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**TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD
TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARING**

Town Hall
220 Plandome Road
Manhasset, New York 11030
January 6, 2022 7:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

JENNIFER DESENA - Supervisor
ROBERT J. TROIANO - District 1 Councilman
PETER J. ZUCKERMAN - District 2 Councilman
DENNIS J. WALSH – District 3 Councilman
VERONICA A. LURVEY - District 4 Councilwoman
DAVID A. ADHAMI - District 5 Councilman
MARIANN DALIMONTE - District 6 Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT:

RAGINI SRIVASTAVA - Town Clerk
MARGARET MALITO – Deputy Town Clerk
AMANDA ABATA, ESQ. – Chief Deputy Town Attorney

PROCEEDINGS

SUPERVISOR DESENA: All right. Welcome, everybody, and Happy New Year. So glad to see all of you in-person and so glad to be up here. I'm honored to be up here with the rest of the Town Board and representing you. So I'm sure you might have heard my first robocall tonight. That was a huge honor. And I hope that we all stay safe in the snow tomorrow. So this is my first time presiding over this meeting, so I hope that you'll bear with me and we'll all learn more about this together. So Madam Clerk, I would like to first ask you to strike item No. 17.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Pledge of Allegiance.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: What? Oh, I'm sorry. All right. Let's start with that. Let's start with the Pledge of Allegiance. Bear with me. Okay.

(Pledge of Allegiance.)

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Supervisor, you can be forgiven for wanting to get right to business.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Thank you. And is my microphone on? Is it on?

MS. MALITO: Yes.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: All right. Okay. Now, back to business. So Madam Clerk, we're striking No. 17 from the agenda. Now, I would like to offer --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Jennifer, roll call.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. Roll call. Madam Clerk is doing that?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes. Okay. Madam Clerk, will you please do the roll call.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. The Town of North Hempstead Board Meeting, Thursday, January 6th. Councilman Robert Troiano.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Present.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Peter Zuckerman.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Present.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Dennis Walsh.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Present.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Veronica Lurvey.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Here.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Mariann Dalimonte.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Here.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman David Adhami.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Here.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Here.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. Now do

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yeah.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yeah.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. All right. I would like to add another resolution tonight.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: It's open for public comment.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. We're gonna start with public comment.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Thank you. If there are no other comments, we will proceed with the agenda.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. Taking tonight's agenda. Public hearing item 1, a resolution upon appointing John Chiara as Town Attorney of the Town of North Hempstead.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Oh, did we take roll call?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: We did. Oh, I'm so sorry. Now I'm the one who's confused.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: So before we get into the Town Attorney appointment, I wanted to add a resolution to the agenda tonight. So I will ask the Town Attorney if that is still possible?

MS. ABATA: The deadline has passed to bring any items for consideration before the Board under state law, unless something constitutes an emergency, which I'm not aware of. All items to be considered by this Board have to be submitted to the public 24-hours before the Board meeting.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And is there an exception when it was impractical to be able to be provided 24-hours before?

MS. ABATA: There is no such exception that I'm aware of.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The information that -- I didn't have the information I needed 24-hours before, so it was impractical and it is a bit of an emergency.

MS. ABATA: In accordance with the state law, the reason for the law passed by the Governor in, I believe, October of 2021, is to ensure transparency with regards to items that are being considered by the Town Board. So generally speaking, the Board members are not expected to vote on anything that the members haven't -- or the public hasn't had a chance to see prior and research in order to make comment on.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. I'll be resubmitting this for the next Board meeting.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So back to item 1, this is a resolution appointing John Chiara as Town Attorney of the town of North Hempstead. First of all, I would like to extend our collected appreciation to Len Kapsalis who has served as our Town Attorney since January 2019. Today was his last day with the Town. And, Len, we just want to thank you on behalf of the entire Town Board for your steadfast commitment to good government during your time with us. Len has been an effective and efficient in this role since the day he began here in Town Hall.

And helped to further cultivate a professional and resourceful Town Attorney's Office. We're exceedingly fortunate to have worked with someone so knowledgeable and someone whose high standard of integrity has shown through every policy decision or opinion coming from the Town Attorney's Office. It's been an absolute pleasure working with and getting to know Len over the last few years, and we wish you nothing but the best of luck in your retirement. Now, we would like to present you -- oh, a proclamation. That was from when we'd given a proclamation. John Chiara, who is being appointed on the resolution to be appointed tonight is an extraordinary candidate. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Town. He has served as a Special Assistant US Attorney for the Eastern District of New York; the Assistant District Attorney for the Office of New York County District Attorney; Special Counsel and Assistant Attorney General in the Office of the New York State Attorney General; Deputy County Executive for Compliance with the Office of the Nassau County Executive; And recently, as the Acting Nassau County Attorney, where he managed day-to-day operations of the County Attorney's Office, overseeing more than 60 attorneys and 30 support staff. During his time with the Attorney General's Office, John Chiara investigated and prosecuted larceny and fraud schemes involving state and local officials, non-profits and unions. In the District Attorney's Office, he handled complex long-term investigations involving multi-million dollar fraud, domestic terrorism, organized crime, enterprise corruption, money laundering, extortion, false filings and tax crimes. John Chiara holds the rank of Major in the United States Army Reserve, and is a veteran of the Afghanistan war, where he served as the Chief Legal Advisor to a commander. He holds a BA in Political Science from Columbia University, and a JD from Hofstra University. And I believe will be an amazing addition to the Town Attorney staff. Is there anyone who would like -- wishes to speak?

MR. MCDONOUGH: I just have some questions. I thank Mr. Chiara for his service. This is something that I ask just about on every appointed, especially the Town Attorney and the Highway Superintendent. Is he a resident of the Town of North Hempstead?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I believe so. He's from Garden City.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes, from Garden City.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Park.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Garden City Park.

MR. MCDONOUGH: It's not North Hempstead. Just to point, that Town Attorney, Highway Superintendent, are like you, they're statutory titles, supposed to be from the electorate. Thank you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Is there --Okay.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I just want to make a comment. I had the opportunity to meet Mr. Chiara last night. It is indeed a very impressive resume, especially his military service. But Councilperson Adhami and Walsh and I did not have any opportunity to meet any candidates. Although he's a good candidate, we don't know who else you interviewed. We don't know who you compared him with. We're not sure if you have run any conflict check, we haven't seen anything to make sure that, you know, that he is the best choice. Have you, I mean, have you checked conflicts and done the vetting that --because we haven't seen any of it.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So that's a question for Director of HR or if that's a question for the Attorney's Office to determine if all the necessary steps have been -- to confirm that all

the necessary steps have been taken. As for the interview process, we interviewed, we believe, a sufficient number of candidates

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Can you tell us how many?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I don't think it would be appropriate to go into the details. Yes. Here's our Director of Human Resources.

MR. WEITZNER: Actually, it's Commissioner. I was just promoted. First of all, thank you the Town Board. And welcome, Supervisor, the new trustees. Any vetting of that nature would be handled through the Ethics on Board, not necessarily to the HR Department. Our standard operation would be general, background checks and providing general information and documents for any new applicants. So that type of information would not be something that our department would be handling.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. So has that been done?

MR. WEITZNER: That's --

MS. ABATA: The meeting with the Board of Ethics is traditionally done after appointment and employment with the Town has started. So Mr. Chiara will be meeting with the Board of Ethics at some date soon to be determined.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: So would it be appropriate to table his appointment until after that time?

MS. ABATA: No. The Board of Ethics traditionally meets with all newly employed and appointed employees.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I wonder if I could say something. You know, I was elected here very recently as you know, and I am a Councilperson and I never heard about any of this until today. I've seen that Councilwoman Lurvey has a lot of information about this attorney who may or may not be good, I don't know. But we, David, myself, we were left in the dark about this. I mean, it's part of blocking off the wing over there and not letting anybody in. To my knowledge, I was a trustee in the Village of Mineola for nine years and things didn't happen like that in Mineola. And I don't know that he's -- I don't know who this guy is. I don't know who else was interviewed. I don't know anything. And I should have been included in on this conversation, but I wasn't. So I would like to offer a motion to table this until Mr. Adhami and myself and Supervisor DeSena can learn more about the man. So I'd like to offer that motion.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: If I may speak as well, Deputy County Attorney, you stated something very important --

MS. ABATA: Town Attorney.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Town Attorney. Sorry, did I say County?

MS. ABATA: You did.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Town Attorney.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: That's a different job.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Yeah. You stated something very important when Supervisor DeSena wanted to give a motion today, you said transparency. And I am about transparency. I'm an attorney, and I've sued over transparency. I've sued the Nassau County DA over a lack of

transparency. And my big concern here is transparency because I was not part of the vetting process, interviewing process. Councilperson Lurvey stated they had -- we interviewed many people. I wasn't part of that we. We are all part of the "we." And as residents have stated here as well, they have heard, I don't know how they have heard, but they have heard that there's a divide here and I definitely feel that divide. And I believe, in order to do due diligence, and also the vetting process, the conflicts of interest process, I don't know the former County Attorney has been on any cases where the Town had an adverse possession -- position, and he took an adverse position. That would be a clear conflict of interest as an attorney. It is -- I have not been able to vet any of this stuff. And the biggest problem is, I wasn't given this agenda until slightly about 25 hours before this meeting. I do not believe it's enough time. I don't believe that we would be doing our constituents any service by rushing this through especially, without including almost half of the Town Board in this decision. And therefore, I would request to table this motion as well. And let me ask, I could ask my colleagues here, Mariann I'm sure you agree, transparency is a good thing, correct?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yes.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Veronica --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Of course.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: -- as well? Peter?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Yes.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Right. Transparency. I don't think anybody here could be be against transparency. Robert, are you against transparency?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No, I just don't know that that's really relevant to this discussion. I'm really very happy today, despite much of what we've heard in the last half hour, or even in newspaper articles in the last two weeks.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Simple question, Robert, is this transparency?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I will take my own route to answer your simple question, okay? And Mariann is well aware --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: He talks forever.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- that I have to tell you the whole content before I give any response. So despite what we've read in various online newspapers that the Supervisor's budget has been canceled, I'm sorry, cut, that's not actually true. And John, I'm very happy to --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I'm not talking about the Supervisor's budget.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Can I finish my response to your question, please.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Looks like it'll cost --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Because I'm very happy that the Board has kept the Supervisor's budget just as it was proposed and voted on and approved on October 28, by this Town Council.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Robert, I'm not --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I'm also ve ry

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: -- discussing the budget.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I'm also very pleased that tonight --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: We're getting off topic here.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- we're going to be hiring one, two, three, four, --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Robert, this is not the matter --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- nine of the Supervisor's --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: This is not the matter before us right now.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- nine of the Supervisor's choice. David, I'm sorry, let's practice some decorum. You asked me a question.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: It's not the matter before us. I'm not talking about the budget.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: In the interest of transparency, can I finish my response?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Okay. Sure.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Thank you. So this -- in a few minutes, we're going to be hiring nine of the Supervisor's selections, none of which were provided to us beforehand. None -- no resumes that we received about them. There's been no investigation, if you will, by the Board of Ethics of any of them. So why we're taking this one individual, Mr. Chiara, who has a sterling record, whose choice is unassailable, and focusing on him and not focusing on the nine selections of the superintendent -- I'm sorry, Supervisor, I just don't understand. So let's get back to voting on Mr. Chiara and not fool around this issue that's a false issue. Unless you want to slow everything down, and let's not hire Mr. Scalero, Mr. McQuair, Mr. Wood, Mr. Devine, Ms. Dunleavy, Ms. McCarty, Ms. Bhalla and Ms. Malito. Because none of those -- because everything you said about Mr. Chiara, applies to all of them.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I didn't --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: We can just, David, we can just slow down the Town government and not hire anybody tonight.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: That's not what I'm looking to do at all.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I know. You're looking to stop one appointment.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: No, and I'm not looking to stop it. I'm just saying give it time, let me review --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's why I'm saying --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: -- let the rest of the Board review.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- let me please have Mr. Scalero's review and we'll maybe hire him on January 20th.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So I think we have a motion on the table.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: We do.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: The Clerk has to --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: All right. So what is the motion? Your motion?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No, it's Dennis' motion.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: It's my motion. I motion to table this until --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I second.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Can I call the vote?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: This is for the motion from Walsh.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I have to get used to the accent. I'm sorry. No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Yes.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Yes.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: And if I can just add, the point is not so much about vetting as it is about excluding us from any of this. Obviously, somebody interviewed this guy. All the members of the Board interviewed him, I don't know what, three of them, four of them, I don't know how many people on this Board interviewed this man. But I certainly didn't even get to know about him until today. So I don't see what the problem is.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So with all due respect, Supervisor, Councilman, Councilman, I did reach out to the Supervisor a couple of weeks ago to talk about working together to share resumes. Then we had a two-hour meeting, at which point it was --we reached out and you told us that there was no point in sharing resumes and the Town can't wait. The Town cannot be without a Town Attorney. And so I would offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I'd just like to say that that conversation didn't happen. I did not say I did not want resumes or to participate in the selection.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I was not at that meeting because I had COVID, but I know there were other people at the meeting; can you speak on that?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I could, but I'd really rather not get into a back-and-forth.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Okay.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I think the motion is on the floor, we should just take a vote.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Okay.

MS. ABATA: You need a second.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Has somebody second the motion?

MS. ABATA: You need somebody to second the motion.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Just to clarify, I'm not saying I would not vote for Mr. Chiara, I'm just saying let the Board have enough time to review everything. We don't know how many people were interviewed. Councilperson Lurvey told us here that she's not going to tell us how many people were interviewed. We weren't in any of the meetings. You have four tenths of the board not present, I think there's an issue there.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So David, we heard that already. I second the motion.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Don't interrupt me, please. We should collectively, all of us, we're all adults, we should all be there and be able to discuss. I don't see the issue with that.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I second the motion.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Madam Clerk.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Nay.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I would like to say before I vote that I'd like to take a moment because I know he's watching, to say that it has been an honor and privilege to work with for the last past two years with Town Attorney Leonard Kapsalis. I thank Mr. Kapsalis for his guidance, his support. We wish him the best of luck in his retirement. We will miss you at the Town of North Hempstead. And I vote, aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I'm going to vote yes for Mr. Chiara because he has a wonderful resume and history of service. So I only object to the lack of participation of the whole Town Board in his selection.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Me, too.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Before we move on to the next resolution, I'd just like to correct something that was said in the podium a few minutes ago. Which is that the Town Attorney's position is a statutory position requiring the holder of that position to live, reside in the Town of North Hempstead. That's not accurate.

