## **MEETING HELD JULY 5, 2011**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York, was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 6:30 P.M., in the Court Room of the Police Headquarters Building, 350 North Main Street, Port Chester, New York, with Mayor Dennis Pilla presiding.

Present in addition to Mayor Pilla, were Trustees Daniel Brakewood, Saverio Terenzi, John Branca, Luis Marino and Joseph Kenner.

It should be noted that Trustee Bart Didden and Village Clerk, Joan Mancuso was absent.

Also present were Village Manager, Christopher Russo; Assistant Village Manager, Christopher Steers; Village Attorney, Anthony Cerreto; Village Treasurer, Leonie Douglas; Assistant to the Village Manager, Elisa Sciarabba; Village Engineer, Dolph Rotfeld and Police Chief Joseph Krzeminski.

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On motion of Trustee Marino, seconded by Trustee Branca, the meeting was duly opened at 6:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

At 6:34 p.m., on motion of Trustee Marino, seconded by Trustee Branca, the Board adjourned to an executive session regarding taxi litigation.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

No action was taken in executive session.

On motion of Trustee Branca, seconded by Trustee Marino, the executive session was closed and the public portion of the meeting was re-opened at 6:58 p.m.

ROLL CALL

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

The Mayor read Affidavits of Publication stating that the following Public Notice were duly published in the Journal News and Westmore News on June 24, 2011, certified by

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Florence Bonilla, Principal Clerk of the Journal News and Angelina Brescia, Office Manager of the Westmore News.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York, will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Tuesday, July 5, 2011, at 7:00 P.M., in the Village Justice Courtroom, 350 North Main Street, Port Chester, New York, to consider the advisability of adopting a local law amending Chapter 319 entitled "Vehicle and Traffic" repealing Local Law No. 12, 2010 providing for alternate-side parking and reverting to the provisions of the Subsections 319-24, 319-75A, 319-78 and 319-91 of this chapter as they existed prior to Local Law No. 12 of 2010.

Interested persons will be afforded the opportunity to be heard at this time. The proposed law is available at the Village Clerk's office or online at <a href="https://www.portchesterny.com">www.portchesterny.com</a>

### JOAN MANCUSO Village Clerk

On motion of Trustee Brakewood, seconded by Trustee Marino, the public hearing was declared open.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

Mayor Pilla spoke about the pilot program for alternate side of the street parking that was adopted last December for an area of the Village whose streets did not allow overnight parking on one-side of these streets. He said that this was initiated to help with snow removal and for street cleaning but he and the Board received many complaints that the increased signage made the neighborhoods seem more urban and difficulty of residents to move their vehicles on alternate days. The Mayor said that since this was a pilot program we had a community meeting several weeks ago which forty to fifty of the residents of the effective area came out to voice their concerns and that all of they were against the alternate side of the street parking so the Board scheduled this public hearing to consider rescinding Law #12, 2010 which enacted alternate side of the street parking on certain streets and go back to the prior regulations. He asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor or against this proposed local law. The Mayor recognized Goldie Solomon.

Ms. Solomon said that there is not enough parking in the Village that the census information is all wrong and that there are thousand of vehicles in our community. She said not to make less parking but increase parking in other areas not residential.

Mayor Pilla noted that this alternate side of street parking regulation had no impact of less parking.

Trustee Terenzi said that he is in favor of this law as long as the neighbors are agreeable.

The Mayor said that the Manager and he had thought we could still maintain alternate side parking for part of the year November through March but the neighbors were against that proposal.

Mayor Pilla asked if anyone else from the audience would like to speak on this proposed law there was none. He asked if the Board had any further comments they did not. The Mayor asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

On motion of Trustee Branca, seconded by Trustee Kenner, the public hearing was closed.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

On motion of Trustee Brakewood, seconded by Trustee Kenner and approved, the following Local Law No. 9, 2011 was adopted:

ROLL CALL

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York as follows:

## A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 319 OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT CHESTER REGARDING ALTERNATE-SIDE PARKING

SECTION 1: Pursuant to Local Law, No. 12 of 2010, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester established regulations for alternate-side parking for certain streets in the Village of Port Chester. Intended as a pilot program, the Board desired that the matter be reviewed to ascertain it applicability throughout the Village. The Village has since received unfavorable comment from those affected by the regulations.

