

## MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ISLAND PARK BOARD OF TRUSTEES

127 Long Beach Road Island Park, New York

September 15, 2016 7:10 p.m.

## BOARD MEMBERS:

MICHAEL McGINTY, Mayor

JOSEPH M. ANNARELLA, Deputy Mayor

MATTHEW PACCIONE, Trustee (Absent)

IRENE P. NAUDUS, Trustee

BARBARA VOLPE-RIED, Trustee

CONNIE CONROY, Village Clerk

ANTHONY W. CORNACHO, ESQ., Village Attorney (Absent)



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- 2 (Following recitation of the Pledge of
- 3 Allegiance, the meeting was called to order.)
- 4 MAYOR McGINTY: The format of
- 5 tonight's meeting is as follows: We will go
- 6 through commissioner reports. And if the police
- 7 officer joins us, we will stop for that and
- 8 after that we are going to ask the arborist to
- 9 talk about trees. Madam Clerk, would you read
- 10 the roll?
- MS. CONROY: Trustee Barbara
- 12 Volpe-Ried.
- TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: Present.
- MS. CONROY: Trustee Matthew Paccione.
- MAYOR McGINTY: Excused on Village
- 16 business.
- MS. CONROY: Irene Naudus.
- 18 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Present.
- 19 MS. CONROY: Deputy Mayor Joseph
- 20 Annarella.
- TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: Here.
- MS. CONROY: Village attorney Anthony
- 23 Cornacho.
- MAYOR McGINTY: He's ill.
- MS. CONROY: Mayor Michael McGinty.



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2	MAYOR McGINTY: Yes, ma'am. Trustee
3	Volpe-Ried, would you start off with the Beach
4	and Recreation report?
5	TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: Masone Beach
6	remains open to the public on weekdays and
7	weekends from 9 a.m. to sunset, weather
8	permitting. We would like to thank the
9	residents of Island Park for yet another
10	fantastic season at Masone Beach. Masone Beach
11	is one of the staples of the community that
12	brings families and friends together to enjoy
13	the few months of relaxation and entertainment,
14	and this being our 90th anniversary years as an
15	incorporated village was a very important one
16	for all of us.
17	We hope that you had an enjoyable
18	three months of concerts, movie nights and
L9	crafts nights. Masone Beach would not be what
20	it is without our great residents, and on behalf
21	of Mayor McGinty, the Board of Trustees, our
22	Village Clerk, the Department of Public Works
23	and the Village Hall staff, we want to thank you

25 Any questions about sponsorships

for a great summer season.



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- 2 please call Village Hall and ask to leave a
- 3 message for me, Trustee Barbara Volpe-Ried.
- 4 MAYOR McGINTY: Thank you, Trustee
- 5 Volpe-Ried. Let me say that this season was a
- 6 fantastic season. I caught your staff working
- 7 every time I was on the beach and I was there
- 8 all the time. They were terrific. It was a
- 9 great pleasure to be around. Thank you.
- Trustee Annarella, would you read
- 11 Trustee Paccione's report, please?
- 12 TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: Nassau County
- 13 Police Department. Three arrests, twenty-one
- 14 moving violations given out. Six for parking.
- 15 Responded to twenty-seven aided cases and two
- 16 robberies.
- 17 Island Park Fire Department responded
- 18 to sixty-nine calls. Two of them were house
- 19 fires, seven were automatic alarms. Forty
- 20 rescues, three were auto accidents. Four for
- 21 interior odor, two were CO2 detectors. Two for
- 22 ambulance, one for an engine. There was six
- 23 other mutual aid for rescues and one for unknown
- 24 type fire. Total of sixty-nine.
- 25 Code Enforcement report. There were



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- 2 thirty-five no parking permits issued.
- 3 Forty-five for expired meters. Thirty for out
- 4 of stall. Twenty-six backed into stall. One by
- 5 a fire hydrant five. No commercial parking,
- 6 five. Fourteen for bus stop parking.
- 7 Restricted parking was twenty. Blocked driveway
- 8 was two. Parked on the sidewalk was one.
- 9 Alternate parking was ninety. Parked in a bus
- 10 stop was two. Left to curb was one.
- 11 Hours of garbage collection one
- 12 issued. Deposits on streets or sidewalks was
- one. Unlicensed landscaper there was one.
- 14 Rubbish or rubble accumulation, there were two.
- 15 Place or scattered garbage or leaves on public
- 16 property was one. Expired inspection, there
- 17 were thirty six. Expired registration, there
- 18 were thirty-three. Improper plates, there was
- 19 one. No front plates, there was one. Two for
- 20 hours of collection for the garbage, for a total
- 21 of three hundred eighty tickets issued.
- 22 MAYOR McGINTY: Trustee Naudus.
- 23 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Building permits
- 24 issued to the following addresses for Superstorm
- 25 Sandy related repairs: 102 Parma Road. 181



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- 2 Quebec Road, 153 Radcliffe Road, 40 Redfield.
- 3 166 Suffolk Road.
- 4 The following building permits were
- 5 issued in August: Six Blackstone Walk.
- 6 Demolition of single family home and two outdoor
- 7 sheds. 26 Julian Place, elevation of existing
- 8 home. 20 Kildare Road, house raised four feet
- 9 to FEMA requirements. 21 Kildare Road, existing
- 10 two family dwelling, interior renovation of
- 11 house, floors, electric, plumbing. 27 Lancaster
- 12 Road, redo walkway and stop in front of house.
- 13 4 Newport Road, direct replacement of garage
- 14 Sheetrock. 11 Norfork Walk, maintain existing
- 15 apartment and relocate to the basement. 102
- 16 Parma Road, secoond floor bathroom, shower, sink
- 17 toilet and electric. 41 Quebec Road brick work
- 18 sidewall. 40 Redfield Road direct replacement
- 19 of concrete and 166 Suffolk Road, thirty by
- 20 twelve concrete patio on left side of yard,
- 21 eight inches high. 86 Waterford Road, two
- 22 hundred fifty gallon hot tub. 155 Waterford
- 23 Road, elevation of existing home. 80 Warwick
- 24 Road direct replacement of concrete walkway and
- 25 driveway.



