

TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town Hall

12/29/89

12:00 Noon

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Carey, Kunis, Maloney and Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

Supervisor declared Town Board meeting open.
Assemblage saluted the Flag.

RESOLUTION NO. (1149-1989) ACCEPTING MINUTES OF TOWN
BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER
12, 1989

Co. Smith offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Board Meeting of
December 12, 1989 are hereby accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk.

Seconded by Co. Maloney

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....Yes
Councilman Kunis.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1150-1989) AUTHORIZING REFUND OF MONEY
INADVERTENTLY COLLECTED AT
LANDFILL TO MICHAEL A.
FEVOLA

Co. Carey offered the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of \$113.00, collected
inadvertently at the landfill, be refunded to Mr. Michael A. Fevola.

Seconded by Co. Smith

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....Yes
Councilman Kunis.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1151-1989) SETTING PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS - TRANSFER STATION

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on August 8, 1989, the Town of Clarkstown
commenced the Request for Proposals procedures as set forth in
General Municipal Law Sec. 120-w, in order to obtain proposals for
the design, construction and operation of a transfer station for the
existing landfill site and for the transportation of solid waste to
an approved disposal landfill, and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposals were received at the
Office of the Clarkstown Department of Environmental Control on the
24th day of November, 1989, and

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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Clarkstown has analyzed said proposals and has concluded that the proposal made by Clarkstown Recycling Center, Inc. which provides for a cost for the first year of \$81.00 per ton, should be accepted by the Town of Clarkstown, and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Clarkstown Recycling Center, Inc. does not provide for the lowest net cost, and

WHEREAS, Section 120-w(4) of the General Municipal Law requires that a public hearing be held in the event that an award is made to any proposer whose total proposal does not provide the lowest net cost;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 120-w of the General Municipal Law, the Town of Clarkstown will hold a public hearing, at the Auditorium of the Town Hall of the Town of Clarkstown, at 10 Maple Avenue, New City, Rockland County, New York, in the Town of Clarkstown, on the 16th day of January, 1990, at 8:00 P.M. relative to the factors evaluated and the reasons for the award to Clarkstown Recycling Center, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare notice of this public hearing and that the Town Clerk cause the same to be published in the official newspaper of the Town and file proof thereof in the Office of the Town clerk, as required by law.

Seconded by Co. Smith

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....	No
Councilman Kunis.....	No
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

Councilman Carey said his choice would have been Waste Management, a nationwide company. He noted that he has seen the work they have done in the State of Pennsylvania. He thinks they would have been a much better choice than what we are considering today and for that reason he votes no against the resolution.

Councilman Kunis said he was also voting no against the resolution. He said one proposal came in with a minimum of 60,000 tons of garbage. Based on the fact that we have not signed up Orangetown to any kind of a contract and we have no minimum or maximum he finds it hard to go with this resolution and so he votes no.

Councilman Maloney said he was voting yes because this is a local carrier and this is someone we can stay on top of. Also, he said it happens to be the lowest price of the four who are in the finals and that is another reason why he is voting for Clarkstown Recycling Center.

Councilwoman Smith said she was also voting yes based on the fact that he is a local man and also the lowest price submitted of the four finalists.

Supervisor Holbrook said although this was not necessarily his first choice it is important for the Town of Clarkstown to move forward with this endeavor to show good faith to the State Department of Environmental Conservation. The firm that

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is being chosen here, as the other firms, is certainly capable of doing the job and therefore he votes yes.

RESOLUTION NO. (1152-1989)

AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF TRIAL APPRAISALS CONCERNING PRENTICE HALL

Co. Smith offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Prentice Hall has commenced Tax Certiorati proceedings against the Town of Clarksotwn for the years 1985, 1987, 1988 and 1989, and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to obtain trail appraisals in connection with the defense of such proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that Karl Kirchner be and hereby is appointed to prepare trial appraisals on behalf of the Town of Clarkstown at a fee not to exceed \$7,500.00.

Seconded by Co. Maloney

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1153-1989)

AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF TRIAL APPRAISALS CONCERNING PERGAMENT DISTRIBUTORS, INC.