SECTION 2: The Board of Trustees hereby repeals Local Law No. 12 of 2010 and reverts to the provisions of the following subsections of Chapter 319, Sections 319-24, 319-75-A, 319-78 and 319-91 of the Code of the Village of Port Chester as they existed prior to Local Law No. 12 of 2010.

SECTION 3: This local law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT CHESTER, NEW YORK DENNIS PILLA, Mayor JOAN MANCUSO, Village Clerk

Adopted: July 5, 2011

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Mayor Pilla asked if anyone from the audience would like to speak on any of the items on the agenda at this time. He recognized Goldie Solomon.

Ms. Solomon spoke about the 4<sup>th</sup> of July ceremonies and commended Neri Bakery for their additional sponsorship to the firework display which was amazing. She said that taxis all need to be done here in the Village that the County of Westchester does not know anything about our community and should not have this licensing. Ms. Solomon said that taxes are killing us that we are still in a recession/depression and that properties are not being brought here in Port Chester because of the high taxes. She also spoke about ruts in the roads and the Board is here to represent the people of Port Chester that we are suffering with high

taxes but we need our health and safety services including police, fire, EMTs and public works so do not reduce those services.

The Mayor recognized the next speaker.

Anthony Gioffre, Esq. of Cuddy and Feder said that he is not here in the capacity of this firm but for the Port Chester-Rye Brook Bar Association. He spoke about the impact to Bar members, residents and developers on the lack of availability and response by the Building Department. Mr. Gioffre said that phone calls are not being returned that it is next to impossible to coordinate with the Building Department staff and that it is taking months to receive documents on Freedom of Information requests.

Trustee Terenzi spoke on his review of records within this department and noted that attorneys have been involved with this information so there are three sides to every story.

Mr. Gioffre said that as a matter of business this department should make calls in a reasonable amount of time within 24 hours and the matter of months for documentation is not acceptable. He said that lawyers are losing business because it is so difficult with the Village.

Mayor Pilla said that Christopher Steers, the Director of Code Enforcement was promoted to Assistant Village Manager to oversee building, zoning and planning. He said that it is the top priority to revamp these processes, enforce the codes and provide accurate and correct documentation. The Mayor asked Mr. Steers to speak on this topic.

Mr. Steers said that the Building Department is meeting with individuals from 9 to 1 every day and that phone calls are being returned within 48 hours. He spoke about questionable documents and the issues that he has been dealing with regarding records. There was further discussion amongst the Board, Mr. Steers and Mr. Gioffre on this subject.

Mayor Pilla recognized John Reavis.

Mr. Reavis spoke about two news articles and whether Federal dollars has been used by these departments. He said that residents are caught in the squeeze that they brought homes that had violations that they were not aware of and now they are paying the price. He said that the Board needs to work with Mr. Steers in order to work this out because this is a racial problem against the Hispanic majority of our community.

The Mayor noted when someone is interested in purchasing a home that they get an inspection because they can not go by what the owner says is the type of housing it is.

Trustee Terenzi noted that banks are very tough now regarding mortgages and the issue is the absentee landlords and them converting homes into multiple families.

Trustee Brakewood said that this is all about unsafe housing and that we have to follow the rules that it is not a matter of inconvenience.

The Mayor recognized Richard Kochonawitz.

Mr. Kochonawitz said that he is a resident on Quintard Drive and that this road needs to be repaved. He said that he agrees with Trustee Branca's comments at the last meeting that we are paying too much for outside counsel and that we should hire one or two assistant village attorneys. Mr. Kochonawitz suggested that the former United Hospital site should have a Loews, a Walmart and an Olive Garden. He concluded speaking about the Marina Parking Lot and meters for this lot.

Mayor Pilla recognized Joan DiBuono.