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- 2 Certificate of Occupancy issued to 99
- 3 Nassau Lane. Certificates of Completion were
- 4 issued to 34 Julian, 47 Kildare, 530 Long Beach
- 5 Road, 2 Marina, 31 Parma Road, 79 Quebec Road,
- 6 98 Quebec Road, 163 Radcliffe, 86 Waterford
- 7 Road.
- 8 And ZBA conferences for the month of
- 9 August, Case 14.16 Sheehan, 35 Deal Road.
- 10 Variance for insufficient front yard and
- 11 exceeding allowable lot coverage.
- 12 15.16, Gimmi, 6 Blackstone Road,
- 13 island Park. Variande to construct dwelling on
- 14 insufficient lot and insufficient front yard.
- 16.16, Stavola and Guma, 66 Newport
- 16 Road, Island Park. Variance to exceed lot
- 17 coverage, insufficient rear yard setback and
- 18 insufficient front yard setback.
- 19 17.16, 104 Belmont, LLC, 72 Quebec
- 20 Road, Island Park. Variance to exceed permitted
- 21 ridge height requirements, insufficient rear
- 22 yard set back, insufficient front yard setback.
- 23 Respectfully submitted.
- 24 TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: Public Works
- 25 report. The following was collected in August:



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  2 two hundred eighty point sixty two tons of
- 3 municipal waste. Ten point ninety-five tons of
- 4 mixed glass. All street lights and meters
- 5 reported not working are repaired or have been
- 6 repaired. All Village owned property is being
- 7 maintained.
- 8 The DPW is still assisting with the
- 9 drain clean out and videotaping. We are
- 10 starting with winterizing of Masone Beach and
- 11 putting up the storm fence. Splash park will be
- 12 shut down at the end of the month. We started a
- 13 7 a.m. clean up crew couple of months ago on
- 14 Long Beach Road. They go down Long Beach Road
- 15 to Village Hall, around the train station on a
- 16 daily basis picking street and sidewalk garbage.
- 17 This is going to keep going on and continue
- 18 until I feel we should stop. Right now it's a
- 19 good program and we are going to keep it going.
- We put up two stop signs on Warwick
- 21 Road and Quebec Road. You will see the sweeper
- 22 out a couple of times a week to keep the debris
- 23 from going down the drains. At the DPW garage
- 24 area we took away twenty-nine thousand one
- 25 hundred pounds of scrap metal. Next we are



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- 2 going to work on a pile of concrete and a pile
- 3 of old tires. The pile of mattresses, they will
- 4 be gone this Friday. We will start preparations
- 5 for the upcoming winter. It's never too early
- 6 to start checking out your plows, sanders, and
- 7 sump pumps.
- I would like to thank Trustee
- 9 Volpe-Ried and the staff at the beach on the
- 10 outstanding job they did this summer with the
- 11 movies, rec progam, fireworks, sip and paint I
- 12 think was a wonderful program. I think it's a
- 13 very good thing we offered to the public. They
- 14 really embraced it.
- 15 MAYOR McGINTY: You forgot yoga on the
- 16 beach. You did so well with that yoga yourself.
- 17 Thank you.
- 18 MAYOR McGINTY: On Sunday, September
- 19 11th, the Board of Trustees, Councilman
- 20 D'Esposito and fire department and neighbors
- 21 were at the triangle located at Parma Road and
- 22 Long Beach Road, which will be the site of the
- 23 future memorial for our -- well, the Twin Tower
- 24 disaster. We have procured a beautiful piece of
- 25 steel. The piece of steel came to us from the



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- 2 Port Authority. The entire monument process is
- 3 being made possible from design to completion
- 4 from various donations -- and plantings, through
- 5 the good offices of various donations. No
- 6 taxpayer dollars are involved. When we get this
- 7 job done, of course, we will have a big to-do,
- 8 to put it mildly, and we will also thank all our
- 9 generous donors.
- 10 You know, of course, that our drainage
- 11 project moves along. We have completed the
- 12 drains, the lateral drains and drain boxes
- 13 throughout the Village right now we are just
- 14 finishing up odds and ends at station plaza and
- 15 Long Beach Road. Parenthetically where we clean
- 16 the county drains, we will be seeking
- 17 reimbursement from the county for Warwick Road
- 18 and Long Beach Road.
- 19 We petitioned Homeland Security and
- 20 FEMA to let us replace tidal flex valves now, at
- 21 least a couple, to see, as part of the study,
- 22 and they decided to wait on that. Right now
- 23 Walden Engineering, our consultant, is working
- 24 on its modeling for the continuation of our
- 25 drainage project.



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- On Saturday I'm going to be reading to
- 3 children at the Island Park Library. It should
- 4 be, frankly, it should be a lot of fun. We
- 5 continue with our extended business hours. We
- 6 are open every Tuesday from eight a.m. to six
- 7 p.m. and select Saturday mornings from nine to
- 8 twelve. This Saturday the office will be open
- 9 from nine to twelve. I'll be meeting with --
- 10 I'll be here on start specifically to meet
- 11 residents and neighbors on Saturday, September
- 12 24th, nine to twelve.
- Before I turn the meeting over to our
- 14 arborist, I would like to take a moment to wish
- 15 Mr. and Mrs. Scully a happy 60th wedding
- 16 anniversary. (Applause)
- 17 Respectfully submitted. Sir, would
- 18 you make your presentation?
- MR. COLGAN: You guys invited me here.
- 20 Peter Colgan, Colgan Tree and Landscape. We
- 21 were asked to complete a report on all the
- 22 street trees in Island Park based on Hurricane
- 23 Sandy damage which consisted of the tide
- 24 bringing in brackish water and desiccates the
- 25 trees, picking up fuel oil and the trees



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- 2 absorbed that up. Unfortunately, the report
- 3 consisted of light to medium to heavy to
- 4 hazardous tree removals.
- 5 We presented the report to the
- 6 Village. I'm sure it's public knowledge. I
- 7 think you are going to go ahead with the project
- 8 in the next couple of weeks.
- 9 MAYOR McGINTY: We started.
- MR. COLGAN: If anybody has any
- 11 questions on why we had to do it.
- MR. ALMODOVAR: Louis
- 13 A-L-M-O-D-O-V-A-R, 56 Brighton Road. Is there a
- 14 specific report for each tree that was tested?
- MR. COLGAN: Each tree got located
- 16 with GPS coordinates. The name and species of
- 17 the tree, the diameter of the tree, the height
- 18 of the tree and the reason for it to either be
- 19 removed or if we maintained the tree that was
- 20 based on a responsibility for the Town. I don't
- 21 think put on the homeowner. I believe they're
- 22 doing all removals because FEMA pays for the
- 23 removals.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: Is there a matrix for
- 25 each tree?



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- 2 MR. COLGAN: There is a report for
- 3 each tree. I don't know if you are doing
- 4 in-house monitoring or if there is an outside
- 5 firm monitoring it. There should be someone on
- 6 site at all times to make sure it's being done
- 7 properly. We're doing it in East Rockaway.
- 8 We're doing tree plantings for them. I don't
- 9 want to remove the trees.
- 10 MAYOR McGINTY: Please name and
- 11 address for the record. One speaker at a time.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: Was it a visual test?
- MR. COLGAN: It was a visual test with
- 14 me and my staff arborist, who is one of the head
- 15 arborists for the State of Massachusetts, Todd
- 16 Gildersleeve. He came down and we have two
- 17 people on site at all times.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: On my block I have
- 19 pictures of the stumps. There is no sign --
- MR. COLGAN: It depends on what you're
- 21 looking at. The color of the leaf, not proper
- 22 growth. There are a ton of things to look at.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: I can show you a
- 24 picture of my the front of my house, 56 Brighton
- 25 Road. (Showing photo on cell phone)



