements for Workforce Housing (CP 6411) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1484 - Appropriating funds in the 2019 Adopted Capital Budget in connection with Aviation Utility Infrastructure at Gabreski Airport (CP 5734) (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Fleming?

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Second.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1319 - Adopting Local Law No. -2019, A Local Law to ensure a second chance in Suffolk County (Presiding Officer Gregory). I have to -- I'm going to make a motion to table --

LEG. HAHN:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
-- to make a slight amendment.

LEG. HAHN:
Second.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1451A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $2,575,000 Bonds to finance the cost of infrastructure improvements for Suffolk County Community College - college wide (CP 2149.312). I'll make the -- I'll make a motion.

D. P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco.

LEG. TROTTA:
On the motion.

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

LEG. TROTTA:
Can someone tell us what we're spending $2.5 million on?

MR. ZWIRN:
Ben Zwirn for the Suffolk County Community College. This is money that comes annually to the college. It's been spread out over a number of years. It's matched by New York State, which will also kick in a little over $2.5 million. It covers all three campuses and it's general maintenance, boiler replacement, chillers, sidewalks, railings. I have a list here of all the items that have been contracted for if you'd like to see it, but it's -- it well exceeds the $2.5 million that the County will give us and even the $2.5 million we get from the State. But it will be done in a priority fashion and then as we go down the road there'll be additional money, because to maintain the buildings out there is considerable.

LEG. TROTTA:
Do you ever have any money left over from these funds?

MR. ZWIRN:
We won't have any money left over from these funds, because the estimated expenses are going to far exceed. Right now, if we have emergency situations, which we do occasionally have at the college, then that -- our reserve fund is used for that.

LEG. TROTTA:
What is the change in the -- what is the enrollment? Is it up or down?

MR. ZWIRN:
The enrollment is pretty steady. It's about 26,000 students. What the change in the enrollment is is that more students are now part-time than full-time.

LEG. TROTTA:
Okay. I'll talk to you about it later. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Anyone else? Legislator Lindsay.

LEG. LINDSAY:
A question for the Clerk. Did we vote on I.R. 1457?

MS. ELLIS:
Yes, we did.
MR. RICHBERG:
Yes, we did.

LEG. LINDSAY:
We did, okay. Thank you.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. All right. Motion and second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

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LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.


MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY: I.R. 1452A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $100,000 Bonds to finance planning costs associated with the acquisition and installation of fire alarms, carbon monoxide alarms and emergency power systems - college wide (CP 2163.110). I'll make a motion, second by Legislator Calarco. Anyone on the motion?

LEG. KENNEDY: On the motion.

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

LEG. KENNEDY: Just a question. What's the cost; it's 100?

MR. ZWIRN: No, this is -- this is for the planning of it. It will be more going down the road. This is a -- this is a bill you should be familiar with because --

4:08PM

LEG. KENNEDY: Yeah, I'm very familiar with it.

MR. ZWIRN: The former Comptroller and Legislator passed this bill making it mandatory at the college to have this, and it was such a good bill that the State then adopted it and made it mandatory Statewide. So this is in compliance with that. We have to have smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in all the classrooms.

4:08PM

LEG. KENNEDY: So it's 100 for planning.
MR. ZWIRN:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Thank you.

LEG. TROTTA:
It's -- oh, I'm sorry.

04:08PM
P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

04:08PM
LEG. TROTTA:
Every building on all three campuses?

04:09PM
LEG. KENNEDY:
Yeah.

04:09PM
MR. ZWIRN:
To plan where they're going to be going, how they're going to be wired, because this -- these are going to be going into buildings that are already built so they have to go through wiring systems --

04:09PM
LEG. TROTTA:
And when do we have to comply by this law?

04:09PM
MR. ZWIRN:
Well, we're here. As fast as possible, I mean, we're doing it as quickly as possible.

