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PUBLIC HEARING BY THE VILLAGE OF ISLAND PARK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FOR PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING TENTATIVE BUDGET
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016
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127 Long Beach Road
Island Park, New York

April 16, 2015.
5:30 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS:

MICHAEL MCGINTY, Mayor

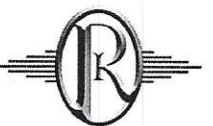
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2 (Following recitation of the Pledge of
3 Allegiance, the meeting was called to
4 order.)

5 MAYOR MCGINTY: We have made our
6 presentation, so if there any comments or
7 questions? Yes, ma'am.

8 MS. DUIGNAN: Pat D-U-I-G-N-A-N; 47
9 Marina Road. I have a few questions just going
10 through. I'll start from the beginning on Page
11 2. Finances, thirteen twenty-five point one,
12 Page 2, under finance, Number thirteen
13 twenty-five point one, treasurer.

14 MAYOR MCGINTY: Right.

15 MS. DUIGNAN: What warranted us as
16 getting a treasurer at forty-six thousand seven
17 hundred ninety dollars when previous to that it
18 was two thousand forty-five dollars? I'm
19 assuming it was a change in position.

20 MAYOR MCGINTY: The treasurer includes
21 our deputy treasurer, and the deputy treasurer's
22 salary, forty-eight thousand seven ninety minus
23 our treasurer is twenty-five hundred.

24 MS. CONROY: That's correct.

25 MS. DUIGNAN: We never had a deputy



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2 treasurer. Last year was the first year we had
3 a deputy treasurer. Before that we just had a
4 treasurer. What changed?

5 MAYOR MCGINTY: I know for me, if we
6 didn't have a deputy treasurer before, I would
7 have appointed one, because we are doing a lot
8 for in-house bookkeeping slash accounting slash
9 finance work than I have ever done before, so
10 I'm keeping them rather busy.

11 MS. DUIGNAN: That's fine. Also on
12 Page 2, and then I guess you have to refer to
13 Page 11 for the personal salaries, by no means
14 am I saying that anybody is not a good worker.

15 MS. CONROY: What number?

16 MS. DUIGNAN: Fourteen ten point
17 eleven, which you would find on Page 11, and
18 fourteen ten point sixteen. Both positions,
19 the village clerk and new full-time clerk are
20 getting a ten percent increase. How do you
21 justify that in this economic climate?

22 MAYOR MCGINTY: First of all, our
23 village clerk puts in in excess of a sixty hour
24 work week. I know because I'm there. And it's
25 well within the bounds. As a matter of fact, in



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2 terms of village clerks across the county, our
3 village clerk is on the low end, and we try to
4 make the salary more in line with what those
5 clerks should be earning.

6 MS. DUIGNAN: I'm looking at police
7 officers, who putting their lives on the line,
8 they're not getting a ten percent increase, so
9 it see two positions.

10 MAYOR MCGINTY: What is the other
11 position?

12 MS. DUIGNAN: The other position
13 is the new full-time clerk.

14 MAYOR MCGINTY: That is the full-time
15 clerk is the ten percent. The village clerk is
16 the full-time clerk.

17 MS. DUIGNAN: Well, there are two
18 line, fourteen ten point eleven and fourteen ten
19 point sixteen.

20 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Also when we were
21 passing this budget, they're not only doing that
22 position they're still doing the position that
23 we held because we are down two full-time
24 bodies, so we shifted them to more
25 responsibility, both of these positions.



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2 MAYOR McGINTY: Fourteen eleven, I see
3 that on Page 11, and --

4 MS. DUIGNAN: Fourteen ten point one
5 six, full-time clerk, new.

6 MAYOR McGINTY: Okay. That's I
7 believe that is our deputy village clerk.

8 MS. CONROY: That's correct.

9 MAYOR McGINTY: She did not receive a
10 ten percent raise, she received less than five
11 percent. I'm sorry, ladies, just a moment. Her
12 raise was -- how much was her raise, two
13 thousand, right?

14 MS. CONROY: Four.

15 MAYOR McGINTY: So she did get
16 approximately ten percent; you're right. Both
17 the village clerk and deputy clerk both have --
18 the deputy village clerk, her responsibilities
19 have increased. She moved into a new job, that
20 of deputy village clerk, but on top of moving
21 into the new job, we consolidated the
22 administrative job and the deputy clerk job. We
23 eliminated one job and she is still responsible
24 for both.

25 By the way, that means no overtime, no



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2 comp time. That means that is her
3 responsibility. It may look like a lot of
4 money, but it really isn't. When you go through
5 the amount of extra work that has been foisted
6 upon them.

7 MS. DUIGNAN: But my concern is ten
8 percent is a lot. Now they will be getting
9 increases upon that ten percent. If it was
10 something due to what has happened in Sandy, and
11 the extra work, why would you not go in the way
12 of a stipend that would be a temporary thing
13 because their job may not continue as is.