Councilperson Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN CHIARA AS TOWN ATTORNEY OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD.

BE IT RESOLVED that the position of Town Attorney of the Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, heretofore created and established, be and the same hereby is re-established and continued and that John Chiara, be and hereby is appointed to serve as the Town Attorney for the term commencing as of January 1, 2022, and terminating on December 31, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the Town Law of the State of New York.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Walsh

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller Finance

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. The second item on the agenda is a resolution appointing Moira Labarbera as Director of --

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Purchasing of the Town of North Hempstead.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. I offer the resolution, move for its adoption. Thank you.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Can I call the vote? Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 2 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MOIRA LABARBERA AS DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD.

BE IT RESOLVED that the position of Director of Purchasing of the Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, heretofore created and established, be and hereby is re-established and continued and that Moira LaBarbera, be and hereby is re-appointed to serve as the Director of Purchasing for the term commencing as of January 1, 2022, and terminating on December 31, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the Town Law of the State of New York.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller Finance

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye. Okay. Item No. 3.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: "A resolution appointing Ragini Srivastava as the Registrar of Vital Statistics."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I move for the --

COUNCIL WOMAN LURVEY: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

COUNCIL WOMAN LURVEY: It gets easier.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Can I call the vote?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes, please.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCIL WOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCIL WOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 3 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING RAGINI SRIVASTAVA AS REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS.

WHEREAS, Public Health Law §4121 requires the Town Board to appoint a Registrar of Vital Statistics; and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that the Town Clerk, Ragini Srivastava is eligible and represents the most suitable person to act in the capacity of Registrar of Vital Statistics; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to appoint the Town Clerk, Ragini Srivastava, as the Registrar of Vital Statistics.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law of the State of New York, the Town Clerk, Ragini Srivastava, be and hereby is designated and appointed as Registrar of Vital Statistics of the Town of North Hempstead for the year commencing January 1, 2022, at an annual salary as set forth in the Town's Part-Town Fund Budget for the year January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in lieu of any fees provided for under the Public Health Law.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: No. 4, "A resolution authorizing the Town Clerk in her capacity as Registrar of Vital Statistics of the Town of North Hempstead to appoint a Deputy Registrar and Sub-Registrar and authorizing the payment of annual compensation for such services."¹

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 4 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN CLERK IN HER CAPACITY AS REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD TO APPOINT A DEPUTY REGISTRAR AND SUB-REGISTRAR AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR SUCH SERVICES.

WHEREAS, Public Health Law §4122 authorizes the Town Clerk to appoint a deputy registrar and sub-registrars to issue burial permits during nighttime hours within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has advised that she wishes to appoint Margaret Malito, as deputy registrar; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has advised that she wishes to appoint Julie Bergin, Donna Curci, Lucia Yakkey and Cathy Mizzi, all current employees of the Town of North Hempstead as night sub-registrars; and

WHEREAS, this Board recognizes the inconvenience of performing these services during nighttime hours and wishes to authorize payment of a deputy registrar and night sub-registrars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk/Registrar of Vital Statistics is hereby authorized to appoint Margaret Malito as deputy registrar and to pay her an annual compensation of \$3,000.00; and to appoint Julie Bergin, Donna Curci, Lucia Yakkey and Cathy Mizzi as night sub-registrars of the Town of North Hempstead, and is authorized to pay each an annual compensation of \$3,000.00, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item No. 5, "A resolution appointing Ragini Srivastava, Town Clerk, as Marriage Officer of the Town of North Hempstead."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 5 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING RAGINI SRIVASTAVA, TOWN CLERK, AS MARRIAGE OFFICER OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD.

WHEREAS, Domestic Relations Law §11-c authorizes the Town Board to appoint marriage officers who shall have the authority to solemnize marriages within the Town; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to appoint Ragini Srivastava, Town Clerk, as a marriage officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that Ragini Srivastava, Town Clerk, being duly qualified, be and hereby is appointed as a marriage officer of the Town of North Hempstead for the year commencing January 1, 2022, to serve without compensation from the Town of North Hempstead.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item 6, "A resolution appointing Deputy Town Clerk Margaret Malito and Ratna Bhalla as Marriage Officers of the Town of North Hempstead."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 6 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY TOWN CLERKS MARGARET MALITO AND RATNA BHALLA AS MARRIAGE OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD.

WHEREAS, Domestic Relations Law §11-c authorizes the Town Board to appoint a marriage officer who shall have the authority to solemnize marriages within the Town of North Hempstead (the "Town"); and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to appoint Deputy Town Clerks Margaret Malito and Ratna Bhalla as marriage officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that Deputy Town Clerks Margaret Malito and Ratna Bhalla, being duly qualified, be and hereby are appointed as marriage officers of the Town of North Hempstead commencing January 1, 2022, to serve without compensation from the Town.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney, Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. "A resolution appointing additional Marriage Officers for the Town of North Hempstead for 2022."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 7 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ADDITIONAL MARRIAGE OFFICERS FOR THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD FOR 2022.

WHEREAS, Domestic Relations Law §11-c authorizes the Town Board to appoint marriage officers who shall have the authority to solemnize marriages within the Town; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to appoint Jennifer DeSena, Robert Troiano, Peter J. Zuckerman, Dennis Walsh, David A. Adhami, Veronica Lurvey and Mariann Dalimonte, members of the Town Board, as additional marriage officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that Jennifer DeSena, Robert Troiano, Peter J. Zuckerman, Dennis Walsh, David A. Adhami, Veronica Lurvey and Mariann Dalimonte, residents of the Town of North Hempstead, being duly qualified, be and hereby are appointed as marriage officers of the Town of North Hempstead for the year commencing January 1, 2022, to serve without compensation from the Town of North Hempstead.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney, Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. "A resolution granting First Deputy Town Clerk, Margaret Malito, all powers of the Town Clerk as contained in Section 30 of the Town Law in the event of the absence or inability to act of the Town Clerk."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye. And I want to say welcome to the Clerk and to all the Deputy Clerks.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 8 - 2022

A RESOLUTION GRANTING FIRST DEPUTY TOWN CLERK MARGARET MALITO ALL POWERS OF THE TOWN CLERK AS CONTAINED IN SECTION 30 OF THE TOWN LAW IN THE EVENT OF THE ABSENCE OR INABILITY TO ACT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

WHEREAS, Section 30 of the Town Law describes the powers and duties of the Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, such Section also allows for the appointment of a First Deputy Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has requested that all of the powers and duties of the Town Clerk as listed in Section 30 of the Town Law be granted to First Deputy Town Clerk Margaret Malito to be exercised by such First Deputy Town Clerk in the event of the absence or inability to act of the Town Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that all of the powers and duties of the Town Clerk as listed in Section 30 of the Town Law are hereby granted to First Deputy Town Clerk Margaret Malito to be exercised by such First Deputy Town Clerk in the event of the absence or inability to act of the Town Clerk; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution shall be effective immediately.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. No. 9, "A resolution setting a date for a public hearing to consider the adoption of a local law amending Chapter 15A of the Town Code entitled Election Districts."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. This is -- this will extend the time period for us to consider redistricting, since there has been a delay. So this will extend the time. This will be on -- at the next meeting. And this will extend the time -- would extend the time to do the redistricting. Okay. Thank you. I offer the resolution and set the

MS. BRINN: There's a comment.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Oh.

MR. O'DONALD: Michael O'Donald, 15 Nugent Street, New Hyde Park. Why is the process going? I know there's a change in the census figures, but I don't think they were that drastic. Is there some other reason for this? It seems very, how can we put the word? You know, it's the tension that's going on here now. It's not transparent, how's that? I like that word. You guys have been banging around transparent. Why? I read it on the agenda tonight and go, what is this? I have been through many censuses here in the Town, and we haven't done this before. Why?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: This is as a result of COVID, there were delays in getting the necessary information. So it's an extension so that we have time to consider the redistricting. It's a one-time extension this -- for this year. And this will be -- I am going to set this for a hearing on January 20th, at which time we can, you know, talk at greater length about it, maybe get into more details of the redistricting. But we will need an extension of time because the deadline, otherwise, is next month.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So Mr. --if I may?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes, please.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So Mr. O'Donald, it's a good question. The Town Board will be working to put together the proper process. We'll be considering commissions, we'll be considering hiring outside consultants to make sure that the process is transparent and done properly.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So there is a requirement in the town code that within six months after the census results are released that the Town would vote on a redistricting plan that has the six districts with roughly equal populations. The prior administration decided that that decision, you know, really ought to be made by the new Town Council that's been elected. And so what this seeks to do is to give us six months past February 5th. This would require us to redo the districting by February 15th. That's not enough time for a new Council to be able to do that. This is really something that we all agree on, and we're being very transparent about it. It gives us six more months to do all the work that's required to do a fair redistricting, which includes forming a commission that includes members throughout the Town. And so that's why this is being done. And I don't, you know, it's -- I haven't done enough of these to know if this is the first time or the second time, but that's the reason why we're doing that.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: And just so you know, this is something that I believe everyone up here agrees with. This isn't, you know

MR. O'DONALD: I'm just going back on my former life. I was playing mayor in the city. I was the President of South Ozone Park Civic Association West, which covers the area from Lefferts to the Van Wyck to the airport to Rockway Boulevard. We did this process many years ago. Our civic association participated in this process all for naught. Politics of course is politics, and we understand that. I just hope that whatever committee or commission that's set up is not constituted by the political of both parties. That you get ordinary people --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You know I

MR. O'DONALD: --to participate in this thing because most germane, I call this all germane, most reconstituting of districts is politics.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So and we agree with that, and typically commissions are a diversity of people from, and, you know, typically party isn't considered but other factors are. But certainly party isn't considered in a way that excludes anybody. And in fact, the soon to be appointed new Deputy Supervisor, participated in the commission and I believe he's a Republican, or I'm not sure but he's participated in the last commission ten years ago.

MR. O'DONALD: Councilman, I'm going to find it a very interesting process. But I thank you. Robert, you always do a good job.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Thank you. All right. Thank you. I offer the resolution and set the hearing date for January 20, 2022.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 9 - 2022

A RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 15A OF THE TOWN CODE ENTITLED "ELECTION DISTRICTS."

WHEREAS, the Town Board, as the legislative body of the Town of North Hempstead is empowered to amend the Town Code pursuant to the provisions of Article 9 of the New York State Constitution, the Town Law, and the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to set a date for a public hearing to consider the adoption of a Local Law amending Chapter 15A of the Town Code entitled "Election Districts" in order to extend the time period to make appropriate revisions of the boundaries of the wards so that they shall contain a substantially equal number of inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that a public hearing be held by this Board on January 20, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board Meeting Room, Town Hall, 220 Plandome Road, Manhasset, New York, for the purpose of considering the adoption of the Local Law amending Chapter 15A of the Town Code entitled, "Election Districts" in order to extend the time period to make appropriate revisions of the boundaries of the wards so that they shall contain a substantially equal number of inhabitants. The local law will extend the time from six months to twelve months after the publication of the results of the 2020 federal census; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized and directed to publish a notice of the hearing as required by law, which notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of North Hempstead at Town Hall, 220 Plandome Road, Manhasset, New York, on the 20th day of January, 2022, at 7:00 P.M., to consider the adoption of a Local Law amending Chapter 15A of the Town Code entitled, "Election Districts" in order to extend the time period to make appropriate revisions of the boundaries of the wards so that they shall contain a substantially equal number of inhabitants. The local law will extend the time from six months to twelve months after the publication of the results of the 2022 federal census.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the Local Law at the time and place advertised.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the full text of the proposed Local Law will be posted on the Town's website and be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk prior to the hearing and may be examined during regular business hours.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
THE TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD
RAGINI SRIVASTAVA
TOWN CLERK**

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Town Clerk

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item No. 10, "A resolution establishing the list of designated newspapers for publication of notices, resolutions, ordinances, and/or local laws by the Town Clerk during the year 2022."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 10 - 2022

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE LIST OF DESIGNATED NEWSPAPERS FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICES, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND/OR LOCAL LAWS BY THE TOWN CLERK DURING THE YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has asked the Town Board to designate certain newspapers for the publication of notices, resolutions or ordinances and local laws as may be required by law, or directed by this Board for the 2022 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to designate said newspapers.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be and he hereby is authorized and directed to publish such notices, resolutions or ordinances and local laws as may be required by law, or directed by this Board, to be published during the year 2022 in any one or more of the following newspapers:

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| Manhasset Press | Great Neck Record |
| Manhasset Times | The New Hyde Park Illustrated News |
| Port Washington News | New Hyde Park Herald-Courier |
| Port Washington Times | Westbury Times |
| Roslyn News | Community Journal |
| Roslyn Times | Mineola American |
| Floral Park Dispatch | Williston Times |
| Glen Cove Record | Pilot Newsday |
| Great Neck News | |

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney, Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item 11, "A resolution authorizing the placement of various policies of insurance for calendar year 2022."

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Council Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I have some questions before I vote on this. Who is the insurance broker? And was this sent out to bid or was there a request for pricing sent out? There's no details as to the insurance policy.

MS. ABATA: The insurance broker is Salerno. And I'm sorry, Councilman, with regards to the request for pricing, what are you seeking there specifically?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Was it put out to bid? Was it --

MS. ABATA: What specifically?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: -- shopped around for?

MS. ABATA: What specifically? The insurance policies?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: The insurance policies.

MS. ABATA: Yes. The broker who we've worked with for the last two or three years, they go out to market and engage in whatever their process is with various insurance companies in order to obtain the most competitive pricing for us. And, in fact, this year, they came back with substantially lower insurance than they projected because they are so diligent in that process.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: And they gave a report of shopping around?