04:09PM
LEG. TROTTA:
All right. Now, so you're going to hook up carbon monoxide detectors, fire alarms. Why wouldn't you call up three companies and say design this for me. Is there some kind of --

04:09PM
MR. ZWIRN:
We have in staff people that can do a lot of it, but we also -- I guess we'll call in some of the experts, but we do have a -- we do have a number of inhouse staff. And one of the things that the County did, I guess it was about two years ago, is gave that staff the ability to issue their own permits. In the past we had to wait for County DPW to issue the permits, now we sped up the process. But this is the first phase of the whole project.

04:09PM
LEG. TROTTA:
So this is going to go out to bid in some form to somebody to design what?
MR. ZWIRN:
They'll have to take a look at the buildings and to see how this is
going to be applied. You've got different buildings, you know,
built at different times with different types of wiring structures.
Some of the buildings are, you know, 50, 60 years old. It's going
to be a little different to wire those than it will be to build --
well, the buildings that we built new have all this stuff in it.

LEG. TROT TA:
All right. Thank you.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
You voted for it.

LEG. KENNEDY:
You voted.

LEG. TROT TA:
All right.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
He did; I was there.

P.O. GREGORY:
All right. So we have a motion and a second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROT TA:
No.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.
LEG. CILMI: Yes, sir.

LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUnderMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Seventeen.

04:11PM


MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

04:11PM

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1444 - Authorizing the acquisition of land under the New Enhanced Suffolk County Drinking Water Protection Program 2014 Referendum - Land purchases for Open Space Preservation (CP 8732.210) - for the Stone Point Group, LLC property - Whiskey Road Town of Brookhaven - (SCTM Nos. 0200-263.00-01.00-017.001, 0200-289.00-03.00-001.000, 0200-289.00-03.00-002.000 And 0200-289.00-03.00-020.000) (County Executive).

04:11PM

LEG. ANKER: Motion.

LEG. HAHN: Second.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Anker, second by Legislator Hahn. All in
favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.  I.R. 1445 - Authorizing the acquisition of land under the New Suffolk County ¾% Drinking Water Protection Program (effective December 1, 2007) Open Space Component - for the 9300 Main Road, LLC property - Town of Southold - (SC TM No. 1000-122.00-07.00-009.000) (County Executive).

LEG. KRUPSKI:
(Raised hand).

LEG. HAHN:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1459A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $300,000 IN Bonds to finance the acquisition of equipment for the Environmental Health Laboratory (CP 4079.530).  Do I have a motion?  I'll make a motion.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Sunderman.  Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.
LEG. TROTTO: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: (Not Present).

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: (Not Present).

MR. RICHBERG: Seventeen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. I.R. 1459 (Appropriating funds for the Purchase of Equipment for the Environmental Health Laboratory (CP 4079)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1443 - Approving the appointment of Kathleen Kenneally to Detective Sergeant in the Suffolk County Police Department (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Calarco.
LEG. DONNELLY:
Second.

LEG. TROTTA:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Trotta.

LEG. TROTTA:
I trained her.

P.O. GREGORY:
You trained her? Oh, boy? Motion to table subject to call.

(Laughter)

P.O. GREGORY:
No, I'm kidding.

LEG. HAHN:
I need to bring her in and question her.

P.O. GREGORY:
Waterboard.

(Laughter)

D. P.O. CALARCO:
Come on, you'll get yourself in trouble again.

P.O. GREGORY:
I know, I know. I can't help myself.

LEG. TROTTA:
Irish and Italians now, DuWayne?

P.O. GREGORY:
I missed that. All I heard was Italian.

LEG. TROTTA:
Irish and Italian.

P.O. GREGORY:
I'm part Irish so, you know, hey, you know. I'm supporting this but I just ask the Administration, I haven't heard any complaints about the process. The only complaint that I heard was that this person was put in the position before the resolution came before us, which in my opinion is not necessarily in compliance with the Nepotism Law, but I will be supportive of it and just ask that we follow the process.

LEG. HAHN:
On the motion.
LEG. HAHN: So to that point, does the Nepotism Law need to be changed so that it's clear that they cannot move to the position before?

P.O. GREGORY: Making some changes. We'll probably see about five -- it's pretty clear now.

