

TOWN BOARD
GARNERVILLE, NY
MARCH 14, 2011

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 14, 2011 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

140-11 TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2011 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.

141-11 RESOLVED, that bills numbered 626 through and including 815 in the amount of \$312,169.67 be and they are hereby paid; and Highway Vouchers numbered 137 through and including 163 in the amount of \$99,211.67 audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

No Reports

ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT – NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR BOWLINE POINT PARK

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

142-11 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPROVES THE PURCHASE OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR BOWLINE POINT PARK, LOCATED IN HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK, AS A CAPITAL PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00, WHICH WILL BE FUNDED THROUGH A NEW YORK STATE DORMITORY AUTHORITY STATE GRANT.

ADVERTISE FOR BID NO. 4-2011- DEEP DRILL AERIFICATION FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE

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

143-11 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CAL FOWX, GREENSKEEPER, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE TO BIDDERS THAT SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BID NO. 04-2011 FOR DEEP DRILL AERIFICATION AT THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE, MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M. FOR USE

DURING THE 2011 GOLF SEASON, 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.

RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AND VJ NETWORKS, INC.

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

144-11 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO RENEW AGREEMENT OF SERVICES TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE COMPUTER NETWORK AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE STATION AT A COST OF \$1,500 A MONTH FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR COMMENCING MARCH 1, 2011 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2012.

AWARD OF BID NO. 2-2011- BUNKER SAND TO BE UTILIZED AT THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE

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

145-11 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CAL FOWX, GREENSKEEPER, AND THE BIDS HAVING BEEN FOUND IN ORDER BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD THE BID FOR THE PROVISIONS OF BUNKER SAND TO JAMES CARRIERE & SON, THE LOW BIDDER, OF PORT CHESTER, NEW YORK, AT A PRICE OF \$35.50 PER CUBIC YARD.

AWARD OF BID NO. 3 -2011 FOR CHEMICALS, FERTILIZER AND GRASS SEED FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA GOLF COURSE

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

146-11 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CAL FOWX, GREENSKEEPER, AND THE BIDS HAVING BEEN FOUND IN ORDER BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD THE BID FOR THE PROVISIONS OF FERTILIZER, CHEMICALS AND GRASS SEED FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA GOLF COURSE FOR THE 2011 GOLF SEASON TO THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES:

<u>METRO</u>	FERROMECC AC	\$1,519.50
	QUALI PRO	\$1,980.00
	CHIPCO GT	\$5,862.50
	FWY. FERT.	\$5,500.00
	QUALI PHITE	\$1,496.50
<u>MATRIX</u>	TARTAN	\$11,650.00
	DIMENSION 2EW	\$3,132.00

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<u>TERRE CO. INC.</u>	PROVAUNT	\$2,583.00
	SEED	\$14,700.00
	HEADWAY	\$4,000.00
<u>HARRELLS</u>	INSTRATA	\$6,750.00
	ACELEPRYN	\$10,560.00
	HEADWAY	\$4,000.00

**REJECTION OF BID NO. 2-2011 – FOR TOP DRESSING (ONLY) TO BE UTILIZED
AT THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE**

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

147-11 RESOLVED, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY REJECTS THE BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE TOP DRESSING (ONLY) TO BE UTILIZED AT THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE BECAUSE THERE WAS A CHANGE IN THE SPECIFICATIONS.

**ADVERTISE TO REBID - BID NO. 5-2011- PURCHASE OF GREENS FOR TOP
DRESSING FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE**

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

148-11 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CAL FOWX, GREENSKEEPER, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE TO BIDDERS THAT SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BID NO. 05-2011 FOR THE PURCHASE GREENS TOP DRESSING TO BE UTILIZED AT THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE, MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M. FOR USE DURING THE 2011 GOLF SEASON, 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.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

149-11 A motion was made by Councilman Cancel, seconded by Councilman Soto to adjourn the Regular Town Board Meeting.

CONVENE TO A MEETING OF THE SANITATION COMMISSION

150-11 A motion was made by Commissioner Gamboli, seconded by Commissioner Gould to convene to a Meeting of the Sanitation Commission.

SANITATION COMMISSION
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The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Meeting of The Sanitation Commission of the Town of Haverstraw on Monday, March 14, 2011 at 8:30 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:

Chairman	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Commissioner	Isidro Cancel
Commissioner	Vincent J. Gamboli
Commissioner	John J. Gould
Commissioner	Hector L. Soto

**APPROVAL OF LICENSE FOR GARBAGE REMOVAL FOR CARLO MINUTO
CARTING CO., INC.**

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

151-11 RESOLVED, THAT THE SANITATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPROVES THE APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE FOR CARLO MINUTO CARTING CO., INC. OF WEST NYACK, NEW YORK TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

**APPROVAL OF LICENSE FOR GARBAGE REMOVAL FOR MONSEY CARTING
CO., INC.**

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

152-11 RESOLVED, THAT THE SANITATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPROVES THE APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE FOR MONSEY CARTING CO., INC. OF WEST NYACK, NEW YORK TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE SANITATION COMMISSION MEETING

153-11 On motion by Commissioner Soto, seconded by Commissioner Gould, unanimously adopted, the Sanitation Meeting was adjourned.