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pergament Distributors, Inc. has commenced Tax Certiorari proceedings against the Town of Clarkstown for the years 1985, 1987, and 1988, and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to obtain trail appraisals in connection with the defense of such proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that Karl Kirchner be and hereby is appointed to prepare trial appraisals on behalf of the Town of Clarkstown at a fee not to exceed \$3,750.00.

Seconded by Co. Smith

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1154-1989)

AUTHORIZING REDUCTION IN
AMOUNT OF PERFORMANCE
AGREEMENT - DLR
ENTERPRISES, INC. (KIAFFAS
SUBDIVISION)

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a Performance Agreement, together with a Letter of Credit in the sum of \$93,000.00 was furnished to the Town of Clarkstown by DLR Enterprises, Inc. to secure the completion of the public improvements and other facilities as shown on the final plat of KIAFFAS SUBDIVISION, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Environmental Control of the Town of Clarkstown has recommended that the amount of the Performance Agreement and security be reduced from \$93,000.00 to \$15,000.00 as much of the work has been completed to Town specifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the above referred Performance Agreement may be amended and the security posted in the form of a Letter of Credit may be reduced to \$15,000.00, subject to receipt by the Town Attorney of an amended Letter of Credit in a form satisfactory to the Town Attorney.

Seconded by Co. Carey

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....Yes
Councilman Kunis.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1155-1989)

AUTHORIZING TOWN ATTORNEY
TO DEFEND PROCEEDING
AGAINST TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
(THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE)

Co. Smith offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a proceeding has been instituted against the Town of Clarkstown entitled as follows:

THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE,

Petitioner,

For a Judgment Pursuant to Article 78
of the Civil Practice Law and Rules

-against-

CHARLES HOLBROOK, WILLIAM CAREY,
STEVEN KUNIS, JOHN MALONEY and
ANN MARIE SMITH, together constitut-
ing the TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF
CLARKSTOWN,,

Respondents.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

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RESOLUTION NO. (1155-1989) Continued

RESOLVED, that the Town Attorney is hereby authorized to take all necessary steps to defend said proceeding.

Seconded by Co. Carey

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

Councilman Maloney said he would vote to defend this even though he felt we were wrong in the first place.

RESOLUTION NO. (1156-1989)

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF
PERFORMANCE BOND (JOY ACRES
NORTH)

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Department of Environmental Control of the Town of Clarkstown, a Performance Bond in the form of a Letter of Credit in the sum of \$120,000.00 furnished in connection with a subdivision known as JOY ACRES NORTH, is hereby released as sufficient escrows are being held by the Town,

Seconded by Co. Smith

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1157-1989)

APPOINTING TO POSITION OF
(PROVISIONAL) DATA ENTRY
OPERATOR I - DATA
PROCESSING (GABRIEL GOLDMAN)

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Gabriel Goldman, 40 I Heritage Drive, New City, New York, is hereby appointed to the position of (provisional) Data Entry Operator I - Data Processing - at the current 1989 annual salary of \$16,013.00, effective January 4, 1990.

Seconded by Co. Kunis

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1158-1989)

REASSIGNING FROM CENTRAL
COMMUNICATIONS TO POSITION
OF TELEPHONE OPERATOR
TYPIST - SAFETY OFFICE
(ARLEEN JANIS)

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Arleen Janis, 23 Bridle Road, Spring Valley, New York, is hereby reassigned from Central Communications to the position of Telephone Operator Typist in the Safety Office - effective and retroactive to December 18, 1989.