LEG. HAHN: Five different bills.

P.O. GREGORY: We're making them five and probably two more. So there is a little difference between the Nepotism Law and the County procedures -- the Police Department policy, which is actually a little bit more stricter. So we're trying to -- yeah. But I hear she's a fine person, qualified and all that.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: And trained by Legislator Trotta.

P.O. GREGORY: Trained by Legislator Trotta.

LEG. HAHN: Despite the fact.

LEG. TROTTA: If someone could ask us how long she was a sergeant for before she made Detective Sergeant, if someone can answer that question. Someone from the Police Department?

LEG. DONNELLY: Why does that matter? It has no bearing on this.

P.O. GREGORY: It could, but not on this.

LIEUTENANT CALANDRILLO: Good afternoon. She was a Sergeant approximately six-and-a-half years.

LEG. TROTTA: Thank you.

LEG. HAHN: So past the probationary period.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. All right. Did you want to say something? I thought you wanted to. No? Motion and a second we have. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Flotteron).

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1446 - Amending the Suffolk County Classification and
Salary Plan in connection with a new position title in the Office
of the Medical Examiner: Clinical Laboratory Technician (County
Executive).

04:16PM

LEG. MURATORE:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Who was that?

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

04:16PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Muratore.

LEG. HAHN:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen (Not Present: Legislators Krupski and Flotteron).

04:16PM

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1454A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York,
authorizing the issuance of $335,000 Bonds to finance the cost of
acquisition of hardware and related software for Globally Managed

D. P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

04:16PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Calarco, second by Legislator Cilmi. On the

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

D. P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

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LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.
LEG. BERLAND: 
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: 
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: 
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: 
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: 
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: 
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: 
Yes.

LEG. ANKER: 
Yes.

LEG. HAHN: 
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: 
Yes.

LEG. SUnderMAN: 
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: 
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: 
Yes.

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04:17PM

P.O. GREGORY: 
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: 
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: 

04:17PM

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1455A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $675,000 Bonds to finance the cost of
countywide replacement of computer equipment/infrastructure. (CP 1816.515).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Same -- motion by Legislator Calarco, second by Legislator Cilmi.
Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yeah.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.
LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Same motion, same second on I.R. 1455 (Appropriating funds in connection with Countywide Replacement of Computer Equipment/Infrastructure (CP 1816)(County Executive). All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1487A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $1,000,000 Bonds to finance the cost of technology modernization (CP 1829.110 and .510).

D.P.O. CALARCO: Motion.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Calarco, I'll second. Roll call. (Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY: Yes.

LEG. BERLAND: Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: Yes.
LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1487 (Appropriating funds in connection with Technology Modernization (CP 1829) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.


LEG. HAHN: (Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY: All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1471 - Approving the consolidation of the Town of Brookhaven's Primary Vital Registration District with the Village of Lake Grove's Primary Vital Registration District into a Single Primary Vital Registration District (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
If you can say that three times. Motion by Legislator Fleming, second by Legislator Hahn? Oh, Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yeah, that's mine.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1475 - Approving the consolidation of the Town of Brookhaven's Primary Vital Registration District with the Village of Poquott's Primary Vital Registration District into a Single Primary Vital Registration District (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1476 - To reappointment member to the Food Policy Council of Suffolk County (Nikki M. Kateman)(Hahn).

LEG. HAHN:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Hahn, second by Legislator Anker?

LEG. ANKER:
(Nodded yes).

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

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MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1537 we did earlier. I.R. 1407 - Authorizing use of Southaven County Park in Brookhaven by the New York City/Long Island Chapter of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry for its affiliates Family Fun Day Event (County Executive).

04:20PM

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1487 (sic) - Authorizing use of Cathedral Pines County Park in Middle Island by Patchogue Arts Council, Inc., for its Jerry Jam Music Festival Fundraiser (County Executive).

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Calarco. I'll second.

MR. RICHBERG:
I'm sorry. Can I have the I.R. number again?