14 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: No, their jobs have
15 to continue as is. What we did is we took two
16 girls working in the office, upgraded them to
17 different positions, but they're still doing the
18 work that they were doing prior to getting these
19 new titles. They took on more work than they
20 were doing.

21 MS. DUIGNAN: I guess I'm only seeing
22 one position that was eliminated.

23 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Irma Titus passed
24 away. We never replaced Irma, and Diane is no
25 longer here. Those are the two people that --



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2 those were the two positions that were covered.

3 MS. DUIGNAN: I see clerk typist. I
4 see Diane's salary for last year and then
5 nothing for this year.

6 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: We did a payout in
7 the budget with Diane's retirement and her
8 payout. It's part of her budget.

9 MS. DUIGNAN: The one clerk typist, on
10 fourteen ten dot fourteen.

11 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Are you still on Page
12 11?

13 MS. DUIGNAN: Yes, that is showing
14 fourteen thousand eight thirty-three, and then
15 for this year nothing. But I don't see like
16 Diane's position of what her salary was and this
17 year nothing, which should appear in this
18 line.

19 MAYOR MCGINTY: Except that's the
20 termination benefits that appear.

21 MS. DUIGNAN: From last year it should
22 have still appeared in the budget.

23 MS. CONROY: The court clerk is Line
24 Item one one one zero point one. So it's Page
25 11, and also fourteen ten point twelve. That is



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2 the same position.

3 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: It's divided.

4 MAYOR MCGINTY: We have allocated it
5 into two spots because of responsibilities.

6 MS. DUIGNAN: So you have the
7 appropriations for that job in there for this
8 year?

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: I indicated why. It
10 covers the termination leave and retirement
11 leave, the payout. Yes, ma'am.

12 MS. DUIGNAN: Page 3, nineteen twenty
13 point four, Municipal Associations. I just
14 assume those are the associations used for
15 support.

16 MAYOR MCGINTY: New York Conference on
17 Mayors.

18 MS. DUIGNAN: I'm curious, why, if we
19 spent in eight months, six thousand five
20 thirty-seven, why are you not making the
21 appropriation higher for this year? Your dues
22 usually don't go down.

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: We will stay within
24 the thirty-five hundred as per conversation with
25 NYCOM.



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2 MS. DUIGNAN: Thank you. Page 4,
3 Safety Inspections, thirty-six two zero point
4 four.

5 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Contractual expenses?

6 MS. DUIGNAN: Yes, can you explain
7 what that is?

8 MAYOR MCGINTY: Those are our expenses
9 with our contracted employees. We have two
10 contracted employees that perform code
11 enforcement and safety inspections, housing and
12 so forth.

13 MS. DUIGNAN: Why a thirteen thousand
14 dollar increase in that?

15 MAYOR MCGINTY: I don't see the
16 thirteen thousand.

17 MS. DUIGNAN: Thirty-six two zero
18 point four, the budget was twenty-two thousand,
19 last year. Eight months expended twenty-three
20 thousand five-o-two and budgeted for thirty-five
21 thousand. Who are these contractual companies,
22 people?

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: They're not companies
24 they're individuals. I'm not sure what the
25 difference in those numbers is.



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2 MS. CONROY: We're anticipating, from
3 conversations with our chief building inspector,
4 that there is going to be a significant increase
5 in the amount of homes that are going to be
6 elevated, so we made a provision for --

7 MAYOR MCGINTY: That's right, but I
8 also think the twenty-two thousand is one
9 individual and the thirty-five represents two;
10 is that what happened here?

11 MS. CONROY: It's actually three
12 individuals.

13 MAYOR MCGINTY: That is what it is.
14 Okay. But there will be increased inspections.
15 By the way, those inspections include the
16 difference in construction from what we all know
17 is framed construction, from that type of
18 construction to truss construction, which is
19 really public safety issues in terms of fire
20 protection services, so there are more
21 inspections.

22 MS. DUIGNAN: Page 5, contractual
23 expenses for the beach. The budget for '14-'15
24 was twenty thousand. Eight months expended is
25 thirty-six thousand four ninety-nine. Why the



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2 increase, and if we have a need for that, why
3 next year is the appropriation back to twenty
4 thousand?

5 MAYOR MCGINTY: Thirty-six four
6 ninety-nine includes some expenses that are
7 reimbursable from our accounts receivable from
8 FEMA directly, which we have not received yet.
9 The thirty-six five hundred reflects additional
10 expenses that we will not incur this year.

11 MS. DUIGNAN: But we will be getting a
12 refund back from FEMA.

13 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, sooner or later.

