

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at 8:00 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
Councilman	John J. Gould
Councilman	Hector L. Soto

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

299-10 TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 28, 2010 AND SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 7, 2010 submitted by the Town Clerk on motion by Councilman Soto, seconded by Councilman Gould, were unanimously adopted.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

300-10 RESOLVED, that bills numbered 2,241 through and including 2,603 in the amount of \$1,348,45.38 be and they are hereby paid; and Highway Vouchers numbered 367 through and including 432 in the amount of \$77,176.07 audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

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

301-10 RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING POLICE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED BY THE TOWN BOARD: THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2010.

ACCEPTANCE OF AUDIT REPORT

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

302-10 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY ACCEPT THE AUDIT REPORT FROM KORN ROSENBAUM, LLP OF POMONA, NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009.

RECIPROCAL EASEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AND KBT

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

303-10 THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT WITH KBT PROPERTIES, LTD FOR PURPOSES OF GRANTING AND RECEIVING EMERGENCY ACCESS WITH KBT PROPERTIES, LTD TO AND FROM THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW SANITARY LANDFILL.

AWARD OF RFP NO. 7-2010 – REPAIR OF CAR DAMAGED AT BOWLINE NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000

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

304-10 WHEREAS, NEIL ORTSMAN OF 16 MARIETTA DRIVE, POMONA, NEW YORK, SUSTAINED DAMAGE TO HIS VEHICLE ON JULY 2, 2010, AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BOWLINE POINT PARK, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE REPAIR OF HIS VEHICLE TO BE PERFORMED BY DAVE'S AUTO BODY OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, AT A COST OF \$885.49, THE LOWEST ESTIMATE.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FOR PERIOD ENDING 6/30/2010

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

305-10 RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FROM THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$720,000.00 PURSUANT TO THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2010. (SEE ATTACHED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.)

AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE TAX CERTIORARI – STONECREST RESTAURANT

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

306-10 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF DAVE ADAMS, TOWN ASSESSOR AND WILLIAM M. STEIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT FOR McDONALDS LOTS 26.34-1-1 & 2 AT 254 ROUTE 9W, IN THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW, FOR TAX YEARS 2007-2009 BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS ON THIS LOCATION:

TAX YEAR	ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	REVISED ASSESSMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2007	1,218,900	1,118,900	100,000
2008	1,218,900	1,023,900	195,000
2009	1,218,900	923,900	295,000

NEW YORK STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM – ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

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

Standard Workday and Reporting Resolution

307-10 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Elected Officials							
Title	Name		Standard Work Day (Hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends		Employer Record of Time worked (Y/N)	Days/Month (based on sample Record of Activities)
Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips Jr.		6	1/1/10	12/31/11	N	20
Councilman	Isidro Cancel		6	1/1/10	12/31/13	N	20
Councilman	John Gould		6	1/1/08	12/31/11	N	20
Rec. of Taxes	Ann McGovern		6	1/1/10	12/31/13	N	20
Town Clerk	Josephine E. Carella		6	1/1/10	12/31/11	N	20
Town Justice	John Grant		6	1/1/08	12/31/11	N	13.33
Supt. Of Highways	Frank Brooks		8	1/1/10	12/31/11	N	20
Appointed Officials							
Director of Finance	Michael J. Gamboli		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
Assessor	David Adams		7	10/1/07	09/30/13	Y	N/A
1 st Deputy Town Clerk	Raquel Ventura		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
1 st Deputy Receiver of Taxes	Donna Rose		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
Deputy Town Clerk	Gina Nishanian		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
Confidential Assistant to Town Supervisor	Alex Guarino		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
Confidential Secretary to Supt. Of Highways	Cheryl Croci		7	1/1/10	12/31/10	Y	N/A
Animal Control Officer II	Claudia Perry		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	6.53
Recreation Ass't. (Pt-Time)	Lorraine Arocena		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	5.02
Youth Board Member	Jensen Barron		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	
Youth Board Member	Martin Ancin		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	
Youth Board Member	Judith Curcio		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	.92
Town Attorney	William Stein		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	16.43
Emergency Services Coordinator	Gerald Knapp		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	2.17
Planning Board Member	Michael Gurski		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	.89
Planning Board Member	Joseph Michalak		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	
Member Zoning Board	Glenn Widmer		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	
Member Zoning Board	Bolivar Marchand		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	.22
Member Zoning Board	Lawrence Margiotta		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	
Member Zoning Board	Joseph Natale		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	.28
Youth Board	Maureen Gould		6	1/1/10	12/31/10	N	

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**AUTHORIZATION TO BID NO. 14-2010 – PURCHASE 18 DIGITAL VIDEO
CAMERAS FOR TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE VEHICLES**

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

308-10 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF POLICE CHIEF, CHARLES MILLER, 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 10:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 2010 FOR THE RECEIPT OF BID NO. 14-2010 – TO PURCHASE 18 DIGITAL VIDEO CAMERAS AND THE REQUIRED PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE VEHICLES 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.

**APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS NO. 1 AND 2 FOR HAVERSTRAW AMBULANCE
CORP BUILDING RENOVATIONS**

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

309-10 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF GENOVESE ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS, INC. THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY APPROVES CHANGE ORDERS WITH CALADRI DEVELOPMENT CORP., THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR, CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 IN THE SUM OF FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS & 50/100 (\$4,772.50) AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 IN THE SUM OF ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS & NO/100 (\$1,955.00).

RELEASE OF BOND TO ROBERT'S PAINTING

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould, and on roll call unanimously adopted.
Supervisor Phillips abstained from voting on the following resolution.

310-10 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL COTIER, DIRECTOR OF PARKS, AND THE SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF THE RE-PAINTING WORK PERFORMED BY ROBERT'S PAINTING OF THE STEEL SLIDE TOWER AT BOWLINE POINT PARK, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE RETURN OF THE BOND POSTED BY ROBERT'S PAINTING FOR PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK.

PURCHASE OF EXTRA MATERIAL FOR CARPET AT TOWN HALL

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

311-10 RESOLVED, BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL COTIER, DIRECTOR OF PARKS, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF EXTRA

MATERIAL FOR THE CARPET AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, FROM NEW CITY CARPET OF NEW CITY, NEW YORK AT A PRICE OF ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS & 25/100 (\$1,732.25).

APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY ELECTRICAL REPAIR FOR THE TOWN HALL PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS

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

312-10 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL COTIER, PARKS DIRECTOR, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY APPROVES EMERGENCY ELECTRICAL REPAIR WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY DELEONARDIS ELECTRIC ON A TIME AND MATERIAL BASIS.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 – TOWN HALL PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS – TILCON, NEW YORK, INC.

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

313-10 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL COTIER, PARKS DIRECTOR, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY APPROVES CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS & NO/100 (\$7,900.00) TO PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY 215 LINEAR FEET OF CONDUIT CROSSINGS FOR THE PARKING LOT AT TOWN HALL.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 – TOWN HALL PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS – ADDITIONAL PAVEMENT REPAIRS

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

314-10 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL COTIER, PARKS DIRECTOR, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY APPROVES CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 IN THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS & NO/100 (\$5,000.00) FOR ADDITIONAL PAVEMENT REPAIRS TO THE TOWN HALL PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bruce Leach, North Wayne Avenue, W. Haverstraw: The model airplane show is August 21st from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. He reached out to other organizations such as the Rockland County HELP Helicopter, Chief Miller will contact the DARE Officer, David B. Roche Fire Truck, Mayor Ramundo will have people from Leo Laders American Legion, and Haverstraw Transit will have a mini-bus. There will be flight demos and refreshments.

Supervisor Phillips: The Town Board Members and I have seen the show and it is spectacular.

A resident voiced his concerns regarding the Village of Haverstraw. He said a police car was placed in the area of Main Street and now there aren't too many people hanging out. It was a good move.

Magda Truhan, Roundpoint Drive, Haverstraw: She has been attending the Village of Haverstraw Board Meetings. She is concerned about the noise from loud mufflers and noise

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coming from people's homes. She calls the police and they go there and tell them to turn it down and they turn it right back up. Why aren't the people being fined?

Supervisor Phillips: The Town of Haverstraw has the lowest Town taxes. It has been very difficult since taking over the policing of the Village. The statistics are overwhelming. There are robberies, assaults and burglaries. Arrests have skyrocketed since we took over the policing of the Village. Either they were not doing the job or not reporting the information. The Street Crime Unit has been very effective. We are starting to make progress. We are up against an unbelievable problem. The Village dissolved their Police Department and took almost \$4 million dollars out of their budget, but they did not reduce their budget or Village taxes. Each of our Police Officers makes approximately \$100,000.00 plus benefits. Neighborhood Watch Programs are one our greatest benefits. The Selective Enforcement Unit has been issuing tickets for loud mufflers and quality of life issues.