P.O. GREGORY:
1408. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1409 - Authorizing use of Cathedral Pines County Park in Middle Island by Long Island ABATE, Inc., for its LI ABATE Campout Fundraiser (County Executive).

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Sunderman. I'll second -- oh, second by Legislator Anker.

LEG. ANKER:
(Nodded).

P.O. GREGORY:
All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1415 - Approving a License Agreement for Brian Barr to reside in the Grey Cottage (P2269) in Southaven County Park at Yaphank, New York 11980 (County Executive).

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1416 - Authorizing use of Blydenburgh County Park in Smithtown for a Puppy Up Long Island Walk Fundraiser (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Kennedy.

LEG. HAHN:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1417 - Authorizing use of the Long Island Maritime Museum in West Sayville by the Rotary Club of Sayville for their Annual Beefsteak Fundraiser (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Lindsay.

LEG. CILMI:
Second.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1422 - Accepting the donation of food pantry donation boxes from a private organization (Sunderman). Motion by Legislator Sunderman.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
(Raised hand).
P.O. GREGORY:
I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1477 - Authorizing use of Old Field Farm for the Three Village Chamber of Commerce's 20th Annual Family Beach Barbeque (Hahn). Motion by Legislator Hahn.

LEG. HAHN: 
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1480A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $150,000 in Bonds to finance the acquisition of Heavy Duty and Other Equipment for County Parks (CP 7011.535). I'll make a motion.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: 
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY: 
Second by Legislator Sunderman. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY: 
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: 
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: 
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY: 
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND: 
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: 
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: 
Yes.
LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. I.R. 1480 (Appropriating funds for Heavy Duty and Other Equipment for County Parks (CP 7011) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1504 - Authorizing use of Gardiner County Park in West Bay Shore for a Strong Warrior Bear Walk for Cancer Fundraiser (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Flotteron.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Second.

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

P.O. GREGORY:  
I.R. 1532 - Creating a Park Stewardship Pilot Program. Creating a park stewardship pilot program (Hahn). Motion by Legislator Hahn.

LEG. KRUPSKI:  
Second.

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

MR. RICHBERG:  
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:  
I.R. 1307 - Accepting and appropriating 75% grant funds from the New York State Office of the Attorney General’s CAMS Program in the amount of $69,484 for the purchase of body worn cameras to be administered by the Suffolk County Sheriff’s Office, and to execute grant related agreements (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Calarco, I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:  
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:  
Okay. We have a request from Legislator Anker on the last page to take I.R. 1433 - Directing veterans services to compile and distribute a comprehensive Veterans Resource Guide (Anker). I make a motion to take that out of order, second by Legislator Calarco. Page 12. Yeah, I made a motion, Legislator Calarco seconded it. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:  
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:  
Okay. Motion by Legislator Anker to approve I.R. 1433.

D.P.O. CALARCO:  
Second.

LEG. BERLAND:  
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:  
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Now back to Page 9. I.R. 1435A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $130,000 Bonds to finance the cost of Safety Improvements at the Police Firearms Range in Westhampton (CP 3111.313).

LEG. MURATORE:
Motion.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Second.

LEG. FLEMING:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Hold on. Motion by Legislator Muratore.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Donnelly. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.
LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1435 (Appropriating funds in connection with Safety Improvements at the Police Firearms Shooting Range in Westhampton (CP 3111) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

I.R. 1436A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $200,000 Bonds to finance the acquisition of a Heavy Duty Vehicle for the Police Department (CP 3135.532).

LEG. DONNELLY: Motion.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Donnelly.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: (Raised hand).

LEG. MURATORE: (Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY: Second by Legislator Sunderman. Roll call.
(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. DONNELLY: Yes.
LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.
LEG. SPENCER: Yes.
LEG. BERLAND: Yes.
LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.
LEG. TROTTA: Yes.
LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.
LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.
LEG. CILMI: Yes.
LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.
LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.
LEG. ANKER: Yes.
LEG. HAHN: Yes.
LEG. MURATORE: Yes.
LEG. FLEMING: Yes.
LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.
D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.
P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

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MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1436 (Appropriating funds in connection with the Purchase of Heavy Duty Vehicles for the Police Department (CP 3135). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1437A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $125,000 Bonds to finance Renovations to Bathrooms in Police Headquarters (CP 3189.312).