14 MS. DUIGNAN: Seven five five zero
15 point four on the same page, Celebrations. Just
16 curious.

17 MAYOR MCGINTY: Concert series, our
18 fireworks, not the fireworks because those are
19 donated, but our concert series and Labor Day
20 festivities, if you will.

21 MS. DUIGNAN: We don't have races any
22 more. Fireworks and concerts. I thought the
23 concerts with pre-Sandy was realtors.

24 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Some are sponsored.

25 MAYOR MCGINTY: Some are sponsored;



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2 that's true.

3 MS. DUIGNAN: Page 6. I'm sorry, Page
4 9. Revenues. I'm a little confused. A
5 twenty-one thirty, Garbage Removal and Disposal.
6 We are getting a big increase in revenue,
7 twenty-eight thousand dollars. How is that
8 happening?

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: That is a direct
10 result of our DPW, our Building Department and
11 zoning being benefited and we will increase the
12 fire structure and enforcement, statute
13 enforcement therein.

14 MS. DUIGNAN: I'm not getting what you
15 are going to do. Explain that.

16 MAYOR MCGINTY: The long and short is
17 we are increasing fines and permits on various
18 housing issues.

19 MS. DUIGNAN: Okay. I guess the same
20 question for A twenty-five ninety, Permits, A
21 twenty-five ten for Dwelling Rentals and A
22 twenty-six ten --

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: On dwelling rentals,
24 we just got wonderful news yesterday. The Town
25 of North Hempstead prevailed in the New York



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2 State Appellate Division on rental permit fees.
3 They are, in fact, constitutional.

4 MS. DUIGNAN: Now you're talking about
5 two family homes.

6 MAYOR MCGINTY: Two family and one
7 family rentals, absentee landlords.

8 MS. DUIGNAN: It's going to be four
9 times the price of what it is now if you have a
10 two family home?

11 MAYOR MCGINTY: No, but there will be
12 some changes as appropriate.

13 MS. DUIGNAN: Fines and Forfeited
14 Bail, five hundred thirty thousand nine hundred
15 forty-one dollars, what is that for?

16 MAYOR MCGINTY: We have found out
17 through investigation that, our fine structure,
18 number one, our fine structure is much lower
19 than surrounding communities.

20 MS. DUIGNAN: When you say "fine
21 structure," for what?

22 MAYOR MCGINTY: Our parking fines are
23 much lower than other communities. Secondly, we
24 have been going through changes in our code, so
25 that more fines stay in Island Park than go to



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2 the state comptroller. If Johnny Jones is
3 speeding, if it's codified in the Village of
4 Island Park that the Village has speeding
5 ordinances or speeding restrictions, then the
6 Village will tend to not only increase it's
7 fines, but under the law, keep more fines here,
8 which is something the Village NYCOM suggested
9 to us, by the way.

10 MS. DUIGNAN: If someone is speeding
11 in the Village, they get pulled over by a Nassau
12 County police officer and given a ticket.

13 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, prior to some
14 date, they would pay their hundred dollars to
15 Nassau County and that will be that. At some
16 subsequent date, more of that hundred dollars
17 stays here.

18 MS. DUIGNAN: When you have revenues
19 coming in like that that are fines, that you
20 really don't know what the figure is going to
21 be, you can put that in the budget? What
22 happens if these fines don't happen? Who is
23 going to pay the difference? How are you going
24 to pay the difference in the budget? This isn't
25 a definite.



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2 MAYOR MCGINTY: Either are our
3 expenses. At the end of the year well revenues
4 and expenses will close out appropriately.

5 MS. DUIGNAN: That's all I have.
6 Thank you very much.

7 MAYOR MCGINTY: Thank you for your
8 time. Name and address for the record.

9 MS. ROTHMAN: Jan Rothman, 154
10 McKinley Avenue. Can you explain the debt
11 service. There is a glaring number one point
12 five million dollars in repayment of bond
13 interest notes.

14 MAYOR MCGINTY: That is the bond
15 anticipation note for the new village hall.
16 What page?

17 MS. ROTHMAN: Page 7. These are
18 repayment of debt. If the village hadn't
19 received the money yet, why is it budgeted to
20 repay them?

21 MAYOR MCGINTY: Are you talking
22 specifically about the bond anticipation note of
23 one point five?

24 MS. ROTHMAN: Yes, correct.

25 MAYOR MCGINTY: The Village has



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2 received the proceeds of that bond anticipation
3 note.

4 MS. ROTHMAN: It's scheduled to be
5 completely repaid in one year?

6 MAYOR MCGINTY: Under Finance Law 15,
7 it's a bond anticipation note. You have to
8 budget it as paid off in one year. Whether or
9 not it will be, it's undetermined at the moment.

10 However, we have taken stock of our
11 debt service in general, and in general we are
12 paying down our debt service faster than the
13 recent past.