MS. ABATA: Yes.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: And to which entity was that given?

MS. ABATA: Well, the Town Attorney's Office generally --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Town Attorney.

MS. ABATA: -- oversees the placement --of the insurance of the placement of the policies.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Does the Town Attorney's Office have a copy of these documents that I can review?

MS. ABATA: I can certainly get that to you. Not right now obviously, but I will get that to

you.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Is there an electronic version you can get to me so I can view it on my computer?

MS. ABATA: Yes.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Right now?

MS. ABATA: Not at this time. No.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Well, I'd request that it be sent to my e-mail, I guess, tomorrow if possible?

MS. ABATA: Certainly.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Thank you. I vote aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Okay. Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I'll vote aye, but also I request to see the prices. We don't have any information about these premiums or whether this is all the policies, whether there will be another resolution for policies. So I would like to have to have additional information.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: You know, I've got to say something too. This is all a part of our being, or at least I feel, I was not included on any of this. You know, it goes back to the wing or the suites that were closed, locked off. I was unable to get down there. I wasn't told -- the last time I spoke to some people on this Board, I was told that the rooms were chosen by seniority. And then all of a sudden, the last day of the year they locked it off and created new offices. Truthfully, I could work out of my car. I'm not concerned about what my office looks like or anything else. But it's just the whole process. And I voted aye, but I feel like I was not included on any of this.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I don't think any of us had meetings on this. It's something that's handled in the Town Attorney's Office.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Yeah, but we're new, and I should at least be told that.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I found out by reading the resolution. It's a traditional item every single year. We need insurance, especially --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Yeah, but you've been here and you know that.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: -- cyber insurance.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: You've been here and you know that. We are new and we have been told very, very little. Given very little information. We've been blocked out. I'm sitting on a bench upstairs.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Councilman, we --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: We're talking about the agenda, generally.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So there was -- okay.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I'm talking in general. You know, but I voted aye, so go ahead.

Councilperson Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 11 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF VARIOUS POLICIES OF INSURANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS, the Town of North Hempstead's current insurance policies for General Liability, Automobile Liability, Primary Excess Liability, Secondary Excess Liability, Public Officials and Employers' Liability, Employment Benefits, Boiler and Machinery, Crime/Fidelity, and Excess Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability coverage expired as of January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received favorable pricing and coverage quotations for a General Liability (General Liability, Auto, Public Officials, Employment Benefit Liability and Primary Excess Liability) policies from U.S. Specialty (HCC); a Secondary Excess Liability policy from American Alternative Insurance Corp.; a Boiler and Machinery policy from Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company; a Public Employee Blanket Bond (Crime/Fidelity policy) from Great American Insurance Company; Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability policy from Public Employer Risk Management Association, Inc.; and a Cyber Liability policy from Cowbell Cyber Inc., all for the period of January 1, 2022 through January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town's insurance brokers have recommended placement of these policies as quoted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Town Board authorizes the placement of policies of insurance for General Liability (General Liability, Auto, Public Officials, Employment Benefit Liability and Primary Excess Liability) from U.S. Specialty (HCC); a Secondary Excess Liability policy from American Alternative Insurance Corp.; a Boiler and Machinery policy from Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company; a Public Employee Blanket Bond (Crime/Fidelity policy) from Great American Insurance Company; Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability policy from Public Employer Risk Management Association, Inc.; and a Cyber Liability policy from Cowbell Cyber Inc., all for the period of January 1, 2022 through January 1, 2023; and

RESOLVED that the Supervisor, Deputy Supervisor, Comptroller, Commissioner of Human Resources and Town Attorney are hereby authorized to take such other action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized and directed to pay the costs hereof upon receipt of duly executed and certified claims therefor.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey,
Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor
DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Supervisor Comptroller HR

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item 12, "A resolution establishing the list of designated depositories for Town funds for calendar year 2022. "

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 2022

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE LIST OF DESIGNATED DEPOSITORIES FOR TOWN FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has requested that the Town Board designate certain banks and trust companies of the State of New York (the "Financial Institutions") as depositories of Town funds for the deposit and drawing of orders for the payment of money by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to establish such depositories.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the following named Financial Institutions be hereby designated as the depositories in which the Supervisor, Comptroller, Town Clerk, and Receiver of Taxes shall deposit all monies coming into their possession by virtue of their office during the year 2022:

First National Bank of Long Island
Flushing Bank
Hanover Bank
J.P. Morgan Chase
Signature Bank
Sterling National Bank
TD Bank
Wells Fargo Bank

; and be it further

RESOLVED that the foregoing designation of each Financial Institution is conditioned upon their collateralizing Town deposits by pledging eligible securities as more fully described in the Town's Investment Policy, dated December 16, 2021, as amended, and in accordance with General Municipal Law §10; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Financial Institutions are authorized and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Town of North Hempstead when bearing the original or facsimile signature of Jennifer S. DeSena, Supervisor; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Financial Institutions are authorized and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Town

of North Hempstead -- Office of the Receiver of Taxes -- when bearing the original or facsimile signature of Charles Berman, Receiver of Taxes; and be it further

RESOLVED that First National Bank of Long Island is authorized and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Town of North Hempstead -- Office of the Town Clerk -- when bearing the original or facsimile signature of Ragini Srivastava, Town Clerk; and be it further

RESOLVED that J.P. Morgan Chase Bank is authorized and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Town of North Hempstead -- Town Attorney Escrow Account -- when bearing the original or facsimile signature of John Chiara, duly appointed Town Attorney, Amanda Abata, Chief Deputy Town Attorney or Lorienton Palmer, Deputy Town Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Supervisor, Comptroller, Receiver of Taxes, Town Clerk and Town Attorney are hereby authorized to take such other action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney, Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: No. 13, "A resolution establishing change banks for various Town Departments for calendar year 2022."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 13 - 2022

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CHANGE BANKS FOR VARIOUS TOWN DEPARTMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has recommended to this Board that Change Banks be established in various departments and divisions within the Town for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to establish Change Banks as recommended by the Comptroller.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that Change Banks are hereby established for the year 2022 for the following departments and divisions in the following amounts, said amounts incorporating previous authorizations of the Board made pursuant to Town Law:

<u>CHANGE BANKS</u>	
<u>DEPARTMENT/DIVISION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Receiver of Taxes	\$1,350.00
Town Clerk	\$ 400.00
Michael J. Tully Park	\$ 250.00
North Hempstead Beach Park	\$ 600.00
Manorhaven Park	\$ 600.00
Clinton G. Martin Park	\$ 300.00
Harbor Links Golf Course	\$5,500.00
Whitney Pond Park	\$ 100.00
Spooky Walk	\$1,500.00
Fireworks	\$ 300.00
"Yes We Can" Community Center	\$ 100.00
Building Department	\$ 100.00
Funday Monday	\$ 100.00
Harbor Hills Park	\$ 100.00
	<u>\$11,300.00</u>

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney, Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: 14, "A resolution authorizing the making of a short-term loan from the Town Outside Village Fund to the General Fund.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So this is a traditional item to authorize a loan in case the General Fund runs short while waiting for tax revenue from Nassau County. I offer the resolution and I move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Councilperson Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 14- 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF A SHORT TERM LOAN FROM THE TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND.

WHEREAS, to cover a cash shortfall in the Town of North Hempstead's (the "Town") General Fund while the Town waits for the County of Nassau to remit the Town's portion of sales tax revenue, the Town Board (the "Board") wishes to authorize a \$3,000,000.00 loan by the Town Outside Village Fund (Part-Town and Highway) to the Town General Fund for a term ending December 31, 2022, at an annual interest rate of 0.30% (the "Loan").

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the making of the Loan; and be it further

RESOLVED the Supervisor and the Comptroller are hereby authorized to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Item 15, "A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Tania Orenstein for professional accounting services."

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So we will be bidding farewell to Comptroller Tania Orenstein and Deputy Comptroller Hillary Grossman who be leaving the Town. We will be starting the process of looking for new Comptroller for the Town of North Hempstead. However, fortunately for us, Tania will be acting as a consultant to assist us with the transition until we could find a new Comptroller. I would like to take a moment to recognize Tania for her time, dedication and service to the Town and our residents for the past five years. Tania first joined the Town as a Deputy Comptroller in 2017. In 2018, she served as our Deputy Comptroller. And since 2019, she has held the role of -- as our Comptroller. Her steadfast leadership and devotion to the job has played a significant role in allowing the Town of North Hempstead to continue our strong financial record, which has included budgets to stay within the New York State tax cap, and are voted on prior to election day and Moody's Investor Services AAA bond ratings. Tania, thank you for all you have done for the Town at it's residents to ensure responsible spending. As you embark on the next path in your career, we wish you the best of luck. Tania may not be here today but -- because she had babysitting issues, but we hope she's watching on the livestream.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

MR. MARTINS: I have a question.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MR. MARTINS: You mentioned that there was an agreement that was proposed, a consenting agreement that you'll be voting on today to keep the Comptroller services until you find a new Comptroller, right?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

MR. MARTINS: Was there an opportunity for all the Councilmembers to be briefed on the terms of that consulting agreement?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Not to me.

MR. MARTINS: I'm just asking. And can you tell me who negotiated the consulting agreement on behalf of the Town and the terms of the consulting agreement on behalf of the Town?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So I spoke with the Supervisor about the general terms of the agreement and also the Deputy Supervisor and her Public Informations Officer and Special Counsel. They have had some comments on the terms, and we have -- and those comments were incorporated, for example, to limit the term of the agreement to one year.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Can I --

MR. MARTINS: Okay. I apologize, I just have a point of -- I just want to make one more point, because I had heard something before about a caucus. And I think it was Councilmember Dalimonte who mentioned the caucus. I just have to ask, was there a caucus for -- before tonight's meeting for members of the Town Board where they were advised by members of the Town staff with regard to the agenda today? And were those same opportunities given to the other members of the Town Council or members of the Town staff or the Town Attorney's Office participated to prepare the members of this Council to be here today?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So I'd like to address that if I can?

MR. MARTINS: I'm asking the Supervisor.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay.

MR. MARTINS: Councilman Troiano, if you don't mind.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's fine. I don't mind at all.

MR. MARTINS: And then we can take it from there.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I thought that was a general question, that's why I said, "Do you mind if I answer?" If that was directed to the Supervisor, I'd love to hear her answer.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I met with Councilwoman Lurvey yesterday afternoon, along with members of my supervisory staff. And the Chief Deputy Attorney also assisted and Rachel Brinn also assisted. But we did not have access to Tania, and in fact, I only learned yesterday, or maybe two days ago that the Comptroller had given notice, along with the Deputy Comptroller. So unfortunately, we were not involved in the negotiations of the consulting agreement. And we did not – Councilman Walsh was not there. So not everyone did have a chance to understand when the Comptroller gave notice and, you know, what next steps would be taken.

MR. MARTINS: I would just expect that if there was notice given by any department head, certainly the comptroller of a town, that it would be given to the Supervisor and not to anyone else. And with that I thank you.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: If I can just add to the Supervisor's response. To answer your question, Jack, no, I didn't sit -- I was not part of any briefing by Town staff in regard to this resolution or any of the resolutions. I've been involved in -- I first ran for elective office 30 years ago. I have not served a continuous string of 30 years of being in government. But I will tell you that from school board, to town council to county legislature, this is a tough job. This requires a lot of your time. Jack, you know that well.

MR. MARTINS: I know.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Right. This is difficult stuff. And you can't approach this passively. You have to take an active, proactive role in this. So I'm a little bit -- I find it a little disingenuous to hear my two Councilmembers, although they're brand new, I understand that. But Denis has been involved in government for a long time. But I find it a little bit disingenuous that, as David said, these resolutions were made available to him 25 hours ago before the start of this meeting. But I don't believe that David ever asked for any of this information that he's asking for now, during the meeting. The appropriate time for an elected official to ask questions before they vote on it, is prior to the meeting, not during. And that I'm sure, Denis, is the practice you followed when you were in Mineola. David, as a practice I hope you'll follow, not during a Town Council.

MR. MARTINS: I'll just thank you for your explanation, Counselor Troiano. I do know that in the past that members of this Council would meet in caucus before meetings. And that there will be opportunities for members of the staff and department heads to brief Councilmembers before they came out, I would assume that that would have happened today as well. Since I heard that it hasn't happened for the Supervisor and for the two new members, perhaps there should be a heightened effort on behalf of the Town, staff and department heads and the Town Attorney's

Office, to provide that kind of guidance. Now, I won't tell you what rumors I heard and the concerns that I have from various people who have shared stories with me because perhaps that's for another day. But I would just encourage everyone in the spirit of camaraderie and good governance and transparency, Mr. O'Donald, that we have the opportunity to absolutely provide everybody with equal access to information. Thank you.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And, Jack, I want you to know that I agree with that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I agree with that.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I agree with that.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: We all agree with that.

MR. MARTINS: Thank you.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: But let me finish, please. Typically, and this is the people that have looked back to how Supervisor Bosworth handled it. And I know that because I was there. I know how the Supervisor Kaiman handled it. But typically, it's not the members of the Town Council who are asked to brief other members of the Town Council.

MR. MARTINS: Well, I didn't suggest --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Let me finish.

MR. MARTINS: I didn't suggest --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Please let me finish. Typically, a caucus is between the Supervisor and -- and no one may like this, but typically for the last 20 years, the last 18 years that I can speak of that I've seen, the Supervisor meets with caucuses of the members of the two parties. People don't like to hear that, but that's how it works. So going forward, I understand that the Supervisor will conduct caucuses with the Democratic representatives -- members, and also the Republican members. And that's how it works, Jack. And I'll say it again, if a councilmember, if any elected official doesn't have the information provided to him that he would like to see, it's incumbent upon him to make the phone call to get the information. One more thing, Jack, you referred earlier to Dennis as being your Councilperson --

MR. MARTINS: You're my Councilperson --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I wanna correct that because you live in my district.

MR. MARTINS: You're my Councilperson. I know who my Councilperson is.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: He didn't say my name, but I

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: He looked at you, Dennis.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Well, he could have been looking up at the stars.