LEG. DONNELLY:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Donnelly.

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Gonzalez.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
(Nodded yes).

P.O. GREGORY:
Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
(Not Present).

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.
LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1437 (Appropriating funds in connection with the Renovation to Bathrooms in Police Headquarters (CP 3189) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1438A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $500,000 Bonds to finance Renovations to the Marine Bureau Facility (CP 3195.312).

LEG. CILMI: Motion.

LEG. DONNELLY: Second.
P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Cilmi, second by Legislator Donnelly.
Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

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P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1438 (Appropriating funds in connection with the Renovation to Marine Bureau Facility (CP 3195)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yup.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.
LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Same motion, same second on I.R. 1439 (Appropriating funds in connection with the Purchase of Marine Bureau Engines (CP 3198) (County Executive). All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1440 - Appropriating funds in connection with Marine and Helicopter Equipment (CP 3513) (County Executive).

LEG. DONNELLY:
Motion.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1441A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $250,000 Bonds to finance the purchase of a Replacement Marine Bureau Patrol Boat (CP 3519.511). Motion by Legislator Sunderman, second by Legislator Hahn. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

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LEG. HAHN:  
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:  
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:  
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:  
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:  
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:  
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:  
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:  
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:  
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:  
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:  
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:  
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:  
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:  
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:  
Yes.

D. P. O. CALARCO:  
Yes.

P. O. GREGORY:  
Yes.

Mr. Richberg:  
Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY:  
I. R. 1441 (Appropriating funds in connection with Replacement of
Marine Bureau Patrol Boat (CP 3519) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1442A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $500,000 Bonds to finance Police Headquarters, Precinct and Lobby Upgrades (CP 3521.312).

LEG. DONNELLY:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Donnelly.

LEG. SPENCER:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Spencer. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yup.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.
LEG. ANKER: 
Yes.

LEG. HAHN: 
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: 
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: 
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: 
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: 
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: 
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: 
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: 
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: 
I.R. 1442 (Amending the 2019 Capital Budget and Program and appropriating funds in connection with Police Headquarters, Precinct and Lobby Upgrades (CP 3521) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: 
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: 
I.R. 1500 - Accepting and appropriating an award of Federal funding in the amount of $18,240 from the United States Department of Justice, U.S. Marshals Service, for the Suffolk County Police Department's participation in Operation Suffolk support with 79.59% support (County Executive).

LEG. BERLAND: 
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY: 
Motion by Legislator Berland, second by Legislator Donnelly. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: 
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: 
I.R. 1501 - Accepting and appropriating an award of federal funding in the amount of $5,000 from the United States Secret Service for
the Suffolk County Police Department's participation in Electronic Crime Investigations with 79.59% support (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1449 - Amending the 2019 Capital Budget and Program, amending the 2019 Adopted Operating Budget, and appropriating funds in connection with the County share for participation in Pavement Maintenance Program – Crack Sealing on Various County Roads. (CP 5599) (County Executive). I'll make the motion.

LEG. CILMI:
Second.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1450A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $250,000 Bonds to finance the preparation of a Sewering Feasibility Study for Centereach-Selden (CP 8189.113).

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Muratore.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Sunderman. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yeah.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.
LEG. BERLAND: Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.


MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY: Okay. I.R. 1458A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $275,000 Bonds to finance the Cost Of acquisition of vector control equipment (CP 8738.511).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Second.

04:32PM

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Fleming, second by Legislator Krupski. All -- oh, roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

04:32PM

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. GREGORY:

MR. RICHBERG:
Spencer. Spencer.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

04:32PM

(Laughter)

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

04:32PM

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

04:32PM

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

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LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1458 (Appropriating funds in connection with Vector Control Equipment (CP 8738) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1460A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $200,000 Bonds to finance Suffolk County's Fuel Management/Preventative Maintenance and Parts Inventory Control System (CP 1616.316). I'll make a motion.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Second.