14 MS. ROTHMAN: Everything within terms?
15 Everything is with in the terms of the debt,
16 there is nothing delinquent.

17 MAYOR MCGINTY: No, sir, that is what
18 I said, we are paying it down faster than
19 before. Questions? Name and address for the
20 record.

21 MR. INGOGLIA: Glenn Ingoglia, 183
22 Quebec Road. Good afternoon everyone. As I'm
23 looking at this, I know you are projecting
24 certain revenues that do come in. As I guess
25 it's been noted, it's a two million dollar



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2 increase in the revenues that you intend on
3 generating this year as compared to last year.
4 So, couple of questions with regard to that.

5 One, I apologize for being late, but
6 is there a property tax increase in this budget?

7 MAYOR MCGINTY: As indicated in prior
8 budget hearings, there is a property tax
9 increase of one point six-o percent. It maybe
10 one point five nine with assessment, which is
11 under the cap, the State of New York property
12 tax cap, and as a result, homeowners will be
13 receiving a refund check from the State of New
14 York, because of the diligence of the Village of
15 Island Park in keeping that property tax
16 increase under the cap.

17 MR. INGOGLIA: Well, I'm just a little
18 curious, you know, why the Board maybe felt it
19 was necessary to increase taxes at all. With
20 the new revenues or the additional revenues that
21 are you projecting, it appears to me that the
22 property tax increase is probably worth about
23 forty thousand dollars in the whole budget,
24 approximate.

25 If you are foreseeing two million



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2 dollars coming in in additional funds from last
3 year, I'm wondering why that's necessary.

4 MAYOR MCGINTY: Because there are two
5 state mandates that we do not know yet what the
6 fiscal impact is going to be, pension costs and
7 health benefit costs, so I suggested to the
8 Village Board, to the other members of the Board
9 of Trustees, that we build in a slight cushion
10 for any increases in those state mandated
11 expenses we don't have control over.

12 MR. INGOGLIA: But now I'm seeing also
13 that part of the revenue, the increase or some
14 of the bulk of it from last year's, over eight
15 hundred sixty thousand dollars you are allotting
16 for FEMA Hurricane Sandy, I would imagine grants
17 or moneys that come into the village more than
18 last year, like one point six, I'm looking at
19 Page 10.

20 MAYOR MCGINTY: FEMA has indicated to
21 us that as a result of our project work sheets,
22 there is a certain amount of revenue that is
23 still due to the Village that was not claimed
24 prior to this budgeted submission. We have been
25 very, very aggressive in chasing FEMA



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2 reimbursement. And according to the FEMA
3 people, our project work sheets are tying out
4 and we should see this money in this fiscal
5 year.

6 MR. INGOGLIA: Well, as I'm looking at
7 other budgets, what's that money, that one point
8 six, going to come in the form of?

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: A check?

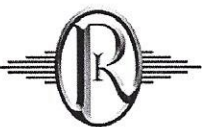
10 MR. INGOGLIA: That's good.

11 MAYOR MCGINTY: I'm not being funny, I
12 don't know what you mean by "in the form of."

13 MR. INGOGLIA: Like are you going to
14 get money for redoing some streets? Is some of
15 that money allocated to village hall? FEMA is
16 not going to hand you money for nothing.

17 MAYOR MCGINTY: There is a piece of
18 money that is for village hall. There is still
19 money due from debris and clean-up, which we
20 haven't received yet. There is money due from
21 DPW.

22 As far as the infrastructure goes, no,
23 that Infrastructure money is coming through the
24 New York Storm Recovery money, seven point six
25 million, which is fallow at the moment while we



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2 go through the feasibility study as a
3 subrecipient with the Nassau County Department
4 of Public Works, and we use that money for
5 drainage directly and we will follow-up with
6 street improvements, road improvements.

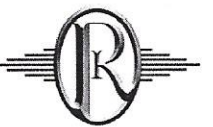
7 MR. INGOGLIA: So part of the money is
8 coming from debris removal which we have already
9 expended.

10 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, sir.

11 MR. INGOGLIA: As you indicated just
12 now, I'm just clarifying that none of it just
13 yet, or in this one point six, you are not
14 allocating any of that to infrastructure repairs
15 except for maybe if you consider the village
16 hall infrastructure; is that correct?

17 MAYOR MCGINTY: No. We just haven't
18 allocated the money. We will figure out that
19 allocation as we go forward in light of the
20 feasibility study of drains and the federal
21 sixty million dollar money as well as some
22 Community Development funding as well.

23 MR. INGOGLIA: Well, just looking at
24 the other budgets where in 2013-'14 it says that
25 we actually received thirty-nine thousand from



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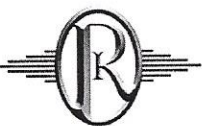
2 FEMA with regard to Sandy. And in 2014-'14, in
3 eight months, we received two hundred
4 ninety-four thousand plus, although it was
5 projected by year's end, which I guess is by May
6 31st this year, we will receive eight hundred
7 thousand.