154-11 RECONVENED TO REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

On motion by Councilman Gould, seconded by Councilman Gamboli the Regular Town Board Meeting was reconvened.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Barry Berman, 19 Turner Drive, Garnerville stated that for the past four to five months, he has been studying the court systems in the Villages of Haverstraw and West Haverstraw and its time that this Board decided to take over the court system and bring it to the Town. I believe when I see three or four cops, it's a lot of money. Approximately \$400,000 is being played between both courts back and forth. I believe if the Town took over the court system and made it one, a new police station could be built with the money. \$200,000 can start the bonding to build a new police station, which would create jobs and keep the economy going. This Board should set a time frame to dismantle the court systems in the Villages. There are double services in these Villages. I believe we should start studying where the money is being used the most.

Supervisor Phillips stated that Mr. Berman brought up a very good point. The catalyst behind this must be the Villages themselves. They indicated some interest in moving toward this direction.

Chief Miller stated that if we arrest someone in the Village of Haverstraw two officers must bring the prisoner up to the Town Police Dept., then bring them back down to the Village and if arraigned back to the Town police station. If they were booked by the Town then they would stay there and then the two officers need to get back on the street as soon as possible.

Barry Berman, 19 Turner Drive, Garnerville stated that the revenue that would be generated to the Town that the Villages would no longer have would probably not cover the costs to cover the additional volume of tickets in the two Village's courts.

Supervisor Phillips stated that this something that we must look into and urged Mr. Berman to go and talk to the Village Mayors. It must begin in the two Villages with the citizens or the elected officials. When the Village dissolved their Police Dept. they should have realigned their court. Everything should be relinquished to the Town.

Barry Berman, 19 Turner Drive, Garnerville stated to see in the police car how many hours the officers are putting into the hours in the court system. Monitor how much money they are spending.

Bolivar Marchand, Pratt Street, Haverstraw asked if the Town Board would support him on behalf of the children of Gerald Neary Elementary School not to close the school. All of the children from Haverstraw go to Neary that is where they learn the beginning. It makes me feel bad that the school district is planning to close Neary School. To me it's the front of our community and the beginning for the children.

Supervisor Phillips stated that this is a sensitive subject and the bigger problem is the property taxes. No matter where you live in Haverstraw more than 70% is school taxes. The school district cannot continue to go out and tap and hit the taxpayers. We cannot afford these school taxes. The STAR Program is reducing the amount that they receive in their reduction in the STAR Program. Nobody wants the schools closed, but there are only two ways to do this. Consolidate by closing the schools and reducing the services i.e. administration, teachers, custodians, grounds workers, etc. to get to come up with a new contract. Gov. Cuomo is calling for a cap on property tax. The major expense of the school district is salaries. Unless they start to address 18 years of longevity in the North Rockland teacher's contract. We have the same problem with the police. After five years an officer makes \$103,000 and we are the lowest paid Police Department in Rockland County. Closing the schools has to do with the tax payer's ability to pay. This year, Genon (formerly Mirant) will file for another assessment reduction - they come in every year and demand a reduction. You cannot keep hitting the tax payers.

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BOARD MEMBERS

Supervisor Phillips wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and a very holy and blessed Lent.

On Sunday, March 13, the County of Rockland Sheriff's Dept. and the Town of Haverstraw held an exercise designed to test the response of County-based first responders to a grade-crossing incident with a potential nexus to terrorism. The exercise was held at the CSX Transportation train yard adjacent to the railroad tracks in West Haverstraw. So many Fire Departments participated, State and Town Police and CSX.

Upcoming events with the Youth Board are Raw Road to Wrestlemania on Sunday, March 20 at The Prudential Center, which is sold out; and Wonderland on Broadway at the Marquis Theatre on Friday, April 8, which is not sold out. For reservations, please call Town Hall and ask for Lorraine Arocena at 429-2200 ext. 329.

ADJOURNMENT

155-11 Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of Evelyn Virginia Baisley, Donna Kane, John McArdle, Rose T. Gucciardi, Leonard Denise, Richard Gallaway and Allison Leigh Florio 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 Soto, seconded by Councilman Gould the Town Board Meeting to adjourn the meeting.

RAQUEL VENTURA
First Deputy