

TOWN BOARD
GARNERVILLE, NY
JANUARY 26, 2009

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw held a Public Hearing on Monday, January 26, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman	Isidro Cancel
Councilman	Vincent J. Gamboli (Absent)
Councilman	John J. Gould
Councilman	Hector L. Soto

PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDERING ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW TO IMPOSE A 25 M.P.H. SPEED LIMIT ON ALL TOWN OWNED ROADS OTHER THAN ROSMAN ROAD AND QUAKER ROAD

Supervisor Phillips stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing is to discuss considering adopting a Local Law to impose a 25 m.p.h. speed limit on all Town owned roads other than Rosman Road and Quaker Road.

PRESENTATION BY SUPERVISOR HOWARD T. PHILLIPS, JR.

Howard T. Phillips, Jr., Supervisor stated that the purpose of what we are trying to accomplish is mainly in the subdivisions. Traveling 30 M.P.H. is an excessive speed to be driving in subdivisions especially with children out playing. Children are out on the roads and many of these roads do not have sidewalks. By reducing the speed limit, it also gives our police officers the ability to control the speeding. In order to make everybody aware of the reduction in the speed limit, a public hearing is being held this evening.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Alvin Arlitz, 17 Hillside Drive, Thiells stated that a good portion of Quaker Road is in the Village of Pomona. A good portion of Rosman Road has the blinking lights by Thiells Elementary School for a 15 M.P.H. Is there any statistical information to support this idea. Mr. Arlitz felt that moving the speed limit back to 25 M.P.H. would create more of a problem for the Town. Has installing stop signs been considered to slow down traffic? Slower traffic will increase pollution. Before you leap into this, was enough time taken to study the matter.

Supervisor Phillips stated that as he goes through the subdivisions traveling at 30 M.P.H. it is way faster than what any vehicle should be traveling. Most subdivisions have children, turns and a lot of teenagers who are driving. The Chief of Police, Charles Miller has come back with a significant number of tickets. The proof is in the tickets. Five hundred feet of Quaker Road is in the Town of Ramapo. We will consider what you are saying tonight.

Martin Bagrosky, 20 Oakwood Lane, Thiells stated that he has been apart of this for six years. He has spoken to Assemblymen and Senators concerning speed limit laws and has worked in quality control of 50 years. Mr. Bagrosky stated that bringing down the speed limit is a step in the right direction. He also stated that he would like this story published in the Journal News in order to notify the public of the change.

Supervisor Phillips stated that he will mention it to the Town's reporter for a possible story to make the public aware. Supervisor Phillips stated that Mr. Arlitz did bring up an excellent point about trying other devices to reduce the speed limit. We looked into speed ramps that are 8-10 ft. wide. They work great in villages. We are trying to bring attention to this speeding problem so we don't have to go that far in using speed control devices.

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BOARD MEMBERS

Councilman Cancel asked if the County could put a warning light at the intersection on Rosman Road and Thiells-Mt. Ivy Road.

Supervisor Phillips stated that it is a County road and they want us to purchase the light. Both roads (Rosman and Thiells-Mt. Ivy) should have turning lanes at that intersection. The cost of a light is approximately \$80,000 - \$100,000.

Supervisor Phillips stated that the Town Board will reserve a decision and take a vote at the next Town Board Meeting on February 9, 2009 concerning adopting a Local Law to impose a 25 m.p.h. speed limit on all Town owned roads other than Rosman Road and Quaker Road.

CLOSE HEARING

75-09 On motion by Councilman Soto, seconded by Councilman Gould, unanimously adopted, the Public Hearing was closed.

JOSEPHINE E. CARELLA
Town Clerk

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The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 26, 2009 at 8:05 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman	Isidro Cancel
Councilman	Vincent J. Gamboli (Absent)
Councilman	John J. Gould
Councilman	Hector L. Soto

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

76-09 TOWN BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2009 submitted by the Town Clerk on motion by Councilman Gould, seconded by Councilman Soto, were unanimously adopted.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

77-09 **RESOLVED**, that bills numbered 188 through and including 396 in the amount of \$1,038,310.18 and Highway Vouchers numbered 14 through and including 46 in the amount of \$85,996.73 audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

78-09 **RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED AND IS HEREBY ACCEPTED: POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2008.**

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - SENIOR CITIZEN TAX EXEMPTION

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

79-09 **RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, CHAPTER 152 ENTITLED, "TAXATION" TO CHANGE THE SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION. SAID PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN CLERK SHALL PUBLISH SAID NOTICE AND ALL PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND WILL BE HEARD BY THE BOARD.