Seconded by Co. Kunis

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....Yes
Councilman Kunis.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1159-1989)

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO
EXTEND AGREEMENT WITH
ROBERT GENESLAW CO. FOR
PLANNING SERVICES - CHARGE
TO ACCOUNT NO. B 8020-409

Co. Smith offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to extend an agreement for a term of one month with Robert Geneslaw Co., to provide planning consultant services to the Town of Clarkstown, for the period from January 1, 1990 to January 31, 1990, pursuant to the same terms and conditions contained in the contract with RPPW, Inc., which was executed on June 4, 1986, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriation for the period of one month shall be \$7,429.00, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amount referred to above shall be charged to Account No. B-8020-409

Seconded by Co. Carey

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Carey.....Yes
Councilman Kunis.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (1160-1989)

RECOGNIZING APPOINTMENT BY
POLICE COMMISSION OF
MEMBERS OF THE CIVILIAN
COMPLAINT BOARD (WEINER,
MORSCH, ALPERT, STEINBERG,
EPSTEIN AND FREEMAN)

Co. Maloney offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby recognizes the appointment by the Police Commission to the Civilian Complaint Board

RESOLUTION NO. (1160-1989) Continued

for a term of two years beginning on January 1, 1990 the following:

Mr. Ronald M. Weiner
71 Rolling Ridge Road
New City, New York

Mr. Otto Morsch
28 Rockwood Terrace
New City, New York

Dr. Louis Alpert
419 Maple Avenue
Upper Nyack, New York

Mr. Fred Steinberg
Woodland Road
New City, New York

James J. Freeman, Jr.
587 Svahn Drive
Valley Cottage, New York

Mr. Joel Epstein
99 Bardonia Road
Bardonia, New York

Seconded by Co. Carey

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Carey.....Yes
- Councilman Kunis.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilwoman Smith and unanimously adopted, the Public Hearing re: Designation of Historical Site - 42 Demarest Mill Road, Nanuet, New York, was opened, time: 12:25 P.M.

On motion of Councilman Carey, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted, the Public Hearing re: Designation of Historical Site - 42 Demarest Mill Road, Nanuet, New York, was closed, RESOLUTION ADOPTED, time: 12:31 P.M.

RESOLUTION NO. (1161-1989)

DESIGNATING AN HISTORICAL
SITE (BARDON FARM) - MAP
33, BLOCK B, LOT 20.5/02

Co. Carey offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the house located at 42 Demarest Mill Road, Nanuet, New York, more particularly described on the Tax Map of the Town of Clarkstown as Map 33, Block B, Lot 20.5/02, be designated as an Historical Site pursuant to Chapter 12-3(C) of the Code of the Town of Clarkstown, and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly published and posted as required by law and said public hearing was duly held at the time and place specified in said notice;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the aforementioned house located at 42 Demarest Mill Road, Nanuet, New York, be and the same hereby is designated as an historical site, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said historical site be so indicated on the Official Map of the Town of Clarkstown.

Seconded by Co. Maloney

On roll call the vote was as follows:

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Councilman Carey.....Yes
 Councilman Kunis.....Yes
 Councilman Maloney.....Yes
 Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
 Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

Supervisor Holbrook stated that on behalf of the Town Board there were a few presentations that he would like to make. He said there were also people in the audience who would like to speak on behalf of some of our retiring officials.

Supervisor, speaking of Michael Higgins, said he is a man who has served the Town of Clarkstown for the past eleven years as a Police Commissioner which is not a very easy job but one that is important to the Town because the Police Commissioners are the bosses of the Police Department. They run the department. This man is a business man in the Town of Clarkstown - a long standing one - a man of great integrity - a man who has done his utmost to improve our department and we are going to miss him. You have to remember that Police Commissioners serve without compensation and it is a tremendous responsibility for someone to give up that amount of time in a job that is so vitally important. The Police Department, from a budgetary point of view, is the largest in the Town of Clarkstown. It is not an insignificant job. It is not an honorary job and is a very important one. He said before he makes his presentation he would like to ask the Police Commissioners to add their comments to his.

Councilman John Maloney said everything that the Supervisor has said is true. He said he did not think that Mike Higgins ever missed a meeting. He has been there, been concerned and has taken his job very seriously. We tried to talk him out of retiring but he has put in eleven years and he would like to take it easy for awhile. We can certainly appreciate that but he will be missed and he said he wanted to thank him for all that he has meant to the Commission. He said he has enjoyed the eleven years of working with him.

Councilman Carey said he was only around for six of those eleven years but in those six years he learned to appreciate Mike Higgin's integrity, his hard work, his timeless efforts in behalf of the Police Commission, the Police themselves, and the Town of Clarkstown. He added his best wishes and wished him a long and healthy retirement from the Police Commission.