MR. MARTINS: I was thinking about that before, as I sat down, I said, yes. My heart is still in Mineola as you know, and so yes, I always considered Mineola to be my -- but you are my Councilman.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: But I want you to know that anyone that lived in the Westbury, they may leave but they always come back.

MR. MARTINS: As do Mineolans. Thank you.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Robert, I don't know what was disingenuous about me saying I received the agenda 25 hours before, that's simple fact. From going forward, I will seek to get everything sooner but I do not believe that things were provided rather easily. If you want to put the onus on me, that's fine. Next time, I'll take the initiative and make sure I get it.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: And also, you know, just so you know, David, we're here -- you can come see me. I'm new, I've only been here two years, but, you know, come see me and we will, you know, we've got to work together.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Absolutely.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Like I just showed you where you find some of the documents and that.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: The door was locked, right?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yes. Yes.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Because the door was locked over there at times.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: This will be a good reason for the Town Council to be back together.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Well, I didn't have a pass until today, and my pass --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: That's why --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Hold on. And my pass doesn't work on any of these doors.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: After 5:30 --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Today, before 5:30.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: After 5:30, just so you know.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: So this should be refreshed.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Mr. Weitzner.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: The door was locked and I couldn't get in there.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So we would have opened it today.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: So if I wanted to go in there, I couldn't go in there.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So we would have -- it would've been open. Yesterday we pried it open because no one had cards. But Mr. Weitzner, if you are here, there are problems with ID cards they should have access to everything up 'til 5:30. After 5:30, like, I can't get into the Supervisor's suite. It's been that way since I've been here. After 5:30 I only get access to where I and my office is located.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Well, after 5:30 or before 5:30, I couldn't get into where my closet is located, which you saw yesterday is not much of an office. And again, I don't care, but I felt like if I wasn't locked out, I felt like I was locked out.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: No, you shouldn't.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I shouldn't, but I was.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Can you fix that, because I also know that Brian had

trouble.

MR. WEITZNER: Absolutely, I just spoke to Brian about it.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Okay.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And, Dennis, at least you have a pass, I don't have a pass.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yeah, he doesn't even have a pass.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Did you go down there today?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Excuse me?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Did you go there today? Because I believe that --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No one bothered tell this poor Councilman that it was down there.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Because Mayor Bob over there helped me get one today.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I think this shows why the Town Board needs to be back together in the Town Board Suite.

MR. EHRBAR: I have a question. I go back to 1994 with school board and Village of Williston Park. And I'm little confused how you do your agenda. It's 24 hour -- 25 hours before you meet. And it seems to me, you don't get backup information to the councilmembers with that agenda. All our agendas, both in the school board and the Village of Williston Park, during a meeting we do an agenda. All the members get a copy of the backup information. So you don't have to ask at a meeting, can you give me some backup information. You talked about your insurance. We do our insurance. All that information goes to our board prior to meeting. So I don't understand why the Board members don't get backup to the resolutions that are being discussed tonight.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: There --

MR. EHRBAR: So am I missing something?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: No, I want to respond to what you're saying. So respectfully, you are on the computer. We all have up here, we all have access to the backup for each of the agenda items.

MR. EHRBAR: But you only get that 24 hour -- 25 hours before the meeting?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Exactly.

MS. ABATA: The 24-hour deadline is with regards to releasing information for the agenda to the public.

MR. EHRBAR: To the public?

MS. ABATA: Yes.

MR. EHRBAR: That's not to the Council?

MS. ABATA: Well, no, 24-hours relates to the releasing the information to the public.

MR. EHRBAR: I understand that, because I had the same guidelines.

MS. ABATA: Oh, okay.

MR. EHRBAR: However, if you're doing agenda, I don't --do you do your agenda 24 hours or 25 hours before and that's when you give it out? Or do you work on the agenda during, from meeting to meeting, and give backup material during the course of that time? Your agenda has how many items on it tonight?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Tonight, it has 21.

MR. EHRBAR: Twenty-one issues. So if -- as a councilmember, do they get back up information --do you get backup information to that prior to 24 hours before or 25 hours before, or do you get as you going along? I'm using insurance as an example. We got the insurance and we used to learn, oh by the way, they are some company. But we get their information. That goes as soon as we get it, we give to the board and they have it. It could be a week, it could be two weeks, it could be three weeks before our next meeting. Does that happen here or did it get -- everybody gets a package of information, or has to request a package of information they want to discuss the agenda items?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So I believe, and you can correct me if I'm wrong, but two weeks before the meeting, department heads or elected officials submit their resolutions and --

MS. ABATA: I'm just going to finish the rest for you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yeah.

MS. ABATA: So the Town Board is -- the Town's agenda, Town Board agenda is put together by the Town Attorney's Office. And I think you're just going to have to excuse this week, because obviously it's January 6th, so everything is abbreviated because of the New Year. But generally speaking, there's a process in the rules of procedure of the Town Board for the members of the Board to get the items in advance of the 24 hours --

MR. EHRBAR: The backup information.

MS. ABATA: Yes. The -- they have the agenda made available to them with all attachments, which is the backup information.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. So they get -- the way I'm hearing this, it looks like no one gets any backup, just a list of the agenda items and you have to ask for what you may want.

MS. ABATA: So as Councilman Zuckerman indicated, what they can access to is a list of, you know, captions and they have the attached resolutions and then they have the backup items.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Like for example, we're talking about this consulting agreement. If you go into attachments every one here can look at the agreement. So you have it.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. And then does that attachment come out 25 hours before the meeting, or does it come out when it first becomes knowledgeable it's going to be on the agenda? Because to try go though an agenda --

MS. ABATA: Under the rules of civil -- under the rules of the Town Board procedure, that attachment and all of the items related to an agenda is provided -- is presented to the members in advance of that 24 hours. It's not presented 24 hours. I'm just saying you have to --this week is not a proper example because it was abbreviated at the Town Attorney's Office was, you know,

catching up. So there was a lot of work to put the agenda together and to make it available to the Board Members. But generally speaking, they get in in advance of the 24 -- well before the 24 hours before Board meeting.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I guess if I can take a stab at it, with the insurance example, I'm looking on my computer. I do see it on the agenda. I see the resolutions, but the information I requested is not put as an attachment.

MR. EHRBAR: So that's my concern. You don't have the backup, the full backup information to make a decision.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Exactly. And that --

MR. EHRBAR: And that shouldn't happen. You should be able to look at that information to be able to make a decision tonight with the facts in hand, regards of which way you're going.

MS. ABATA: Well, there are many -- maybe that item did not have an attachment, but there are many attachments for other items. So what would traditionally happen, and what I trust will happen is that Councilman Adhami would look at that item and say, oh I would like to see more backup for this. And he would send an e-mail to me or someone else in the Town Attorney's Office and we would provide that. As I will provide for him tomorrow what he requested.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: But I just wanted to note that there are some very important documents that -- including the employment -- the employee resolution that very often is not provided until 24 hours before. And it's got very important information on it about, employee hires, transfers, salary changes. And so that information along with substantial budget transfers were given to myself and the other Council people yesterday afternoon, I'd say maybe 26 hours before this meeting. So I --

MR. EHRBAR: So how do you make a

SUPERVISOR DESENA: -- I think we need to do better with those --

MR. EHRBAR: -- decision then then, because you had no time to really look into the depth of the issues?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And not only that, the meeting that we were in the middle of when the information was provided to us, suddenly ended. So I've had no opportunity to question about the other Council people about the employee resolution or the budget transfers that are coming up later on the agenda.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. I would hope that would change drastically --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MR. EHRBAR: -- very quickly. Thank you.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I think, if you don't mind me saying a couple of things. I think what we're seeing in this meeting, in particular, is that we've got almost a new government coming in place. Just in the first full day of work was January 3rd. So what you're seeing here is a little bit of almost dysfunction because of that. But I want you to also know that I don't want it to appear that David or Jen or Dennis are being victimized in any way. Because I also didn't see the budget amendments until this afternoon. She saw it yesterday, so she's actually ahead of me. But I anticipate that come January 20th, we'll be able to do this more easily because we'll have

the information beforehand. In this occasion, it's just odd, because this year has just started.

MR. EHRBAR: Thank you. But you made a comment there about you don't want to see them being victimized, from what I'm hearing tonight is they've been victimized.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I know that's what you're hearing, but --

MR. EHRBAR: Not just with the agenda.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- I'm not

MR. EHRBAR: No, let me finish, please and then you can finish.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No. Okay. I'm saying --

MR. EHRBAR: I'm talking, you're talking.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- she just saw it yesterday for the first time I said, and that suggests that somehow she's being disadvantaged. But the point I'm trying to make is, that she got more -- she got it sooner than I did.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. Okay.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I don't know what you were doing, it was available yesterday afternoon.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. But can I speak? Can I have the mic and the floor for a moment?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You sure do.

MR. EHRBAR: Thank you. You mentioned they were victimized, so not just on the agenda, but from what I'm hearing, which is a shock to me about the change in facilities. And I don't know how this works because in the Village of Williston Park, I'm the Chief Executive Officer, I make the decisions. I direct employees. Board members do not direct employees. Maybe it works different in the Town. I don't know how it works here, fully. But I can see people being victimized when they're told this is the office, it's been here for 50 years, but guess what, we've changed it over and we'll put you in a closet. So I'm surprised, and you don't need to respond. Thank you.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I don't care to.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The agreement. Did we vote on the consulting agreement? Okay. Madam Clerk?

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Can we call the vote for item 15?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Right, did we

MS. ABATA: I'm sorry, was it moved and seconded?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Okay. So I move for the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. ABATA: Sorry, Madam Clerk. Madam Clerk, I'm sorry. Was it seconded?

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Sorry?

MS. ABATA: Was it seconded?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: We don't usually second it.

MS. ABATA: Sorry. I apologize.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Okay. Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Yes. Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 15 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TANIA ORENSTEIN FOR PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Town of North Hempstead (the "Town") requires professional accounting services in connection with various matters (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to this Board that Tania Orenstein be retained to provide the Services, for a term commencing January 17, 2022 and terminating January 16, 2023, in consideration of an amount not to exceed Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$19,500.00), payable at a rate of One Hundred Twenty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$125.00) an hour (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, this Board finds it to be in the best interest of the Town to authorize the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Agreement be and hereby is authorized; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Town, the Agreement, a copy of which Agreement which shall be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Office of the Town Attorney be and hereby is authorized and directed to negotiate and supervise the execution of the Agreement and to take such further action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized and directed to pay the costs of the Services upon receipt of duly executed Agreement and certified claims therefor.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor

DeSena

Nays:

MS. SRIVASTAVA: No. 16. "A resolution authorizing the execution of a license agreement with Advanced Cardiovascular Diagnostics for use of Clinton G. Martin Park for COVID-19 testing and vaccinations."

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MR. MCDONOUGH: I have a question. This is the first time I'm seeing this was on the resolution, and as the Union President, I'll ask what kind of precautions are we going to be taking for the employees of the Town? If they're going to be doing this inside testing for COVID, inside our facility, right, are they going to be bringing cleaning people in?

MS. BRINN: They're thinking about setting up a trailer in the lot at the back and not --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Just go to the microphone.

MS. BRINN: I'm sorry, I forgot.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And, Tom, in the interest of safety, can you step a little bit farther away from her.

MS. BRINN: Is that far enough? Am I safe? Sorry. I'm a little -- so they want to bring in a trailer. We're working to set up a walk-through, which you of course will be included then.

MR. MCDONOUGH: And the only other question I have is, have we considered asking them to do testing for us?

MS. BRINN: Anybody can get appointments and we will definitely ask them.

MR. MCDONOUGH: Thank you.

MS. BRINN: You're welcome.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: So Madam Clerk, I'll offer it again just for procedural purposes. I'd like to offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I think this is a wonderful thing for the Town and I vote aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Councilperson Zuckerman offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 16 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ADVANCED CARDIOVASCULAR DIAGNOSTICS FOR USE OF CLINTON G. MARTIN PARK FOR COVID-19 TESTING AND VACCINATIONS.

WHEREAS, Advanced Cardiovascular Diagnostics, 833 Northern Boulevard, Suite 100, Great Neck, New York 11021 ("ACD") has requested that the Town allow it to use the parking lot at Clinton G. Martin Park for the placement of a trailer to provide COVID-19 rapid, PCR and antibody diagnostic testing to the community in addition to COVID-19 vaccinations and booster shots seven (7) days a week for twelve (12) hours a day for a term ending no later than May 27, 2022 (the "License"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has recommended granting the License; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to grant the License and to authorize the Town to execute an agreement with ACD for the License (the "Agreement").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the License be and is hereby granted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute the Agreement, a copy of which shall be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, and to take such further action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Town Attorney be and hereby is authorized and directed to supervise the negotiation and execution of the Agreement, and to take such further action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller Parks

MS. SRIVASTAVA: 18, "A resolution authorizing an amendment to an agreement with West Publishing Corporation D/B/A West, a Thompson Reuters Business for Legal Research Services."

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. I have one quick question about this. Who is getting these additional licenses for Westlaw?

MS. ABATA: The Director of Procurement. She deals with the vendor and so she'll --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Oh, you mean who's the subscriber or who is --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Jen, we were told it was you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Oh, yeah, I'm sorry. It's you.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Jen DeSena and Charles McQuair. Okay. That's what I was wondering.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yeah. Sorry.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. I --thank you. I move -- I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

Supervisor DeSena offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 17 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION D/B/A WEST, A THOMPSON REUTERS BUSINESS FOR LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 292-2020, duly adopted on July 23, 2020, the Town Board ratified the use of an agreement between the New York State Office of General Services and West Publishing Corporation d/b/a West, a Thompson Reuters business (the "Contractor") for legal research services (the "Services") and entered into an agreement with the Contractor to provide the Services for three (3) years, commencing July 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2023, in consideration of a monthly cost of One Thousand Eleven and 07/100 Dollars (\$1,011.07) for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 with a three percent (3%) yearly increase in cost for the remainder of the term and no charge for the Services from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 (the "Original Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 530-2020, duly adopted on November 19, 2020, the Original Agreement was amended to add two additional usernames for legal research purposes increasing the monthly cost for the Services to One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty and 87/100 Dollars (\$1,260.87); and

WHEREAS, it has now been requested that the Original Agreement be further amended to add two (2) additional usernames for legal research purposes increasing the amount to be paid to the Contractor to a monthly cost of One Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,558.00) on the same terms and conditions as provided in the Original Agreement (the "Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, this Board finds it to be in the best interest of the Town to authorize the Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Amendment be and hereby is authorized; and be it further

RESOLVED the Supervisor is authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Town, the Amendment, all as more particularly set forth in a copy of the Amendment, which shall be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Office of the Town Attorney be and hereby is authorized and directed to negotiate and supervise the execution of the Amendment; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized and directed to pay the costs of the Amendment upon receipt of duly executed Amendment and certified claims therefor.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Town Attorney

MS. SRIVASTAVA: 19, "A resolution authorizing the employment, appointment, transfer, adjustment, correction, change in grade or salary, and/or termination of employees, and/or officials in various departments of the Town."