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- MR. COLGAN: That's an oak tree. The
- 3 reason why that is being removed is because of
- 4 salt water desiccation. I'm sure at the bottom
- 5 of the tree there are bark fissures or not
- 6 enough leaf growth at the top, excessive amount
- 7 of dead wood. We have it marked here as to be
- 8 removed. It takes time for salt desiccation to
- 9 take effect. If you don't nip it in the bud now
- 10 the taxpayers will be responsible for it down
- 11 the road.
- This tree is going to be gone in a few
- 13 years. It may take time, it may take two years,
- 14 but it's going to die. I've been an arborist
- 15 for many years. When we look at a tree we try
- 16 to take into account the public safety.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: Between Julian Road
- 18 and Brighton Road traveling north, every tree
- 19 from that point on my block you deemed is dead.
- 20 Every tree was dead. They're all gone.
- MR. COLGAN: I believe that. We
- 22 looked at every single tree. I did this report
- 23 four months ago. Everything is in the book.
- MS. GARTHWAITE: Mary
- 25 G-A-R-T-H-W-A-I-T-E, 66 Sagamore. I looked at



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- 2 the book and I was shocked that you took
- 3 photographs of most of the trees before they had
- 4 leaves on them. The tree in front of my house
- 5 in the book was totally devoid of leaves. That
- 6 is not the way it looks now. How can you tell?
- 7 MR. COLGAN: You can tell from the
- 8 regular branch growth, the nodules on the tree.
- 9 There are a whole bunch of different ways, if
- 10 you know what you are looking at. We trim trees
- 11 all year round. You can tell the branch is
- 12 dead. There are no buds on the ends of the
- 13 branches. Excessive sucker growth. It is what
- 14 it is. We looked, both of us looked at every
- 15 single tree and we both came up with the same
- 16 opinions.
- MS. NICHOLAS: Gail Nicholas, 37
- 18 Hastings Road. You say you just looked at the
- 19 tree and you determined from that. Even if
- 20 every growth for tree, some of these trees are
- 21 twenty years old, don't they all get some
- 22 branches that die and need to be trimmed off and
- 23 not due to salt water. These trees have been
- 24 around.
- MR. COLGAN: Absolutely. Being the



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- 2 fact that Hurricane Sandy came in and the salt
- 3 water sat for an excessive amount of time and
- 4 was absorbed by the tree, you can visually, if
- 5 you know what you are looking at. I've been
- 6 doing it for over thirty-two years. My buddy
- 7 has been doing it for forty years. We have seen
- 8 this happen many times before.
- 9 MS. NICHOLAS: Can't you test the
- 10 soil?
- 11 MR. COLGAN: That is a big expense to
- 12 have the soil tested.
- MS. NICHOLAS: On some of the big ger
- 14 trees wouldn't it have made sense to go a little
- 15 further rather than looking at the tree in the
- 16 winter and saying it has to go. All the trees,
- 17 it's just like, let's just cut them down.
- MR. COLGAN: We gave a report based on
- 19 our experience and knowledge. That is why we
- 20 have two arborists on site at all times.
- MS. NICHOLAS: If you have an arborist
- 22 that you have working with you for forty years
- 23 maybe you should have hired someone else that
- 24 has a different opinion. We got a letter saying
- 25 that within the next thirty days your trees are



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- 2 being cut down.
- MR. COLGAN: It's like asking your
- 4 doctor his opinion on certain things. My buddy
- 5 is the state arborist from Massachusetts.
- 6 MS. NICHOLAS: It seems like it just
- 7 happened very fast and the trees were being cut
- 8 down. People would come home from work and like
- 9 the whole black was just --
- MR. COLGAN: That has nothing to do
- 11 with me. If you want to call me I will come to
- 12 your house and look at it. I'm here to answer
- 13 questions about a report that we did. I did it
- 14 in good faith with another arborist. We got
- 15 paid to do a report. It's not my responsibility
- 16 to notify you about the trees to be removed.
- 17 They asked me to do a job and I did it.
- 18 MAYOR McGINTY: Next please. Name and
- 19 address for the record.
- MS. SCULLY: Roberta Scully, 60
- 21 Suffolk Road, Island Park. When I got the
- 22 letter I went into Village Hall and spoke to the
- 23 Village Clerk, Connie, who was very helpful.
- 24 There was a tree smack in the middle of my
- 25 property, which is my tree, that I have have



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- 2 been babying since Sandy, hoping it would make
- 3 it. And it did. There is a tree maybe twelve
- 4 feet away in front of the house next door to me
- 5 that is sick. You can see that it's sick.
- 6 So, when Connie and I, I think she can
- 7 verify this, looked at the report, it had the
- 8 tree next door to me that was sick scheduled for
- 9 monitoring, and it has mine to come down. My
- 10 tree does have a couple of branches on it that
- 11 are broken. However, that happens every year
- when the garbage trucks that are very high go by
- 13 and break the limbs, and I've asked the garbage
- 14 men, they try to accommodate but sometimes they
- 15 forget. But the tree to me is healthy.
- I asked them to spare the tree. The
- 17 Mayor said he would spare the tree but it would
- 18 come under review and might possibly have to be
- 19 taken down, so I have to live with that because
- 20 these guys are running the show.
- The question that I have, I looked at
- 22 all of the trees that were cut down. I looked
- 23 at every single trunk. I saw one that was black
- 24 and hollow. Out of the twenty-six trees that
- 25 were taken down on Radcliffe Road, I didn't look



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- 2 at all of them on Lancaster Road. Today I
- 3 couldn't look at more on Brighton Road. There
- 4 was a huge oak tree that was a canopy, a
- 5 beautiful tree that they just chopped down.
- 6 There is a beautiful tree in front of 44 Suffolk
- 7 Road the other side of the street, that they cut
- 8 down. The tree was magnificent, old, it made it
- 9 through.
- 10 When they cut it down I was looking at
- 11 the trunks. I saw them all. It looked to me
- 12 like they might have been shredding it and then
- 13 they were taking the topsoil that was churned up
- 14 when they were doing this work. The Village had
- 15 a truck, or one of those things that you lift up
- 16 and put the soil in into one of their trucks. I
- 17 approached the young man. I said, where is that
- 18 going, that fill. He said, in a yard. So I
- 19 said, the Village yard? He said no, it's going
- 20 to the yard in the Town of Hempstead.
- Couple of questions. Why is whatever
- 22 it is going to a yard in the Town of Hempstead?
- 23 Is it being sold? I just have these questions.
- 24 I'm a little curious.
- MR. COLGAN: I have no idea.