8 Can you tell us whether or not that
9 changed, that two hundred ninety-four to the
10 eight hundred thousand. Have we received more
11 than two hundred ninety-four thousand from FEMA
12 with regard to Sandy?

13 MAYOR MCGINTY: Not that I'm aware of,
14 but we will review that to be sure.

15 MR. INGOGLIA: I was just wondering if
16 maybe, it just seems like the one point six is
17 such a big number compared to we only received
18 in the past two years three hundred thirty
19 grand. You now project one point six. It seems
20 like such a big number.

21 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, it is. What you
22 are unaware of is the amount of documentation
23 that goes back and forth, and not just here. If
24 you go from any municipality they're all in the
25 same position, where it's a constant, not



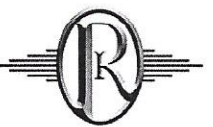
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2 changing of rules per se, because constant
3 remitting of more and more documentation.

4 We based the one million two hundred
5 sixty-two thousand three hundred seventy-seven
6 dollars on the federal government FEMA telling
7 us okay, we're done, we are getting ready to pay
8 you. We have got all the documentation.

9 There was one -- the FEMA people have
10 received at least four different communications
11 related to, to answer the question, did the
12 debris go to approve landfills. Four different
13 communications indicating and proving,
14 documenting that all the permits were in order
15 on the county and town level. They finally
16 agreed to it.

17 MR. INGOGLIA: Then so on that same
18 page, we have, I guess these are some other
19 grants. Correct me if I'm using the wrong
20 terminology, a Nassau County improvement
21 Project, a hundred twenty-seven thousand. New
22 York Rising Disaster Recovery, forty-six
23 sixty-five. New York Office of Court
24 Assistance, twenty thousand dollars. That is to
25 repair our court?



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2 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes.

3 MR. INGOGLIA: New York State Assembly
4 Assistance, that is a hundred twenty-five
5 thousand. New York State Senate Assistance,
6 those two items right there, are those grants
7 that --

8 MAYOR MCGINTY: I'll be specific. The
9 one hundred twenty-five thousand is addressed
10 with specifics. That specificity, that will be
11 used towards the purchase of a garbage truck,
12 sanitation truck. By the by, the Village hasn't
13 seen a new sanitation truck in about ten years.
14 That one twenty-five, that specifically goes
15 towards the purchase of a sanitation truck.

16 MS. ROTHMAN: Is the purchase of that
17 truck listed as an expenditure in the budget?

18 MAYOR MCGINTY: Anticipated purchase
19 of the sanitation truck is included on debt
20 service, yes.

21 MS. ROTHMAN: Debra Rothman, Island
22 Park Civic Association.

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: Before you go any
24 further, Counselor, are you finished with your
25 comments?



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2 MR. INGOGLIA: I just wanted to the
3 New York State Senate Assistance, the two
4 hundred thousand. What is that? What are we
5 getting it for?

6 MAYOR MCGINTY: It's going to be
7 utilized for various and sundry repairs at our
8 firehouse.

9 MR. INGOGLIA: That is repairs for the
10 firehouse?

11 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, sir.

12 MR. INGOGLIA: Is that allocated in
13 the appropriations of the firehouse early in the
14 budget?

15 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, sir.

16 MR. INGOGLIA: So, that's part of the
17 firehouse's budget? Let me see.

18 MAYOR MCGINTY: It's included in our
19 debt service.

20 MR. INGOGLIA: But is that included in
21 the firehouse budget that the village pays to
22 them every year?

23 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: No.

24 MR. INGOGLIA: The thing is though,
25 I'm just a little concerned that with the one



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2 point six six two, point three seven seven from
3 FEMA, the way I understand it, and correct me
4 I'm wrong, but that has to be allocated
5 specifically to what you apply for in order to
6 get it, right? They just don't give you a blank
7 check and you can spend as you wish. You have
8 to apply as to whether or not --

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: It's all reimbursement
10 money.

11 MR. INGOGLIA: Those are the terms
12 that I was looking for. With regard to that,
13 and that makes up one point six of the revenue,
14 then we have close to three million of our
15 revenue going to debt service. So, that leaves
16 us with about two million dollars to basically
17 run everything else.

18 MAYOR MCGINTY: Your point? I'm
19 missing something.

20 MR. INGOGLIA: Well, my point is, that
21 taxes are going up again another one point five
22 one point six. They went up one point nine last
23 year. In the past five years they have probably
24 gone up eleven or thirteen percent; I don't know
25 the exact number.