Ms. DiBuono said that in reference to Mr. Reavis' comments that she brought a multifamily dwelling and that the Building and Code Departments came after her. She noted that the Town/Village of Harrison has four staff attorneys that cost them \$246,000 per year but even though they have these staff attorneys they still also hire outside attorneys at a cost of over \$600,000. Ms. DiBuono said that she is not for the proposed position of Corporation Counsel because even with some Board members opinion that this person would reduce outside counsel costs in her opinion it would not. She spoke about overtime of staff who are secretaries to Village Boards and Commissions and that she thought this was stopped during Mayor Logan's term. Ms. DiBuono stated that she had requested the court trial listing which she never received and what she was told by the Justice Court and the State Attorney General Office regarding what information can be released regarding this information. She concluded that she left documentation with the Code Enforcement Department about houses that are located on her street, Summit Avenue that has violations.

The Mayor recognized Bea Conetta.

Mrs. Conettta said that she is against the Corporation Counsel position and stated that Trustee Terenzi made a good comment that money for the Corporation Counsel should go to Village Attorney for staff instead. She spoke about the Building Department records and that the Village needs outside experts to get these records correct and available stating that this department needs tremendous help along with the Village Attorney. Mrs. Conetta spoke about the history of Liberty Square and said that there should be a sign erected at the police booth for designation of Liberty Square.

Mayor Pilla recognized Ollie Mae Belle.

Ms. Belle spoke about the noise ordinance that will be discussed later in the agenda.

The Mayor recognized Richard Abel.

Mr. Abel suggested that our Building Department records be compared to the Town assessment records and questioned if our records go to the Town so the property can be properly assessed. There was a brief discussion on this topic between the Board, Mr. Steers and Mr. Abel. Mr. Abel asked if there is anything else for consideration for tonight's meeting that is not on the agenda. Mayor Pilla said no.

Mayor Pilla recognized Mr. Kochanowitz again.

Mr. Kochanowitz spoke about cars parking the wrong way on his street.

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Mayor Pilla said that he will take out of order the third resolution regarding the stop intersections on Quintard Drive.

Trustee Kenner made a motion for discussion on this resolution, Trustee Marino seconded the motion.

The Board briefly discussed the replacement of this stop sign from in front of 44 Quintard Drive to the corner of Quintard Drive and Renshaw Place.

Trustee Brakewood spoke about a resident on Quintard Drive whose driveway seems to become blocked due to the other stop sign located on Quintard and Field Place so that may need to recognized in the future.

Mayor Pilla requested that the Police Chief look at speed humps or other traffic reduction devices for consider on this roadway and others in the Village.

# VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC SCHEDULE AMENDMENT FOR QUINTARD DRIVE

On motion of TRUSTEE KENNER, seconded by TRUSTEE MARINO, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York:

RESOLVED, that Schedule VIII, Section 319-69 "Stop Intersections" of the Code of the Village of Port Chester is hereby amended as follows:

### Section 319-69, "Stop Intersections"

Stop Sign On Direction of Travel At Intersection Of

#### **DELETE**

Quintard Drive

East

Field Place

**ADD** 

Quintard Drive

East

Renshaw Place

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

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The Mayor presented the next resolution to set a public hearing to amend the Code, Chapter 295 "Taxicabs" to extend the current licenses for taxicabs and dispatch companies.

Trustee Kenner made a motion for discussion, Trustee Marino seconded the motion.

The Board discussed this proposed extension of these licenses and when the expiration date would be.

Mayor Pilla recommended that the expiration date be to the end of September with no incremental costs for the extension of these licenses.

Trustee Kenner made a motion to amend the resolution pursuant to the Mayor's recommendation, Trustee Marino seconded the motion.

Before a vote could be called there was further discussion on the extension date and the hearing date.