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Gonzalez. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.
LEG. SPENCER: Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY: Yes.

LEG. BERLAND: Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D. P. O. CALARCO: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY: Okay. I.R. 1460 (Appropriating funds in connection with Fuel Management/Preventive Maintenance and Parts Inventory Control System (CP 1616)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1461A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of 100,000 Bonds to finance the cost of decommissioning and demolition of county facilities (CP 1665.317).

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Krupski. I'll second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

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

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

D. P. O. CALARCO:
Yes.

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

04:34PM

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1461 (Appropriating funds in connection with Decommissioning and Demolition of County Facilities (CP 1665) (County Executive). Appropriating funds -- I'm sorry. Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P. O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1462A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $200,000 Bonds to finance the cost of the Underground Injection Control Management Program (CP 8220.314). I'll make a motion.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Second.

P. O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Gonzalez. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

04:34PM

P. O. GREGORY:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

04:34PM

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.
LEG. MC CAFFREY: Yes.

LEG. TROTTA: Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY: Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON: Yes.

LEG. CILMI: Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY: Yes.

LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: (Not Present).

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: (Not Present).

MR. RICHBERG: Seventeen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1462 (Appropriating funds in connection with Underground Injection Control (UIC) Management Program (CP 8220) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Seventeen (Not Present: Legislator Sunderman).
P.O. GREGORY:

I.R. 1463A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $750,000 Bonds to finance the reconstruction of culverts (CP 5371.325). I'll make the motion.

D.P.O. CALARCO:

Second.

P.O. GREGORY:

Second by Legislator Calarco. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

P.O. GREGORY:

Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:

Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:

Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:

Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:

Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:

Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:

Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:

Yeah.

LEG. FLOTTERON:

Yes.

LEG. CILMI:

Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:

Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:

Yes.

LEG. ANKER:

Yes.

LEG. HAHN:

Yes.
LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUnderMAN:
(Not Present).

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

LEG. SUnderMAN:
(Not Present).

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

P. O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1463 (Appropriating funds in connection with
Reconstruction of Culverts (CP 5371)(County Executive). Same
motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P. O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1464 - Amending the 2019 Adopted Operating Budget to accept
and appropriate additional Statewide Mass Transportation Operating
Assistance (STOA) funds for the South Fork Commuter Connection bus
service (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Fleming, second
by Legislator Krupski. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

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

P. O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1465 - Amending the 2019 Adopted Operating Budget to accept
and appropriate insurance recoveries for the Transportation
Division of the Department of Public Works. Same motion, same
second work?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

P. O. GREGORY:
All in favor?

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Oh, I'm sorry. This is 1483?

P. O. GREGORY:
No, 65.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you.
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1479A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $780,000 Bonds to finance the improvements to the Suffolk County Ballpark, Central Islip. (CP 6425.312).

LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. BERLAND:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Berland. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. SPENCER:
Yes.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

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LEG. ANKER: Yes.

LEG. HAHN: Yes.

LEG. MURATORE: Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN: Yes.

LEG. FLEMING: Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI: Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: Okay. Same motion, same second on I.R. 1479 (Appropriating funds in connection with Improvements to the Suffolk County Ballpark) (CP 6425)(County Executive). All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG: Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY: I.R. 1481A - Bond Resolution of the County of Suffolk, New York, authorizing the issuance of $100,000 Bonds to finance the cost of weatherproofing of County Buildings (CP 1762.315).

LEG. DONNELLY: Motion.

P.O. GREGORY: Motion by Legislator Donnelly. I'll second. Roll call.

(Roll Call by Jason Richberg, Clerk of the Legislature)

LEG. DONNELLY: Yes.

P.O. GREGORY: Yes.

LEG. SPENCER: Yes.
LEG. BERLAND:
Yes.

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
Yes.

LEG. TROTTA:
Yes.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Yes.

LEG. FLOTTERON:
Yes.

LEG. CILMI:
Yes.

LEG. GONZALEZ:
Yes.