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2 So, you know, when are we going to
3 start to see some improvements in the
4 infrastructure? Because it's two and a half
5 years after Sandy. The village hall is the
6 village hall. People have different views on it
7 and I wouldn't get into that. But the streets,
8 the storm drains, the bulkheads, when are we
9 going to see improvement to those items because
10 in my view, those are the items that are really
11 going to make this village safe.

12 I'm seeing the taxes going up. I'm
13 not seeing any increase in services, and I'm
14 seeing -- and I'll finish here -- and I'm also
15 seeing, which you mentioned as I walked in, now
16 I'm seeing permit fees going up, fines going up.
17 Somebody could say that that is just another
18 form of taxation without actually calling it
19 taxation, so these things are going up and quite
20 measure ably from prior years. You're thinking
21 about raising, I think over four times the
22 amount that you raised last year in your fines.
23 When are we going to see the improvements to the
24 infrastructure?

25 MAYOR MCGINTY: Let we just address, I



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2 think this is almost a direct quote from a
3 previous meeting. Keep in mind, I think I used
4 the same street too, Marina Road. Drains and
5 road improvements are estimated to be either
6 three point five million or four point five
7 million. That is the cost. That's not
8 sustainable per se in daily property taxes. Let
9 me continue.

10 MR. INGOGLIA: Go ahead.

11 MAYOR MCGINTY: We had finally gotten
12 the federal government to say when we receive
13 notification that we can begin going out to
14 bond, put a shovel in the ground, we pay and
15 continue in that. It will be a cycle of project
16 completions and reimbursements. As soon as we
17 have number one notification that we can start,
18 well.

19 Secondly, it would be very foolish and
20 irresponsible to do any work until the
21 feasibility study for the drains is completed.
22 As soon as that is complete, we will be rocking
23 and rolling.

24 MR. INGOGLIA: How do you plan on
25 rocking and rolling, so to speak, when I



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2 understand that there's money coming in or
3 supposed to come in from CRP, the seven point
4 whatever amount of money is supposed to come in
5 for our infrastructure, and that is allocated
6 for certain projects.

7 Besides that, the reimbursement money
8 from FEMA, the forty plus million dollars, that
9 comes in the form of reimbursements. How are we
10 going to outlay the money that it takes? By our
11 own admission, you said Marina Road --

12 MAYOR MCGINTY: Counselor, it's not --

13 MR. INGOGLIA: Please, Mr. Mayor, just
14 call me Mr. Ingoglia. That will be fine.

15 MAYOR MCGINTY: First of all -- repeat
16 your question, please.

17 MR. INGOGLIA: The question is, I
18 don't understand how we're going to rock and
19 roll. How are we going to outlay all this money
20 that it takes?

21 MAYOR MCGINTY: We are going to use a
22 series of capital bonds, reimburse them project
23 by project, and as we reimburse, as we pay down
24 our borrowings, we will go back and borrow
25 again.



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2 We have had extended teleconferencing
3 with Standard & Poors as well as Roosevelt &
4 Cross. They understand what we want to do. As
5 a result, our bond rating we will be increased
6 to cover that. In other words, to reduce our
7 finance costs. That is how we are going to do
8 it with capital financing.

9 MR. INGOGLIA: So you say the next
10 time we go to the we will so to speak to borrow
11 we will be able to borrow more.

12 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, indeed, at
13 advantageous rates.

14 MR. INGOGLIA: Are you projecting that
15 that amount will be sufficient enough? Can we
16 borrow it next time going in five million
17 dollars? Has there been any discussion what our
18 credit may be like the next time around?

19 MAYOR MCGINTY: Our credit will not be
20 a problem, based on documentation from the
21 federal government.

22 MR. INGOGLIA: If we need to borrow
23 the forty million in one lump sum, we can?

24 MAYOR MCGINTY: We will not borrow the
25 forty million in one lump sum. It would be



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2 irresponsible to dig up every street in the
3 Village all at once. We will break it up into
4 series of projects, and borrow it, complete and
5 go back into the well, if you will.

6 MR. INGOGLIA: Thank you very much.

7 MAYOR MCGINTY: Questions please?

8 Name and address for the record.

9 MS. McENTEE: Janet McEntee, 90 Ostend
10 Road. So the total that we spend as residents
11 for the fire department, six hundred fifty-nine
12 thousand, Page 13. That is the total, let's say
13 six hundred fifty-nine thousand on the bottom,
14 total fire department. So I'm sorry, that is
15 the projection for next year, and so far we
16 spent five hundred seventy-one. Is that typical
17 for a fire department?

18 MAYOR MCGINTY: Yes, ma'am it is.

19 MS. McENTEE: Compared to which one?

20 MAYOR MCGINTY: If I was going to do a
21 comparative, I would start with East Rockaway
22 move into the Five Towns, Freeport. When you
23 talk about Freeport, Valley Stream or Lynbrook
24 or the Village of Hempstead, they're larger
25 villages, so you have to figure a way by



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2 extrapolating the numbers for comparison
3 purposes.