MR. MCDONOUGH: You know I'm definitely speaking on this one.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: And I stay far away.

MR. MCDONOUGH: It's all good. It's all good. Again, Tom McDonough --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: It hasn't been offered yet.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No, it has not.

MR. MCDONOUGH: Tom McDonough, President of the CSEA Unit 7555. Several issues with this resolution. There's an employee going from exempt to -- from the Supervisor's Office to a Grade 9 laborer title or a -- I believe she's going to a recreation aide title at a Step 21-and-a-half. That would put her at 21-and-a-half years with the Town of North Hempstead. I don't believe that's true. All of our recreation aids start at Grade 9, Step 1. So I'd like to see that addressed. And then there's a second person on here that's going into a Grade 9 in Highway Department as a Step 5. Another one that's coming out of the Clerk's Office. So this to me sounds like patronage moving into the Union spots, which I don't have a problem with. But if you're going to do it, put them where they belong, Grade 9, Step 1. All right. That's the first one. You see the employment resolution has created eight new positions to the amount of \$792,872. I don't know where these titles are coming from. I looked at the budget and I'm trying to figure out where these titles are being funded from. Do we know?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I don't know which ones you're referring to? But there's a

MR. MCDONOUGH: They're all --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: -- budget transfer --

MR. MCDONOUGH: They're all new positions.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: --in the next item.

MR. MCDONOUGH: They're all new positions. I really don't want to call out names in the middle of this, but I can. So maybe we wanna do something else with this. I find it amazing that we were able to find funds to support these positions, but we haven't been able to replace several Union positions within the last couple of years, i.e. webmaster in IT. Benefits, the Employee Benefits Coordinator in HR. Clerk title in DPW. Sign Shop Supervisor in the Highway Department. Any of the Clerks that have retired from the Parks Department have been hired back as -- or replaced with Recreation Aids. Numerous titles from the Union that have gone out and we just keep replacing them with non-Union personnel or we replace them with part-timers. This practice needs to stop. The other practice that needs to stop is that we have people that are working completely out of title in different departments. Now I have Recreation Aids in the Clerks Department. I have Recreation Aids in just about every department in the Town. I've also stated we have -- I've said this before, you may hear this the first time Supervisor, we have the worst parks or worse looking parks in the County. And if anybody wants to challenge that, and if I am wrong, I'll take a few of you to lunch. We have the worst parks in the County. And it's not because our people don't work hard. It's because we're grossly understaffed. And we don't put money into our parks. Go anywhere else, any village, any park district, any city, any

town in this County, and their parks blows away. We have beautiful locations for our parks, but we don't put our time into it and our money into it. \$792,872 funds those eight titles. And, yes, I'm friends with some of those people, and I've worked with them for eight years maybe even longer. But they knew coming into this, that it was a patronage job, and that when their elected official was out, they would as well. As former Supervisor May Newburger said, they make more money because they might only be here for two years. She used to say that all the time. I could put 13.70 boots on the ground, laborers in our parks and in our streets for that kind of money. Again, we're grossly understaffed everywhere. Some of the members of this Board addressed the nepotism code several years ago. Nobody's ever, ever addressed the patronage problem. I think that it needs to be done. Our Union workers work hard. We work hard every day. And, we're like, again, we are grossly understaffed. We need additional help. Thank you.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Thank you for your comments. So I also want to comment that these employment -- first of all, this employment schedule was given to me yesterday afternoon. These moves are at least \$546,000 out of the Supervisor's budget. And when I arrived here on Monday, there was no one in the Supervisor Suite. They're all gone, because these jobs now, according to this schedule, work for the Town Board. Now, there was no Town Board resolution that transferred those jobs. They were just missing and the Town Board only has the authority to supervise to do anything when we're sitting as a Board. So it is not possible to transfer these employees to work for the Town Board because there is not one person because they can report to. This would be a change in the Town law. So I object to the transferring of funds away from the Supervisor's Office. And, you know, you can say that you didn't, but the budget is right here. And the budget that Supervisor Bosworth had to operate this Town so well, just simply doesn't exist anymore. So this transfer of employees on this resolution, both out of the Supervisor's Office and also several exempt employees out of the Clerk's Office is simply being done to save jobs. But the taxpayers shouldn't have to pay for that. I want us to follow the budget that was voted on October 28th, by Supervisor Bosworth and most of this Board. It was one of Supervisor Bosworth's most proud accomplishments was to vote on the budget before election day for the sake of transparency and accountability. So to come here two months later and transfer, you know, about 900 -- \$800,000 worth of salary. And then this very small spreadsheet of budget for, I don't know what reason, I haven't heard any reason stated for the need to transfer and to create new jobs and transfer this. I'd have to object to this resolution and to the next one, the budget transfer as well.

MR. EHRBAR: Am I allowed to ask a question at this point?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Sure.

MR. EHRBAR: The way I'm hearing it, maybe I got it wrong, so if somebody can explain it to me. You're taking current exempt personnel and putting them into civil service titles?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Attempting to. That still has to be approved.

MR. EHRBAR: That's the resolution.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes. That would have to be approved by civil service and so

MR. EHRBAR: Are these competitive, non-competitive jobs? And did they need to go -- do you need to go to a list to fill those jobs, or can he just make a transfer over and then civil service approves it? Some jobs are competitive and you can't just move who you want in there. You have to go off a competitive list. So these people we're talking about on a list? Is it competitive

or non-competitive?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So if you want the Commissioner of HR.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Commissioner.

MR. WEITZNER: Sure. I'll be happy to answer the questions.

MR. EHRBAR: Go right ahead.

MR. WEITZNER: All right. These are exempt on classified positions. These are not competitive or Union positions that we were referring to within the budget process. By and large they are exempt positions that are moving from one budget to another budget.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. So it's going from exempt to a distinct and exempt position?

MR. WEITZNER: Yes.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. That was a little bit confusing.

MR. WEITZNER: Just in a different capacity, yes.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. Thank you.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Except --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: With the exception of two of them.

MR. WEITZNER: With the exception of the two of them, of course.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay. So there are only two going from exempt to civil service?

MR. WEITZNER: Well, everyone is in civil service but two of them have Union titles.

MR. EHRBAR: But are they competitive or non-competitive?

MR. WEITZNER: They're non-competitive titles.

MR. EHRBAR: Okay.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Also, one of the positions the person interviewed for, and was hired by the department head. So I just want to make sure everyone's aware of that. They interviewed for the position.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Which position?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I believe it's Highway, correct?

MR. MCDONOUGH: I don't have an objection --

MR. WEITZNER: Right. The laborer position.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: The laborer position, that's what I thought.

MR. WEITZNER: Correct.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Objection.

MS. ABATA: Tom, I'm sorry. Just speak into the microphone for the Court Reporter.

MR. MCDONOUGH: I don't have any objection to the person becoming a laborer. Not at all. My objection is is that the person is starting off at Step 5. I can't do that to the rest of my

members. They all came through the door and started at Step 1. And they had CDLs. And then I got another one that comes in at Step 21-and-a-half with the same exact title as other people that started at Step 1. I think we had somebody at the last meeting as a matter of fact, that came in as a Grade 9, Step 1 Recreation Aide.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: One of the positions is someone who had operated as the Chief of Staff to Supervisor Bosworth and at a rather high salary and now will be in a title called Chief Research Assistant at also a very high salary. So this is something that, for the taxpayers, I have to object to. Because this person can no longer serve as Chief of Staff. There is a new Chief Deputy Supervisor and Chief of Staff who will be doing that tremendous amount of work. And this job, we just cannot justify paying a salary like that to a Research Assistant for the Town Board, which serves -- which meets once or twice a month and does not even have a regular presence in the building. There's no chain of supervision for employees like that to be working for the Town Board. So this move really changes the way this local government functions and I think it changes Town law.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: And who does the person report to? Can they report -- they're reporting to the majority? The majority is not in control when somebody says motion to close here. So who is this person reporting to? They're not reporting to me. They're reporting to other Councilpersons like me. And the salary, which you said quite high, around \$160,000. That's a lot of money for a researcher and who -- I don't know who they're reporting to. They're not allowed to report to any one individual Councilmember.

MR. MCDONOUGH: People have seen me up here before. I know what I talk about. So Article 3 Section 23, New York State Town Law, that's where you can look at. But I can tear this employment reso apart right now, piece by piece. Every one of those positions. I'm not doing that. What I think what needs to be done is, and I don't like to do it to Union people, because next thing I'm gonna ask is that from now on, there be two employment resos. One for part-timers and exempts, and one for Union personnel. Because it's not fair to the Union personnel that work here that it gets held up. But I would ask that you people table this. Go over these positions, because it can be very embarrassing. I'm not going to go any further into it. I do my homework. I've always done my homework. I separate my hats pretty damn well. Excuse me. And I'm doing that tonight. So I'm please asking -- I'm asking you, please just take a look at this appointment reso. All right. Thank you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So there is a realignment of some positions. I think it's with the new Supervisor taking office, it's important to help that person get acclimated to the new role and provide much needed support. The realignment helps ensure a smooth transition. It acknowledges the critical importance of institutional knowledge and expertise that some of the people that we are talking about possess in key leadership positions. It allows the new Supervisor to bring in her own people to dedicated positions that will report directly to her. The employee reso does include the Supervisor's hires and, as it refers to the budget, we'll know when we talk about the next agenda item that the Supervisor's budget has not been touched.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: But this does remove from the Supervisor's budget. When you're taking people who were former Supervisor staff moving them right over and giving them the same salary for a lower job position --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: But the funds for those salaries do not come from the Supervisor's Office. The Supervisor's Office has \$811,000 in the budget. She will -- she

continues to have \$811,000 to hire.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: But the money has to come from somewhere?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So that in the budget transfers it comes from various locations, savings et cetera, we can talk about that or I can talk about that. It's in the next budgetary transfer item.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: It seems rather funny when a budget was passed three months ago in October, and everything was good, everything was fine, there was no issues with it. And then now all of a sudden there are issues with that budget and we have to change things around. Why is that?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No, budget

SUPERVISOR DESENA: All right. What changed?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I didn't mean to cut you off. Sorry.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: My question is, why is that?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Budget changes occur and you're going to find this. Budget changes occur throughout the year based on changing environments. And so this budget was first approved on October 28. It's been two months, a little more than two months since then. And from time to time, you have to make changes to the budget. You're going to find that this goes on every month.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I understand that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The changes were in employees going from the Supervisor's budget to the Town Board. Those were the only changes. So - - well, that's not a reason to change Supervisor's Bosworth's budget.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: There have been several misstatements here tonight. Several, but one of them in the last ten minutes or so has to do with the Supervisor's budget being cut by half-a-million dollars. That is categorically untrue. The second thing is the illusion that the taxpayers' being hurt by this. That's false. The budget is not being increased one penny over what was approved by the taxpayers on October 28.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: If there are

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: The taxpayer is not being asked to pay for that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The Supervisor is.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And we shouldn't -- no, the Supervisor neither. That's just unclear, Jen. Now you can have your own opinion, but you can't have your own facts. The budget -- I'm looking at it too. The budget was 2.2 million approved on October 28th. It continues to be 2.2 million. And you can check that out on the Town system tomorrow.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Except all the employees who used to report to Supervisor Bosworth, now report to the Town Board.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: But you can't do accounting like that. Your budget is still \$2.2 million, is it not?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I don't have access to it.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, I don't

SUPERVISOR DESENA: You have given me \$811,000, including my own salary.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, you have your own financial director, don't tell me you don't have access to it. You can have anything you want to get. You are the Supervisor. Your budget, in case you don't know, I'm gonna tell you, I'm gonna attest to this. The budget that was approved through the Supervisor's Office, Office of the Supervisor on October 28th, by the members of this Town Council, three of them, was \$2.2 million. At the end of this evening, after the budget amendments are done, it will be \$2.2 million. There is no funny money that you can --no funny way that you can look at this to come up with a half-a-million-dollar cut.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Robert, I still don't see how political patronage does not hurt.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Let's not just --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: That's a different issue.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Let's not change the issue, okay? The Supervisor said that her budget was being cut. It's categorically untrue.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: It's also what Tom said. Tom said he can rip apart this budget, but he chooses not to.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: We can all rip apart any budget that's ever made. A budget is an estimate for what's going to happen in the future. We never know with finality until the end of the year comes which is why, budget amendments are made continually from month to month by every government.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Why was there no need last month, last year, two years ago, five years ago --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Let's deal