Trustee Marino made a motion to amend the resolution to extend the licenses to November 30, 2011 at a prorated fee, Trustee Kenner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

# SETTING PUBLIC HEARING CHAPTER 295 "TAXICABS"

On motion of TRUSTEE KENNER, seconded by TRUSTEE MARINO, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York:

RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held on July 18, 2011 at or about 7:00 p.m. at the Village Justice Courtroom, 350 North Main Street, Port Chester, New York 10573, to consider the advisability of adopting a local law amending the Code of the Village of Port Chester, Chapter 295 entitled "Taxicabs" extending the current licenses for taxicabs and current licenses of Dispatch Companies to November 30, 2011.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES GRANT AWARD

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On motion of TRUSTEE KENNER, seconded by TRUSTEE MARINO, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Chester, New York:

RESOLVED, that the Village hereby accepts a one-time grant in the amount of \$8,445.00 from the Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services through the New York State Community Services for the Elderly Program to defray the additional costs that the Village's Nutrition Program for the Elderly incurred from April 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in excess of our agreement with Westchester County.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

Mayor Pilla said that the next section of the agenda are discussion items and that he would take the proposed traffic and parking changes to Marvin Place at this time since our Village Engineer Dolph Rotfeld is here to speak on this matter. The Mayor noted that a downtown parking summit will be held in a week or so but we had asked Mr. Rotfeld to dust off some plans to make Marvin Place a one way from Highland Street to Willett Avenue which would allow for additional parking in this area.

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Mr. Rotfeld said that he worked with the Traffic Sergeant on this proposal which was initially proposed in 2003 with five versions. He said that the version that is being proposed would as the Mayor indicated make Marvin Place a one way from Highland Street to Willett Avenue noting that there is a traffic intersection at Willett and North Main Street and there is not at Highland and North Main Street so this proposal will allow for the easiest traffic flow and it will be the least cost because the only items required is the necessary striping and signage. Mr. Rotfeld said that with making this roadway a one-way street we will be able to

increase the parking spaces which are all now currently located on one side of this road from 46 spaces to 63 spaces with the additional spaces on the opposite side which will be parallel parking spaces. He said that along with the Traffic Sergeant they worked with the Acting General Foreman to determine the most optimal type of parking spaces and considered 90 degree, 45 degree and parallel parking configurations with the result being 90 degree parking on the east side and parallel on the west side which supplies a safe travel land and the most parking spaces which they tested. Mr. Rotfeld said that he has appeared before the Traffic Commission and that they had approved this proposal.

Trustee Brakewood asked why this was not done in 2003.

Mr. Rotfeld said that at that time there were several different versions which never went forward.

The Board discussed further the necessary process to enact this proposal and how to inform effected property owners and the community at large including signage at the location. Mr. Rotfeld noted that there are designated spaces in this lot for the owner of 110 Willett Avenue when the Village sold this property. The Board thanked Mr. Rotfeld for presenting this proposal and requested from staff that once it is determined how notice should be accomplished that it be brought back to the Board to set a hearing on the proposal.

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Mayor Pilla said that the next discussion item is a draft scope of work and time tables for the Comprehensive Plan from Mr. Steers.

Mr. Steers said that on June 20<sup>th</sup> staff met with the Board of Trustees regarding the status of the Comprehensive Plan and that discussion resulted in the Board of Trustees direction to move forward with the scoping of the studies required to update the draft comprehensive plan in order to produce the needed data and analysis to successfully complete a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) and concurrently develop and adopt the resulting zoning recommendations. He said that further staff was directed to conduct follow up discussions with Mr. Frank Fish, FAICP of BFJ Consulting and Mr. Vince Ferrandino, AICP of Ferrandino & Associates and have these two consultants collaborate and develop the requested scope due to their current involvement in related aspects of the required planning studies. Mr. Steers said that this scope was developed in consultation with staff, the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) and the Board of Trustees as well as the Village Planner and Engineer and again the studies as outlined in the scope of work will create the foundation for the final Comprehensive Plan, SEQR and the recommended zoning changes and their implementation.

The Mayor said that he does not want to delay this if smart development comes and the timelines associated with this process.

Trustee Kenner said that he is glad that the housing study is included in this scope of work.

There was further discussion between the Board, Mr. Russo and Mr. Steers regarding the proposed costs for these studies and how this would funded. It was indicated that funding could be made through the Village's Industrial Development Agency.

Trustee Brakewood inquired what would come after the process that is being proposed and would there be any additional spending.

Mr. Steers said that the proposal also includes the necessary zoning changes and Mr. Russo noted that will be an additional cost regarding the infrastructure work by the Village Engineer.