4 MS. McENTEE: That seems like a lot.
5 The next time I get a request for donation
6 I will have to think about that. It's a lot of
7 money.

8 MAYOR MCGINTY: This is a department
9 of volunteers, whose services and care for this
10 village are unparalleled. At the last wet down,
11 I couldn't help but make the observation that
12 there is no love greater, and I'm dead serious,
13 than the love of a volunteer fire department for
14 its fellow residents.

15 MS. McENTEE: Absolutely. So
16 between -- this is my take on all this. It
17 seems like there is no money in the budget for
18 really infrastructure. It doesn't seem like
19 there ever really was. We are hoping FEMA money
20 will help with that.

21 From an outside observer in this
22 village since 2010, it seems like most of the
23 money goes to the Sanitation Department, the
24 Fire Department, the Village employees. It
25 seems like any kind of improvements were really



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2 done on donations as far as the tree was donated
3 by Paccone, the park that was done by --

4 MAYOR MCGINTY: I'm not going --

5 MS. McENTEE: The water park was done
6 by Dematteo donation and the other one was
7 KaBOOM. In the past year I thought about what
8 was really done as far as infrastructure. I
9 know we did signs. As far as the budget, what
10 else, anything like that outside of salaries,
11 firehouse?

12 MAYOR MCGINTY: Purchase of two fire
13 trucks.

14 MS. McENTEE: Outside of the
15 firehouse, the Department of Sanitation
16 overtime. Everyone has to pay for that whether
17 you live in the city or wherever; it has to be
18 funded by someone. Outside of Sanitation, Fire
19 Department and village hall.

20 MAYOR MCGINTY: Street improvements.

21 MS. McENTEE: Can you tell me
22 specifically what was done besides the signs?

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: We are only in the
24 planning stage for capital construction of
25 drains and streets and roads.



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2 MS. McENTEE: You can't think of
3 anything, filling potholes?

4 MAYOR McGINTY: We have been filling
5 potholes. We have been doing signs. We took
6 down dead trees. We have handled all sorts of
7 sundry and various debris situations.

8 MS. McENTEE: Like? Sandy has been
9 done, so there has been no debris. That is part
10 of the Sanitation Department. The trees, we
11 have allocation for them. That is part of the,
12 you know, there out there. Cleaning the
13 triangle.

14 MAYOR McGINTY: So the answer you're
15 looking for is we are in the planning stage, and
16 that is the answer.

17 MS. McENTEE: No, the answer is we
18 have more than a few signs the past year. I
19 don't know it seems like maybe we got a new
20 street sweeper.

21 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: You said you don't
22 want to talk about DPW.

23 MS. McENTEE: You said you got a new
24 street sweeper. It works magnificently.

25 MAYOR McGINTY: We didn't.



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2 MS. McENTEE: Outside of the street
3 signs, what did we get?

4 MAYOR MCGINTY: I'm going to answer
5 the question and I'm going to end the
6 discussion.

7 MS. McENTEE: So the answer is really
8 nothing outside of the street signs.

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: No, it is not. I'm
10 telling you respectfully that what we have done
11 is begun feasibility studies for the drains, and
12 the plan has been accepted by the federal
13 government for road improvements. That is what
14 we have done.

15 MS. McENTEE: But the feasibility
16 study was even done before Sandy.

17 MAYOR MCGINTY: That is erroneous.
18 That isn't true. The feasibility study is
19 ongoing as we speak. If you call Nassau County
20 Department of Public Works, you will find that
21 is the case. Name and address.

22 MS. AMBROSIA: Patty Ambrosia, 239
23 Sunset Avenue, Island Park. To what Janet and
24 what you are saying, FEMA is paying for our
25 storm drains.



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2 MAYOR MCGINTY: they're not your storm
3 drains. You live on Barnum Isle.

4 MS. AMBROSIA: The Village is not
5 paying for that.

6 MAYOR MCGINTY: And your point?

7 MS. AMBROSIA: That is what she is
8 asking you, and you keep giving her the same
9 answer. So the Village has only done street
10 signs in the Village. You repeated yourself
11 three times and you repeated yourself to me.
12 But you're getting your money from FEMA.

13 MAYOR MCGINTY: We're in the planning
14 stage.

15 MS. AMBROSIA: Thank you.

16 MR. ROTHMAN: Jan Rothman, 154
17 McKinley Avenue. Getting back on something that
18 was discussed with Counselor Ingoglia before,
19 with the one point six million dollars coming
20 from FEMA, you made a statement that is
21 reimbursement for money that was laid out,
22 obviously, in the current year or prior years.

23 MAYOR MCGINTY: That's true.

24 MR. ROTHMAN: Had that money been
25 received closer to when it was expended, on a



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2 more timely basis, then this budget would be
3 short by one point six million dollars, if you
4 had received the money then.