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**SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - EXEMPTIONS FOR HOMEOWNER'S WITH
DISABILITIES**

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

80-09 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, CHAPTER 152 ENTITLED, "TAXATION" TO CHANGE THE EXEMPTIONS FOR THE HOMEOWNER'S WITH DISABILITIES. SAID PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009 AT 8:05 P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN CLERK SHALL PUBLISH SAID NOTICE AND ALL PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND WILL BE HEARD BY THE BOARD.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR EDWARD COURTNEY TO ATTEND NYS TURFGRASS
ASSOCIATION-SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE**

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

81-09 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, HEREBY GRANTS PERMISSION FOR EDWARD COURTNEY, GROUNDWORKER, TO ATTEND THE NYS TURFGRASS ASSOCIATION-SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 24, 25, 2009 AT THE HOLIDAY INN IN SUFERN, NEW YORK AT A COST OF \$170.00.

**AWARD OF RFP NO. 1-2009 – INSTALLATION OF NEW CENTRAL PROCESSING
UNIT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW'S TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

82-09 RESOLVED, THAT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL WAS SUBMITTED TO MICHAEL GAMBOLI, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW CENTRAL PROCESSING UNIT WHICH WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING TELEPHONE SYSTEM AT THE TOWN HALL, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD THE RFP TO GERON TEL, LLC OF NANUET, NEW YORK, THE SOLE PROPOSAL AT A COST OF \$2,240.00, WHICH INCLUDES EQUIPMENT AND PROGRAMMING.

**AUTHORIZATION TO BID NO. 7-2009 HAVERSTRAW VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE
CORP. ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS**

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

83-09 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF ANTHONY GENOVESE, ARCHITECT, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE TO BIDDERS THAT SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT HER OFFICE AT ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, UP TO AND INCLUDING 11:00 A.M.

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ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2009 FOR THE RECEIPT OF BID NO. 7 -2009 HAVERSTRAW VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORP. ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, COPIES OF WHICH, TOGETHER WITH FORM OF PROPOSAL, MAY BE OBTAINED AT HER OFFICE. THE TOWN RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS. BIDS RECEIVED LATER THAN THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE BIDDER UNOPENED. ALL BIDDERS MUST FILE A STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION WITH THEIR BIDS.

AGREEMENT WITH ROCKLAND MOBILE CARE, INC.

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

84-09 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ROCKLAND MOBILE CARE, INC. OF NANUET, NEW YORK TO PROVIDE PARAMEDIC SERVICES TO THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2009 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2009 AT A COST OF \$593,223.00.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY, NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL AGENTS & THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW

Councilman Soto offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

85-09 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY TO ADDLE CANADIAN GOOSE EGGS AT VARIOUS TOWN PROPERTIES AT A COST OF \$4,500.00.

AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 11-09 DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

86-09 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY REMOVES THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TIMES LEAVING ONLY THE ROCKLAND JOURNAL NEWS AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TIMES IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS AN ADDITIONAL NEWSPAPER OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Martin Bagrosky, 20 Oakwood Lane, Thiells stated that there is a new procedure for cardiac arrest patients known as cooling therapy and is 80% effective. The cooling therapy prevents organ and brain damage for heart attack victims. Good Samaritan Hospital does not have it. Mr. Bagrosky asked the Supervisor if he could write a letter to Good Sam Hospital requesting this new type of cooling therapy.

Supervisor Phillips asked Mr. Bagrosky to call him tomorrow and he will write a letter.

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ADJOURNMENT

87-09 Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of William Downs, John Talamini, Miriam Santiago, Frances Irene Carter Norfleet, Anthony Josphe Lupi, Alyris Martinez, Andrea M. Murphy and Irving Feiner who recently passed away. Supervisor Phillips, the Town Board members and the Elected Officials further extended their condolences and sympathy to the families. Thereafter, a motion was made by Councilman Cancel, seconded by Councilman Soto to adjourn to Workshop.

JOSEPHINE E. CARELLA
Town Clerk