Councilwoman Smith thanked Mike Higgins for his eleven years of service. She said he has always demonstrated a high level of performance in a very low key.. She said he was an admirable man and she thanked him.

Councilman Kunis said he has known Mike Higgins over the past two years and would like to take this opportunity to wish him the best of health in retirement and he wanted to thank him on behalf of the Town of Clarkstown. In Yiddish there is a saying - mensch - you are certainly a mensch and it has been a pleasure to be associated with you.

Supervisor called upon Michael Higgins to come up and receive a plaque as a token of the Board's esteem for his service to the Town.

Michael Higgins thanked the Board and their predecessors for granting him the privilege of serving the Town of Clarkstown for these past eleven years.

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Supervisor said another public official who has served the Town with distinction for many years is Anthony D'Antoni, our Highway Superintendent for the past two years. Mr. D'Antoni is a former councilman of the Town of Councilman and Receiver of Taxes. Unfortunately, a very serious operation which he had in the past month precludes him from attending this meeting today. He said Tony put all his efforts into attempting to improve the Highway Department and provide the best service possible to the people of Clarkstown. He said he and Mr. D'Antoni worked very closely together. He noted that sometimes it happens that two people will place the blame on the other fellow but early on we had an agreement whereby we said we would not get into that type of a game and we would work together to try to serve the constituents. It worked out very well. He said he would miss him and he would like to present the plaque to Mr. Vincent Reda on behalf of Mr. D'Antoni. He said the plaque reads: "To Anthony D'Antoni, Clarkstown Superintendent of Highways - 1988-1989 - in appreciation for your dedicated service to our Town." He asked Mr. Reda to extend the best wishes of the Town Board to Mr. D'Antoni.

Mr. Reda said he certainly would and he would like to thank the members of the Town Board on behalf of Anthony D'Antoni.

Supervisor said the final presentation this afternoon is to our retiring Councilman William Carey, a person who will be sorely missed by the Town of Clarkstown and personally by himself. In a very emotional moment the Supervisor extended his thanks to Councilman Carey.

Councilman Maloney read the plaque which states: "To William J. Carey for outstanding service to our Town as Councilman 1982 to 1989. Gratefully, the Clarkstown Town Board."

Councilman Carey read the following statement:

"Having been a man of few words during my eight years in office, I will not deviate from that custom today.

The honor of being elected to serve as councilman in the Town of Clarkstown was the high point of my political life. I am proud to have been chosen to be among the relatively few who, in the history of the Town, have had this privilege.

I would like to believe that while serving in this capacity, I have, to the best of my ability, always attempted to vote in what I held to be the Town's best interest and never once in eight years did I vote for my own interests.

During my final days in office, the Journal News saw fit to mention that they believed that I had acted always in the Town's interest and with an informed conscience. I think that is the highest compliment that could be paid to any person who has held a public trust.

The present and the future needs of the Town and its citizens have guided my votes. It would be tedious to go through a catalogue of the votes I am proudest of but I want to mention a few. Like many of you, I moved from the city because Clarkstown offered my family a better life. To preserve the beauty and natural resources of the Town I voted for R-80 and R-160 zoning, for the purchase of park lands and for the restoration of Heaton's Pond. I am proud of these votes.

I particularly appreciate the privilege of having served as Police Commissioner for six years.

One of the highlights of my term in office was the appointment of the first woman to serve on the Town Board in the

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history of the Town and she is here with us this morning, Catherine Nowicki.

Of course the impact of what any Councilman can do is limited unless he can garner a majority vote. There were many times that I voted for less than what I perceived as the ideal, but I had to accept what I judged to be the best alternative or compromise at the time.

My biggest concern in leaving office is the impact that the new Mall will have on the Town. I sincerely hope that my fears will never be realized.

In my earliest political days, Supervisor Holbrook and I were committeemen in the same district. As we moved through the years, he in the Democratic Party and I in the Republican Party, I developed a deep admiration and respect for his integrity and idealism. Serving together on this Town Board, we developed a friendship and affection that I treasure more than I am able to say. I want to thank Charlie publicly for that gift and to leave him my best wishes in the years ahead.