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- MS. SCULLY: Maybe that is a question
- 3 for our administration.
- 4 If a person requests that their tree,
- 5 like I did, should not be cut down, will it be
- 6 honored? It's so quick, it's been so quick that
- 7 people like Gail said, they come home and the
- 8 trees are gone. They didn't mark the trees,
- 9 they didn't tell us well, your tree is coming
- 10 down. It's just a letter, a blanket statement
- of wer're going to be cutting down trees within
- 12 the next thirty days. I don't think that is the
- 13 way to tell people.
- MR. COLGAN: I have no control over
- 15 that.
- MS. SCULLY: I have to talk to the
- 17 Board. One other thing, the Mayor told me that
- 18 FEMA approved this expenditure to have this all
- 19 done. However, he told me that the trees had as
- 20 many as five diseases. He named them. But,
- 21 from what I was told and maybe, I wasn't given
- 22 the right information, but I was told by someone
- 23 who is in the same field you are, that if there
- 24 is salt water intrusion, that is what FEMA was
- 25 having the trees taken down for, not any other



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- 2 diseases.
- 3 MR. COLGAN: Absolutely not. It's
- 4 like if we get an infection, the salt water
- 5 comes in and enhances the disease. It doesn't
- 6 matter if the tree has verticillium wilt or what
- 7 disease the tree has. Hurricane Sandy came in
- 8 and left that quantity of the water there and
- 9 that enhances the effects of the diseases. It
- 10 doesn't matter.
- The only way you can get rid of salt
- 12 water damage is consistently watering it and
- 13 putting nutrients back in the soil. Out of my
- 14 code of ethics, I cannot leave the tree, whether
- 15 it's salt water damage, whether it's
- 16 verticillium wilt, when I look at it, I'm here
- 17 to do a report based on the health of the trees.
- 18 Whether salt water damage enhanced it or salt
- 19 water damage created it.
- I have to let them know whether the
- 21 tree has to be removed or is a hazard. I can't
- 22 walk away and say that tree is a hazard in front
- 23 of your house and someone gets killed walking on
- 24 the sidewalk. It's stuff that I have done for
- 25 thirty-two years. It's a report.



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- 2 MAYOR McGINTY: Thank you, Ms. Scully.
- Next, please. Name and address for the record.
- 4 MS. ROTHMAN: Deborah Rothman, Island
- 5 Park Civic Association, Box 241, Island Park. I
- 6 haven't had a chance to look at the study, but I
- 7 do have a few questions. How many trees did you
- 8 look through?
- 9 MR. COLGAN: Five hundred eleven
- 10 trees. It's in the report.
- MR. ROTHMAN: How many for monitoring?
- MR. COLGAN: It should be in the first
- 13 couple of pages.
- 14 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: One thirty-one
- 15 monitoring, total removal two ninety-one.
- MAYOR McGINTY: While they're doing
- 17 that you should know that we have earmarked an
- 18 initial twenty-five thousand dollars to plant
- 19 mature trees; that is to say replacement trees
- 20 that average eight to ten feet in height. That
- 21 is approximately a planting of two hundred fifty
- 22 trees. And there is -- we will continue with
- 23 that part of the discussion later on.
- MS. ROTHMAN: How many trees were
- 25 looked at?



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- 2 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: It looks like total
- 3 trees five nineteen, total hazard ninety-seven,
- 4 total monitor a hundred thirty-one. Total
- 5 removal two ninety-one.
- 6 MR. ROTHMAN: Because when you sent
- 7 out the letter it just says a number of trees
- 8 were marked for removal. It didn't say
- 9 significant or majority. We did have a civic
- 10 meeting and the question came up how to
- ll determine. I think that people who were getting
- 12 the trees removed, there should have been two
- 13 letters going out.
- MAYOR McGINTY: There were two
- 15 letters. The first letter was the -- Madam
- 16 Clerk, the first letter was the generic letter;
- 17 is that correct?
- MS. CONROY: Distributed village-wide.
- MAYOR McGINTY: The second letter was
- 20 to individuals whose trees were being impacted.
- 21 Mrs. Scully indicated she didn't get that
- 22 letter. I will check on that.
- Mrs. Rothman, once again, a second
- 24 letter was sent out specific to an address.
- MS. ROTHMAN: Mayor McGinty, what was



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- 2 the time frame between the time the letter was
- 3 sent and the time the resident was supposed to
- 4 receive it?
- If you sent it out today and it came
- 6 today and you knocked down the tree I'm asking
- 7 what the time frame was.
- 8 MAYOR McGINTY: The window of the
- 9 letters going out was approximately seven or
- 10 nine days.
- MS. ROTHMAN: People should not have
- 12 been surprised that their tree was being cut
- 13 down?
- MAYOR McGINTY: I shouldn't think so.
- MS. BARTLEY: Lucy Bartley, 25 Norfolk
- 16 Road. Are those our trees or the Village's
- 17 trees?
- MAYOR McGINTY: They're Village trees.
- MS. BARTLEY: Where do we have the
- 20 right to say if a tree that looks beautiful --
- isn't he the professional? I think it's common
- 22 sense. I don't know. I might be wrong, but a
- 23 tree could be absolutely beautiful, but look at
- 24 all of our homes. If we lost our homes, how are
- 25 we not going to lose our trees at this point?



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- MS. HASSETT: Laura Hassett, 8 Norfolk
- 3 Road. Those are our trees. We're taxpayers.
- 4 Those are our garbage trucks.
- 5 MAYOR McGINTY: Hold it.
- 6 MS. BARTLEY: Don't look at me and
- 7 talk like that, okay, Laura.
- 8 MAYOR McGINTY: Ms. Hassett, before
- 9 you continue along those lines, let's not turn
- 10 that into -- there is no question that as
- 11 village taxpayers, there is no question about
- 12 that. I believe I know what I was trying to
- 13 impart. There is a big difference between a
- 14 tree on the outside curb and a tree within the
- 15 confines of the fenced in area on John Smith's
- 16 property. That is what I was trying to convey.
- 17 It was not an adversarial comment at all.
- 18 Please don't make it one.
- MS. HASSETT: I didn't. I was merely
- 20 responding to someone saying it wasn't our
- 21 trees. I have a question. What is the
- 22 difference between the definition of hazard and
- 23 removal?
- MR. COLGAN: If a tree is a hazard
- 25 that has to be done right away. Connie knew



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- 2 that information. We made it as clear as could
- 3 be. It's not an exact science in the tree
- 4 world. There are lots of ways that trees can
- 5 fall down. There are many reasons why trees
- 6 have to be removed. There's tripping hazards.
- 7 A lady got pinned in Great Neck. There was
- 8 nothing wrong with the tree. An arborist looked
- 9 at it the day before.
- When we assess the trees, what is the
- 11 target. What is it going to do, is it going to
- 12 hit your house or a car?
- MS. HASSETT: What defines removal?
- 14 Why does a tree get removed; is it deceased?
- MR. COLGAN: Like the Norway maple,
- 16 there's a ton of them in the area. They're
- 17 consistently falling. That verticillium wilt
- 18 creates a problem with the branch structure, the
- 19 softness of the wood. Every Norway maple I look
- 20 at is basically a removal. It's a hazardous
- 21 tree. They don't plant them any more. They
- 22 seemed invasive.
- MS. HASSETT: Hazard and removal, is
- 24 that combined?
- MR. COLGAN: Hazard should have been