Councilman Cancel: The police issue tickets for loud mufflers. They issued over 325 traffic violations in the Village of Haverstraw.

Supervisor Phillips: There were over 1,000 arrests in the Village of Haverstraw last year. When making these arrests, we lose a Police Officer for one or two hours. The Village should dissolve their Justice Court. Supervisor Phillips asked if she had spoken to Mayor Kohut. The Village is too dense. A proposal was made to put more apartments on Maple Avenue. The Village Board said no. You have to create open areas.

Supervisor Phillips complimented District Attorney Tom Zugibe. He put an Assistant DA in the community.

The Farmer's Market and Dancing Under The Stars are a success. We work with the Village any way we can.

The license plate reader is a success.

Magda Truhan: She would like to see the report in the minutes.

A constituent: He would like to see a Motorcycle Officer, not in uniform, to cruise the Village.

Maria Jonas: She would like to see police on horseback in the summer.

Supervisor Phillips: We cannot bring in another law enforcement unit without bargaining with the PBA. The PBA will file a grievance. The Village can. The Mayor is working with Lou Falco from the Sheriff's Dept.

Noel Rappaport, 7 Lewis Road, Garnerville: He has been in the Village since 1973. The Village of Spring Valley is bringing in Section 8 people and dumping them in our community. They are the worst of the worst. Village of Spring Valley Section 8 doesn't require inspection of the property before they move in. A lot of people bought from Ginsburg. Now they are gone.

Supervisor Phillips: He met with Joe Abate from the Community Development Office regarding Section 8. He was extremely helpful. We also met with Nyack, Spring Valley and Ramapo. Spring Valley Section 8 is the most difficult. They are sending people with tainted backgrounds.

Noel Rappaport: Asked if a lawsuit against Spring Valley would help.

Supervisor Phillips: They are protected by confidentiality.

Noel Rappaport: Ginsburg promised that he would eliminate downstairs apartments on storefronts along Main and New Main Streets. The promise was never kept.

Supervisor Phillips: The more things we do such as open-air concerts and the farmers market will help. We also have to encourage neighborhood watch programs.

Chief of Police, Charles Miller: Green Hills and Northern Riverview started to accept people with tainted backgrounds.

A resident suggested that the ADA's ride in police cars so they can see what's going on in the Village.

Mel Post, 1422 Roundpoint Drive, Haverstraw: He sent letters to Mayor Kohut to contact Bob Falk from the NYSDOT. They did get a letter back regarding installing a light at the 202 intersection. They are not able to do this until 2013. He wanted to know if Supervisor Phillips could get involved.

Barry Berman, 19 Turner Drive, Garnerville: The Village of Haverstraw is provided with all of the police protection. Is the Village of West Haverstraw being provided with the same police protection? How many tickets were issued in West Haverstraw? How does West Haverstraw, which is only 2 ½ miles from Haverstraw, do so much better?

Councilman Cancel: Because the Village of Haverstraw is too dense.

Supervisor Phillips: We need to bring in more ratables. This helps to offset the taxes that you pay. The proposal for the desalinization plant through United Water would be a great ratable. It would bring in over \$100 million dollar ratable. We hosted the power plants and the State should have given us a host benefit. 65% of the general fund is the police budget.

Supervisor Phillips: As you can see, there is construction going on at the Town Hall. We are installing new sidewalks, curbs and repaving the parking lot. This is all being done through grants.

The golf course is doing very well. There are many not-for-profit golf outings. Bowline Point Park is having the best season yet. United Water donated \$5,000.00 toward our fireworks celebration and Tilcon donated \$5,000.00 toward our open-air concerts. This Thursday the band will be The Kootz. They play 50's and 60's music. We have been keeping the pool open later because of the hot weather. The Youth Board is doing a wonderful job. They will be going to a Yankee Game. Construction of the New York Sports Club that will be located in the Shop-Rite Shopping Center, is under way.

The next Town Board Meeting will be held on August 9th.

ADJOURNMENT

315-10 Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of Senator Thomas P. Morahan, Edward T. Dwyer, Lorraine Bodnar, Mary M. Rasulo, Nanette Lopez-Matos, James Mackey, Julio E. Montanez, Jr., Linda Brady, Susan Zedick, Carole Avenia, John Henry Watson, Jerry "Pop" Norfleet, Phyllis Sebastian and Betty Gainey, 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 Gould, seconded by Councilman Soto the Town Board Meeting to adjourn the meeting.

GINA NISHANIAN
Deputy Town Clerk