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yes.

LEG. ANKER:
Yes.

LEG. HAHN:
Yes.

LEG. MURATORE:
Yes.

LEG. SUNDERMAN:
Yes.

LEG. FLEMING:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Yes.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Yes.

P.O. GREGORY:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. Same motion, same second, on I.R. 1481 (Appropriating funds in connection with Weatherproofing County Buildings (CP 1762) (County Executive). All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.
P.O. GREGORY:
Now, Mr. Krupski, I'll recognize you for 1483.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Thank you. I'd like to make a motion to table for one cycle.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion to table I.R. 1483 (Appropriating funds in connection with Public Works Buildings Operation and Maintenance Equipment (CP 1806)(County Executive). I'll second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1485 - Resolution Amending Bond Resolution No. 1008-2018, Adopted November 20, 2018, relating to the Issuance of $500,000 bonds to finance the cost of improvements to Suffolk County Sewer District No. 12 - Birchwood/Holbrook (CP 8143.313)(County Executive).

LEG. LINDSAY:
Yeah.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Lindsay.

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1486 - Resolution Amending Bond Resolution No. 1023-2018, Adopted on November 20, 2018, relating to the authorization of the issuance of $30,000 bonds to finance the cost of security-related improvements to the BOMARC Site, Westhampton (CP 1830.310)(County Executive). I'll make a motion, second by Legislator Fleming. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1536 - Requiring that the Statewide Mass Transit Operating Assistance (STOA) funding be appropriated only for public transportation purposes and that County funds are not removed to offset the STOA funds received (Fleming). Motion by Legislator Fleming. Second by Legislator Sunderman.

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LEG. KRUPSKI:
On the motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Yes, Legislator Krupski.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
So is this -- is this -- and I guess it might be to the
Administration, to Darnell? I'm not sure who would answer this.
Is this money going to be used for the -- just for the
transportation system, and will this affect -- how will that affect
the overall budget for next year for 2020?

04:39PM

COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Good afternoon. Sorry, Legislator Krupski, I kind of missed the
end of your question.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
How will this affect the overall budget for 2020?

04:40PM

COMMISSIONER TYSON:
So essentially the $2 million that we received this year that was
sort of unanticipated -- so it's in addition to. So we had, you
know, to say the 26 million that we get from the State. This was
two million on top of that.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Do you have any plans?

04:40PM

COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Yes.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Regular operating?

COMMISSIONER TYSON:
Yes, this is operating money. So, you know, again, we're aware of
this funding. We have been -- you know, we have come up with ideas
of as to how to spend the funds. We will kind of further confirm
those things and actually probably meet with perhaps the
Transportation Work Group and the public to try to figure out, you
know, what would be the best way to use it. It could, you know,
the extension of hours of service, it could be additional --
additional days of service. But it's only $2 million so you're
only talking about a handful of routes that could be affected.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
Would it be used to offset the Operating Budget deficit?

04:41PM

COMMISSIONER TYSON:
No, the intent at this point is not to offset the large amount that
we, you know, contribute to the operating of the system.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. 1433 we did earlier. 1404 - Authorizing the reconveyance of
County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State
County Law to Rosanne Benisatto (SCTM No. 0500-416.00-02.00-049.000)(Presiding Officer Gregory).

LEG. LINDSAY:
Motion.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1425 - Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real
estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County law to Denise
Argo (SCTM No. 0500-033.00-03.00-064.001)(Cilmi).

LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1427 - Reappoint member to the Suffolk County Board of Ethics
(Linda A. Spahr)(Cilmi).

LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. KENNEDY:
Second.

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

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1429 - Amending Resolution No. 9-2019, designating two (2) alternating newspapers as official newspapers of the County of Suffolk (Cilmi).

LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Cilmi. Second -- who was that?

LEG. MURATORE:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Muratore. Roll call. Why are you looking at me like that?

LEG. MC CAFFREY:
I'm not looking.

LEG. CILMI:
All in favor.

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

LEG. ANKER:
Abstain.