The Board concluded their discussion regarding the draft scope of work and time tables for the Comprehensive Plan.

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The Mayor said he would take out of order the final discussion item regarding the backfile scanning of Building Department records at this time. He said that last December the Village went live with a new electronic system called Municity for building, planning and code records and when the Village brought this system we considered that at a later date all of the old paper records would be scanned into this system. Mayor Pilla said that Mr. Russo has an updated proposal from General Code who supplies this system regarding scanning these documents.

Mr. Russo explained the proposal for this backfilling of records which would be three units, Code Enforcement records, Building Department records and planning records.

The Board discussed this proposal further with Mr. Russo and the Mayor asked if there are other providers that could supply this service. Mr. Russo explained that the proposal from General Code which is the provider of the Municity system which uses another electronic system that the Village has called LaserFische. Mr. Steers noted that other vendors could not provide indexing which is key. There was further discussion about records between the Village and the Town.

Trustee Brakewood inquired as to the process of the scanning of our records. Mr. Russo explained the process and there was further discussion regarding this process which would offsite the records for this process. It was also requested what other communities have used this system and the compatibility with LaserFische. The Board also discussed the use of the money from the Kingsport closing for this process.

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Mayor Pilla said that the next discussion item is the Noise Law regarding leaf blowers which was requested by Trustee Kenner.

Trustee Kenner said that he has received complaints lately regarding leaf blowers and that he has conferred with the Village Attorney and the Police Chief regarding our Noise Law on this issue. He asked the Police Chief to comment if the police has dealt with complaints on this topic.

Police Chief Joseph Krzeminski said that he does not recall ever getting a complaint regarding leaf blowers. He said that this is enforced by the Police Department and that residents should be aware that before 8:00 a.m. and after 8:00 p.m. on weekdays and before 10:00 a.m. and after 7:00 p.m. on weekends that it is a violation to use this type of equipment.

Trustee Kenner thanked the Police Chief and said that he wanted this on for a discussion so the public is aware that we have a noise ordinance and that this type of

equipment is regulated by it so if anyone has a complaint of this use after hours that they should contact the Police Department.

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The Mayor said that the next section of the agenda is reports with the first being a growth management action plan from Mr. Steers. He said that Mr. Steers has asked that this be deferred at this time.

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Mayor Pilla said that the final report is from the Village Treasurer Leonie Douglas which is the revenue/expense comparison reports.

Trustee Kenner thanked Ms. Douglas for these reports which are quite detailed and asked if she could in the future provide the Board with an overview.

Trustee Terenzi gave an overview of what has been provided and stated that the Village is in good shape.

There was further discussion on the information provided and the Board thanked Ms. Douglas for this report but requested more of a summary next time it is provided.

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The Mayor presented correspondence from the Caring & Loving Foundation requesting permission to hang banners on Putnam Avenue, Westchester Avenue and North Main Street for two weeks to promote their multi-cultural festival to be held on July 31, 2011 in Lyon Park.

Mayor Pilla presented correspondence from Open Door Family Medical Center requesting to close Purdy Avenue between Grace Church Street and Don Bosco Place from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Port Chester Community Health Fair on August 6, 2011.

The Board referred the correspondence from Open Door Family Medical Center to staff.

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The Mayor presented the Board of Trustees minutes of April 20, 2011 and June 20, 2011.

Trustee Kenner made a motion to accept these minutes, Trustee Marino seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

Mayor Pilla asked if there was anyone from the audience who would like to address the Board at this time. He recognized the first speaker.

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Mr. Mario Karas of Quintard Drive spoke about the stop signs on Quintard Drive and thanked Trustees Brakewood and Kenner for coming to speak to him and his neighbors on

this issue. He said that he has an issue with the placement of the stop sign further up Quintard due to the proximity of his driveway and spoke further on this issue. Mr. Karas also spoke about storm drains and suggested the installation of metal plates so animals and garbage do not get into the storm drains.

The Mayor recognized Bea Conetta.

Mrs. Conetta said that she is amazed that this meeting is running so smoothly stating that it maybe because it is not election time and the Board is working together which she hopes will continue.