5 MAYOR MCGINTY: No, we would have had
6 less expenses.

7 MR. ROTHMAN: Less expenses when?
8 Current budget.

9 MAYOR MCGINTY: Previous budgets.
10 You're an accountant.

11 MR. ROTHMAN: Yes.

12 MAYOR MCGINTY: This year depends on
13 last year, there is a series of looking
14 backwards and looking forwards. It would have
15 changed our position. For example, last year we
16 wouldn't have had to go to revenue anticipation
17 note because we would have had the funding from
18 FEMA.

19 MR. ROTHMAN: So the money was
20 borrowed instead of waiting for the money to
21 arrive, to come in from FEMA in effect.

22 MAYOR MCGINTY: To do the every day
23 business of the Village, yes.

24 MS. ROTHMAN: Debra Rothman, Island
25 Park Civic Association, Post Box 241, Island



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2 Park, New York. I have a couple of small
3 questions. We borrowed money for the new
4 pumper; is that correct?

5 MAYOR McGINTY: That's true, on a
6 lease purchase arrangement. Yes.

7 MS. ROTHMAN: Where would you find
8 that?

9 MAYOR McGINTY: Debt service.

10 MS. ROTHMAN: Page 7 is debt
11 service.

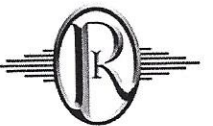
12 MAYOR McGINTY: You know where it is.

13 MS. ROTHMAN: I'm not an accountant.
14 I may be married to one, but I'm not an
15 accountant. So that truck, it was nine hundred
16 eighty-eight thousand dollars.

17 MAYOR McGINTY: No, there are two
18 trucks. One was five hundred eighty-five
19 thousand, and the other one was -- yeah, nine
20 hundred some odd thousand dollars. That is due
21 next year during the year.

22 MS. ROTHMAN: Is the revenue
23 anticipation note.

24 MAYOR McGINTY: No, the fire
25 department principal interest is specifically



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2 the lease purchase agreement, which are very
3 favorable to the Village.

4 MS. ROTHMAN: Small item, Page 3,
5 nineteen eighty point four, MTA Payroll Tax.

6 MAYOR McGINTY: Yes.

7 MS. ROTHMAN: Why are you budgeting
8 four thousand dollars when you will be expending
9 a thousand dollars in the year?

10 MAYOR McGINTY: Because we believe our
11 obligation is four thousand. The MTA payroll
12 tax, the New York State comptroller is going to
13 have to come in and perform an audit and then
14 we will find out where we are.

15 MS. ROTHMAN: Page 5, seventy-one ten
16 point four point four, and seventy-one forty
17 point four, which is the Parks, Playground &
18 Recreation. It seems that we overspent in that
19 category. Could you explain what was included
20 in that because we budgeted the time amount this
21 year.

22 MAYOR McGINTY: I believe the ten
23 thousand -- I can't address the ten thousand
24 line by line. But in total, it's all the sundry
25 daily repairs and daily work that had to be done



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2 at the Village subsequent to the storm but I
3 think, again, we think, that will be back under
4 three thousand for the 2015-2016 year.

5 MS. ROTHMAN: The nine thousand is the
6 same thing?

7 MAYOR McGINTY: Same situation.

8 MS. ROTHMAN: Hospitalization &
9 Dental, Page 6, ninety sixty point eight. So
10 far you expended two hundred sixty-two thousand
11 plus.

12 MAYOR McGINTY: Right.

13 MS. ROTHMAN: If you are paying
14 monthly, you are going to be going over the
15 amount that you anticipated.

16 MAYOR McGINTY: No, ma'am, we won't.
17 We will be within budget, because we have
18 reduced employee head count and that is going to
19 reduce in the coming fiscal year that is going
20 to reduce our hospitalization.

21 MS. ROTHMAN: You reduced two
22 employees?

23 MAYOR McGINTY: Yes, that's correct.

24 MS. ROTHMAN: With the new parking
25 meters, is there any anticipated -- did the



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2 revenue realistic. When I go parking on that
3 side the meters at eight o'clock are not full
4 the way they used to be. I know you raised the
5 cost of the meters, but is the revenue going to
6 be realistic?

7 MAYOR MCGINTY: We believe it's
8 realistic.

9 MS. ROTHMAN: Thank you.

10 MAYOR MCGINTY: Motion to close.

11 TRUSTEE ANNARELLA: So move.

12 TRUSTEE NAUDUS: Second.

13 (Time noted: 6:20 p.m.)

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ss:

I, JUDI GALLOP, a Notary Public in and
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certify:

THAT this is a true and accurate
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Village of Island Park Board of Trustees,
as reported by me and transcribed by me.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
set my hand this 28th day of April, 2015.

Judi Gallop

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