LEG. HAHN:
Abstain.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.

MR. RICHBERG:
Sixteen -- fifteen (Abstention: Legislators Hahn, Anker and Lindsay)

P.O. GREGORY:
More drama. No, I'm only kidding. Okay. I.R. 1431 - Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County Law to David Declemente (SCTM No. 0500-400.00-02.00-039.000) (Cilmi). Motion by Legislator Cilmi.

LEG. CILMI:
Sure.

LEG. DONNELLY:
(Raised hand).
PO GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Donnelly. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

PO GREGORY:
I.R. 1448 - Authorizing the conveyance of certain surplus
rights-of-way owned by the County of Suffolk and designated as
County Road (C.R.) 42, Shore Road, Town of Shelter Island to the
Town of Shelter Island, Suffolk County, New York for municipal
purposes pursuant to Section 72-h of the General municipal Law
(SCTM No. 0700-013.00-02.00-057.000) (County Executive).

LEG. FLEMING:
Motion.

PO GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Fleming.

LEG. KRUPSKI:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

PO GREGORY:
I.R. 1466 - Sale of County-owned real estate pursuant to Local Law
No. 13-1976 Dicanio Management Corp. (SCTM No.
0500-009.00-02.00-102.000) (County Executive). I'll make the
motion. Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

PO GREGORY:
I.R. 1472 - Authorizing the issuance of a Certificate of
Abandonment of the interest of the County of Suffolk in property
designated as (Suffolk County Tax Map Nos.
0200-808.00-02.00-001.000 N/K/A 0200-808.00-02.00-001.001 and
0200-808.00-02.00-001.002) pursuant to Section 40-D of the Suffolk
County Tax Act (County Executive). I'll make a motion.

D.P.O. CALARCO:
Second.

PO GREGORY:
Second by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?
MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1507 - Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real
estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County Law to Mary
Beth Casper (SCTM No. 0400-144.00-02.00-142.000)(Donnelly).
Motion by Legislator Donnelly, second by Legislator Berland.
All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
I.R. 1515 - Establishing the Suffolk County Legislature Page
Program (Presiding Officer Gregory). I'll make a motion.

LEG. DONNELLY:
Second.

04:44PM

LEG. CILMI:
(Raised hand).

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

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Thank you for your support. I.R. 1531 - Authorizing the
reconveyance of County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215,
New York State County Law to Joan Quarltete (SCTM No.
0200-981.30-04.00-032.000)(Calarco). Motion by Legislator Calarco,
second by Legislator Donnelly. All in favor? Opposed?
Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. In the manila folder, we have Procedural Motion No. 18.
I make a motion to approve Procedural Motion No. 18-2019 -
Apportioning mortgage tax by: County Comptroller. Second by
Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay. I.R. 1597 - Accepting and appropriating a grant award
increase from the State University of New York (SUNY), for a
Workforce Development Training Grant Entitled “American Aerospace
Components – Lean Evolution,” 90% reimbursed by State Funds at
Suffolk County Community College (County Executive).

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LEG. CILMI:
Motion.

P.O. GREGORY:
Motion by Legislator Berland, second by Legislator Cilmi.
All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

04:45PM

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.  I'd like to waive the rules and lay the following
resolutions on the table:  I.R. 1598, to Public Safety; I.R. 1599
to EPA; I.R. 1600 to Ways and Means; I.R. 1601 to Ways and Means;
I.R. 1602 to Government Ops; I.R. 1603 to Government Ops.  Set the
public hearing of June 18th, 6:30 p.m., in Riverhead.  I.R. 1604 to
Government Ops.  Set public hearing, June 18th, 6:30 p.m. in
Riverhead.  I.R. 1605 to Public Works.  Second by --

LEG. CILMI:
(Raised hand).

P.O. GREGORY:
-- Legislator Cilmi.  All in favor?  Opposed?  Abstentions?

MR. RICHBERG:
Eighteen.

P.O. GREGORY:
Okay.  That is our agenda and we stand adjourned.  Thank you,
folks.  Get home safely.

(The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.)
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