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Mayor Pilla asked if any of the Board members have any comments.

Trustee Brakewood spoke further about residential areas in the Village with increased traffic during certain periods of the year including Parkway Drive adjacent to Lyon Park and Quintard Drive during the school year. He asked if staff could investigate other means of reducing speed including temporary speed bumps instead of permanent fixtures.

Trustee Brakewood said that at the last meeting he had mentioned the fee in lieu of payment regarding two developments, the Castle and the Mariner. He said that he had asked for clarification from the Village Attorney regarding this payment in reference to Affordable Housing. Mr. Cerreto explained the process for the Castle regarding this topic. Trustee Brakewood asked if it was the same process for the Mariner project. Mr. Cerreto said that it was not the same process for that project. Trustee Brakewood said that there should be a Board discussion on this topic or that the Affordable Housing Subcommittee should meet on this topic. There was further discussion on the subject with the Board. Trustee Brakewood requested a discussion item be placed on the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board agenda regarding Affordable Housing Fee In Lieu Of Payments.

Trustee Brakewood said that he supports Mr. Steers on his work in the Code and Building Departments. He spoke about the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and what a wonderful event it was. Trustee Brakewood congratulated former Mayor Logan and Mrs. Logan along with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee for the ceremonies and the fireworks display. He said that the Villages of Port Chester and Rye Brook and the Town of Rye also contribute to this wonderful event along with the School District for the use of the High School Field and facilities, the two Village's Police Department and our Fire and Public Works Departments.

Trustee Terenzi asked the Village Manager if he has an update regarding an amnesty program for vehicle and traffic tickets. Mr. Russo said that he will give an update at the next Board meeting. Trustee Terenzi spoke about the Building Department and that additional staff is needed for this department. He asked the Mayor to get a summit with G&S on some issues including the marina parking lot, the corner property that they want to develop and the bulkhead. Mayor Pilla said that we are setting up a meeting with G&S and our staff including the Village's Industrial Development Agency attorney, Justin Miller on these items. Trustee Terenzi said that even if staff meets with G&S he also wants to meet directly with G&S.

Trustee Branca complimented Mr. Steers on his work so far but that he needs helps with these departments so the Board needs to support the Code and Building Departments on what they need. He said that he is glad that we got the stop sign situation straighten out on

Quintard Drive and that stop signs must be at an intersection of roads not just place in the roadway in front of someone house. Trustee Branca said that when he was Mayor he was told that you can not use speed bumps on public roads so does not know if Trustee Brakewood recommendation for temporary speed bumps is possible.

Trustee Marino also thanked the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee and the wonderful fireworks display yesterday. He said that he was disturbed that members of the Planning Commission took offense when he questioned the placement of planters on Alto Avenue which is an emergency access route to the Fox Island Affordable Housing development. Trustee Marino said that he brought up this issue because there were complaints on this matter and there does not appear to be any approval in the Building Department on this.

Trustee Kenner said that he supports a summit with G&S especially on the residential impact of the property at the corner of Westchester Avenue, North Main Street and Abendroth Avenue. He said that the Board received a proposed art design for the train bridge from SUNY Purchase and does not understand why they would put forward a design with chickens so requested that this be placed on the August meeting agenda.

Mayor Pilla said that the Board has been together for one year now and that we have accomplished a lot in this time period noting there has been a variety of opinions and discussions. He acknowledged the entire Board and the professional staff. The Mayor challenged everyone to do better noting that the Board sets the tone which should include respect and that we need to pick our battles and have consensus on the big projects. Mayor Pilla concluded that the Board will hold a work session on July 20<sup>th</sup> to discussion outsourcing and user fees. He asked if there were any other comments there were none so asked for a motion to the close the meeting.

On motion of Trustee Kenner, seconded by Trustee Marino, there being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** 

AYES:

Trustees Brakewood, Terenzi, Branca, Marino, Kenner and Mayor Pilla

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustee Didden

Respectfully submitted,

By: Joan Mancuso

Village Clerk

For: Mayor Dennis Pilla