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- 2 done first.
- 3 MS. HASSETT: Is hazard part of the
- 4 two-ninety one is my question.
- 5 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Yes, it was
- 6 ninety-seven total hazard. It's part of that
- 7 two ninety-one.
- MS. HASSETT: Our streets have been
- 9 flooding for my whole life. These trees have
- 10 been here long before us. Have they been
- 11 carrying disease all these years? Sandy was not
- 12 our first go-around.
- MR. COLGAN: Absolutely. It brought
- 14 in a lot of petroleum products. You had a lot
- of staining on the bottom of the tree,
- 16 discoloration of the bark, you had mushrooms
- 17 created in some of the root systems. I don't
- 18 cut the trees down. What does that get me? I
- 19 have ninety foot oak trees in my yard. I
- 20 maintain them. Every year I prune them and
- 21 fertilize them.
- If you guys had pine trees here, they
- 23 would have been gone two months after that
- 24 storm. Unfortunately, that you had mature
- 25 healthy trees that the root system stored



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- 2 nutrients and sugars so they were able to
- 3 maintain their health for a period of time. And
- 4 all of a sudden when the soil gets depleted of
- 5 all the nutrients, and you get oil and all the
- 6 crap that gets washed up from the brackish
- 7 water, they can't handle it.
- 8 Trees are like us, they're filled with
- 9 water. When you have seventy, eighty year old
- 10 oak trees, that is just just the way it is.
- MR. CARACCIOLO: James Caracciolo, 750
- 12 Guy Lombardo Avenue, Freeport. What does
- 13 monitoring mean in your report?
- MR. COLGAN: Monitoring means every
- 15 year or six months you should have an arborist
- 16 look at them.
- 17 MAYOR McGINTY: Mr. Caracciolo, you
- 18 have to wait until we handle the residents first
- 19 please. In the back.
- MR. DeMATTEO: Nick DeMatteo, 19
- 21 Redfield Road. I live on the corner of Redfield
- 22 and Waterford. All the trees are gone and down
- 23 except the two trees in front of my house. It
- 24 looks like the bark is sick. It's like a
- 25 different color.



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- 2 MR. COLGAN: If you live in Island
- 3 Park that means we looked at them. I looked at
- 4 five hundred nineteen trees. I have no problem
- 5 coming back one day to look at them free of
- 6 charge. I have no control over that.
- 7 MR. DeMATTEO: But the Board has
- 8 control over it.
- 9 MR. COLGAN: I didn't not look at the
- 10 trees, believe me.
- MR. DeMATTEO: There are trees along
- 12 Long Beach Road where one of the branches fell
- 13 and broke the guy's windshield. Couple of weeks
- 14 ago, a branch came down and the roof and
- 15 windshield got damaged. I told these people
- 16 months ago these trees have to come down. They
- 17 told me no, they're not coming down.
- You're telling me a different story.
- 19 They said they can't plant the new trees now
- 20 because they have to fix the road. That's
- 21 baloney.
- MR. COLGAN: If they are ripping up
- 23 roads and stuff like that --
- MR. DeMATTEO: They have to take down
- 25 the trees because they're going to rip up the



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- 2 roads.
- 3 MR. COLGAN: No.
- 4 MAYOR McGINTY: Thank you,
- 5 Mr. DeMatteo. Next, please.
- 6 MR. DeMATTEO: I'm not finished yet.
- 7 I want to know why my trees weren't cut down.
- 8 MAYOR McGINTY: We're working towards
- 9 that, sir.
- 10 MS. McENTEE: Janet McEntee, 90 Ostend
- 11 Road. Do trees ever recuperate?
- MR. COLGAN: Absolutely, they can.
- MS. McENTEE: Can you tell me what
- 14 would be a sign of them recuperating, new growth
- 15 on the bottom?
- MR. COLGAN: No, not on the bottom.
- 17 New growth up above the canopy on the top. When
- 18 the trees are stressed it shoots out a lot on
- 19 the bottom. That is not good. When you start
- 20 losing the canopy of the tree, and you start
- 21 getting a lot of the suckers, they don't do a
- 22 lot to maintain the health and root system of
- 23 the tree. They don't anchor well into the tree.
- 24 It creates a problem. They're little tiny buds
- 25 on the bark.



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- When the trees go into stress it sets
- 3 off an alarm and they sprout out. We prune them
- 4 all out. You want to keep the larger limbs on
- 5 the top of the limbs and canopy rather than the
- 6 smaller sucker growth that is taking away the
- 7 nutrients from the larger limbs.
- 8 MS. McENTEE: So if there is new
- 9 growth on the bottom, and you trim what is above
- 10 it, it won't automatically --
- 11 MR. COLGAN: It's like chopping your
- 12 head off. Trees are meant to grow with larger
- 13 limbs that support each other that support
- 14 photosynthesis and support the growth of the
- 15 roots.
- MS. McENTEE: So signs of recuperation
- 17 would be growth up above, would be more of an
- 18 example of what he said.
- MR. COLGAN: When I did the arborist
- 20 report I did it with Todd. We monitored every
- 21 single tree. It is done back in February.
- MS. McENTEE: It doesn't matter when
- 23 you monitor it? You don't think it matters?
- MR. COLGAN: We know exactly what we
- 25 are looking at. We come out with binoculars, we



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- 2 come out with scopes. I've been doing this for
- 3 thirty-two years. I know exactly what I'm
- 4 looking at.
- MS. McENTEE: Wouldn't you want to
- 6 give some trees the benefit of the doubt to see
- 7 how they do.
- 8 MR. COLGAN: I want to save every
- 9 tree. I do not want to cut any tree down.
- MS. McENTEE: Wouldn't you want to
- 11 give somebody the benefit of the doubt? The
- 12 ones that are obviously dead on Long Beach Road
- 13 with the bark falling off, with the limbs
- 14 falling down, we have been dealing with this for
- 15 four years.
- MAYOR McGINTY: Thank you,
- 17 Ms. McEntee.
- MS. MCENTEE: No, no, no.
- MAYOR McGINTY: Yes, yes.
- MR. BILLELO: Paul Billelo, 53
- 21 Waterford Road, Island Park. I have three trees
- 22 in front of my house. They were taken down and
- 23 I have a question about repairing the concrete.
- 24 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: You will have to
- 25 call Village Hall tomorrow and one of the people



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- 2 that work here will let you know. We are taking
- 3 all the complaints through Village Hall of
- 4 people that want to keep their trees.
- 5 MR. BILLILO: When they take out the
- 6 trees and the roots, it might damage the
- 7 concrete. Is that going to be repaired also?
- 8 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: No, just the removal
- 9 of the trees, but we haven't had any issues with
- 10 the trees taken down.
- MR. BILLILO: Some of the trees have
- 12 been here for a hundred years.
- MAYOR McGINTY: Please call village
- 14 hall in the morning and we will have the exact
- 15 location.
- 16 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: He wants to know.
- 17 MAYOR McGINTY: Any other questions.
- 18 Please, Ms. McEntee.
- 19 MS. McENTEE: No one understands what
- 20 you did to me. What did I do?
- 21 MAYOR McGINTY: Three minutes is
- 22 enough.
- MS. McENTEE: What do you mean three
- 24 minutes is enough?
- 25 MAYOR McGINTY: I'm not here to argue