Also, I thank all of you who believed in me. Because of the strong support group I have always had along with effective grass roots support, I was able to run two winning campaigns that probably set records for minimal spending.

Above all, during my eight year tenure in office, my wife Marie has been my mainstay. Her love, acceptance and unselfish devotion during the bad times and good made it possible for me to give the town the full measure of myself. I thank you Marie. She is here this morning too. Marie Carey.

Now I leave this office!

For the rest of my life, I will look back and say truly that I did the best I was capable of.

Being a pragmatist, I know that the very moment I leave the waters will close over my head. However, I also know that in retrospect I can say I did my utmost to be responsible to the people, to keep the special interests at bay and to protect my sacred trust.

To that I would just like to thank all the department heads and the people in the Town who give their dedicated service every day of the year. To the Police Department, which is second to none in Rockland County and to some of the people that I have been associated with over the years - the Sheridans, the Nowickis, the Parises and the Krashaars, all wonderful, marvelous public servants and certainly to the Republican Party for having given me the nomination twice. Thank you and good bye."

John Maloney said he has served eight years on the Board with Bill and also for six years as a member of the Police Commission. He said he could say honestly that you will not find a more dedicated, a more loyal public servant. He took his job seriously. He was concerned about this Town. He was concerned about the people in this Town and that's how he voted. He and I may have disagreed on a number of issues - not that many - but I always respected his vote and the reasons he cast his vote. There was never any rancor on his part after the vote was cast. We could talk to each other - remain friends and he said he hoped they could continue to remain friends. This is one of the most difficult things about serving on a Town Board. Come December other years people either retire or are voted out of office but this man is going out as a champion. He's not going out because he was

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defeated. He said he was sure that if Bill Carey wanted to continue running he would be here going on for ten, twenty, thirty, or forty years but he chose to retire. Councilman Maloney said he wanted to add his good wishes to Marie and thank her for allowing us to have Bill with us on these evenings. There were times when we used to go to 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning. But I can tell you, he was with us. He wasn't anywhere else. Councilman Maloney said Mr. Carey talked about maybe the waters closing over his head. He said he did not think that will ever happen because as long as this Town exists and as long as this Town Board exists we'll always remember Bill Carey and what he stood for and what a model he has been. Maybe we can get someone like Moses to keep that Red Sea apart so that it will never close on your head. God bless you, Bill.

Councilwoman Smith said the residents of Clarkstown are truly appreciative of the sincere job that you have done and she wished him and his family many, many happy years. It has been said that many people who retire to Florida end up active down there so if we hear that you were elected to something, good luck.

Councilman Kunis said he has served with Bill for two years. We didn't always agree. We didn't always disagree. But I think there was a mutual respect. He wished him and Marie the best of health and happiness in retirement. He said he envisioned him getting on a Condominium Board in Florida and putting an MF-6 in Boca - Good luck and health.

Councilman-elect Ralph Mandia thanked Bill Carey for some of the help and advice that he had given him in the last several months as we prepared for the transition. He said for someone just entering public service for the first time it is his absolute goal to exit whenever that time comes with his head held high and being proud of the integrity and good will and faith this community has had in you for these years. The Republican Party and all your friends are very proud of you. God bless you and Marie. Enjoy many years of good health and happiness in Florida.

Mr. Paul Adler, Democratic Chairman, said on behalf of the Clarkstown Democratic Party, they want to thank him for his years of service to the people of the Town of Clarkstown. Each November, everybody becomes partisan but after that we have to work together for the people of the Town of Clarktown and you have done that and put yourself forward. On behalf of the entire party and the majority of the Town Board thank you.

Dr. Louis Alpert said two words apply to Bill Carey - independence and integrity. As the only Republican on the Town Board you have shown that the two party system does work and it is absolutely essential to have that system and you are the good example of that system. Thanks a million.