COUNCILMAN WALSH: You're cutting me off.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Let's deal with the Supervisor's, because I'm really disappointed that we can't deal with the untruth that was spoken that the Supervisor's budget was cut. It was not cut. And the point is no one has denied that what I said just now was correct. The budget was approved for the Supervisor's Office at \$2.2 million. It remains at \$2.2 million. That's --we can print out for you tomorrow. We can print it for anybody wants to see it. It was 2.2, it is 2.2.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: However, the Supervisor doesn't get to control the people. Now they're being --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I don't know how you can possibly say that, Dennis, because she's hiring nine people tonight.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And they're all under -- all total less than \$811,000.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And you can hire more people if you want.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I can't. I can't.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yes, you can.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Oh, I can hire you a secretary, and that's it. That's all I can do.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: You can hire \$811,000 worth of salary, salaried people.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Correct. How you spend your money is your choice. We didn't put any limits on that. We told you go have at it. You can hire one person with \$811,000, you can hire nine. That's up to you. Don't make us decide that.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Isn't that the same budget Judi had?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Yes.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Exactly. Exactly the same.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Exactly.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: With how many people on her staff?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: It doesn't matter --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes it does.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- it's the same money. So if Judi hired at one salary level and Jen does another salary level, that's up to Jen. The point is, Jen has the exact same amount of money that was approved for Judi.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The Town Board has never had a Chief Research Assistant at \$160,000, a secretary for the Commissioner of Finance. Here's --or just a secretary. A Director of Legislative Affairs. The Town Board has not had those jobs in the past. The Town Board has had one legislative aide per Councilperson. That's all you get and the rest support the Town, all the departments and all the Town. Now you told me, you want additional staff and you took it. And this is what you're passing tonight. I said that you were doing it in December, and you didn't do it in December, and you're doing it tonight.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, I did nothing December. You can count on that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: That's because of my press release.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's because I wasn't on the Board and --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Oh, that's true. That's true.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So, you know, governments change, organizations change, positions are added, positions are taken away.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: As long as you admit it's for political reasons.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I don't admit that. But I can now finish my thought that -- and so governments change, organizations change, people are added, people are -- titles are taken away, titles are added. Every organization in order to survive, has to be adaptable and flexible and able to move with the changing times. We have never had, that I'm aware of, and certainly not Judi Bosworth, never had --and the Office of the Supervisor, her own communications person. Yet tonight, you're going to be asking us to hire --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: They had a Communications Division.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- to do your communications, I guess, your communication solely. But communications has always been a Town-wide function and continues to be today.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Well, why is it that I didn't see the Communications Director for three days?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, why is that you want to point out that we've made additions to staff that never existed before, while the Supervisor never had their own communications person before either. But you've chosen to do that and we haven't questioned that. What we said is you have 811,000 spend it how you want.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Supervisor Bosworth had full control of the whole Public Information --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And so do you.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: -- Department. No, I don't.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Yes, you do.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: They don't even -- they are putting out press releases without me reviewing them. And they've taken my name off of press releases. They've only been corrected --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You made mention --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Wait. Wait. The one press release she could be speaking about was my district. It was my press release. And if you were in the photo, you would definitely -- I would have definitely included you in the press release. The reason why you were not in the photos, those photos were taken literally two months ago and it was a small business spotlight. And it was my press release. So that's why. And I had this conversation with Brian, and I explained it to him and he understood after we had a conversation. So I'm sorry that you are upset about that. You know, he even asked me to look at the header, I go I don't look at the header, I'm just looking at the words and the press release. That was my press release spot lighting a business because the businesses in our community because of COVID are suffering. And I want people to know the businesses that we haven in our community. I am sorry that I care that much about my community that this press release caused an issue. Blame it on me. But to me, it's more important to promote the businesses than to promote ourselves.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Supervisor Bosworth appointed the Public Information official. And when I attempted to do that, you said no. So will you let me appoint the Communications Director that is in the Communications Department under the Supervisor's budget?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Now you know I'm not going to give you a blanket yes to that because we don't even know who you're gonna --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The answer is no.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- who you might want to appoint. So we have the right, we have the oversight role and we're going to play that role. So no. If you're just going to tell and give us anybody without us checking their background, no, we're not going to do that. And by the way, I'm going to say it again, I don't see why we need to appoint somebody else, because you're already going to appoint, we're going to vote on it tonight, and we're going to happily vote on it and support you, Brian Devine.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: He's within the \$811,000 that you allowed the Supervisor staff?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Exactly, my point.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: That's --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And you made the decision. Jen, like no other Supervisor has ever done before, hire your own communication personnel. And we're not questioning that.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: That's because

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I think it's pretty clear that Supervisor Bosworth had a much different amount of staff and ability to run this Town.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That is not clear, so don't -- I will not take that as an assumption. That is not clear.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: People can decide for themselves. They can --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: They certainly can.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: This is all public. You can see the positions that have been transferred. It's right in the chart. Transferred from Supervisor's Department to Town Board or to Parks or to maybe the Finance Department. It's in here. The people are aware. I will do the best I can. If I am limited to \$811,000, I would like the money to go back to the taxpayers. I would like them to go to more boots on the ground working the Parks Department. I don't want to see a heavier management staff in this Town Hall. I don't think we need more -- I just -- I don't think you need a Research Assistant at \$160,000 reporting to the Town Board.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So Jen, you are welcome to spend all of or less than the amount of budget that was approved for Supervisor Bosworth. That is your choice.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: \$2.1 million?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's right. You can spend all of that or not all of that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And where are those appointments?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's up to you, Jen. You're not allowed to misstate the facts.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: She's not misstating the facts. This is your opinion --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: It's pretty clear --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No, I'm sorry, Dennis, the --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No, I'm sorry, Robert, but you're just -- you just keep putting words in people's mouths --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No, I mean

COUNCILMAN WALSH: --no longer -- hold on now.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- I don't think that's the case --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: You want a --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- black and white and it's right here.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: --go ahead, continue. This guy likes to talk.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: The budget was approved at 2.2 million on October 28th, and on

January 6th at 12 midnight, it will still be 2.2 million and in fact, tomorrow, on January 7th, it will still be 2.2 million.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: But the Supervisor does not have the authority to --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So it is really wrong for you to get on a public dais, in front of these residents and misstate the truth.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: She's not misstating the truth.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And that's a shame.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: She's not misstating the truth.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, then maybe --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I think the residents came here for themselves.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- you can show us in facts, show us your numbers add up to less than 2.2 million.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: The Supervisor no longer has authority over these departments.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: The Finance Department and the Communications Department

COUNCILMAN WALSH: The Supervisor no longer has control of the Communications Department. Judi Bosworth did. It was all right two weeks ago, but it's not all right now. And this is because elections have consequences. And the majority is just, you know, blocking other people out and making their own employments and hiring people that are truly patronage positions.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Supervisor DeSena, did you interview in Newsday today?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MR. O'DONALD: And who set that up?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: My -- well, actually Gordon Tepper --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And Gordon Tepper is who?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: -- and Brian Devine.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And who is Gordon Tepper?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Gordon Tepper got the call from Newsday and he forwarded it to Brian Devine who --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And he didn't just eat it up and say I'm not going to give this, right?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No, because Brian Devine has insisted that his phone number go on all press releases.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: But the point is that the Town-wide Communications Director, Gordon Tepper, is the one who relayed that information to you and helped set that up. So act like as though Gordon Tepper is not under your control or his whole department control is clearly demonstrated not to be correct.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: It's not demonstrated not to be correct.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And, you know, I will tell you that Gordon is a real professional, and he didn't need Brian's help, no offense to you, Brian. I know you're very skilled and talented. But Gordon didn't need Brian's help and his big salary to make that -- to finish that coordination with Newsday. Gordon was quite capable of doing that. You don't even --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Except that Newsday wanted to speak with me, so why didn't Gordon tell him to speak with me?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I beg your pardon?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: If Newsday asked to speak with me, then that's what they get.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So Gordon, can you speak on that?

MR. TEPPER: This is ridiculous. Okay. I don't want to get into back-and-forth on this, I'm embarrassed to even be up here. Newsday did not call me and specifically say they want to speak with the Supervisor. They said they want to speak with the representative of the Town, which I believe was, the Supervisor would be appropriate. That's it. okay. Not trying to get in a back-and-forth. Thank you.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: So right there, he works for you. So now we have two people in Communications. So we have a double position here.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Wasn't he taken -- wasn't his department taken away from the Supervisor?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: No.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: No.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: No.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: No, not true.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Not that I know of.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Well, it's no change to that department.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I don't know.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. I have not had a conversation with Gordon Tepper other than in the presence of Councilwoman Lurvey since I got here on Monday.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You are the Supervisor. Call him up and ask him to come into your office. It's really very simple.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: It's not that hard. You don't need to play like you're being hurt, you're not. You're the Supervisor, call him up.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: If I'm being hurt, the Town is being hurt.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's exactly right and that's why --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: So let's not do that.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: That's why every member, and I'm including David and Dennis in this, every member on this Board is working for the benefit of the residents, every resident, not just you.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: That's why I don't want these patronage jobs to come in because I'm working for the benefit of the residents.

MR. BARRY: Yeah, Michael Barry, 84 Hillcrest Avenue, Manhasset. Councilman, since you seem to running point tonight for the majority, just a quick question --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I just want to correct that, because I want to make it clear that the word "majority" is your designation, it's not my characteristic.

MR. BARRY: Okay. But I guess my observation just hearing all this is, isn't it time really to do away with adopting the budget prior to the election? If one of the first resolutions of the new calendar year after the election is to change the budget, so that's what it looks like to me.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You know, I think there are pros and cons to doing it before or after the election. One of the pros that Judi Bosworth was really very much attached to was that she thought it was fairer to the taxpayer.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: And didn't we just --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And as such, let's leave it as it was for the taxpayers. You have articulated no reason to take all these --to hire all these new staff members. So let's not change the budget tonight. Let's live with it as it was. Let's live with Supervisor Bosworth's budget.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: And didn't we just brag about the woman in resolution 15 that prepared this budget and worked hard and got it done before election and it was a great thing. And I think it was a great thing. And we just spoke about it, and now you're talking about changing the budget.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So those words will perhaps come to haunt you when in January, this month, or February, you're going to need to make a budget adjustment from what was voted on October 28. If you think that a budget is static, then you're going to have a hard time being a Town Governor. Because budgets change, need to change all the time to adopt to a changing environment.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And what has changed? What has changed since election day? Since October 28th?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You know, I believe that there's a need for continuity in management and that this will afford us that opportunity. And as Councilwoman Lurvey articulated, it's meant to support and help you. One of the people --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Who's going to be managing it?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: -- if I can finish. One of the people that you would like to seek on, that you just said a few minutes ago, you don't know why that person is going to continue in employment. You had the audacity to ask that person to help your Deputy Supervisor make the transition. So we are just going to codify that tonight and make sure that you've got ample support from people who have had the history of working in Town government for the last year

or more.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: It's a point about institutional knowledge. It's not a point about whether or not they have a D or an R on their voter registration card. It's about continuing to do the good work that we had been doing over the years under Supervisor Bosworth into a new administration.

MR. MCDONOUGH: The one thing I'd like say though is that, I know the next item is a budget item, the backup material that was included with the resolution, doesn't say what budget lines they are. I don't have access to those and I don't know where that money is coming from. I don't know where the \$792,000 is coming from to pay people. But I can tell you this, I want your word stating that you'll replace every Union person that leaves and it won't come out of that money. Because you know what, I know you're not going to replace the Union spot, I guarantee you. I guarantee you. And when that happens, I'll be back.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So Tom, if I can just address your question. The next budget --the next resolution is in fact the budget amendments that we're making. It's all right here.

MR. MCDONOUGH: Yeah, and I can't tell you what those numbers are, I don't know what those budget lines are.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, it's simple enough and you're savvy enough Tom. You've been around long enough to know that they match up with what's in this book.

MR. MCDONOUGH: Right, but I didn't have the time to sit down and look for the 24 hours because of everything else that I've been looking at.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Okay. But you should have that opportunity --

MR. MCDONOUGH: Yeah, no, no --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And, Tom, you know that on a personal note between you and I, I'm a big supporter of unions and our staff. And I think, and you said earlier, that we're understaffed. I think we are understaffed.

MR. MCDONOUGH: We're grossly understaffed.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Right. And so we need to try to address that.

MR. MCDONOUGH: I mean grossly understaffed. Grossly understaffed is to try to straighten that out, hire 100 people. That might start working on it a little bit. Thank you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: All right. I would like to offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Nay.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Before I vote, I just want to say that so everyone understands, and Robert, thank you for explaining it. The Supervisor's budget is not being cut. If the Supervisor's budget was being cut, I would not be voting for this. Because the Supervisor's budget is not being cut, I will vote aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Robert, maybe you can explain to us what changes were necessary.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: David, we're in the middle of voting.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Unfortunately, I have to vote no, even though my own very good staff is on this resolution. I have to vote no, because this is a tremendous amount of money that is being taken from the taxpayers for the sake of protecting exempt jobs. And, you know, it hurts the employees, and it hurts the taxpayers. And so it also creates jobs within no one --no reporting line. It just changes the structure of our Town government. So I vote no.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: So please let me just note that Councilmembers Dalimonte, Lurvey, and Zuckerman, and myself have bound together to support the Supervisor's hirings, that she herself is voting against. And we are glad to welcome to the Town of North Hempstead, I want to read their names, Joe Scalero, Charles McQuair --

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: You know Joe should come out so everyone knows who the Deputy Supervisor is.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Hello, Joe.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Hi, Joe.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Welcome, Joe.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Hi, Joe.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Hi, Joe.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Hi, Joe.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Hi, Joe.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And we want to welcome you. And we want to welcome your colleague, Charles McQuair, Paul Wood, Brian Devine, Connor Dunleavey. My Council colleagues have voted in the affirmative. I'm really happy to welcome you to the Town of North Hempstead. I also want to welcome back Meagan McCarty. And on the Town's Clerk staff and Ratna Bhalla, I hope I'm pronouncing her name correctly. And Westbury's own Maggie Malito. Welcome to all of you to the Town of North Hempstead family.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: It might not seem it tonight, but we will -- we are a family

here. And we always have been and we always will be. And I am going to make sure that we all work as a team, because together, everyone achieves more. And the way we left the budget tonight is the way the budget is going to be the same exact amount of money. And that to me is very important. For everyone in this room to understand, we're not taking money out of you. We approved this budget October 28th, with the budget amount. And the same tomorrow budget tomorrow is the same amount.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: So why are you making these changes?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Why are we making these changes? You know you --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: We voted on it, move on.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Okay.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And I'll just say that every family, including my family, fight sometimes.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: We're like family around the Thanksgiving dinner.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: But the family was divided when you took over the suite over there.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Oh, God, here goes --

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Well, you don't want to hear it but you're saying that you're a family and I'm just responding to that.