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- 2 with you.
- MS. McENTEE: That is uncalled for.
- 4 You let other people speak longer.
- 5 MAYOR McGINTY: Anybody else, please?
- 6 THE FLOOR: You are being very rude.
- 7 MAYOR McGINTY: No, I'm not.
- 8 MS. McENTEE: Yes, you are.
- 9 MS. ROTHMAN: Going forward you said
- 10 you said you are going to be planting two
- 11 hundred fifty trees.
- 12 MAYOR McGINTY: That is the first
- 13 wave.
- MR. ROTHMAN: What can we do as a
- 15 community that is constantly being in water to
- 16 prevent.
- MR. COLGAN: I don't know who is doing
- 18 the tree planting. If you have a common company
- 19 you drill it hole into the ground, you put
- 20 compost into the ground. After the tree has
- 21 been planted put a water bag on it and maybe you
- 22 can monitor the trees yourself and put water
- 23 into the bags. There are tree varieties that we
- 24 recommend. We have a list of the trees that are
- 25 readily available that are more salt water



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- 2 tolerant.
- 3 MR. ROTHMAN: If we get advance notice
- 4 that is storm is coming, should we water heavily
- 5 before that or after it?
- 6 MR. COLGAN: After it. You don't want
- 7 to water it fast, you want to water it slow.
- 8 Make sure an arborist looks at it. When a tree
- 9 is young, it's important to take care of it the
- 10 right way. You have to make sure the roots are
- in a position, you don't want the roots to wrap
- 12 around the trunk of the tree creating girdling
- 13 root. You want to do it right.
- MS. PERRY: Barbara Perry, 131
- 15 Waterford Road here in the village. So we are
- 16 going to the new trees and are you an expert. A
- 17 tree gets put in hopefully properly. We're now
- 18 looking at and responsible for, correct me if
- 19 I'm wrong, taking care of this tree and making
- 20 sure it lives.
- I know they put in trees in Long Beach
- 22 and nobody said you have to keep watering them
- 23 and the trees died, and they did it in Hempstead
- 24 and nobody watered. We are in the middle of a
- 25 draught and they died.



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- So, a new tree is in. What step by
- 3 step do they need to do to make sure those trees
- 4 live?
- 5 MR. COLGAN: You make the contractor
- 6 responsible for two years of watering. We do it
- 7 all the time. We have a watering truck.
- 8 MS. PERRY: What do they do?
- 9 MR. COLGAN: You get a watering bag.
- 10 You make sure you fill the bag every week.
- 11 MS. PERRY: If they don't get a bag,
- 12 what do we do?
- MR. COLGAN: Water it.
- MS. PERRY: How much?
- MR. COLGAN: Depends on the type of
- 16 tree. But it should be watered every day or
- 17 every two days, depending on the weather.
- MS. PERRY: Fertilizing.
- 19 MR. COLGAN: Very mild fertilizer when
- 20 the tree is installed. It's planted with a
- 21 biofertilizer and compost.
- MS. PERRY: What about dressing, do
- 23 you back dress it once a year or twice a year?
- MR. COLGAN: If you want to mulch it
- 25 it helps maintain the moisture of the -- you



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- 2 don't want anything against the trunk. You want
- 3 two to three inches of mulch and keep the mulch
- 4 away from the trunk of the tree. Nothing goes
- 5 against the trunk. That's no good. It creates
- 6 heat, insects, it's a problem.
- 7 MAYOR McGINTY: Name and address,
- 8 please.
- 9 MS. NICHOLAS: Gail Nicholas, 37
- 10 Hastings Road. When you say "monitoring," does
- 11 that mean that you kind of like opt out and not
- 12 get your tree cut down this time, and like in
- 13 six months --
- MR. COLGAN: Monitoring means it's in
- 15 better condition than most of the other trees.
- MS. NICHOLAS: Do I have the choice to
- 17 opt out for the tree to go back on a monitoring
- 18 list if you feel your tree is healthy. That is
- 19 all I want to know.
- 20 MR. COLGAN: I would think that you
- 21 could do it. We did these reports based on
- 22 whether there was salt water damage. If there
- is a huge rotten part on the bottom, we say that
- 24 the tree should be removed. The fact of the
- 25 matter is the tree would probably die in the



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- 2 next couple of years. Guess what? Then you
- 3 guys are responsible for paying for it. Now
- 4 FEMA is going to pay for it.
- 5 MAYOR McGINTY: Ms. Nicholas and
- 6 anybody else, please keep in mind this is in
- 7 essence a public safety issue. Ms. Hasset.
- 8 MS. HASSETT: Laura Hassett, 8
- 9 Norfolk Road. If cement lifts and someone falls
- 10 who is liable, the Village or homeowner?
- 11 MAYOR McGINTY: I'll check with the
- 12 attorney. I don't know.
- MR. COLGAN: If the tree created the
- 14 problem and someone tripped and got hurt. If
- 15 you saw the tree and you wrote them a letter and
- 16 they knew about it, they would take care of it.
- 17 If you don't let them know and somebody falls --
- 18 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Are you talking
- 19 about if we take down a tree and the cement is
- 20 damaged?
- MS. HASSETT: I know as a child my
- 22 father would always call in someone to repair
- 23 the concrete if it cracked because he said if
- 24 someone falls, you are liable. If you take down
- 25 trees that are Village trees but it's in front



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- 2 of my home, and now it lift's my sidewalk and
- 3 someone trips, who is liable, the Village for
- 4 creating that lift or the homeowner?
- 5 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: I would have to
- 6 check because if we damage property removing the
- 7 trees, the Village would have to repair the
- 8 cement. If we actually take out a tree out and
- 9 concrete, no, it becomes the Village. This is
- 10 our project.
- MS. HASSETT: That gentleman said that
- is a problem. Roots grow. I've had roots grow
- 13 into like my parents' toilet.
- 14 MAYOR McGINTY: Just two more
- 15 questions, please.
- MS. SCULLY: I just want to verify
- 17 something. If the report said that my tree was
- 18 to come down and a sick tree was to be
- 19 monitored. Connie, do you recall that we looked
- 20 at that when we bought the pictures in? You
- 21 said to me it seemed like it was a mistake. Do
- 22 you recall.
- MS. CONROY: It does seem, according
- 24 to the photograph, that those two trees need to
- 25 be looked at, so they're both on the hold list



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- 2 for us to look at.
- 3 MS. SCULLY: The report said that my
- 4 tree was to come down and the sick tree was to
- 5 be monitored. Now the sick tree has to come
- 6 down.
- 7 MS. CONROY: I don't know that the
- 8 other tree is sick. I see a photograph with two
- 9 trees, one is to be removed and one is to
- 10 monitored.
- MR. COLGAN: If I could see you
- 12 tomorrow morning it could be a mistake. What
- 13 time do you get up? Do you have coffee or
- 14 something? Just give me your address I'll come
- 15 first thing in the morning.
- 16 MS. NICHOLAS: I asked the question.
- 17 You said it was part of public safety. Again do
- 18 you have the choice to opt out?
- 19 MR. COLGAN: If you don't want the
- 20 tree planted?
- MR. DeMATTEO: No.
- 22 MAYOR McGINTY: There is a list of
- 23 trees going back to review. We will take it
- 24 from there. But public safety is the key. You
- 25 know Ms. Hassett, with the question about