Attorney Don Tracy said as long as you have been sitting on the Town Board I have been bringing matters before you and when you said before you were a man of few words I said yes and when you got to my projects it was usually no. However, he said beneath that air of grave concern and stern visage is a man with a wonderful sense of humor and a warm interest in the community. Bill, now that you are not a public official you're certainly invited to come fishing with me in Florida. Best of luck, health and happiness to you and your family.

Mike Higgins said he just wanted Bill to know that he (Mike) was a richer and better informed person having worked with you over the past several years. Good luck to you and Marie and good health to both of you.

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Tax Assessor Nick Longo said Bill, you followed me into that position and believe me I know how hard you worked at it and now in your retirement, I, as the Conservative Party Chairman, wish you well and we know that you have done the best you could in this position and we love you for it.

Assemblyman Joseph Holland said he did not know that Mike Higgins was retiring but he would like to present him at a later date with a distinguished service award from the Assembly of the State of New York. He congratulated Mike on the work he has done and he would see him around, etc.

Joe Holland said Bill, we've been friends for many, many years. You've always been honest. You've always been a friend. You've always been helpful not only to me but to the community, the Republican Party and this Board. He said he wished him great health, lots of happiness in your retirement and thank you for all the help you've given me. He presented Bill with a distinguished service award from the Assembly. He wished him good health and good luck.

Mr. Vincent Reda, Chairman of the Clarkstown Republican Party said he also did not know about Mike Higgins and would have an award for him at a future date.

Mr. Reda said he has probably presented Bill with three or four plaques over the years but everybody has used the words of integrity and dignity and honor that you have brought to this post on behalf of the Republican Party and certainly the citizens of Clarkstown. He said in trying to think of the many things he could say he could think of only two words - Bill, you are a "class act." He thanked him.

Former Councilman Edward Lettre said since his departure from this Board he does not make it to many meetings but he felt it was appropriate today and he felt it essential to wish you and Marie good luck. He said it was a pleasure to serve with you for six years. As some of your other Board members said, I guess we didn't always agree on everything but the one thing that I always knew and your fellow Board members always knew and the public always knew is where Bill Carey stood. If he said yes, it meant yes and if he said no, it meant no. He said he knew that all of his decisions were made with deep thought and were never made off the cuff. He said Clarkstown is a better place for having had him for eight years and he thanked him.

Supervisor Holbrook said there were now presentations to be made by our Litter Control Board. Mrs. Audrey Paley, Chairman of that Board said in the beginning our planet was planned as a garden called Eden and there was no litter anywhere. Then God created man and woman to tend the garden in exchange for a place to live where they wouldn't have to shop for food since there were no supermarkets - or wear clothes, since there was no Bloomingdales. One day Adam in his haste to taste the apple and hide the evidence, did not properly dispose of the core and thus became the world's first litterer. The master plan for the creation did not include litter so God told Adam and Eve to go forth and multiply. But, because He forgot to add "Do Not Litter" our earth is an Eden no longer. It is instead threatened, endangered, polluted and littered. The latter problem eventually led to the creation of the Litter Control Bureau by the Town of Clarkstown.

We are seven volunteers who provide a link between the public and the government in addressing litter related issues. Her fellow bureau members are: Lucille Bifano, Eileen Cincimino, Patricia Dusza, Harvey Heilbroun, Rebecca Krashaar, Charles Ulrich and associate members Helen Paskowsky and Eleanor Wilson. She said in their six years they have honored individuals and groups who have aided in combatting litter in Clarkstown. This year they wished to

honor the following. She asked if a representative from these organizations is present she would appreciate it if they would come up, accept the award and say a few words if they would like to:

Cropsey Farm and Garden Center,
New City, New York
James E. Cropsey, Owner

Cropsey's is a beautifully maintained business facility which has been a good neighbor in our community for many years. It is a pleasure to see and a pleasure to shop there. We hope this exemplary property will inspire others. Jim is also being honored for his active role in the annual Chamber of Commerce New City business areas clean-up.

New City Chamber of Commerce,
Patricia Halo, President

The Chamber has been honored twice previously. This year it held the fourth annual clean-up of business areas in New City which under its direction was broadened to include other Rockland chambers and thus become Our Fair County Day. We hope the Chamber will continue to encourage business property maintenance on a year round basis.