Councilperson Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 18 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT, APPOINTMENT, TRANSFER, ADJUSTMENT, CORRECTION, CHANGE IN GRADE OR SALARY AND/OR TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES AND/OR OFFICIALS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE TOWN.

WHEREAS, the approval of this Board has been requested for the employment, appointment, transfer, adjustment, correction, change in grade or salary and/or termination of certain individuals, employees and/or officials in various departments of the Town of North Hempstead (the "Town") as more particularly set forth in a memorandum on file in the Office of the Commissioner of Human Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes it is in the best interests of the Town to approve the request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the following employments, appointments, transfers, adjustments, corrections, changes in grade or salary, and/or terminations are hereby adopted and approved:

ALL APPOINTMENTS PENDING COMPLETION OF PAPERWORK AND CIVIL SERVICE APPROVAL

SEE EXHIBIT A

; and be it further

RESOLVED that the above listed employments, appointments, transfers, adjustments, corrections, and/or changes in grade or salary are hereby appointed to the respective positions at a rate of compensation shown next to their names; and be it further

RESOLVED that the appointments and employments are subject to the satisfactory completion of a physical examination by a physician; and be it further

RESOLVED that the term of appointment and employment of any person to an exempt position shall be at the pleasure of the Town Board; and be it further

RESOLVED that the effective date of the foregoing employments, appointments, transfers, adjustments, corrections, and/or changes in grade or salary of said

individuals, employees and/or officials in the various departments of the Town shall be that date certified by the Commissioner of Finance; and be it further

RESOLVED that the foregoing appointments, employments and terminations are subject to the rules and regulations of the Nassau County Civil Service Commission and New York State Civil Service Law.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote of the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Dalemonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Zuckerman

Nays: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Walsh, Supervisor DeSena

Please note that all appointments are pending completion of paperwork and Nassau County Civil Service approval.

Type	Department Name	Employee Name	Employee Title	Employee Rate	Grade/Step	Current Dept #	New Dept #	Current Budget Code #	New Budget Code #	Effective Date
Department and Title Change	Supervisor's Office to Department of Parks & Recreation - Yes We Can Community Center	Jennifer Eberhardt	Admin Assistant to the Supervisor to Recreation Aide	\$2,550 bi-weekly / \$66,300 annually to \$32.10 hourly / \$66,766 annually	Exempt to Grade 9, Step 21.5	127100	133300	A.10.1220.1000	A.05.7141.1000	1/1/2022
Resignation FT	Town Board (CD2)	Samuel Ostler	Admin Assistant to Town Board	\$2,216.54 bi-weekly / \$57,630 annually	N/A	128200	N/A	A.12.1010.1000	N/A	12/31/2021
Department, Title and Salary Change	Town Clerk to Town Board (CD2)	Brandon Gimpelman	Secretary to the Town Clerk to Admin Assistant to Town Board	\$2,124.58 bi-weekly / \$55,239 annually to \$2,216.54 bi-weekly / \$57,630 annually	N/A	128700	128200	A.13.1410.1000	A.12.1010.1000	1/1/2022
Department, Title and Salary Change	Town Clerk to the Highways Department	Chase Pagnani	Secretary to Councilman to Laborer 1	\$1,962.04 bi-weekly / \$51,013 annually to \$24.63 hourly / \$51,234 annually	Exempt to Grade 9, Step 5	121900	311000	A.25.1011.1000	DA.07.5117.1000	1/1/2022
Department and Title Change	Town Board (CD1) to Community Services	Hawa Bassett	Admin Assistant to Town Board to Secretary to the Commissioner of Community Services	\$2,295.23 bi-weekly / \$59,675 annually	N/A	128200	121000	A.12.1010.1000	A.02.6310.1000	1/1/2022
Department and Title Change	Town Clerk to Administrative Services	Nicholas Guariglia	Deputy Town Clerk to Deputy Commissioner of Administrative Services	\$3,808.50 bi-weekly / \$99,021 annually	N/A	128700	120000	A.13.1410.1000	A.01.1620.1000	1/1/2022
Department and Title Change	Department of Parks & Recreation - Yes We Can Community Center	Tyrone Murray	Secretary to the Commissioner of DOSA to Deputy Commissioner of Parks & Recreation	\$3,919.23 bi-weekly / \$101,899 annually	N/A	133300	122900	A.05.7141.1000	A.05.7020.1000	1/1/2022
Department and Title Change	Supervisor's Office to Department of Parks & Recreation - Administration	Sagar Mehta	Admin Assistant to the Supervisor to Secretary to the Parks Commissioner	\$3,585.31 bi-weekly / \$93,218 annually	N/A	127100	122900	A.10.1220.1000	A.05.7020.1000	1/1/2022
Department and Title Change	Town Clerk to DOSA	Leigh Chin	Deputy Town Clerk to Secretary to the Commissioner of DOSA	\$3,592.57 bi-weekly / \$93,407 annually	N/A	128700	121200	A.13.1410.1000	A.34.6773.1000	1/1/2022
Resignation FT	Supervisor's Office	Maria Lipinski	Secretary to Town Board	\$2,230.76 bi-weekly / \$57,999 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	12/31/2021
Department and Title Change	Supervisor's Office to Town Board	Julie Schoch	Executive Assistant to Supervisor to Secretary to Town Board	\$2,353.85 bi-weekly / \$61,200 annually	N/A	127100	128200	A.10.1220.1000	A.12.1010.1000	1/1/2022
Department Change	Supervisor's Office to Town Board	Jeanine Dillon	Chief Research Assistant to the Town Board	\$6,072.69 bi-weekly / \$157,890 annually	N/A	127100	128200	A.10.1220.1000	A.12.1010.1000	1/1/2022
Department Change	Supervisor's Office to Town Board	Mitchell Pitnick	Secretary to Commissioner of Finance	\$5,100.00 bi-weekly / \$132,600 annually	N/A	127100	128200	A.10.1220.1000	A.12.1010.1000	1/1/2022

Please note that all appointments are pending completion of paperwork and Nassau County Civil Service approval.

Type	Department Name	Employee Name	Employee Title	Employee Rate	Grade/Step	Current Dept #	New Dept #	Current Budget Code #	New Budget Code #	Effective Date
Department and Title Change	Supervisor's Office to Town Board	Rachel Brinn	Director of Legislative Affairs to Secretary to Councilman	\$3,686.96 bi-weekly / \$95,861 annually	N/A	127100	128200	A.10.1220.1000	A.12.1010.1000	1/1/2022
Department, Title and Salary Change	Town Board (CD5) to Receiver of Taxes	Suzette Gray	Exec Assist to Town Board to Clerk Typist P/T	\$2,295.23 bi-weekly / \$59,676 annually to \$30.00 hourly	N/A	128200	943000	A.12.1010.1000	A.09.1330.1200	1/1/2022
Salary Change	Department of Public Safety Administration	Shawn Brown	Commissioner of Public Safety	\$4,854.50 bi-weekly / \$126,217 annually to \$5,384.61 bi-weekly / \$140,000 annually	N/A	129000	N/A	A.06.3010.1000	N/A	
New FT Hire	Supervisor's Office	Joseph R. Scalero	Deputy Supervisor and Chief of Staff	\$6,461.54 bi-weekly / \$168,000 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Supervisor's Office	Charles McQuair	Special Counsel	\$4,884.61 bi-weekly / \$127,000 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Supervisor's Office	Paul Wood	Director of Finance	\$3,923.07 bi-weekly / \$102,000 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Supervisor's Office	Brian Devine	Director of Legislative Affairs	\$3,846.15 bi-weekly / \$100,000 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	1/10/2022
New FT Hire	Supervisor's Office	Connor Dunleavy	Executive Assistant to Supervisor	\$2,307.69 bi-weekly / \$60,000 annually	N/A	127100	N/A	A.10.1220.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Town Attorney's Office	John Chiara	Town Attorney	\$6,653.85 bi-weekly / \$173,000 annually	N/A	127600	N/A	A.11.1420.1000	N/A	1/7/2022
New FT Hire	Town Board (CD5)	Meagan McCarty	Admin Assistant to Town Board	\$2,173.08 bi-weekly / \$56,500 annually	N/A	128200	N/A	A.12.1010.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Town Clerk	Raina Bhalla	Deputy Town Clerk	\$3,846.15 bi-weekly / \$100,000 annually	N/A	128700	N/A	A.13.1410.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
New FT Hire	Town Clerk	Maggie Malito	Deputy Town Clerk	\$3,846.15 bi-weekly / \$100,000 annually	N/A	128700	N/A	A.13.1410.1000	N/A	1/1/2022
Retirement FT	Town Attorney's Office	Leonard Kapsalis	Town Attorney	\$6,187.19 bi-weekly / \$160,866 annually	N/A	127600	N/A	A.11.1420.1000	N/A	1/6/2022
Resignation FT	Administrative Services	Anthony Pallisco	Laborer 1	\$22.38 hourly / \$46,540 annually	Grade 9, Step 1	120600	N/A	A.01.1622.1000	N/A	12/20/2021
Resignation FT	Comptroller's Office	Tania Orenstein	Comptroller	\$5,484.23 bi-weekly / \$142,590 annually	N/A	121800	N/A	A.03.1315.1000	N/A	1/14/2022
Resignation FT	Comptroller's Office	Hilary Grossman	Chief Deputy Comptroller	\$4,559.00 bi-weekly / \$118,534 annually	N/A	121800	N/A	A.03.1315.1000	N/A	1/4/2022
Resignation PT	Department of Public Safety Animal Shelter	Marcy Geller	Laborer 1 P/T	\$15.00 hourly	N/A	921100	N/A	A.06.3510.1200	N/A	12/26/2021
Resignation PT	Buildings Department	Jane L. Fogarty	Building Inspector 1 P/T	\$25.00 hourly	N/A	905000	N/A	B.33.3622.1200	N/A	11/10/2021
Resignation PT	Sidewalk District	Susan O'Falloran	Clerk Typist P/T	\$30.00 hourly	N/A	915500	N/A	SM017.1200	N/A	11/30/2021

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Can the Clerk please call the next item.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Yes, next item. "A resolution authorizing budgetary transfers for the fiscal year 2022."

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So Supervisor, I make a motion to amend the attached exhibit. My apologies. I know the type is very small. It's a lot of numbers. But it's line item 15. It's to be amended from the previously distributed and published version and replaced with the new line item 15. So if you count down, she has a new -- Rachel, thank you.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: What did you say? 16?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: 15.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: 15, okay.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: It doesn't unfortunately, have numbers. I can read it. It is -- now it's the one that's, you know, they all start with (a) Expense, and then the third column the one that has the 15. In the division column.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I don't know if it has a division that says 15.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: That's in the old one. You're looking at the old one.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Oh, sorry.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I don't have

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: You need magnifying glasses.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. In the third column it says 15. On the old one?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: On the second page. Okay. What about it?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So that is being replaced with the new line item 15, which will contain division three. So instead of -- this was a clerical error and it had \$20,876.48 coming out of the Public Information Department budget, which is technically in the Supervisor's Office budget. But it's been re-swapped out to becoming out of -- well, I don't have -- Rachel, did you just give me the notes about where it's coming from?

MS. BRINN: Yes, I did. That was the first thing I gave. I'll help you.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Which one are we replacing it with? Okay. Line item 15 is to be amended from the previously distributed and published version and replaced with a new line item 15. Yeah. So the proposed amendment language relates to a change in the source from which the money is being transferred. I offer the motion to make the foregoing amendment and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

(No response.)

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye. And just to make clear, this is to not take the \$20,876 out of the Supervisor's budget, but to take it instead out of -- I'm sorry, this all happened. We noticed this clerical error late.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Yeah, I'm voting no because I know nothing about this.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yeah, we can't understand this.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I know.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: We received this, you know, a day ago and had no opportunity to ask the Comptroller about this. It's not understandable.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So this document contains the budget transfers. Okay. So the savings was initially from the Supervisor's Office, now it's coming as a savings under the General Liability Insurance line item.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: But you're talking about \$20,000?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: \$20,876.48.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: That's in the amendment?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I'm sorry. You can continue.

MS. ABATA: It's in the middle of a vote, Councilwoman.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I'm sorry?

MS. ABATA: It's your turn to vote.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Oh. Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Maybe Councilman Troiano can explain all this to me because he said it was easy, and you could line it up. I'm not as quick. Could you explain? You said that the budget all lines up.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Yeah, I'd be happy to meet with you tomorrow to explain it.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Why not explain it now?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: David --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I want to vote on it and I want to be informed.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Well, that's, you know --

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: You've been explaining everything all night, you like to talk, why stop now?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Yeah, you're not going to direct me when to talk and when not to talk.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: No, no. I'm not. I'm just asking --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I'm not gonna teach a class to you tonight.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I would love to have a class tonight.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I said I'd offer to do that to you tomorrow -- for you tomorrow, but not tonight.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I vote nay.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: The last item for today.

MS. ABATA: No, excuse me. Sorry. We have to move to then vote on the item that's been amended.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Oh, okay. So the budget transfers being proposed tonight as amended, are focused on funding the actions included in the personnel resolution. This Exhibit A shows the account codes where the funding is coming from and where the funding will go. In summary, the exhibit shows a total of \$804,136.08 in transfers. The document does not include the use of contingency or appropriations of fund balances in the general fund. The document moves operational savings, including filling budgeted vacant exempt positions, eliminating exempt raises in 2022, capitalizing certain operating expenses, bringing more work in-house among others. It is meant to follow the account coding system showed in the adopted budget, and will follow previous -- and follow previously passed appropriation resolutions. Please note that savings -- that due to savings already being the correct budgeted location they are not included in the exhibit. So I offer the resolution and I move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No, because I have no idea what this is about.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Wait, are you voting on No. 20 again?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: I'm sorry. Is this No. 20?

MS. ABATA: No, the resolution to amend item No. 20 --

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I only amended that one line.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Okay.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: That's 15. And now we're voting on the entire document.

MS. ABATA: Now there's a resolution to vote on item 20 as amended by Councilwoman Lurvey.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: The whole amended document.