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- 2 everybody owns everything around here, we are
- 3 all stuck with the liability if God forbid
- 4 something happens.
- MS. NICHOLAS: I want, if someone asks
- 6 me the question what do I do if I want to save
- 7 the tree.
- 8 MAYOR McGINTY: Have them call Village
- 9 Hall and give their name and address.
- MR. COLGAN: We recommended the
- 11 removal of it. If as arborists come and look at
- 12 the tree evaluate it and say it has to be
- 13 removed you and you decide you want to keep it
- 14 and it's not my responsibility, it's not their
- 15 responsibility, it's your responsibility. This
- is a big thing for us. In North Hempstead and
- 17 two days after the fact a limb comes down, a
- 18 tree comes down.
- 19 MAYOR McGINTY: Mr. Caracciolo
- 20 anything that has to do with Freeport, go to
- 21 Freeport Village Hall. We are not entertaining
- 22 your question here this evening.
- 23 MR. ALMOVOVAR: I have another
- 24 question about public safety. Given the
- 25 proximity of the trees to Masone Beach, were



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- 2 they evaluated?
- 3 MR. COLGAN: They are all in the
- 4 report. Those are mostly London pines. A lot
- 5 of the branches died. There were a lot of
- 6 bigger ones, a pathway by the house there.
- 7 MR. ALMOVOVAR: Any water at all those
- 8 are going to be the first to encounter any
- 9 water.
- MR. COLGAN: I understand. There are
- 11 different varieties of trees that act
- 12 differently in brackish water.
- MR. ALMOVOVAR: Was this only in the
- 14 incorporated village?
- 15 MAYOR McGINTY: There was a survey in
- 16 Harbor Isle and I believe there is one under way
- 17 in Barnum Isle.
- MR. CARACCIOLO: May I speak?
- 19 MR. ROTHMAN: Is it the same arborist?
- 20 MAYOR McGINTY: I have no idea.
- MR. DeMATTEO: Mr. Mayor, we have the
- 22 police.
- 23 MAYOR McGINTY: Thank you very much,
- 24 Mr. Colgan, we appreciate your time. Officer,
- 25 thank you, sir.



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- THE SERGEANT: Any questions?
- 3 MAYOR McGINTY: Do we have questions
- 4 for the police officer please? Name and address
- 5 for the record.
- 6 MS. AMBROSIA: Patty Ambrosia, 239
- 7 Sunset Avenue, Island Park, New York. August
- 8 29th there was an incident on Ostend Road, 84
- 9 Ostend Road. Can you tell us anything about
- 10 this? There was police activity. U.S.
- 11 marshals. Hazmat suits.
- 12 THE SERGEANT: There was an incident
- 13 where there was a drug overdose at that house.
- 14 Inside the house there were some drug
- 15 paraphernalia. Upon completion of the
- 16 investigation, everything was deemed to be safe.
- 17 MS. AMBROSIA: The Plantation in
- 18 Island Park, there is a lot of drug activity
- 19 there. And Social services does house children
- 20 there. Is there a way that the police
- 21 department can pay a little bit more attention
- 22 to that area?
- 23 THE SERGEANT: The Plantation is one
- 24 of the areas that we have always concentrated
- on. Unfortunately, it's a hotel that sometimes



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- 2 people gravitate to that business, prostitution,
- 3 we have had situation, the Oceanside Hotel, we
- 4 shut that down. There was one up in West
- 5 Hempstead. That is something that you need to
- 6 go to your local politician.
- 7 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Patty, did you call
- 8 the Town of Hempstead about that?
- 9 MS. AMBROSIA: I spoke to Patty today.
- 10 THE SERGEANT: I think Santino would
- 11 probably be. With the Oceanside Motel I think
- 12 it went through Kate Murray along with the
- 13 police department. Maybe shut it down that way.
- 14 MS. AMBROSIA: Thank you very much.
- MR. DeMATTEO: Nick DeMatteo, 19
- 16 Redfield Road. There is something happening on
- 17 Waterford Road, a lot of drugs. There was some
- 18 kid that went into a garbage truck to drive
- 19 away. I asked him what is going on. He looked
- 20 out of it. Long Beach Road, Waterford Road,
- 21 Redfield Road, all in that area, there are kids
- 22 that come at night, and you see them doing the
- 23 drugs. We need Narcotics.
- 24 TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: The cops go down
- 25 there all the time on Norfolk Road. I was



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- 2 surprised at how often they come around
- 3 around.
- 4 MR. DeMATTEO: It's a serious thing.
- 5 THE SERGEANT: I've worked for many
- 6 years in Island Park and made many arrests of
- 7 drug dealers. It's not just Island Park. It's
- 8 something we are working on and it's very
- 9 difficult. There is a lot of drugs out there.
- 10 THE SERGEANT: If you can take
- 11 pictures. I don't want you to get involved.
- 12 Burr if you can get a license plate or something
- 13 like that.
- MR. DeMATTEO: I don't want you to
- 15 confront anybody or get involved. If you could
- 16 get a plate number or something like that. And
- 17 write a letter to the 4th Precinct and get that
- 18 information for us we can go out and get a
- 19 indicates with the Narcotics Bureau and the
- 20 local officers we have and take care of that
- 21 problem.
- MS. HASSETT: Laura Hassett, 8 Norfolk
- 23 Road. There were three kids on Labor Day
- 24 weekend at one o'clock in the afternoon smoking
- 25 pot on their bicycles. I do have small



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- 2 children. I did go out and say something. Very
- 3 bold he told me that it was a free country. Is
- 4 there any recourse if you are caught with a
- 5 joint?
- THE SERGEANT: Smoking marijuana in a
- 7 public place is a misdemeanor and you can get
- 8 arrested for it. Call 911 at that point and we
- 9 will take care of that business. You don't want
- 10 to put yourself in a position if they're high on
- 11 drugs or attack you and start going back and
- 12 forth, it's best to call us.
- MS. HASSETT: They were regular kids.
- 14 THE SERGEANT: You never know.
- MS. HASSETT: You're right. I was
- 16 surprised one o'clock in the afternoon hang out
- 17 on the corner.
- 18 MR. ROTHMAN: One of the new
- 19 businesses that opened up near the post office,
- 20 he was telling me up and down constantly between
- 21 the post office and further down the center of
- 22 the Village constantly drug dealing and
- 23 whatever.
- 24 THE SERGEANT: We don't see that
- 25 constantly.