Dunkin Donuts
East Route 59
West Nyack, New York
Milton Koslit, owner/manager

For almost two years Mr. Koslit has provided us with an oasis in cleanliness along the usually litter strewn Route 59 pathway to the Clarkstown Landfill. Whether you drive by or stop in you will find it well maintained and litter free.

Normandy Village
Nanuet, New York

The village is a model, residential complex with attractive well maintained grounds and clean out of site garbage disposal areas. Management and the residents obviously cooperate to make this a desirable place to live and a credit to our community.

Rockland Board of Realtors

Through its help in publicizing Clarkstown's posting law, trees and utility poles are no longer festooned with open house signs and directional arrows. Many realtors now employ free standing tripod signs which they remove after the event. We hope the Board will continue to remind members not to post in the right of way and to remove signs promptly. Marion Wikener of the Rockland Board of Realtors is here to accept the award.

The Rockland Review

In recognition of the decision to mail the paper to residents rather than to continue to toss it on our driveways, our streets are no longer filled with copies that did not hit the mark or are washed away by rain. Tom Petravado is here to receive the award.

Mrs. Paley said her Board would also like to wish Councilman Carey a happy retirement. He helped us in our first years to get our feet wet and to get organized and for that we thank him.

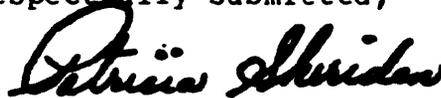
Supervisor said in regard to retirements, our long standing Building Inspector Jerry Colucci will be retiring as of January 1st. We've had a retirement dinner for him but certainly we

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would be remiss if we did not mention the 30 years of service that he has provided the Town of Clarkstown and we wish Jerry well in his retirement.

Councilman William Carey adjourned the meeting with a gavel which had been presented to him as a parting gift, time: 12:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA SHERIDAN,
Town Clerk



TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
PUBLIC HEARING

Town Hall

12/29/89

12:25 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Carey, Kunis, Maloney and Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

RE: DESIGNATION OF HISTORICAL SITE - 42 DEMAREST MILL ROAD,
NANUET, NEW YORK (MAP 33, BLOCK B, LOT 20.5/02

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilwoman Smith and unanimously adopted, the Public Hearing was declared open. Town Clerk read notice calling Public Hearing and testified as to proper posting and publication.

Supervisor said this location is adjacent to our Highway Department and was the Bardon Farm.

Appearance: Miss Eleanor Fitch, Chairman
Historical Review Board

Miss Fitch said she was very happy that this location is being sited by the Board. It is a lovely farm house and one of the few wooden houses that have survived and been preserved and well thought of as a part of our history. She said we aren't saving as many of these as we wish we might but the owner of this property is here and she called upon her to speak for herself and the dear little house that many of us know as the house that is decorated for every season adding a great deal to the beauty of Clarkstown.

Appearance: Ms. Margaret Brown

Ms. Brown, a direct descendant of the Bardons, is living in the house that her great grandfather built when he came over to this country in the 1850's. She said she was very pleased to have it sited as an historical site. She said her grandparents and her great grandparents would also be very pleased to have this done. She said she, herself, as a resident and someone who was born in Nanuet and has lived in Clarkstown all her life, is very pleased to have this designated an historical site.

Supervisor asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak. There was no one.

Supervisor said personally he thinks the work the Historical Review Board does is very important. We have sited many homes over the years and in most instances, had it not been for the efforts of the Historical Review Board, these homes would have been demolished. Many of the sandstone and frame houses in Clarkstown were done away with in the '50s and '60s but not as many in the '70s and '80s and that is a direct reflection of the workings of that Board and also the cooperation of people who live in these historical homes and their sensitivity in regard to seeking out the Town and having them sited and protected. It is indeed a great pleasure for us to endorse this.

Councilman Carey said it would be his pleasure to offer this resolution as he is from Bardonia. Councilman Maloney said he passes this residence at least six time a day and he is always delighted at the change of seasons.

On motion of Councilman Carey, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted the public hearing was closed, RESOLUTION ADOPTED, time: 12:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Sheridan
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Town Clerk