MS. ABATA: Yes.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Yes. All the transfers. All the transfers that will allow for all of the personnel changes that are on the employee reso, including your personnel.

COUNCILMAN WALSH: No.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I still don't understand the changes or see them, and nobody wants to explain them to me, so I can't vote yes. Nay.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I know that my staff is willing to wait two more weeks before getting their first paycheck. So I would rather vote no and get a -- have a better understanding of why the Town Board is changing the budget.

Councilperson Lurvey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 19 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY TRANSFERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously adopted the Budget for the Town of North Hempstead for the fiscal year 2022; and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that budgetary transfers be made from budget lines where appropriations are available to budget lines where funds are required for fiscal year 2022; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to approve the requested budgetary transfers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to make budgetary transfers, set forth in the reports annexed hereto as Exhibit A, from budget lines where appropriations are available to budget lines where funds are required.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Zuckerman

Nays: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Walsh, Supervisor DeSena

cc: Town Attorney Comptroller

TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD											
2022 Budgetary Transfers											
01/06/2022											
Fund	Category	Division	Department	GL Account	Adopted Budget	Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	YTD Transactions	Budget-YTD Transactions	Adjustment Needed	Account
A	Expense	03	1315	4429	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ 4,675.00	A.02.6310.1000
A	Expense	03	1315	4429	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ 130.07	A.04.9050.8050
A	Expense	03	1315	4429	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ 23,628.53	A.04.9040.8040
A	Expense	03	1315	4429	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ 26,880.17	A.04.9030.8030
A	Expense	03	1315	4429	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ -	\$ 206,100.00	\$ 29,686.24	A.04.9010.8010
A	Expense	04	9060	8061	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ 45,491.52	A.04.9010.8010
A	Expense	04	9060	8061	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ 44,021.00	A.01.1620.1000
A	Expense	04	9060	8061	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ -	\$ 6,366,830.00	\$ 57,345.69	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	07	1490	1000	\$ 305,948.00	\$ -	\$ 305,948.00	\$ -	\$ 305,948.00	\$ 36,750.00	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	03	1315	1000	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ -	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ -	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ 131,746.50	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	09	1330	1000	\$ 1,089,332.00	\$ -	\$ 1,089,332.00	\$ -	\$ 1,089,332.00	\$ 84,499.00	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	07	1440	4429	\$ 110,000.00	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	11	1470	4429	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	12	1010	1200	\$ 44,000.00	\$ -	\$ 44,000.00	\$ -	\$ 44,000.00	\$ 29,333.33	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	15	1481	1000	\$ 382,547.00	\$ -	\$ 382,547.00	\$ -	\$ 382,547.00	\$ 20,876.48	A.12.1010.1000
A	Expense	03	1315	1000	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ -	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ -	\$ 1,024,659.00	\$ 28,650.26	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	02	6310	1000	\$ 261,676.00	\$ -	\$ 261,676.00	\$ -	\$ 261,676.00	\$ 4,052.48	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	04	1310	1000	\$ 370,412.00	\$ -	\$ 370,412.00	\$ -	\$ 370,412.00	\$ 4,201.68	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	05	7141	1000	\$ 718,181.00	\$ -	\$ 718,181.00	\$ -	\$ 718,181.00	\$ 2,038.00	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	06	3010	1000	\$ 283,524.00	\$ -	\$ 283,524.00	\$ -	\$ 283,524.00	\$ 4,462.34	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	08	8161	1000	\$ 493,546.00	\$ -	\$ 493,546.00	\$ -	\$ 493,546.00	\$ 6,506.20	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	11	1420	1000	\$ 941,925.00	\$ -	\$ 941,925.00	\$ -	\$ 941,925.00	\$ 18,456.77	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	12	1010	1000	\$ 653,986.00	\$ -	\$ 653,986.00	\$ -	\$ 653,986.00	\$ 7,058.54	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	27	1680	1000	\$ 834,116.00	\$ -	\$ 834,116.00	\$ -	\$ 834,116.00	\$ 5,039.66	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	30	1480	1000	\$ 315,063.00	\$ -	\$ 315,063.00	\$ -	\$ 315,063.00	\$ 6,177.70	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	34	6773	1000	\$ 760,232.00	\$ -	\$ 760,232.00	\$ -	\$ 760,232.00	\$ 2,021.94	A.05.7020.1000
A	Expense	05	7141	1000	\$ 718,181.00	\$ -	\$ 718,181.00	\$ -	\$ 718,181.00	\$ 93,407.00	A.34.6773.1000

MS. SRIVASTAVA: The last item for today. "A resolution approving the Protection Engine Company 1, Port Washington, New York, in removing from membership Erik Sanchez.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I offer the resolution and move for its adoption.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye. And before we conclude, I want to read my resolution that was not allowed to be voted on tonight. But it's important because tonight we have a snow storm coming and our Highway Superintendent Harry Weed has been working all week preparing for it. He was out --

Councilperson Dalimonte offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which resolution was declared adopted after a poll of the members of this Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 2022

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACTION OF THE PROTECTION ENGINE COMPANY 1, PORT WASHINGTON, NEW YORK IN REMOVING FROM MEMBERSHIP ERIK SANCHEZ.

WHEREAS, the Protection Engine Company 1, 14 S. Washington Street, Port Washington, New York, 11050 has advised of removing Erik Sanchez from membership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the action of the Protection Engine Company 1, 14 S. Washington Street, Port Washington, New York, 11050 in removing Erik Sanchez, be and the same hereby is approved and the Town Clerk directed to record the names in the Minutes of the Town Board.

Dated: Manhasset, New York

January 6, 2022

The vote on the foregoing resolution was recorded as follows:

Ayes: Councilperson Adhami, Councilperson Dalimonte, Councilperson Lurvey, Councilperson Troiano, Councilperson Walsh, Councilperson Zuckerman, Supervisor DeSena

Nays:

cc: Protection Engine Company 1 Town Attorney Comptroller

MS. ABATA: Supervisor, I'm sorry, just to interrupt. I just want to be clear, the item that you're going to read now, is not on the agenda --

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Yes.

MS. ABATA: -- and it's not available to be voted on.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Correct. I just want to read it. I want to thank Harry Weed for having us prepared for the storm that's coming tomorrow morning. Normally, we would be reappointing the Highway Superintendent at our first meeting. And this was an agenda item on the agenda earlier in the week, but then it disappeared off of the agenda. So I wanted to move to appoint Harry Weed as the Superintendent. And I will be moving for this at the next meeting.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: If I can just, since the Supervisor's offered a comment, I'd like to offer another comment on top of that. Which is that no one should think that as a snow storm is coming our way, that the Town will not have the benefit of a Superintendent of Highways. In fact, Mr. Weed, there is no need to vote on him tonight, because he is what is known as a holdover. Which means that he is --stays in his role and his appointment until the Town Board has a unity, all seven members of the Town Board decide that he no -- that his services are no longer needed. So Mr. Weed continues to be the Highway Superintendent, without benefit of Supervisor DeSena's motion. If I could just, before we close, offer of my own motion and move for its adoption, that we all recognize and perhaps give her a proclamation, her being Rachel Brinn for voluntarily stepping up and cleaning the mic after every speaker. So if we can't do that, let's give her a round of applause. And that's not even your job description.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: And just so you know, she's petrified. Petrified of COVID.

MS. BRINN: I thought my blushing days were over with you guys.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Thank you, Rachel.

MS. BRINN: You're welcome.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And I guess, it's goodnight ?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: No, we have to adjourn. But before, I would just -- I wanted to say this in the beginning, so I'm so sorry there was just so many public comments. I'd just like to take a moment and welcome Supervisor DeSena, Councilman David Adhami, sorry. Councilman Dennis Walsh, easy name out of all of you, and Town Clerk, I'm just going to call you Madam Clerk. Happy New Year.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Wait a minute, why does everybody forget me?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Oh, shoot, I forgot you. You talk too much that's why. Councilman Robert Troiano. And also welcome to the Town Board. I do look forward to working with all of you on behalf of the residents of the Town of North Hempstead. And I do think we will make a good team. Just get through some bumps and we will make a very good team. And I think Jen, you have -- you will unite us. And I will unite us and we will all be working together as a team because together, everyone achieves more when you work as a team. And I know we will.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So I also want to congratulate Supervisor DeSena on your first

meeting. It wasn't any easy one. We had to, you know, had to put some curve balls on there for you. But I know you personally and I know that you know the bipartisanship isn't just a catchphrase, it means working together through the difficulties for the good of our residents. And I know that together this Town Board will be able to do that. We will just remain focused on collaborating to move the Town forward, colab with initiatives and the substantive good that our Town residents demand.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: I also would like to echo those sentiments. That I would like to welcome Supervisor DeSena to the North Hempstead family, and we look forward to working with you. Also, our new Town Clerk, Ragini, we look forward to working with you.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Dennis, we absolutely look forward to working with you, and David, same thing, absolutely. And my friend over here, who's going to be yelling at me for the next two weeks probably. But we all look forward to working with you. And I think this will be a, as Mariann said, a family that will do the right things for the Town of North Hempstead and the people and the residents here. So thank you very much.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And if I can offer my own greetings although I am the forgotten one on the end. You know, this is, as many of you know, is my second go-around in the Town Council. And I served previously from 2004 to the end of 2009. And I want you-all to know that it was the most rewarding part of my professional career. And I sincerely wish that you David, you Jen, and you Dennis, that you come away feeling that this is the most rewarding professional experience in your lives as well. And that you have great good luck and fortune and do well by the residents of the Town of North Hempstead.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Thank you.

MR. SHRIEN: So are you-all going to sit together?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: We're sitting together right here.

MR. SHRIEN: I hear a lot of coming together, let's talk about it right now. Are you going to sit together?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I'll vote aye on that.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Have you seen the office I've sat in the for the last three years? It's smaller than half the offices or most of the offices.

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: Wait, wait. We have to adjourn.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Supervisor has to make a motion.

MR. SHRIEN: Answer the question. Councilman, you've been talking about coming together --

MS. ABATA: No, excuse me, sir. If you want to make a comment, you have to come up to the microphone.

MR. SHRIEN: Andrew Shrien (phonetic) 26 Knickerbocker Road, Manhasset. Beautiful. I heard what you said. I've stayed here the entire meeting. Are you-all going to sit together? Councilman?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I believe that this meeting is over.

MR. SHRIEN: No, it hasn't been adjourned.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No, it hasn't been adjourned.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Public session is open?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: No, it has not been adjourned. No. And we can't open the public session again.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I'm sorry, there is -- Supervisor DeSena --

MR. SHRIEN: Councilman, I heard what you said. Do you want everyone to sit together?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Supervisor DeSena, I believe there is a --

MR. SHRIEN: I don't have to be as political, I'm a resident.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: There's a protocol --

MR. SHRIEN: So I want to know the answer.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: There is a protocol on how meetings are handled. There isn't a protocol -- does not provide --

MR. SHRIEN: You have been demeaning to the Supervisor the entire night. She can handle the meeting, sir. She can handle the meeting.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: I know that

MR. SHRIEN: You've been speaking down to her the entire evening, sir.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Mr. Shrien, I think working together is much more than being in an office next to each other.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I would agree.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: I think a lot more goes into it. I sat separate from the Supervisor and I worked very, very well with her. I sit separately from Communications, I work very, very well with them. So I think the whole office space is red herring to the work that we needed to do.

MR. SHRIEN: As your side says --

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Can I make a motion to adjourn?

MR. SHRIEN: As your side says -- they haven't told me my time's up. Did you have a comment on that, sir?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: I think it's a simple question.

MR. SHRIEN: Do you have a comment on that, sir?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You know, all of us experienced the pandemic and being --

MR. SHRIEN: It's a yes or no question, sir.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I don't give yes or no answers, I think it's more complex than that.

MR. SHRIEN: Well, we've all heard from you tonight.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: And I think if you really want an answer, that's a really

meaningful answer --

MR. SHRIEN: I'm just commenting because I heard all of you say these beautiful things. But everyone in this room and everyone online heard you bickering the entire evening. We talked about a the budget. Would the budget have changed if Mr. Wink had won the election?

MR. O'DONALD: Can I answer the question that you asked?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Sure.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: And we also passed what, 15 out of 20 or 14 out of 19 unanimously.

MR. SHRIEN: I understand.

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: So there has been work done here tonight.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I'd like to say we all learned how to work from home during the pandemic. And Town Board meetings where they didn't come into this building, they worked, they voted, they had meetings and all online. And you know what, Town government functioned well without being in close proximity then. So I don't know why people can't adapt and work in this current environment.

MR. SHRIEN: Why can't they go back to the way it was for 50 years?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: This is a red herring, sir, and you're here for political reasons you know it and I know it. And I think it's time for a motion to adjourn.

MR. SHRIEN: And you do owe an apology to the Town Clerk, sir, for what you said at the beginning of the meeting. Everyone noticed.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: What did I say?

MR. SHRIEN: I think everyone noticed.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: But it's true. I didn't say anything demeaning about her.

MR. SHRIEN: Well, everyone in the room was very taken aback by what you said. I think you the Town Clerk an apology.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: I think maybe you -- I think you were falsely taken aback but if I --

MR. SHRIEN: There were 30 of us in the back of the room.

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: You know what, I'll take you up on that. If I offended you, I do apologize, Town Clerk. I didn't mean -- that was not my intent at all.

MR. SHRIEN: Thank you for saying that.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Okay. Move to adjourn.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Troiano?

COUNCILMAN TROIANO: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Zuckerman?

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Walsh?

COUNCILMAN WALSH: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilwoman Lurvey?

COUNCILWOMAN LURVEY: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Councilman Adhami?

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Aye.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Councilwoman Dalimonte?

COUNCILWOMAN DALIMONTE: I just want to know if you used any of the cough drops I gave you for tonight? Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you. Supervisor DeSena?

SUPERVISOR DESENA: Aye.

MS. SRIVASTAVA: Thank you.

SUPERVISOR DESENA: And thank you very much for coming. It's good to see you.

COUNCILMAN ADHAMI: Thank you very much, everyone.

(At 9:30 p.m., the proceedings were concluded.)



Town Clerk