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- MR. ROTHMAN: He has a storefront.
- 3 THE SERGEANT: There is a drug problem
- 4 but I wouldn't call it East New York. It does
- 5 happens in Hewlett, it happens in Cedarhurst and
- 6 it happens in Bethpage.
- 7 MS. McENTEE: Janet McEntee, 90
- 8 Ostend. I live next to the house where the
- 9 overdose occurred. No repercussions. It's an
- 10 obvious drug dealer living in there. Is it
- 11 under investigation?
- 12 THE SERGEANT: Yes.
- MS. McENTEE: I understand if you call
- 14 and someone is overdosing the Good Samaritan
- 15 Law, you can't be prosecuted; is that correct?
- 16 THE SERGEANT: That is correct in a
- 17 lot of ways.
- 18 MS. McENTEE: In twenty-four hours
- 19 business as usual. What can we do to get it
- 20 stopped?
- 21 THE SERGEANT: It's difficult to do
- 22 that. If I'm correct, that is a rental, I
- 23 believe.
- MS. McENTEE: Yes.
- THE SERGEANT: I believe that's the



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- 2 building.
- 3 MAYOR McGINTY: Officer, if I may, the
- 4 Village has issued summonses and we are told by
- 5 the owner that eviction proceedings are under
- 6 way to remove those people from that house.
- 7 THE SERGEANT: We have dealt with
- 8 houses when I was in Narcotics and that is one
- 9 of the ways we do it. We work hand in hand. It
- 10 doesn't happen overnight. Eviction processes
- 11 take sometimes three months to years.
- 12 MS. McENTEE: Can you give me specific
- 13 details of what that means and when an unsafe
- 14 house would be?
- 15 THE SERGEANT: That would be the
- 16 Hazmat team that came down.
- MS. McENTEE: Why would they be there?
- 18 I live next door. I have animals, real animals.
- 19 Am I at risk or are my dogs at risk?
- THE SERGEANT: No.
- 21 MS. McENTEE: What would cause a
- 22 Hazmat team to come?
- THE SERGEANT: That was because there
- 24 were bottles of possible chemicals and they were
- 25 unlabled. They evidence tested them and they



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- 2 were not chemicals.
- THE SERGEANT: If it was a meth lab or
- 5 something like that, but it was not that. We
- 6 erred on the side of caution.
- 7 MAYOR McGINTY: Name and address for
- 8 the record.
- 9 MR. McENTEE: James McEntee. What
- 10 drugs were found at the house?
- 11 THE SERGEANT: I don't know. I can
- 12 say there was marijuana, there was allegedly
- 13 other stuff. Obviously heroin. I don't believe
- 14 I'm at liberty to tell you everything because
- 15 there is an investigation ongoing. The drug
- 16 overdose was heroin.
- 17 MAYOR McGINTY: Any other questions
- 18 for the officer, the sergeant?
- 19 THE SERGEANT: Thank you.
- 20 (Whereupon, the sergeant exited the
- 21 meeting room.)
- 22 MAYOR McGINTY: Madam Clerk, the
- 23 resolutions.
- 24 MS. CONROY: Resolved that the
- 25 abstract of audited vouchers for the month of



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- 2 September, 2016 be approved for payment.
- 3 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: So move.
- 4 TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: Second.
- 5 MAYOR McGINTY: Motion by Trustee
- 6 Naudus, second by Deputy Mayor Trustee
- 7 Annarella. On the motion.
- 8 (Whereupon, all Board members voted
- 9 affirmatively.)
- 10 MS. CONROY: Resolved that the Board
- 11 of Trustees has reviewed the financial
- 12 statements for the month of August, 2016.
- 13 TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: Motion.
- 14 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Second.
- 15 MAYOR McGINTY: On the motion.
- 16 (Whereupon, all Board members voted
- 17 affirmatively.)
- 18 MS. CONROY: Resolved that all Board
- 19 meeting minutes recorded from August 23, 2016 to
- 20 September 14, 2016 stand as written without any
- 21 corrections, additions or deletions.
- 22 MAYOR McGINTY: Motion?
- TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: So move.
- 24 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Second.
- 25 MAYOR McGINTY: On the motion.



- 9/15/16 Board of Trustees meeting 1 2 (Whereupon, all Board members voted affirmatively.) 3 4 MAYOR McGINTY: I'm going to ask for a 5 motion in a minute. Whereas the Mayor and the 6 Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of 7 Island Park wish to express their appreciation 8 and gratitude in recognition of Honorable Paul 9 J. Marino's tireless commitment to the community and residents of Island Park -- Mr. Marino 10 11 served as a trustee for many years. He served 12 as Deputy Mayor of this village. He served on 13 the Labor Day games committee for an excess of 14 forty years. Active in his church, active in the community to this very day. We are honored. 15 16 Now therefore be it resolved that the 17 lifequard building located at Masone Beach is renamed the Paul J. Marino Lifequard and First 18 19 Aid Building in memory of his commitment and 20 dedication to the community and beach that he
- 20 dedication to the community and beach that he
  21 loves. I truly believe that Trustee Volpe-Ried
  22 should make the motion.
- TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: I make the motion.
- 25 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Second.



- 9/15/16 Board of Trustees meeting 1 (Applause) 2 (Whereupon, all Board members voted 3 affirmatively.) 4 5 MS. PERRY: Will there be a plaque? 6 MAYOR McGINTY: Yes, ma'am. 7 ordered a fitting plaque for the lifeguard 8 building. When it comes in we will let you 9 know. We will do something there as well. I 10 don't want to give it up. It's pretty cool. 11 MAYOR McGINTY: Whereas, the Mayor and 12 Board of Trustees have issued an RFP from 13 contractors for construction of a new Village 14 Hall building, 15 And whereas, the Village received a 16 proposal from National Insulation and G.C. Corp. 17 for one million eight hundred thirty-five 18 dollars, and; Whereas, the Village received a 19 20 proposal from AXIS Construction for one million eight hundred eight ninety-eight thousand 21 dollars, and 22 Whereas, the Village received a 23
- 25 Contracting for two million three hundred eight

proposal from Michael Borruto General

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2	thousand five hundred seventy-four dollars, and
3	Whereas, the Village received a
4	proposal from Woodstock Construction Group for
5	two million six hundred eighty-two thousand five
6	hundred dollars;
7	Now therefore be it resolved that the
8	Mayor is authorized to contract the services of
9	Axis Construction for one million eight hundred
10	ninety-eight thousand dollars for construction
11	of a new Village Hall building.
12	TRUSTEE NAUDUS: I'll make the motion.
13	TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: I'll second it.
1.4	MAYOR McGINTY: On the motion.
15	(Whereupon, all Board members voted
16	affirmatively.)
17	MS. AMBROSIA: Can I ask a question?
18	MAYOR McGINTY: I didn't follow the
19	rules and regs. Motion to close the meeting.
20	TRUSTEE NAUDUS: I'll make it.
21.	TRUSTEE VOLPE-RIED: Second.
22	MAYOR McGINTY: On the motion.
23	(Whereupon, all Board members voted
24	affirmatively.)

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2	CERTIFICATION
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4	STATE OF NEW YORK)
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6	) ss:
7	COUNTY OF SUFFOLK)
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9	I, JUDI GALLOP, a Notary Public in and
10	for the State of New York, do hereby
11	certify:
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13	THAT this is a true and accurate
14	record of the meeting of the Village of
15	Island Park Board of Trustees, as reported
16	by me and transcribed by me.
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18	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
19	set my hand this 20th day of September,
20	2016.
21	Judi Gallep
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23	JUDI GALLOP
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